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THE DE CAMP HOMESTEAD, ERECTED 1828, On site of Log-house of 1812. iPhotographed April 31, 1896.)

Record of the Descendants

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Ezekiel and Mary Baker De Camp,

OF

BUTLER COUNTY, OHIO.

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EDITED BV JAMES M. DECAMP, (SON OF JAMES DE CAMP.)



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1896.

"A good roof maketh the branches to flourish, by virtue of the lively say that if sendeth up, and flourishing branches win praise to the roof for the pleasant fruit which they bring forth."-CLEVER.

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GO HUNT MARY DE GAMP WILKINSON,

the fifteenth child

of the seventeen born to Ezekiel and Mary Baker De Camp, and who is the last remaining member of the band of brothers and

sisters known as

"THE DECAMP FAMILY,"

and who is living in quiet widowhood at the age of seventy-eight

on her farm near the old homestead

in Reily Township, Butler County, Ohio,

and who exemplifies

in her rugged character the blended virtues of self-reliance

and simple faith which

characterized her revered parents,

Chis Book is

AFFECTIONATELY INSCRIBED.

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PREFACE.

F we honor the filial practice of the Romans in placing sculptured images of their fathers in their new habitations, it will not be thought unworthy to set forth in this fashion the images and virtues of our ancestors.

We wish, modestly, to make a permanent record of our grandparents, Ezekiel and Mary Baker De Camp, and of their seventeen children—twelve sons and five daughters sixteen of whom lived to become heads of families, all actively identified with the Church, and noted for the reliableness of their word and work, for self-reliance, industry, frugality, and an energetic force of character beyond the ordinary.

These characteristics made them successful farmers, builders, and business men, who spent their whole lives in Butler and Hamilton Counties, Ohio. Nine of the brothers resided in Cincinnati, where for sixty years—from 1831 to 1891—diminishing by death through the decades—they impressed themselves on the religious and business community as enterprising Christian citizens.

The De Camps were loyal to their families and to each other, aided one another in business, and shared their joys and sorrows in sympathizing fellowship. May their example be a constant inspiration to right living in their descend-

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ants—over seven hundred of whom have been born since the union in 1799 of Grandfather and Grandmother De Camp! • We also give a complete record of the descendants. We are indebted to our brother David for much of the genealogy prepared by him some years ago. It is a work of love, but of labor also; and some errors in dates are quite possible.

CINCINNATI, June 1, 1896.

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