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HETHERINGTON, WILLIAM

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William Hetherington was born in Saint Lawrence, Canada, on July 17, 1850. He was the son of Mr. Albin Hetherington, a native of England. A few years later his parents came to the United States and settled in Hastings, Minnesota, where William grew to manhood.

As a young man William Hetherington came to Saint Peter, Minnesota where he learned the machinst's trade. In 1875 Mr. Hetherington came to Saint Cloud, and worked for the Stevenson Foundry. After a few years in their employ he was made foreman of their plant. Three years later he left their employ to work for Mr. Rosenberger in the Saint Cloud Iron works, where he worked for many years.

On May 20, 1878 he was married to Katie Henigan in Saint Cloud. Katie was the daughter of Mr. Will Henigan who came to this country from Belfast Ireland. Katie Henigan was born in 1852 in Belfast Ireland.

To William and Katie (Henigan) Hetherington were born six children. Five are living and one is dead. Renee, who lives in Saint Cloud and who is a painter by trade was born on May 28, 1880 in Saint Cloud. Arthur was born on June 12, 1881, he died several years ago. Burl was born on December 10, 1893, he makes his home in Saint Cloud and is a barber by trade. Harry, was born in 1897 and is now working for the Veteran's Administration Vacility Hospital # 101 in Saint Cloud. Doris, was born on August 9, 1889, she is now married to Mr. Gustave Hanson of Minneapolis.

Mr. William Hetherington died in the fall of 1929 at the age of seventy-seven years. Mrs. Katie (Henigan) Hetherington died a year later in 1930, they both died in Minneapolis at the home of their daughter Mrs. Gustave Hanson. Mrs. Hetherington was seventy-eight years of age at her death. Rene Hetherington says, "My father used to tell me about the Indians and how fierce they were. He told me of a massacure in Canada

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of an entire village of whites by the Iroquois Indians and how William's father and another man were the only two to escape, all the others had been killed. He could also recall the covered wagon days and used to tell me of these 'high wagons,' which they were called at that time. He was within a couple of miles of Northfield, Minnesota when the James and Younger, a gang of outlaws, looted the bank there."

Interviewed: Renee Hetherington
Ninth Avenue North
Date: May 28, 1936
By: Walter Jernberg

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FROM THE RECORDS IN THE STEARNS COUNTY COURT HOUSE

FOR THE WILLIAM HETHERINGTON BIOGRAPHY

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>
1. Renne Hetherington	Apr. 16, 1880	St. Cloud	William Hetherington	
2. Baby "	Dec. 15, 1881	" "	" "	
3. Baby "	Apr. 31, 1887	" "	" "	

<u>Mother's Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Line</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Kate Henigan		A	417	22	
2. " "		A	467	7	
3. " "		B	93	35	

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William H. Hetherington and Kate Henigan

License granted to marry on May 20, 1878

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Second interview to affirm or correct information in biography as compared to information as listed in the legal records in the Stearns County Court House.

CORRECTION.

Birth of Renne May 28, 1880, is correct as stated in the legal records.

CORRECTION:

Birth of Arthur December 15, 1881, is correct as stated in the legal record.

CORRECTION:

Spelling of name, Renne, is correct as stated in the legal records.

ADDITION:

Child born April 31, 1887, died as a unnamed infant.

Reinterviewed: Renne Hetherington
Date: January 5, 1937
By: Walter Jernberg