

Captain Jacob Jones Train 1852

52 total, 21 men/boys capable of driving a wagon, 6 women, 25 children, probably 19 wagons rather than the 49 sometimes stated

Jacob W. Jones

- b. 18 Oct 1794 Greene County, Pennsylvania
- d. 26 Dec 1866 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

Jane H. Gauge/Guge

- b. 29 Dec 1819 Kentucky
- d. 26 Nov 1891 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

1. John William Jones

- b. 08 Feb 1813 Morgan County, Ohio
- d. 07 Nov 1901 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

wife:

Louisa Ellen "Eliza" Imbler

- b. 1820 North Carolina
- d. 18 Oct 1888 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

Children:

i. Sarah Caroline (Jones) Lewis

- b. 08 Feb 1843 Boone County, Indiana
- d. 15 May 1888 Douglas County, Oregon

ii. Nancy Emeline (Jones) Lander

- b. 27 Aug 1845 Boone County, Indiana
- d. 01 Mar 1913 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

iii. Margaret Louisa (Jones) Dunham

- b. 12 Sep 1847 Boone County, Indiana
- d. 10 Apr 1891 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

iv. William Lemley Jones

- b. 21 Jan 1851 Boone County, Indiana
- d. 23 Dec 1852 Cascades, Oregon Territory

2. Isaac A. Jones

- b. 22 Oct 1816 Morgan County, Ohio
- d. 07 Dec 1893 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

Wife:

Anna S. Gouge

- b. 30 May 1820 Fayette County, Kentucky
- d. 12 Dec 1881 Douglas County, Oregon

Children:

i. **William Sampson Jones**

b. 06 Sep 1841 Indiana

d. 30 Jul 1926 Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon

m. Elizabeth LaVerbia Epperson

ii. **Abraham Jones**

b. 24 Oct 1842 Indiana

d. 26 Jul 1909 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

iii. **James Oliver Jones**

b. 29 Nov 1844 Indiana

d. Apr 1898 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

iv. **Nicholas D. Jones**

b. 23 Jul 1846 Indiana

d. 25 Mar 1932 Salem, Marion County, Oregon

v. **Nelson Duzan Jones**

b. 30 Apr 1849 Boone County, Indiana

d. 27 Aug 1935 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

vi. **Lydia Margaret (Jones) Criteser**

b. 19 Feb 1851 Boone County, Indiana

d. 20 Apr 1934 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

3. **Abraham Jones**

b. 14 Dec 1819 Morgan County, Ohio

d. 03 Dec 1898 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

Wife:

Elizabeth Davenport

b. 03 May 1831 Boone County, Indiana

d. 18 Dec 1894 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

d/o Jesse Abraham Davenport and Elizabeth Fentriss

Children:

i. **Sarah Jane (Jones) McCulloch**

b. 15 Sep 1849 Pike County, Indiana

d. 12 Jul 1935 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

ii. **Mary Jones**

b. 21 May 1851 Boone County, Indiana

d. 03 Dec 1927 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

4. **Lewis Jones**

b. 13 Feb 1823 Morgan County, Ohio

d. 14 Sep 1877 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

m. 17 Dec 1843 Boone County, Indiana
Cynthia Ann Stipp
b.
d.

5. **Samuel Jones**

b. 16 Jul 1825 Morgan County, Ohio
d. 07 Feb 1852 Oregon Trail

6. **Margaret Jane Jones**

b. 04 Mar 1827 Morgan County, Ohio
d. 12 Apr 1919 Albany, Linn County, Oregon

Husband:

Needham Imbler

b. 16 Jul 1821 Rowan County, North Carolina
d. 04 Mar 1897 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

Children:

i. **John Warren Imbler**

b. 26 Sep 1842 Boone County, Indiana
d. 18 Mar 1888 Whitman County, Washington

ii. **Sarah Ann Imbler**

b. 28 Jan 1844 Boone County, Indiana
d. 17 Apr 1914 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

iii. **Emily Jane Imbler**

b. 09 May 1850 Boone County, Indiana
d. 04 Jul 1858 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon

7. **Henry Nicholas Jones**

b. 27 Dec 1835 Boone County, Indiana
d. 26 Oct 1915 Whitman County, Washington
s/o Jacob Jones and Catherine Danes

8 **George Wallace Jones**

b. 26 Jun 1837 Boone County, Indiana
d. 11 May 1915 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon
s/o Jacob Jones and Catherine Danes

9. **Harvey Jones**

b. 18 Jan 1839 Boone County, Indiana
d. 05 Sep 1911 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon
s/o Jacob Jones and Catherine Danes

10. **Lydia Jones**

b. 26 Sep 1844 Boone County, Indiana

d. 28 Jun 1852 on Oregon Trail
d/o Jacob Jones and Anna Gauge

11.. **Mark Asbury Jones**

b. 03 Sep 1850 Boone County, Indiana
d. 28 Dec 1940 Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon
s/o Jacob Jones and Anna Gauge

George Shirts

b. 20 Jul 1810 Connecticut
d. 02 Jun 1859 Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon
s/o George Michael Shirts Jr and Mary Swift

Wife:

Sarah Brock

b. 10 Jan 1814 Cumberland County, Kentucky
d. 1891 Baker City, Baker County, Oregon
d/o Allen Brock Jr and Sarah Agnes Jackson

Children of first wife:

i. **Sarah J. (Shirts) Bowen**

b. 29 Nov 1830 Indiana
d. 30 Jan 1912 Marion County, Indiana

Children of second wife:

ii. **Rhoda Emeline (Shirts) Foss**

b. 03 Dec 1836 Boone County, Indiana
d. 03 Nov 1876 Oregon

iii. **Sarah J. (Shirts) Smith**

b. 1838 Boone County, Indiana
d. 12 Dec 1915 Baker City, Baker County, Indiana

iv. **Eliza Evaline (Shirts) Haskin**

b. 01 Jan 1840 Boone County, Indiana
d. 12 Dec 1915 Baker County, Oregon

v. **James A. Shirts**

b. 22 Nov 1842 Boone County, Indiana
d. 22 Mar 1920 Placer County, California

vi. **Mary Andeline (Shirts) Foss**

b. Jan 1846 Boone County, Indiana
d. 1920 Oregon

vii. **George W/N. Shirts**
b. 1848 Boone County, Indiana
d. aft 1900 Oregon

viii. **Hiram A. Shirts**
b. 1850 Indiana
d.

Jesse Davenport [single man]
b. 31 Aug 1832 Boone b. 31 Aug 1832 Indiana
d. 12 Feb 1905 Warren County, Illinois
s/o Jesse Abraham Davenport and Elizabeth Fentriss

Took out a DLC but his family remained in the east and he returned east where a son was born to him c1853. He was listed in the 1860 Warren County, Illinois Census

James Richardson [single man]
b. 1822 Illinois
d.

1860: Roseburg, Douglas County, Oregon, June 28, 1860 James Richardson, 28, IL [enumerated in hotel]

Mark Duzan [single man]
b. 17 Jul 1814 Washington County, Tennessee
d. 22 Jun 1852 on Oregon Trail
s/o William Duzan

“MARK A. DUZAN Was the son of William Duzan, an early settler of Clarkstown. He was born in Tennessee and come with the family to Indiana in 1834 when he was a lad of fifteen years of age. He worked on the farm, using his spare time in acquiring a good or rather a useful education. He was born about the year 1819 or 1820, for he was barely old enough to take his seat in the state senate in 1844 and 1845, to which he was elected to represent Boone and Hamilton counties. In 1846 he went in the army to Mexico, serving as private with credit. In 1850 he was elected a member of the Constitutional Convention, where he served to the satisfaction of the people. In 1852 he went, or rather started to Oregon, but he died on the plains and was buried there. Mark A. Duzan had one of the happiest make-ups of any man I ever was acquainted with. He could adapt himself to the senate chamber or drive oxen, run, hop, jump, or make a capital speech, as the case required. In person he was perfect; 5 feet 10 inches high, well formed, weighing 175 lbs., with fair complexion and auburn hair. He was elected to the above office as a Democrat. Mr. Duzan was never married. Though he sleeps in an unknown grave he will be

remembered by many citizens of Boone County.” [Early Life and Times of Boone County, Indiana, published May 1877, republished 1974]

HENRY CLAY FRENCH DIARY: 1852 Diary starts March 3, 1852 and ends abruptly May 18, 1852 [13 pages] 46 p In collection of Jolene Dodge, Escalante, Utah

March 15 Started out accompanied by James Duzan and Isaac N. Cotton

James H. Duzan [single man]

b. 1830 Tennessee

d. 25 Sep 1852 Columbia River, Oregon

s/o John Duzan and Catherine Cox

James Duzan died in Oregon in 1852 and was buried on the Columbia River. He was twenty-two years of age. This information was located in a biography about John Duzan, his father.

Isaac Newton Cotton [single man]

b. c1830 Indiana

d.

Mentioned in Henry C French diary; friend of Henry French; **I.N. Cotton was sick two or three days at St Jo but was able to start on the first of May**

Henry Clay French

b. 1831 Indiana

d.

1850: District 7, Boone County, Indiana, September 19, 1850; Micah French, 58, farmer, \$2000, VT; Azuba, 53, NY; Henry, 21, farmer, IN; Isaac, 19, IN; Riley, 9, IN; Elizabeth Brumfield, 13, IN; Mary French, 2, IN

March 16, arrived at Lebanon, Boone County, Indiana where they met four young men who had started the same day. They moved ahead and we joined them March 17

Marion Patterson

b. 1830 Indiana

d.

1850: District 7, Boone County, Indiana, September 25, 1850; Marion Patterson, 20, blacksmith, IN [enumerated in William H Laken household]

George Harden

b.

d.

George Harden married Mary Wageman in 1866 and continued to live in Hamilton County, Indiana

Samuel Harden

- b.
- d.

Samuel Harden married Eliza Swain in 1856 and resided in Anderson, Indiana. Samuel became a writer for a local newspaper and the following article appeared in a Lebanon, Indiana newspaper in May, 1887.

“Dedicated to the boys who crossed the Plains with me in 1852 By Samuel Harden
The following are the names of the company who left Eagle Village for California, March 15, 1852: Marion Patterson, James Duzan, George Harden, Henry French, James N. Lee, Isaac Cotton and Samuel Harden”

James N. Lee

- b. 1832 Indiana
- d.
- s/o William and Nancy Lee

1850: District 7, Boone County, Indiana, September 24, 1850; William Lee, 58, farmer, \$475, KY; Nancy, 48, VA; James, 18, farmer, IN; Mary E., 11, IN

March 23, Patterson and French drove until dark on very muddy road

March 28 this morning a company from the Neighborhood of Northfield, Indiana overtook us and we were acquainted with them we traveled together, they were a company of Jones

April 5 this morning there is about six inches of snow the weather disagreeable George Shirts and George Jones are with us Mark A Duzan also with the families of the former we parted with Hardin's boys as they had to go by Quincy for to meet Patterson we made 5 miles with George Shirts and found good quarters with an old gentleman by the name of White

April 23 arrived at St. Jo where we laid by until the first of May. Hardins boys joined us at St. Joseph

April 30 myself and James Lee walked five miles up river to another ferry...we had a pleasant walk. I.N. Cotton was sick two or three days at St Jo but was able to start on the first of May

**our provision consisted of
200 lbs flour | ½ bu., beans
d[itt]o hard bread | 5 do dried ^Apples^**

150 do, bacon ½ do peaches
100 do sugar 2 bu dried ^meal^
15 do coffee
15 do rice with a few bushels of corn for our team

May 4 we passed the grave of John Bobs[Bobo] of Dayton Ohio Deceased May 2nd and was buried in open prairie this brought many solemn reflections to our mind of the uncertainty of life this was the first new grave we had met since leaving the Missouri River

13th [May]

17 ms camped on littel blue grass scarce the wind blew hard

14th [May]

18 ms up the river camped om[sic] the river

15th [May]

21 ms up the river this was a blue night the guards say they Duzan & Cotton the wind blew Hardins boys tent down many jokes were cracked at the expence of that night the next morning I relieved the guard at

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daylight and milked the cow"s and made my breakfast on new milk and pilot bread then called all out but some come in a grunting mood but none of them was hungry

May 18th 1852

Started as usual about 6 ,, oclock A. M.

[Diary ends abruptly]

*[The following written by Howard Blaine Picht on the same page on which the diary ends.]
Henery French was my Grand Fathers I don't know why he did not finish this diary but they continued on to Cal, Stayed a few years and returned to the East by ship walking across the Isthmus of Panama as the canal was not dug yet. He later moved and settled in Iowa French #3930*

Transcribed by Richard L. Rieck, September, 2015 Henry Clay French, 1852

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[Henry Clay French] he served in the civel war as did 2 of his brothers and one nephu. He raised a family of 4 boys and 4 girls he moved to Mo.

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About 1892 with his wife and youngest son and daughter makeing the move with 2 teams and covered wagones they seteled about 10 miles north of Bolliver Mo a little town called Cliquo[t] was built on his farm. He died about 1900 and is buried near there.

[signed] Howard Picht

[The following is in the same hand and same ink.]

The young men reached Salem Oregon after traveling 6 months and 4 days Henery

French remained there 2 years working as a teamster then returned to the East years later while attending a national reunion of the G. A. R. at Indianapolis he met 3 of the men who had made the trip with him to Oregon in 1852.

[Note written by present owner of diary, Jolene Dodge.]