Wayne County, Indiana Stock Marks: 1823-1835

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"You have to look everywhere," I was told many years ago in my early days as a genealogical researcher. An example of what might be found by "looking everywhere" appears in the last two pages of Item 1 of Family History Library US/CAN Film 1846347, Wayne County, Indiana Circuit Court Records 1814-1827, which contain the following list of Stock Marks. Such records can provide evidence of an ancestor's location at a particular as well as add color to a family history.

John KENWOODs Stock mark, a half cropp off the under side of each Ear [no date]

Tristram COGGSHALLs Stock mark, half crop off the underside of the right Ear Recorded 25th Sept 1823.

Benjamin ELLIOTTs Stock mark, a croppe and half crop off the left ear and Smooth Crop off the right recorded 16th Nov 1825

Haddock GRISWELLs Mark, a hole in each ear recorded 14th November 1825

David JAMES Stock Mark a small crop off each ear and an underbit out of the right ear Recorded April 27th 1830

Elias OGANs Stock mark, a crop off the right ear and a swallow fork in the left. Recorded 31st August 1832. Sam HANNAH Clk

Daniel WENTWORTHS Stock mark, a crop off the right ear and a swallow fork in the left Recorded 23rd March 1833 Sam HANNAH Clk

Michael HELMs Stock mark, a Swallow fork in the right ear and an upper out of the left ear. Recorded 23rd March 1833. Sam HANNAH Clk.

Joseph SKINNER Stock mark, a Swallow fork in each ear. Recorded 6th May A.D. 1833. Sam HANNAH Clk.

Henry DUTEROW Stock mark, a crop off the right ear and two slits in the same ear. Recorded May 6th 1833. Sam HANNAH Clk.

John M. ADDLEMAN's Stock mark, a crop off the left ear and a swallow fork in the right. Recorded May 6th 1833. Sam HANNAH Clk.

Orrin MARTIN Stock mark a swallow fork in each ear and an upper bit and an under bit in the right ear. Recorded May 9th 1833. Sam HANNAH Clk.

Samuel SPALOR's Stock mark, a crop and slit in the right ear, and a half crop in the under side of the left ear. Recorded October 22nd 1833. Sam HANNAH Clk.

John WOODKIRKs Stock mark, a crop off the left ear and two slits in the same. Recorded February 3rd 1834. Sam HANNAH Clk.

Thornton BURROUGHS Stock mark a crop and slit in the right ear, and a crop off the left ear. recorded March 8th 1834. Sam HANNAH Clk.

Daniel CROW Stock mark, a crop and Slit in the right ear. Recorded August 2nd 1834. Sam HANNAH C. Clk.

Absalom HOOVER Stock Mark a crop off the right ear and a Slit in the left. Recorded 11th March A.D. 1835. Sam HANNAH C. Clk.

Joseph PERSONELL Stock mark a smooth crop off each ear and a hole in the right ear. Recorded 16th April A.D. 1835. Sam HANNAH C. Clk.

Valentine PEGG Green Township Stock mark a

swallow fork in the right ear and a crop and under bit in the left. Recorded 5th August 1835. Sam HANNAH Clk.

Samuel NICHOLSON of Franklin Township Stock mark a crop and split in the right ear. Recorded 19th December A.D. 1835. Sam HANNAH Clk.

John NICHOLSON of Franklin Township Stock mark a crop off the right and a slit in the left. Recorded 19th December A.D. 1835. Sam HANNAH

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