Sources for this history are filed in the Wells Family Resource File. These records were compiled by Richard Soash, 6827 Redbud Drive, Manhattan, KS 66503 (Phone (316) 215-5118) in 2011. I would be glad to correspond with anyone on this line.

John Linch (1A2B5/W/-FATHER/) was born 11 May 1810 in Co., OH.
He was the son of Phillip and Catherine (Jenkins) Linch. He married 1) Elizabeth Thompson
(born 12 May 1812 in Co., , daughter of and
() Thompson) on 2 Nov 1833. Elizabeth died 11 Aug 1843 in Co., He
married 2) Nancy Charlotte Pierce (1A2B5/W/-MOTHER/, born 01 Jan 1819 in
Co., OH., daughter of and () Pierce) on 24 Jun 1844 in
Co., John farmed 160 acres of land in section 20 of Canaan Twp., Henry Co.,
IA. for many years. Nancy died 09 Apr 1879 in Co., John died of inflamation
of the bladder and kidneys on 04 Oct 1886 near Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA. They were buried
at Forest Home Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA. John and Elizabeth had five children:
1. James Roseborough Linch 2. William Alhands Linch 3. Mary Jane Linch 4. John Clark
Linch 5. Sarah Elizabeth Linch John and Nancy had ten children: 6. Joseph A Linch 7.
Ann Eliza Linch 8. Rachel Ann Linch 9. Emma Laura Linch 10. Susan Ann Linch 11.
Benjamin Linch 12. Maria Jennette "Net" (Linch) Stone 13. Surelda Adaline (Linch) Newkirk
14. Nancy Isabel (Linch) Wells 15. Rosa Caroline (Linch) Wells.
1. James Roseborough Linch was born 1834 in Co., OH.
He was an engineer. He died 1 in Co., He was buried in
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2. William Alhands Linch was born 1836 in Co., OH. He
was also an engineer. He died 1906 in Co., He was buried in
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3. Mary Jane Linch was born 1838 in Co., She died 1901 in Co., She was buried in Co.,
Sile died 1901 iii Co., Sile was buried iii Co.,
4. John Clark Linch was born 21 Mar 1841 in Co., OH. Clark
served in Company E of the Iowa Cavalry. He married Sarah E (born 26 Nov 1841
in Kanawah Co., VA., daughter of and () on 25
Dec 1868 in Scotland Co., MO. Sarah's family moved to Henry Co., IA. when she was a little
girl. After two years, her family moved to Scotland Co., MO. Clark and his family lived in
Missouri for several years before moving to Nebraska and later back to Henry Co., IA. about
1881. Sarah died 23 Apr 1907 in Marion Twp., Henry Co., IA. Clark died 16 Dec 1913 in
Co., They were buried in Forest Home/Burge Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant,
Henry Co., IA. They had two sons: A. Joseph C. Linch B. John P. Linch.
A. Joseph C. Linch was born 14 Oct 1868 in Co., He
married (born 18_ in Co.,, daughter of
and ()) on 19_ in Co.,
A. Joseph C. Linch was born 14 Oct 1868 in Co., He married (born 18_ in Co.,, daughter of and () on 19_ in Co., Joseph died 22 Sep 1956 in Co., His wife died 19_ in
Co., They were buried in Forest Home Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA. They had
one known son: 1. Jesse Clark Linch.

1. Jesse Clark Linch was born 03 Jun 1898 in Co., He married Mary A (born 29 Oct 1900 in Co.,, daughter of and ()) on 19 in Co., They had a large orchard south of Pleasant Lawn School in Henry Co., IA. in the 1940's. Mary died 10 Jul 1975 in Co., Jesse died 26 Jul 1977 in Co., They were buried in Forest Home Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA.
B. John P. Linch was born 02 Dec 1870 in Co., He married Margaret Short (born 18_ in Co.,, daughter of Benjamin and Susan Samantha (Ziglar) Short) on 19_ in Co., He died 15 Dec 1952 in Co., Margaret died 19_ in Co., They were buried in Forest Home Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA.
5. Sarah Elizabeth Linch was born 1843 in Co., OH. She died 1 in Co., She was buried in Co.,
6. Joseph A Linch was born 1845 in Co., He died 1845 in Co.,
7. Ann Eliza Linch was born Jan 1848 in Co., She died 1848 in Co., She was buried in Co., 8. Rachel Ann Linch was born 29 Dec 1848 in Co., OH. She married 1) Albert Shields (born 18_ in Co.,, son of and
() Shields) on18 inCo., Albert died18 inCo., Albert died18 inCo., She married 2) Charles B. McClaury (born1848 inCo.,, son of and() McClaury) on18 inCo., She died 4 Dec 1885 inCo., She was buried in Ebenezer Cemetery in Henry Co., IA. Charles died 1926 inCo., He was buried in Burge Cemetery in New London, Henry Co., IA. Rachel and Albert had one known child: A. Orpha A. Shields.
A. Orpha A Shields was born 17 Jun 1869 in Co., She died 30 Mar 1886 in Co., She was buried in Ebenezer Cemetery in Henry Co., IA. with her mother and grandparents.
9. Emma Laura Linch was born 26 Jan 1851 in Co., OH. She died 28 May 1920 in Co., She was buried in Forest Home Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA. She never married.

10. Susan Ann Linch was born 1852 in Co., OH. She married Norval Nathanial Jacobs on 11 Nov 1874 in Henry Co., IA. She died 1 in Co., Norval died in Co., They were buried in Co., 11. Benjamin Pierce Linch was born 19 Dec 1853 in Co., IA. He married Kate Viola McAllister (born 3 Mar 1864 in Co.,, daughter of John P. and Sarah Jane (Thompson) McAllister) on 18 in Co., She was a sister to Mary Ellen McAllister who married William Ellis Wells. Benjamin died 3 Aug 1941 in Co., Kate died Jun or Jul 1931 in Co., They were buried in Leland Cemetery in Cordova, Seward Co., NE.
12. Maria Jennette "Nettie" Linch was born 29 Jan 1856 in Co., IA. She married Richard K. Stone (born 1853 in Co.,, son of and () Stone) on 20 Nov 1902 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co., NE. They moved to Kansas, living in Thayer for many years. Richard died 11 Feb 1933 in Co., She died from burns she received from a reznor stove on 23 or 24 Oct 1943 in Oswego, Labette Co., KS. They were buried in Thayer Cemetery, Neosho Co., KS.
13. Surrelda A. Linch was born 1857 in Henry Co., IA. She married William Earl Newkirk (born 1861 in Rock Co.,WI., son of John F. and Sarah Ann (Harris) Newkirk, a brother of Mary who married Lucius Wells) on 04 Mar 1884 in Henry Co., IA. She died 1949 in Co., He died 1933 in Greenwood, Cass Co., NE. They were buried in Greenwood Memorial Cemetery in Greenwood, Cass Co., NE.
14. Nancy Isabelle "Pink" Linch was born 23 Jan 1860 in Henry Co., IA. She married Frank Leslie Wells (born 01 Sep 1863 in Henry Co., IA., son of Lucius Matlock and Louisa (Attlesey) Wells) on 23 Jan 1883 in Henry Co., IA. Frank was a farmer. The family lived in West Burlington, IA. in 1908. Frank died 29 Dec 1950 in Henry Co., IA. Nancy died 26 Mar 1955, also in Henry Co., IA. They were buried at Forest Home Cemetery in Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IA. They had four children: A. Guy E. Wells B. Fern L. (Wells) Mehaffey C. Irma Rose (Wells) Timmerman D. Zella M. (Wells) Witte. (See the Wells History Code W1A2B4 for descendants)

15. Rose Caroline Linch was born 05 Jun 1863 in Henry Co., IA. She married Owen Justin "Jess" or "O. J." Wells (W1A2B5, born 04 Feb 1866 in Mt. Pleasant, Henry Co., IN., son of Lucius Matlock and Louisa (Attlesey) Wells) on 22 Sep 1866 in Henry Co., IA. They were Methodists. Owen homesteaded in Broken Bow, NE. about 1894, but soon returned to Henry Co., IA. where he farmed on section 20 of Canaan Twp. On 25 Feb 1905, Owen bought land and moved his family to Kansas. He farmed the land in Section 15, Twp 2, Range 2 of

Washington Co., KS. The house where they lived is no longer there. Owen bought lot 21 of block 3 in the city of Morrowville from James Savage on 28 Mar 1917. He ran a Ford Garage in Morrowville for many years which is still standing. Owen died of cancer of the stomach on 13 Oct 1928 in Concordia, Cloud Co., KS. Rose died of cancer of the uterus on 26 Jun 1933 in Morrowville, Washington Co., KS. Her gravestone lists 1931 which is incorrect. They were buried in the Morrowville Cemetery, Washington Co., KS. They had child: A. Harry Raymond Wells They also adopted a daughter: B. Vira (Wells) Hanshaw. (See the Wells History Code W1A2B5 for descendants)