

## FAMILY FRAGMENTS

Thomas H. Marvel

{The following appeared on pages 472 and 473 of a history of Chester and Delaware Counties. The outline that follows has been developed to assist a person in organizing the material. This information does not fit in the Marvel History but where the problem lies is unknown.}

"Thomas H Marvel, an influential and esteemed residence of Avondale, Chester County, Pennsylvania, was born in New Garden township, December 10, 1833 a son of Peter P. and Mary Marvel, and grandson of Josiah Marvel who was a direct descendant of Andrew Marvel an eminent English patriot and writer, who was born at Kingston-upon-Hull, England, 1620 and died about 1678. Josiah Marvel was a respected citizen of Sussex County. He lived and died on the farm near Georgetown, Delaware, deeded to his ancestors by King George and upon which some of his descendants still reside, and where he reared the following named children; Raymond, Nutter, Peter P., Josiah, Thomas and Ann Marvel. The three first mentioned were the issue of his first marriage, and the latter three were born of his second marriage.

"Peter P. Marvel, father of Thomas H. Marvel, was born January 6, 1805, in Sussex county, Delaware. He obtained his education in the common schools of the locality, and upon attainting young manhood removed to New Garden township, Chester county, Pennsylvania, where he was actively identified with its various interests. He united in marriage to Mary Taylor, widow of William Taylor, by whom she had three children: Mordica, who married Rebecca Thompson; Deborah, who became the wife of Eli Thompson; and Rebecca, who died unmarried. Mary (Taylor) Marvel was the daughter of Mortica and Deborah Vernon, and four children were the issue of her marriage to Mr. Marvel: Josiah, born in 1831; Thomas H. mentioned hereinafter; William, born in 1836, married Rebecca Hoops of York county, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of two children, Howard and Mary Marvel; Rebecca, born in 1839, who became the wife of John Wilson, and one child has been the issue of this union: Mary Wilson now deceased. Peter P. Marvel died at the age of eighty-eight years.

"Thomas H. Marvel obtained his education in the district schools of New Garden township, and Colonel Hyatt's school, Wilmington, Delaware, and for many years thereafter was a prominent factor in all movements that tended toward the improvement and welfare of the community. Shortly after his marriage he located in Wilmington, Delaware, where he engaged in the manufacture of soap and tallow, and after about five years residence in that city he located again in New Garden township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, but still continued his business in Wilmington for a period of twenty years. About 1873 he purchased a farm in Franklin township, formerly the property of Robert Lysle, where he conducted extensive farming and dairying operations, dealt in stock, and conducted a flourishing creamery. About the year 1884 he opened up extensive kaolin {a fine clay used in ceramics and refractories} on his father's farm in New Garden township. After a short period of time this was organized into a stock company incorporated under the name of The Graham Kaolin Company, the product of the mines being of a superior quality. Subsequently Mr. Marvel assumed full control of the plant, and is now conducting the same with his sons, Fred, Percy A. and P. Herman Marvel. They also own and operate a large brick plant in connection with the Kaolin mines, where they manufacture silica and firebrick. In 1898 he removed to Avondale, where he has since resided.

"In 1862 Mr. Marvel married Hanah Amelia Lysle, a daughter of Robert and Eliza Lysle. There children were: 1. Frederic B., born July 19, 1863; 2. Jeannette, born May 17, 1866, became the wife of William Dantz, and they are the parents of two children: Thomas Marvel and Theodore Roosevelt Dantz; 3. Carrie C., born February 23, 1868, died September 4, 1869; 4. Robert Lysle, born March 14, 1870, died March

29, 1891; 5. Percy A., born May 28, 1872, married Eva Matchet, daughter of William Matchet, of Philadelphia, and they are the parents of one child, Percy Marvel, Jr; 6. Harry Vernon, born July 3, 1875, graduate of the Medical-Chi University of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and is now engaged in the active practice of his profession in that city. He married Annie Howell, a granddaughter of Zopher Howell, who became celebrated through his invention of wall paper, and are the parents of the following named children: Darius, who died in infancy, Henry Vernon and Mary, the latter also deceased; 7. P. Herman, born December 23, 1877, married Martha V. Howell, also a granddaughter of Zopher Howell; 8. Thomas Lawrence, born February 18, 1880, died March 18, 1889. The family are members of the New London Presbyterian church, in which Mr. Marvel serves in the capacity of elder."

- 1 Josiah Marvel
  - 1.1 Raymond Marvel
  - 1.2 Nutter Marvel
  - 1.3 Peter P. Marvel + Mary Taylor
    - 1.3.1 Josiah Marvel b. 1831
    - 1.3.2 Thomas H. Marvel b. 1833 + Hanah Amelia Lysle
      - 1.3.2.1 Frederic B. Marvel b. 19JUL1863
      - 1.3.2.2 Jeannette Marvel b. 17MAY1866 + William Dantz
        - 1.3.2.2.1 Thomas Marvel Dantz
        - 1.3.2.2.2 Theodore Roosevelt Dantz
      - 1.3.2.3 Carrie C. Marvel b. 23FEB1868 d. 04SEP1869
      - 1.3.2.4 Robert Lysle Marvel b. 14MAR1870 d. 29MAR1891
      - 1.3.2.5 Percy A. Marvel b. 28MAY1872 + Eva Matchet
        - 1.3.2.5.1 Percy Marvel, Jr.
      - 1.3.2.6 Harry Vernon Marvel b. 03JUL1875 + Annie Howell
        - 1.3.2.6.1 Darius Marvel died in infancy
        - 1.3.2.6.2 Henry Vernon Marvel
        - 1.3.2.6.3 Mary Marvel
      - 1.3.2.7 P. Herman Marvel b. 23DEC1877 + Martha V. Howell
      - 1.3.2.8 Thomas Lawrence Marvel b. 18FEB1880 d. 18MAR1889
    - 1.3.3 William Marvel b. 1836 + Rebecca Hoops
      - 1.3.3.1 Howard Marvel
      - 1.3.3.2 Mary Marvel
    - 1.3.4 Rebecca Marvel b. 1839 + John Wilson
      - 1.3.4.1 Mary Wilson
  - 1.4 Josiah Marvel
  - 1.5 Thomas Marvel
  - 1.6 Ann Marvel

## William and Dorothy (Marvelle) Boyer

{This letter was sent to Mildred (Marvel) Burwell [61334-(10)32] in 1964. The Boyers resided at 8462 54th Street North/ Pinellas Park, Florida. A notation on the letter indicates that in 1984 they resided at 8415 122nd Street North/ Seminole, FL 33542 and daughter Kim resided at the previous address.}

Dear Mrs. Burwell,

I am very much interested in learning more about the Marvel Association. The first time I knew there was such an association was when I received this months Genealogical Helper. My connection with the Marvel Family is through those of Southeastern Massachusetts. Are these Marvels connected with your group? I have been working on Marvels and Marbles for the past fifteen years, and if you are interested in my branch, I would be glad to send you a copy of what I have collected, Perhaps you will be able to help me with some of my problems, too. Briefly my line is from:

Thomas Marvel, born September 15, 1709, married Ruth Kempton of Boston, daughter of Stephen and Ruth (Ingledew) Kempton, on September 15, 1730. Ruth born June 9, 1707. Thomas died January 3, 1787 and Ruth died May 9, 1789. Children: Thomas, Jr., Sarah, Stephen, Elizabeth, John, Charles, Mary, Ruth and Benjamin.

Benjamin Marvel, born May 26, 1749 at Swansea, Massachusetts. Married Huldah Hunt Walker on August 21, 1768 at Swansea, born May or June 1748 and died Feb. 16, 1840 aged 91 years 9 months. Children: Betsey, Barnett, Joseph, James, Samuel, another daughter and others.

James Marvell, twin, born August or September 1785 at Somerset, Mass., died April 11, 1861 in Fairhaven, Mass. Married first Abigail Jenney of Fairhaven born Jan. 1794 died Aug. 31 1822. Children: Ocean, Bradford, William, Lettie, Sarah and Bethany. Married second to Rhoda Jenny born May 6, 1797, died April 16, 1842, daughter of David and Mary (Ewer) (Jenney) Jenney. Children: Nancy, Jenney, Abbey, Mary Ewer, Eliza W., Harriet S., Betsey, Amanda and James Hiram. Married third to Eliza Neil on April 15, 1843, no issue.

James Hiram Marvell, born July 27, 1841 at Fairhaven, married Hannah Jenney Paull of South Middleboro on October 16, 1862. Daughter of Luther and Mary Ewer (Jenney) Paull. Born October 5, 1845, died 1933, James died May 10, 1908 at Wareham. Children: Walter W., Hattie L. and James Everett.

James Everett Marvelle born March 24, 1872 at Middleboro, died August 21, 1951 at Wareham. He married three times. His first wife Abbie Warren Hathaway, the mother of the children, on December 18, 1890. She was daughter of Solomon Warren Hathaway and Abbie Bent, born September 9, 1866 and died November 24, 1904. Children: Elsie Ellsworth, Everett Warren, Ward Bent, Clyde Summer, Paul Lebaron and Curtis Allen

Curtis Allen Marvelle, born October 27, 1902 at Wareham, died February 21, 1959 at St. Petersburg, Florida. He married Evalyn Gertrude Bishop on December 1. 1923. She was a daughter of John Thor and Evalyn May (Pierce) Bishop. born December 26, 1903.

Dorothy Marvell, born November 17, 1924 at Onset Mass. Married July 3, 1954 at Warwick, Rhode Island to William Marshall Boyer, born July 15, 1928, son of Louis William and Ann (Morris) Boyer. Child: Kim, born February 20, 1956 at St. Petersburg, Florida.