

Subj: Re: [Q-R] William Peebles, Jr. Quaker  
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> Thank you Fred! I would be glad to get any information! Is the book still  
 > available at any publishers? I have the Hinshaw volumn to do any look up  
 > information for you. I will start tomorrow if I can, after I take my mother  
 > (in law) to the airport. Below is the letter. If you would like, I would be  
 > more than happy to snail mail you a copy of the original long hand copy of  
 > the letter. Martha Peebles Doudna is buried in a marked grave in Fancy Creek  
 > Cemetery just west of Gillingham, Wisconsin. My father, mom & brother are  
 > buried just to the west of her about 40 feet. Hope to hear back from  
 > you....Thanks, Nola This letter is an old one and I hope is helpful to you  
 > my new cousin...

> November 1885.

> Some Account of Martha Doudna late of Richland County, Wisconsin.

> Martha Doudna who departed this life the 25th day of September, 1885,  
 > was born the 19th day of November, 1814 in Prince George County, Virginia  
 > aged 70 yrs. 10 mo. and 9 days. She was the daughter of Mordicai and  
 > Deborah Peebles of Prince George County, Virginia. Her mother's maiden  
 > name was Deborah Simmons. She was Mordicai Peeble's 2nd wife. He being  
 > a widower with three children, namely, Edna, Burwell and Mary Peebles.  
 > Martha's father died when she was about 12 years of age, leaving her mother  
 > with six children, three of her own and three stepchildren. Edna, Burwell  
 > and Mary Peebles, step-children and William, Martha and Susannah Peebles,  
 > her own. In the Summer 1828, the widow and five children moved to Ohio  
 > and settled in Belmont County. Edna Hunicutt married in Prince George  
 > County, Virginia. Deborah Simmons was in her 18th year when she married  
 > Mordicai Peebles. In the Spring of 1829 the widow married Richard Fawcett,  
 > a widower with 7 children, namely Elizabeth Garretson (she being married),  
 > Sarah, Mary, Rachel, Ruth, Cibilla and Samuel. Richard and Deborah had  
 > three children, namely Eli, Jane and Deborah Fawcett, making a family of  
 > fifteen children who managed to get along without much trouble. The  
 > Peebles were Friends or Quakers for four generations. They originally  
 > came from England. Peter Peebles of England a Quaker Preacher was  
 > Mordicai's Father. Deborah Simmons was daughter of Anderson Simmons, he  
 > married her mother when she was 18 and he 62 years old. Huldah Simmon's  
 > maiden name was Huldah Ladd. She was left a young wealthy widow with one  
 > child. She married a young man named Paul Sears who managed to spend all  
 > her property that he could get hold of. Huldah Sear's mother's grandmother  
 > was a preacher among Friends in good standing, having travelled extensively  
 > both in America and Europe. Mordicai Peebles mother's maiden name was  
 > Morran (Mourning) Hargrave, a sister of William Hargrave who took a active  
 > part in the War of the Revolution. Richard Fawcett after his marriage with  
 > Deborah Peebles settled at Stillwater Monthly meetings of Friends in  
 > Belmont County, Ohio. Richard and Deborah were married in Friends meeting  
 > house in the Spring of 1829. Richard Fawcett was a Quaker in good standing.  
 > In March 1829 I first saw Martha, she came to my Father's with a cousin of  
 > mine, Henry Doudna's daughter. Henry Doudna was her gaurdian. I had but  
 > little acquaintance with her till the Spring 1832. In the Spring of 1833,  
 > the first day of May, we were married in the House at Stillwater in the  
 > house where her mother and Step-father were married in 5 years before.  
 > Caleb Engle and Sarah Fawcett, Burwell Peebles and Asenath Todd, Joel

> Garetson and Elizabeth Fawcett were married in the the same House, Austin  
> Simpson and Cibilla Fawcett, Joseph Smith and Mary Fawcett, William Peebles  
> and Rachel Plummer, all the above named persons were married in the large  
> Brick Church at Stillwater. The next day after the wedding, we went home  
> and to keeping house, the 2nd day of May 1833. We lived together 52 yrs.  
> 4 mo. 28 days. We had eleven children, eight whom are living, namely  
> Deborah McGill, John Doudna, Thomas Doudna, Martha Euphemia Doudna, Isaac  
> H. Doudna, Wm. F. Doudna, Frank Doudna, Edgar Doudna, Miriam Keipler  
> deceased, Burwell Doudna deceased, Benjamin S. Doudna deceased. He was  
> killed at the battle of Prairie Grove, Arkansas. In the Spring of 1861 we  
> moved to Wisconsin, settled in the town of Marshall where she died the  
> 28th day of September 1885, after a painful illness of 28 weeks. She was  
> buried in the Presbyterian Burying Ground at Fancy Creek the 30th of  
> September 1885 Aged 70 years, 10 mo. and 9 days. Martha was in her 14th  
> year when she came to Ohio. They had a large number of relations at  
> Stillwater who persuaded them to stay there. They intended to go to  
> Wilmington, Ohio, when they left Virginia, having a number relations there  
> also. I was in my 23rd year when we were married, she in her 19th year.  
> We lived together 52 years, 4 mo. and 28 days. As both families are large  
> I will give some account of my relations. My Father was born in North  
> Carolina in the year 1767, died November 1861. My mother died in 1820, her  
> maiden name was Miriam Hall, daughter of Isaac Hall of North Carolina. The  
> Halls were Quakers in England and in America. Having settled in North  
> Carolina when it was a British Province. John and Miriam Doudna had eight  
> children namely, Charity, Anna, Ashen, William, John, Isaac, Lydia and  
> Elisha. My Father's mother's maiden name was Sarah Willoughby, the name of  
> my grandfather was John. They had a large family nearly all of whom lived  
> to be old. Hosea Doudna, the only living one of the family is 93 years old.  
> His mother lived to be 86 years old. At the time of her death she had 90  
> children, grandchildren and great grandchildren and great great grand-  
> children. Burwell-Peebles, Martha's half brother died last December. Mary  
> Patten half sister died several years ago. Martha was the last of the  
> family that came from Virginia. Eli Fawcett and Deborah Kentes half brother  
> and sister are the last of the family that are living. John Doudna my  
> grandfather came to America when a young man, he was a soldier under  
> General Wolf at the storming of Quebec and was one of the Guard that were  
> there to guard the city after it surrendered. He was of Norman ? decent.  
> He came to Ohio in 1804 but did not live long. He had five sons, Henry,  
> John, Knowis, Hosea and Joel, five daughters, Sarah Farmer, Mary Hall,  
> Annie Sears, Zilpha Edgerton, Asenath Boswell, all have raised families.  
> My sister Lydia Doudna never was married. She died of consumption,  
> young. I have written the foregoing account for our children as they are  
> connected with two large families.

Signed: Isaac Doudna

Hi, Nola

Yes, the book is available, from Rev. Dr. Robert E.H. Peeples. His address is 8 Moon Shell Road, Hilton Head, SC 29928-5444. Cost is \$28.50 including postage. I have bought copies for both of my sister and both of my daughters, and am seriously considering buying another copy for myself. I can see myself wearing out at least one copy with research wear and tear :-).

If you don't mind, I would love to have a copy of the original letter. I will gladly reimburse you the cost of postage and copying. My address is