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It is well known that the Longs were at the defense of Londonderry. They closed the gates, December 1688, in the face of King James Army until August 1689. Henry Long was Mayor of Londonderry shortly after the siege. For political reasons the Longs were dispossessed of their property, the King giving same to his favorites, along with titles of nobility. As years passed the Longs became again prosperous. The agent of the absentees, who spent their time away in London, or on the continent, called to collect the rent. On Hospitable Thoughts Intent, a fine dinner was served, to which he was invited. At the close of the meal, the agent rose and said, "You seem to be prosperous in every way, you can afford silver on your table, so your rent will be increased." The reply was, "No, we will go to America."

Samuel, James and Andrew Long sailed for America and settled in Cumberland Valley, PA. Samuel, the forefather of Crawford Long, who was the discoverer of ether as an anesthetic, went to Georgia in 1788.

The first descendants of the Longs were John and Jennie Long who came from Ireland in 1726. They issued: John, Mary, James, Elizabeth, and David. John married Mary Taft June 27, 1749; Betsy born December 11, 1750; Anna born June 14, 1752; Matthew born May 8, 1756; Sarah born April 2, 1754; Robert born October 14, 1759; David born August 10, 1761; Aaron born September 18, 1760; Mary born August 6, 1765; Abner born September 28, 1767; Ruben born September 14, 1769.

David Long I stated the Longs came from Scotland. His parents, John and Jennie, and sons John and David. David married Martha Woodward, December 17, 1747. A copy of his will dated February 10, 1784, gives his children as David, Stephen, William, John, Martha, Jemima, Anna and Sarah and speaks of John as a minor.

A Nicholas Long served in the American Revolution in the Virginia Regiment; was Sergeant, November 1776; 2nd Lieutenant, November 1777 and retired September 30, 1778. Nicholas Long, known to be our ancestor, was married to Miss Crawford. They were the parents of Laton Long. Nancy Langfit was the mother of Rebecca Jane Gibson. Laton Long and Rebecca Jane Gibson were married December 4, 1844 in Virginia. They had 10 children; John, Louisa, Lewis, Laton and Rebecca Jane who were twins, Adam, Mary, James, Annie and Robert.

Adam and Anna





Adam



Ben, Adam, and Carl



Frank Clifford, Jane Smith, and John Clifford



John Long



Adam, Sara, and John Long

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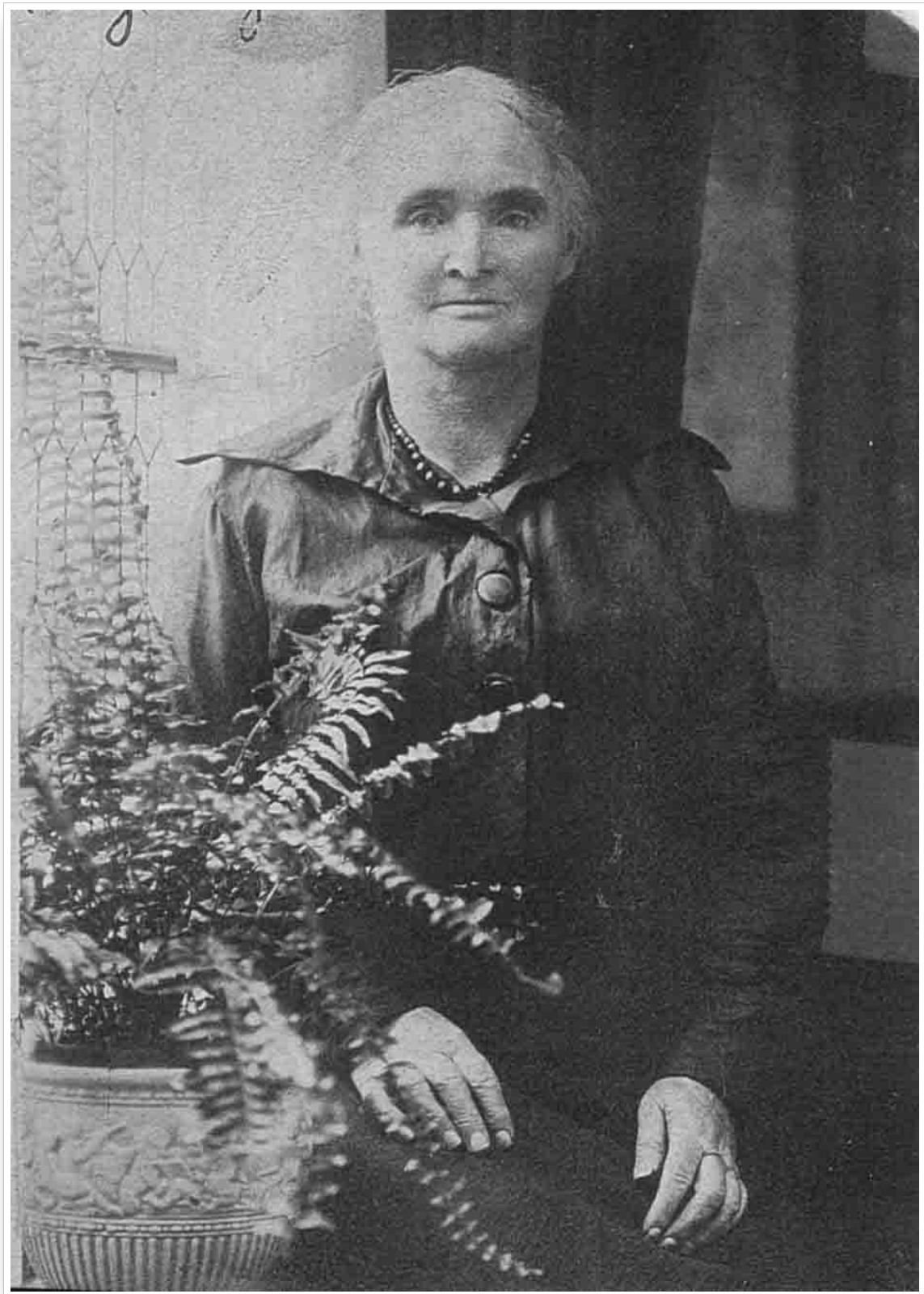


Jane Smith

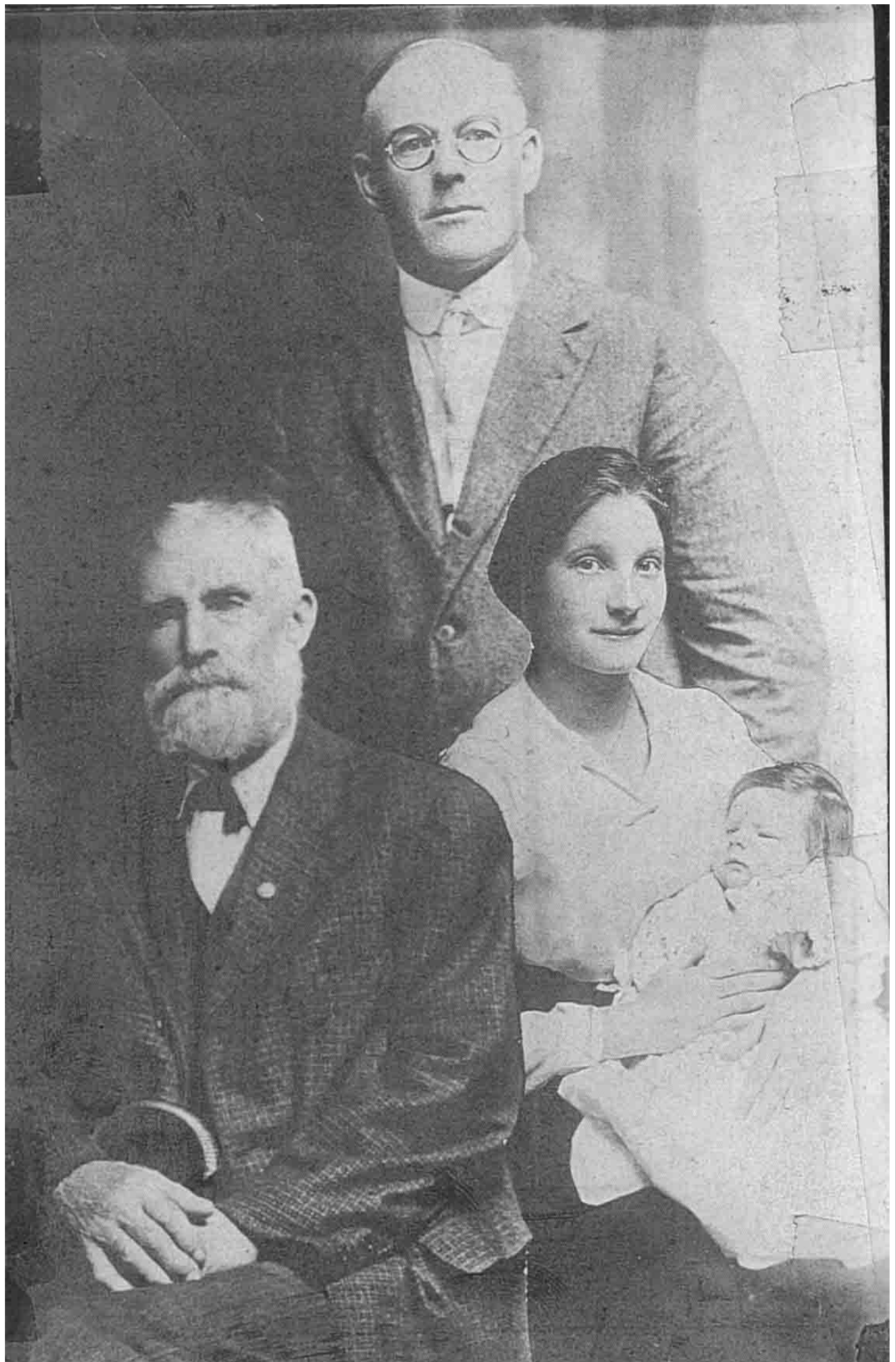


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