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Correspondence from Lenora Alexandria to Lida - January 18, 1910

Lenora Alexandria

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Jan 18, 1910

Fraziers Bottom, Putnam Co., W. Va.

My dear cousin Lida:

It may be a distant relationship but I think Peter Ruffner, who first came to this country, settled in Pennsylvania and married Mary Steinomam was your grandfather and mine. Then we are cousins. His wife's father was a wealthy German and owned considerable land in Shenandoah County which he gave to his son-in-law, Peter Ruffner, who moved onto that land.

The children of this Peter and Mary Ruffner were:
Joseph (my great grandfather)
Benjamin
Reuben
Peter
Emanuel
Elizabeth

I do not know who Elizabeth married, nor, in fact, who any of them married. Joseph came to Kanawha County in 1794. His Children were David, Joseph, Tobias, Eve. I think Eve married Nehemiah Wood and went to Ohio. Samuel, Daniel (my father's father) Abraham and Ester, unmarried. All were born in Shenandoah. I think the most of them came to Kanawha with their father, Joseph. Emanuel, from whom you descended, must have been brother of Joseph, my great grand father. My grandfather's brother, Joseph, a son of Joseph, went to Cincinnati to settle. My grandfather, Daniel Ruffner, moved to Ohio after a second marriage and lived on his farm in Fairfield County. In 1850, my father's older sister, Catherine married a cousin, David C. Ruffner. They lived in Fairfield County. I do not know his father's name. I think my first cousin, Annie M. Ruffner, a daughter of Joel, my father's brother, can give you more information than anyone with whom I am acquainted. Will give you her address. She is a maiden lady of 75.

I never heard of Waltham Ruffner. I am glad you wrote me. I have taken pleasure in writing to you. I intended writing to Stuart Ruffner. It would be about the same I have written to you. If you will let him see this. I am 73 and you will please excuse my writing. The Ruffners are mostly Presbyterians. I am a widow, the mother of seven children. If any of you get up a history of the Ruffner family, I would like to see it.

My cousin Anne's address is -

Miss A. M. Ruffner,
Charleston,
Kanawha County,
Kanawha St. West Virginia

If I can give you or Stuart any information, write to me
and I will have some of my young people write to you.

My son, unmarried, lives with me at the old home place where
my husband, William A. Alexander brought me a bride fifty
years ago.

With sincere feeling of pleasure,

Leonora C. Alexander,

Fraziers Bottom,

Putnam County,

West Virginia.

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