

Levi Butts**no XIX**

Commentary: Levi Butts was born in Missouri in 1830 to Salathiel Butts and Hester Stayton. His father was the grandson of Charles Upchurch, the head of Upchurch Clan 2.

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(2) See letter 12 May 1986 Ruth Kenney to RPU

Page 4 & 5 in letter from **Levi Butts** in Jackson Co, MO to his Uncle Andrew Jackson Butts in Victoria, TX written Sep 1850 or 1852. Levi Butts is son of Salathiel Butts. Levi says “I am going (to CA) in the spring if nothing happens. That is my calculation.”

Page 6& 7 – is the same letter as above – with interpretation that it was written in the fall of 1849 as **Levi Butts** went to CA in spring of 1850 came back to MO in the winter of 1853 – 1854 and went back to CA in the spring of 1854.

Page 8 – letter 10 Oct 1854 from Salathiel Butts of Jackson Co, MO to brother Andrew Jackson Butts of Victoria, TX

“**Levi Butts** went to CA in the spring of 1850. He came back last winter and went back this spring with a drove of cattle”. James Butts went to CA with Levi Butts.”

Page 9 – letter 30 Mar 1900 from Elsie (Butts) Hensley of Independence, MO to Berry Alexander Butts of Ezzell, TX.

Levi Butts was one of 12 children of Salathiel Butts by 2 wives. Levi was by the 1st wife. Levi died circa 1892. His children live in Cass Co, MO.

Page 21 – Leonard Meyer in letter 16 Feb 1983 to Ruth Kenney summarizes:

“**Levi Butts** went to CA in the spring of 1850, was there in 1850 (census), came back to MO in winter of 1853 – 1854, went back to CA with cattle in the spring of 1854. He was still the rei n 1855 and having trouble disposing of the cattle. He came back to MO and settled in Cass Co and died about 1892.”