

## SECTION XXVI

Charlotte Helen Elliott (XXV - 9), a daughter of John H. Elliott and Elizabeth (Goodwin) Elliott, was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on September 3, 1852 (182, 188, 189), and died at Alvin, Texas, on March 19, 1938 (190, 191, 192). She is buried in Confederate Cemetery at Alvin, Texas (189).

Charlotte was always known as Lottie Helen Elliott; however in later years her granddaughter, Elliott Shelley Beck, when a very young child had difficulty in saying "grandma" and called her "Muddie." Thereafter, Charlotte was always called "Muddie" by her friends.

After the death of Charlotte's mother, her father felt that he was in no position to properly rear his young daughter. As a result Charlotte Helen Elliott went to live with her cousin, Cordelia Goodwin Abell in Cairo, Illinois. (See page 117). Charlotte's father, John H. Elliott, then returned to Butler County, Ohio. See SECTION XXV. It was in 1863 when Charlotte was eleven years old that she was sent from Indianapolis to Cairo to live with her cousin. She continued to live with her cousin, Cordelia Elizabeth (Goodwin) Abell, until her marriage in 1871.

Charlotte Helen Elliott was given an excellent home, both in Cairo and in Indianapolis, and received a good education in the public schools of those cities.

Charlotte Helen Elliott married Albert Hinman Hurd on November 15, 1871, at Cairo, Illinois, (193, 194, 188). The couple established residence at 411 10th Street in Cairo.

Albert Hinman Hurd was born in Columbus, Ohio, on December 23, 1847 (188, 195, 197), and died in Cairo on September 19, 1902, (195, 196, 197). He is buried in Beech Wood Cemetery, block 79, lot 15, in Cairo, Illinois (195). Beech Wood cemetery is across the street from Beech Grove Cemetery.

Albert Hinman Hurd was known as Captain Hurd as a result of being Captain of steamships on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. At the

time of his death he was Wharfmaster of the Mobile and Ohio R.R. at East Cairo, and was Captain of the Pierre Marquand, a large side wheeler that carried trains across the river from Cairo to Bird's Point, Missouri. There were three train tracks on the ship. The Pierre Marquand was destroyed during the winter of 1917-1918 by ice that came down the Ohio River.

One child, Nelle Tuttle Hurd, was born to Charlotte (Elliott) Hurd and Capt. Albert Hinman Hurd. Nelle Tuttle Hurd was born on August 29, 1872, at Cairo, Illinois, and died at Fort Worth, Texas, on July 24, 1951, and is buried at Alvin, Texas. She married John Pence Beck on June 17, 1902, at Cairo. See SECTION XXI. One child, a daughter, Elliott Shelley Beck, was born on November 25, 1903, to Nelle (Hurd) Beck and John Pence Beck at 2612 Elm Street in Cairo, Illinois. See SECTIONS XVI and XXI.

After the death of Capt. Albert Hinman Hurd on September 19, 1902, his wife, Charlotte Helen (Elliott) Hurd, moved into the home of her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. John Pence Beck, and lived with them until she died on March 19, 1938, at Alvin, Texas.

The following account of Capt. Albert Hinman Hurd appeared in The Evening Citizen at Cairo, Illinois, in the issue of September 20, 1902.

"A highly esteemed citizen is taken suddenly from life. The many friends of Capt. A.H. Hurd were shocked and grieved today to learn of his sudden death which occurred last night at 10:45 o'clock at his residence, 411 Tenth Street, after an illness of only three hours.

Capt. Hurd about a year ago had a severe spell of sickness, his physicians pronouncing it a disease of the heart and since then he and his family had been aware of his tendency to heart failure, although he had not been seriously attacked since that time. Last evening about 8 o'clock he complained of feeling faint and rapidly grew worse, experiencing great difficulty in breathing. Dr. W.J. Webb was called and restoratives, usual in such cases, were administered, but without avail, and he passed away peacefully.

"The decedent was born in Columbus, Ohio, in 1849 (Note: this should be 1847) and came to Cairo in 1863. He married Miss Lottie Elliott, his present wife, who with a daughter, Mrs. John P. Beck, survives him.

"Up to the time of his death he was employed as Wharfmaster for the Mobile & Ohio railroad at East Cairo.

"Capt. Hurd was a man devoted to his family and fond of his home. To his friends he was most genial and all who knew him will feel a personal grief at his death. Notice of funeral arrangements appear elsewhere in this issue."

#### FUNERAL NOTICE

"Died --- Friday, Sept. 19, Capt. Albert Hurd, aged 54 years. Funeral service will be held at the residence, 411 Tenth Street, Monday afternoon at 1:45 o'clock. Special train will leave foot of Eighth Street for Beach Grove cemetery at 2:50 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited."

In addition to the Hurd family Bible there is a small Bible, about 3 by 5 inches in size, that is now in the author's possession that has the following inscription:

"Albert H. Hurd, presented by his affectionate  
Mother on his 12th birthday, Central City,  
December 23, 1859, Read and Meditate."

Central City, where the family was then living, was a small suburb of Centralia in Marion County, Illinois.

## SECTION XXVII

### THE HURD FAMILY and ALLIED LINES

This Section is a continuation of Hurd family data in SECTION XXVI.

Sarah Tuttle was born in Cheffield, Massachusetts, in 1789 (198, 199), and died in Centralia, Illinois, in 1864, and is buried in Centralia (199). Sarah Tuttle married George White who died before 1850 (198, 199).

Two children are known to have been born to Sarah and George White, namely, Francis S. White and Mary T. White. (200, 201).

Francis S. White married a Mr. Hotchkiss. Francis died on March 21, 1857, in Cairo, Illinois (200).

Mary T. White was born in 1807 in New York state, probably in Auburn, Cayuga County. Mary died on January 24, 1893, in Cairo, Illinois, and is buried in Centralia, Illinois (202). Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. C.T. Phillips of the Presbyterian Church at the home of her son, Capt. Albert Hinman Hurd, who was then living at 527 Tenth Street in Cairo. At the time of her death Mary's name was Mary T. Heath since she was then the widow of her third husband as will be made clear later.

Mary T. White was married three times. Her first marriage, about 1821, was to Lucius Dunning (179). Three children were born to that union in Auburn, New York, as follows: Dr. Charles W. Dunning, born in 1822; Francis Dunning who married Dr. Levi Herr and lived in Lexington, Kentucky; and Cordelia H. Dunning who was born on July 11, 1836, in Auburn, New York, and died on March 15, 1874, in Central City, Illinois (203). Cordelia came to Illinois in 1857 and she remained unmarried. Cordelia alternated between the home of her parents in Central City, Illinois, and her sister, Francis (Dunning) Herr, in Lexington, Kentucky.

Central City, referred to above, was a small suburb of Centralia, in Marion County, Illinois.

Mary White's second marriage was to Hinman Hurd. This second marriage occurred before 1843.

Hinman Hurd was born in Vermont in 1797 (198). In 1850 Hinman Hurd was living in Columbus, Ohio, with his wife, Mary, and their family (198). According to the 1850 census Hinman Hurd was a hotel keeper in Columbus. Living with Hinman and Mary Hurd at the hotel in 1850 were Mary's mother, Sarah T. White, and their three children: Cordelia H. Dunning, James A. Hurd and Albert H. Hurd (198).

Albert H. Hurd, whose full name was Albert Hinman Hurd, was born on December 23, 1847, in Columbus, Ohio (188), and died on September 19, 1902, at Cairo, Illinois (188, 195, 196, 197).

See SECTION XXVI for a continuation of the account of Albert Hinman Hurd.

After the death of Hinman Hurd his widow, Mary Hurd, married a third time. This third marriage was to George Heath (197). There were no children born to that third union.

Mary Heath as previously stated died on January 24, 1893, in Cairo, Illinois. Mary Heath, the former Mary Hurd and the mother of Albert Hinman Hurd, was a greatly beloved person, kind and considerate to all, and was widely known as "Grandma Heath."

An antique fish bowl and base that is now in the author's home was once the property of Mary Heath, and even then had been handed down in the family for generations. This unusual fish bowl and base was handed down to the author's wife, Elliott Beck Mount, by her mother. The fish bowl is now well over two hundred years old and is a cherished family heirloom. This now antique fish bowl was originally in the Tuttle family, the family of Mary's mother.