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THE PENNINGTON LINE

First of the Pennington family in England was Januel de Peninton, an officer in the army of the Duke of Normandy (William the Conqueror), 1066. He changed his name to the modern spelling.

An early Pennington gave an English king shelter from his enemies and probably saved his life. In return the king made him Baron Muncaster, and presented him with a drinking cup, since for centuries called "The Luck of Muncaster", because the king gave assurance that as long as that cup remained unbroken, Lord Muncaster should never lack a male heir to hold his title. The cup is still unbroken, and a male heir still holds the title.

1. Robert Pennington, born 1550, Isaac Pennington was his son. Robert was a London merchant.

2. Isaac Pennington, born 1587. Married Abigail Allen, 1611. Held many public offices, sheriff of London, member of Parliament, Lord mayor of London, knighted by the House of Commons, member of Council of State and of Commissioners of Weight Court that condemned Charles I to death, but he did not sign the warrant for his execution. But when Charles II came to the throne, though he had promised amnesty the enemies of his father were executed. One story is that Sir Isaac had died in the meantime, but his bones were dug up and hung. Another is that he was thrown into the Towers prison, and there is no record of what happened there but his body was returned to his family in 1661. Children of Sir Isaac and Lady Abigail, Isaac, Arthur, Judith and Paul.

3. Isaac Pennington, born 1616. Married Mary Pronde Springett, daughter of Sir John Pronde and widow of William Springett. Isaac was famous Quaker of the first generation, an associate of George Fox and William Penn and other early worthies of those days, a prolific writer, and one who suffered much for his faith in imprisonment, loss of property, etc. Children of Isaac and Mary, John, William, Mary, Edward and Isaac.

4. William Pennington, born 1667. Married Elizabeth Hawe, 1685. Moved to America 1718. Children of William and Elizabeth, Elizabeth, Hannah, Paul, Daniel, Mary, Thomas and Margaret.

5. Daniel Pennington, Sr., born 1694. Died 1776. In 1724 married Elizabeth Michener. Their children, William, Hannah, John, Daniel, Jr. Elizabeth, Sarah, Margaret, Mary, Paul and Martha.

6. Daniel Pennington, Jr., born 1730, died in 1810. Married 1760 Martha Ball. Their children, Israel, Amos, Elizabeth, Plain, Paul, Sarah, Mary, Josiah and Levi.

7. Josiah Pennington, born 1780, died 1850. Married Deborah Talbot. Children, Levi Talbot, Mary, Susannah, John P., Eliza (other records, Elizabeth).

8. Levi Talbot Pennington, born 1812. Married 1835 Emma Parker. Children ~~Emma~~ Anne and Josiah. Children of second marriage, John, Isaac and Mary.

9. Josiah Pennington, born 1842, died 1928. Married Mary Furnas Cook, 1962. Children, Emma, Ainslie, Inez, Juliet, Willis, Levi Talbot, Parker O., Isaac, Lorena and Hannah.