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Sending out letters to people found in phone books is a low probability enterprise. Most people just don't give a darn about their ancestry. And those who are interested usually don't know anything and so wouldn't bother answering your letter. There are much better ways to use your postage. Two excellent genealogical resources are available to you near where you live in Naperville: (1) The Newberry Library on the north side of Chicago, free and open to the public, an excellent genealogical collection. It's where I got my start in the hobby seven years ago. (2) the Mormon branch library in Naperville. It's also free and open to the public. They, like all other Mormon branch libraries around the country, have a microfiche copy of the International Genealogical Index which contains records of millions of births, marriages, etc. They also have microfilm card catalogs of the holdings of their main library in Salt Lake City. Anything on microfilm at the main library can be ordered. (Don't worry, they won't preach at you, try to convert you or even look at you funny.)

Concerning your in-laws meanderings. It wouldn't surprise me a bit to learn that they had moved from England to Illinois to Oregon to Kansas. I have ancestors who went from Wales to Wisconsin to California to Wisconsin in ten years flat back in the gold rush days ("Busted by gosh").

Good hunting.
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