

Cottage Grove Or Mar 9 1931

Mrs Mildred L. Tallant

Santa Barbara, Cal,

Dear Mrs Tallant:- Yours received several days ago and I have neglected answering because I hoped to find some one that could give you data that you should have, but: so far I have not found any one.

George, John, and Alex, Cooley were born in Grayson Co Virginia moved to Missouri in 44 and to Oregon with an ox team in 1854. Their father Martin Cooley left them when they were quite small so they knew but little about him. However they supposed he came to California to the gold mines. Their mother Cherehanian (Curran) Cooley died here in 1886

George Cooley lived in Brownsville Linn Co John and Alex here, John never married, Alex was my father. I have a brother Geo. W Cooley in Paisley Lake Co Or, and a brothers family in Eugene Or. There is a Mrs C & Kent at Creswell Oregon whose mothers father was a Cooley I see her quite often and will talk to her for you

There several Cooleys around here and in Lane Co but none have been here long and cant rake up relationship.

There is an old timer Cooley family at Silverton Or. I knew their daughter Ines at Covallis in College. There is a J. P. Cooley at Brownsville Or, old timer, fine family but no relation of mine.

I will file your letter and keep your address and should I find a Cooley that you should know, I will have them write you. We have been trying to get a write up of the Cooleys here but dont get very far back. I dont think we could be related unless Martin Cooley and your Grand dad were related.

I am glad to have received your letter and if I can be of any help to you you any time, do not fail to use me

Yours very resp
J. P. Cooley,