LEWIS, JOHN EDWARD -- Born in New York City, October 3, 1808, a son of Joseph and Mary Lewis, who had three children, John Edward, William, and Sarah Lewis. (Margin: Texas 1831)

John E. Lewis received title to one-fourth of a league of land November 22, 1832 in Austin's Fourth Colony situated in the present county of Fayette. He evidently returned to New York for when he appeared before the Board of Land Commissioners of Fayette County January 5, 1838 and applied for a headright certificate for three-fourths of one league and one labor of land he swore that he had arrived in Texas in March, 1834. At least that statement is contained in the certificate. Perhaps he returned to marry, since according to his family records, he was married in Albany, New York to Anna Scott. Miss Scott was born in Albany, a daughter of Joseph and Leticia Scott.

Mr. Lewis received Bounty Certificate No. 1968 for 320 acres of land for serving in the army from February 20 to May 29, 1836. He sold the certificate August 28, 1838 to Samuel M. Frost for $100.00. In Service Record No. 6293 it is certified that he served in the army from February 28 to May 24, 1836 and this is accepted as being correct. He was a member of Captain William J. E. Heard's Company of Citizen Soldiers and on June 1, 1838 was issued Donation Certificate No. 263 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the Battle of San Jacinto. The land was surveyed in the Bexar Land District. The State of Texas had a joint monument erected at their graves in 1936.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis moved from Fayette County to Austin in 1833.
There Mr. Lewis died April 1, 1892 while a member of the Texas Veterans Association. Mrs. Lewis died May 24, 1896, aged 84 years. Both were buried in the State Cemetery.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis were William, John, James Jacob, Alfred, Lettie, Phebe, Emily, Mary, Annie, Nellie, Jesse, and Betty all of whom are dead except Nellie.

Miss Nellie Lewis was married to James Thomas Warner Loe. Mr. Loe died January 25, 1917. Mrs. Loe in 1938 was residing at 3905 Worth Street, Dallas, Texas. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Loe were (a) Lola, who married Robert H. Lee and lives at 3905 Worth Street, Dallas; (b) Eula, who died in infancy; and (c) Ben Nelson Lee, who was married to Jessie Burnett. Mr. Loe died in 1928. Mrs. Loe resides at 5424 Willis Avenue, Dallas.

Miss Emily Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Lewis, was born deaf and dumb and was one of the ten in the first class of the Deaf and Dumb Institute at Austin, conducted at the time in a log cabin. After graduating she became a teacher in the Institute and continued as such for many years until compelled to resign due to ill health. At the death of her parents, she had their remains interred in the State Cemetery.

Phebe Lewis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis, was born January 19, 1843, and died December 21, 1927. She was married to William Turnage, July 12, 1859. Mr. Turnage was born in Tennessee, October 14, 1837 and was killed in battle in the Civil War in June, 1864. Children of Mr. and Mrs. Turnage were Sophia, born March 9, 1861 and died
July 10, 1861, and William Lincoln Turnage who resides in La Grange.