

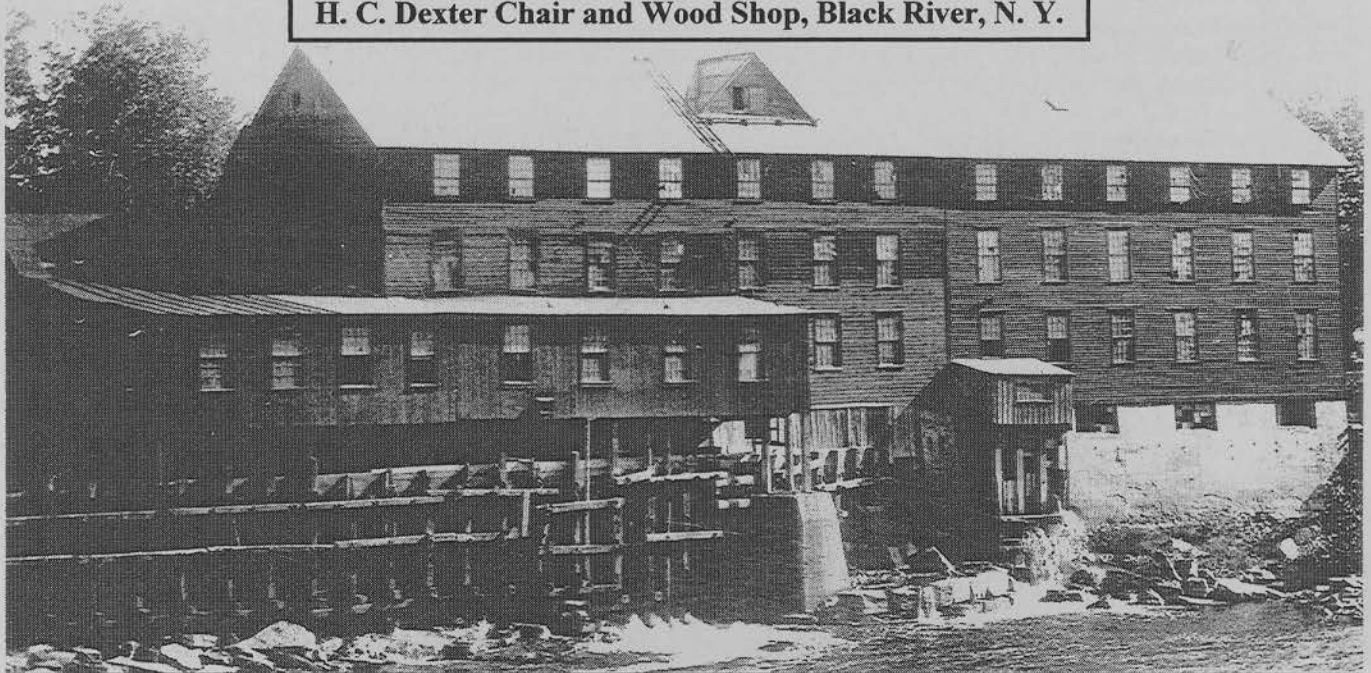
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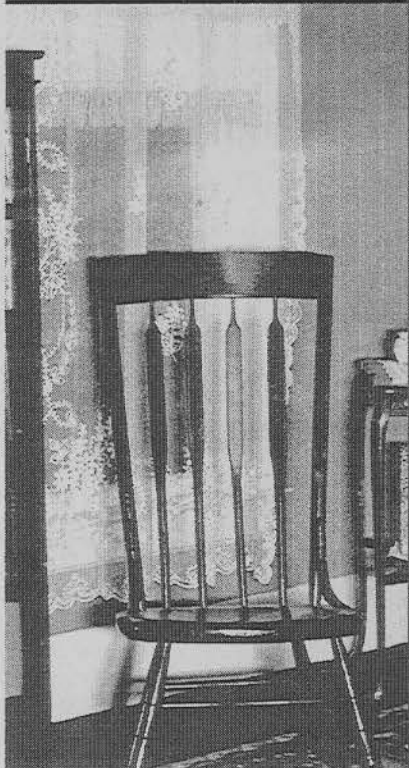
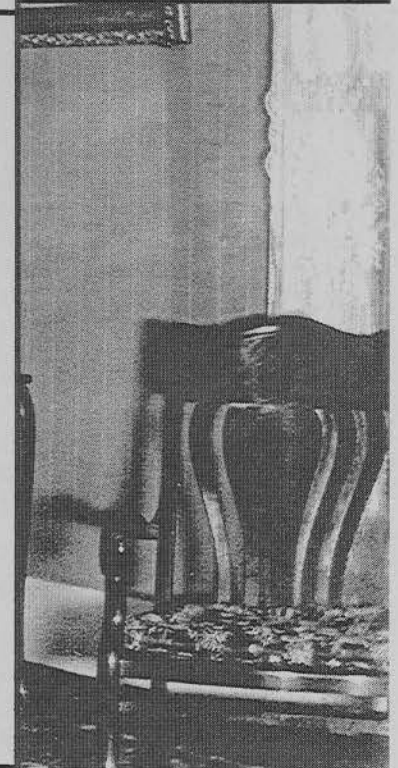


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The articles in this newsletter are written purely to stimulate interest in the genealogical history of Jefferson County, if comments are in any way offensive, this was not the intent. All articles, submissions, etc., are the viewpoints and research of various contributors. As such, they do not necessarily reflect the views of the executive committee or members of the Jefferson County New York Genealogical Society.

Letters.....

Letters to the editor may be directed to nandixon@gisco.net or to Nan Dixon, 15407 Dixon Road, Clayton, NY 13624.

Hello,

I am researching the family of one Asa Stanley, an early settler of Jefferson County. Asa is in the 1810 census of Rutland, Jefferson County, NY, as is his brother Jedediah Stanley. Asa is the son of John Stanley, and a brother of Eleanor or Ellen Stanley (Fay), both of whom you have listed as early settlers. Another brother Daniel Stanley was also an early settler, he is in the 1810 census in Watertown, Jefferson County.

Asa was born in Reading, Windsor County, VT, July 30, 1787. He married Anna Stevens in Jefferson County in January 1808 and they had ten children born in Jefferson County between 1810 and 1831. One daughter Alzina married Ira Brown in Jefferson County in 1831. Ira Brown died on February 28, 1861 and Alzina died on March 3, 1874 both in Rutland, Jefferson County.

Sometime in the 1830's Asa moved with the rest of his family to Ft. Sandusky, Ohio, where he died in 1841. His wife Anna returned to Jefferson County.

I have more information on this family if you are interested.

Niel Nelson

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To the Editorial Staff of the Informer:

I really enjoyed the November issue of the Informer. On the day it arrived, I read the complete issue from cover-to-cover that evening. I really appreciate the people behind the scenes that got together all the interesting data, photos, and historical articles about Rodman, Limerick, & Dexter. I know it involves a lot of work by the staff! My thanks to everyone involved! I look forward to all Issues of the Informer. Thanks again for the great job.

Donald Dillenbeck,
JCGS member

Meeting Notice!

**JCGS will not
have meetings in
the months of
January &
February 2005!**

What's Going on with JCNYGS

By Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

October Meeting

Laura Prievo is Wilna Town Historian and Carthage Village Historian. Laura gave us a short history of the Heritage Room at Carthage Free Library starting with its beginning almost 30 years ago. They started out with state and county histories that the library already had. Since then the material list has grown steadily with private research; scrap books that included obituaries; a microfilm reader for the Federal Census to 1920; the Carthage newspapers; an index of obituaries; pamphlets from various societies. After questions Laura introduced Lynn Thornton to speak on some of the work she has done.

Lynn Thornton is a recently retired 4th grade teacher from the Carthage school system. She mentioned that she used her 4th grade emphasis on local history as a means to explore history such as the 1884 Carthage Fire. Lynn also worked on updating the Carthage School System history for their 50th anniversary as a central school mentioning that 32 different schools became the Carthage Central School. Lynn made special mention of a work on Grace Sheeley, a history of her years as a teacher. She also showed work she was presently working on, The Diary of Charles Everly. Lynn also has her own web site at < www.lthorn.net > . That's a small "L" before thorn. There are a number of most interesting entries.

After questions the meeting adjourned to the Heritage Room at the Carthage Free Library.



Laura Prievo and Lynn Thornton

November Meeting

Marguerite Raineri has been Director of the Stone Mills Museum for 3 years now and began her presentation with the history of the museum. She started with the first building being the 1837 Union Church/Meeting House (dedicated to the memory of Josephine Fredenburg – one of the founders of the museum) to the Ice House, the Cheese Factory, the Schoolhouse, the Exhibit Barn, and the rest of the Museum Complex.

Marguerite's emphasis in directing the museum is to put things in order as so much has been collected for the museum but has not been organized. Old equipment is being repaired so that it will be able to be used. Pictures thrown upstairs in the church, civil war letters, scrapbooks of local families that include obituaries and genealogy information will all be included in the ongoing organization.

Marguerite gave a brief overview of some of the programs of the museum such as the "Farmer Boy Program" and the "Harvest Festival." All of the work is for a goal of having the museum be a "working and living" museum designed "...to tell the story of the development of the agriculture industry in Northern New York State through collecting, preserving, and displaying historical materials relating to the farm and the farm home, as was known to that area of the state which is now Jefferson, St. Lawrence, Lewis and Oswego Counties."



JCGS member Sue Grant and Stone Mills Museum Director Marguerite Raineri look over a shadow box the contents of which are dated February 14, 1867 made with hair from the Holloway family children.

JCGS MINUTES OCTOBER 12, 2004

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

After eating lunch at Keddy's Family Restaurant at 11:30, the business meeting was called to order by President Linda Malinich with 25 people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Pauline Zach and seconded by Bob VanBrocklin.

No reports available from the Treasurer or Correspondence Secretary. Clancy Hopkins was approved as Correspondence Secretary to replace Phyllis Putnam. President Linda called for volunteers for the Repository Committee as we haven't filled that position.

Nan Dixon has the November 8th program at Flower Memorial Library set with Marguerite Raineri, Stone Mills Museum Director.

Bill Dixon mentioned for the Newsletter Committee that the November issue is ready to go to press. Editor Nan Dixon mentioned that the January 2005 issue has begun.

Jean Coyne spoke for the Publications Committee mentioning that we have the hard copy of the Will book but not the disk. Benjamin Printers has quoted a price if they can have a disk to print from. Julia Gosier mentioned that she had received a very reasonable price from Thousand Islands Printing in Alex Bay who also put the document together with the plastic spiral binding. Jean also mentioned for the Surrogate Committee that they were done with Book 1 and were starting on book 2.

Under Old Business Bob VanBrocklin mentioned that he would like still to see a 2nd Vice President. Nan Dixon **Moved: That we amend our Constitution to include an office of 2nd Vice President. Seconded by Pauline Zach. Passed.**

Nan Dixon mentioned that Al Seymour is doing a wonderful job of straightening out the every name index of the *Informer*.

Jean Coyne moved to adjourn, seconded by Bob VanBrocklin.

President Linda introduced Laura Prievo and Lynn Thornton for the meeting's program.

JCGS MINUTES NOVEMBER 8, 2004

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

President Linda Malinich called the meeting to order at 6:34 with 22 people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Bob VanBrocklin and seconded by Jean Coyne.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr brought us up to date with both the October and the November reports. Our balance to date is \$8,400.97. The complete report is attached. Bill Dixon moved to approve the reports and Ed Thompson seconded. Passed.

No report was available from the Corresponding Secretary. President Linda called for volunteers for Repository Committee Chairperson and for an as-

sistant to Sue Grant on the Audit Committee. She also mentioned sending out over 80 emails for tonight's meeting and Phyllis Putnam contacted the newspapers.

Phyllis continued with a Program Committee report. Nan Dixon has contacted Dr. Marilyn van Dyke to present "Your Right to Know Your Family" at our April 2005 meeting. Julie Gosier will have the October 2005 meeting on the "Lyme Heritage Society" with a luncheon at her church. After some discussion, other possibilities are Lis Couch as May meeting chairperson; Shawn Doyle from Halfshire Society and the Oswego County Genealogy Society at another meeting; and Keith Willis on cemeteries as another possibility.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that the January issue is progressing well. He is hoping to meet with Rutland Town Historian soon.

Nan mentioned for the Genealogical Collection Committee that the little briefcase full of Genealogy material has disappeared and she would appreciate people keeping an eye out for it. In its absence she has worked on the Pedigrees and the possibility of a Pedigree Book 2 but needs help perhaps beginning in the spring.

Publications Committee Chairman Bill Dixon referred the report to Jean Coyne. Jean mentioned that the material for the "*Jefferson County, New York Will Abstracts 1830-1850*" is now all together and we will go for a 5½" by 8½" soft cover book. We are waiting on a disk from Tracy for the printer to use. Will Book II is now being worked on.

Old Business: Nan mentioned Al Seymour's work on the every name index for the *Informer* and Al mentioned that the work he has done is on a CD in pdf format. Nan suggested that we not try a paper copy but go with the CD. It should be cheaper and quicker.

New Business: Nan brought up a suggestion that weather-wise, program-wise, and attendance-wise that we not have society meetings in January and February. Bob VanBrocklin **Moved: That the society will not have regular meetings in the months of January and February. Seconded by Phyllis Putnam. Passed.**

Bill Dixon brought up the status of the position of 2nd Vice President. After discussion President Linda asked for the recent Nominations Committee to present a nomination for 2nd Vice President at the December meeting.

Shawn Doyle mentioned that the Oswego County Genealogy society has reorganized. Shawn also had with him two new publications for sale: George Widrick's collection of short stories of eastern Oswego County and a new Halfshire Society publication.

Nan also mentioned that an index to the records listed in Rev. Garand's "*Historical Sketch of the Village of Clayton, NY*" and "*A Complete History of St. Mary's Parish*" is in the repository for sale at \$12.

Jean Coyne moved to adjourn with a second from Nan Dixon.

Nan Dixon introduced Marguerite Raineri of the NNY Agricultural Historical Society in Stone Mills as our program for the evening.

Genealogy at the Crossroads

A Leadership Development Workshop sponsored by the New York State Council of Genealogical Organizations and the Central New York Genealogy Society

Today, genealogical societies are at the crossroads where the past and future meet. It is at this crossroads where the path of history, in the form of our traditional study of family ties and stories, meets the information highway of the future, with its potential for increased use of technology and internet data. The value of genealogical societies will depend upon their ability to rediscover and re-define themselves to adapt to and utilize these new and rapidly changing developments in the study of genealogy.

This will call for leadership in guiding the members to take advantage of the genealogy of the future. It builds upon the best of "what is" and pursues the possibilities of "what could be".

This Leadership Development Workshop is designed to meet these objectives:

- . Develop leadership skills in local societies
- . Create a positive plan for change and development
- . Initiate a process for problem solving which is mutually beneficial
- . Foster cooperation among genealogical societies across the State

To conduct this workshop we have secured the services of Carol Anne Kozik, a teacher/nurse practitioner with over 20 years experience in developing management services for healthcare, education and nonprofit organizations. Carol Anne's style is both down-to-earth and entertaining. Her programs are dynamic and interactive, involving participants in activities that support commitment and sustaining change. Carol Anne is a published author and national and international speaker on topics such as education, motivation and collaborative process.

This full-day workshop will be held on April 30, 2005 at the United Church in East Syracuse. Invitations to participate are being extended to genealogy oriented organizations in New York State and surrounding areas regardless of whether or not they are affiliated with NYSCOGO. The cost, including lunch, will be \$25 per person for NYSCOGO subscribers or members of organizations belonging to NYSCOGO. The cost for others will be \$35 per person of which \$10 may be applied towards an individual NYSCOGO subscription or organization membership.

Organizations are encouraged to send a team of officers and members and to assume their registration costs as an investment in their future. Because of the interactive nature of this workshop, enrollment is limited to the first 50 people to register.

To register, please send name, postal and e-mail addresses, and phone number along with a check made payable to NYSCOGO to: Diana Law, 7213 Manlius Center Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057.



TOWN OF RUTLAND

Settled early and fairly quickly, the Town of Rutland attracted many people from New England. As early as 1800, a developer built a road into the interior of the town, and then disposed of two thirds of the land in less than four years. He kept a list of the purchasers, which forms the basis for our list of pioneers.

Rutland lies just east of the city and Town of Watertown, south of Le Ray and thus on the border of Fort Drum military reservation, and west of the Town of Champion. Its southern border is Lewis County. Black River flows along its northern border, at first supporting grist and lumber mills at places whose names later became Felts Mills and Black River. Settlers in the northern part of the county could, from a high place, "look away south to the Rutland Hills."

The township derived its name from Rutland, Vermont, from whence many of the early settlers came. Populated areas within the town include Rutland Centre, Tylerville, and Felts Mills. Black River village, at first in the township on the border with Le Ray, suffered a removal without moving, when the boundary was changed to locate it within the Town of Le Ray. Black River is today the chief village of the area.

Index to 1855 Map of Rutland Township (page 6)

By Don Dillenbeck, JCNYS Member

Column 1 consists of initial, column 2 is surname or main entry, column 3 indicates location of residents on the map.
By dividing the town map into 7 parts, Don uses the letters R, U, T, L, A, N, D already on the map as locators.

Initial(s)	Surname	Map Letter-
		-North/South
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	Rutland Centre
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	D-North
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	D-North
FirstCongCh	(First Congregational Church)	T-South
G.Yd. =	(Grave Yard)	R-South
G.Yd. =	(Grave Yard)	Rutland Centre
G.Yd. =	(Grave Yard)	L-North
G.Yd. =	(Grave Yard)	D-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	D-South
S.H. =	(School House)	U-South
S.H. =	(School House)	U-South
S.H. =	(School House)	T-North
S.H. =	(School House)	T-South
S.H. =	(School House)	A-North
S.H. =	(School House)	A-South
S.H. =	(School House)	N-South
S.H. =	(School House)	D-North
S.	Adsit	A-South
B.	Aldrich	N-North
C.	Aldrich	N-North
Mrs.	Aldrich	N-North
D.	Andrews	U-South
E.	Andrews	U-South
W.	Andrews Jun.	L-South
E.	Andrus	U-South
F.	Andrus	U-South
J.	Andrus	T-South
N.	Andrus	D-North
O.	Andrus	U-North
S.	Andrus	T-South
A.	Archer	T-South
J.	Armstrong	N-South
	Arthur	T-North
E.	Ball	R-South
W.M.	Ball	R-South
G.	Barney	U-South
	Bead	T-North
J.W.	Beecher	N-South
J.	Bemgton/Bergton ?	T-South
S.	Benedict	R-South
E.	Benington	T-South
G.	Bergevin	N-South
	BLACK RIVER	T-North
J.	Branson	N-South
C.	Braynard	T-South
A.	Brown	A-South
J.	Brown	L-South
O.	Brown	Tylerville
Dr. L.	Buckley	Rutland Centre
J.	Burlingame	N-South
D.	Burnham	A-South
S.	Burnham	R-North
A.	Butt	T-South
Mrs.	Caldwell	D-North
	Caldwell	N-North
W.	Carpenter	N-South
W.	Carter	N-North
I.	Carter's Tav. (Tavern)	D-North
A.	Cassel	D-North
M.	Champlan	R-South
P.O.	Champlan	R-South
D.	Chase	D-North
G.S.	Chase	L-South
Ch. =	Church	T-North
E.	Churchill	U-South
A.	Clark	L-North
A.	Clark	L-North
E.	Clark	T-North
E.	Clark	A-North
	Clark	D-North
	Clark's Est.	D-North
Mrs.	Coles	N-North
A.	Conklin	L-South
D.	Conklin	L-South
A.	Cook	T-South
J.	Cotton	A-North
H.	Cramer	L-South
H.	Cramer	A-South
E.	Cronch	D-South
L.	Cross	N-North
C.	Cummings	R-North
T.	Daley	N-South
S.	Dead	A-South
J.	Dean	Tylerville
A.	Dodge's Est.	U-South
S.	Dond	A-South
Mrs.	Drake	A-North
A.	Dunlap	T-South
W.M.	Dunlap	N-North
A.	Dunn	N-North
J.	Durham	L-South
E.	Dutton	L-South
C.	Eames	N-South
D.	Eames	A-South
W.	Earl	D-North
J.	Eddy	L-North
J.	Eddy	D-North
D.	Ferguson	N-North
	Fink	Rutland Centre
W.	Fonda	U-South
S.	Forster	D-North
A.	Frank	A-North
T.	Frank	L-North
M.	Franklin	L-North
A.	Fuller	N-North
C.	Fuller	D-North
W.	Fuller	Rutland Centre
J.	Fulton	U-North
S.	Goldthritz	N-North
A.	Gowdy	U-South
W.	Gramble	A-North

E.	Grant	D-North	D.	Olney	U-South
H.	Graves	L-North	I.	Olney	T-South
M.L.	Graves	D-North	V.	Olney	T-South
E.	Greenfield	T-South	V.	Olney	Tylerville
D.	Greig	R-South	H.	Orvis	D-North
A.	Griffin	U-South	D.	Osmar	U-South
	Hadcock	T-South	D.	Osmar	U-South
	Hamblin	A-North	J.A.	Otis	T-North
D.	Hamlin	A-South		Palmer	D-North
A.	Hardy	A-North	A.	Parkinson	U-North
R.	Hardy	A-North		Parsonage	L-South
	Hardy	A-North	T.	Passman	D-North
R.	Herrick	N-South	J.	Peck	N-South
	Hersey	L-North	E.	Philbrooks	N-North
W.	Hopgood	D-South	E.	Phillips	L-North
H.	Hopkins	L-South	E.	Phillips	A-North
J.	Howland	N-North	C.	Pool	N-North
R.	Howland	N-North	R.	Randall	L-North
W.	Howland	N-North	G./O. ?	Read	R-South
D.	Isham	L-South		Ridder	N-North
W.	Isham	L-South	W.	Roberts	A-North
A.	Isham's Est.	L-South	E.	Robinson	U-North
	Jacobs	R-South	W.S.	Rockwell	N-South
B.	Johnson	D-North		RUTLAND HOLLOW	U-North
O.	Johnson	R-North	H.	Scott	T-North
W.	Johnson	R-North	H.	Scott	L-North
Mrs.	Jones	N-North	Mrs.	Scott	T-North
	Jones	N-North	R.	Scott	T-North
O.	Kelsey	N-South	R.	Scott	Rutland Centre
O.	Kidder	N-North	S.	Scott	T-North
Dr. P.	Kimball	R-South	N.	Seaman	L-South
A.	Mallery	N-North	L.	Searl	D-South
W.	Mallery	N-North		Shaver	R-North
H.	Maltby	L-South	A.	Shermann	R-South
W.	Maltby	L-South	D.	Shermann	R-South
Dr.	Manson	U-North	J.A.	Shermann	R-South
Dr.	Massey	T-South	J.A.	Shermann	R-South
C.	Mathias	T-South	J.A.	Shermann	R-South
J.	Matthews	A-South		Sheve & Shirts	T-North
B.	Merriman	A-South		Shop	A-North
Meth.Ch. =	Methodist Church	Black River	H.	Sidmore	N-South
A.	Middleton	T-North	J.	Sidmore	U-South
C.	Middleton	A-North		Simon Store	T-South
W.	Middleton	T-North	L.	Smith	N-North
A.	Miller	A-South	W.	Southworth	N-North
A.J.	Miller	A-South	C.	Spaulding	R-South
L.	Miller	N-South	M.C.	Spaulding	R-South
T.	Miser	T-North	R.	Spaulding	R-South
H.	Mitchell	R-North	G.W.	Spinning	U-South
C.	Monroe	U-South	J.	Staplin	T-North
A.	Moore	D-North	M.	Staplin	T-North
R.	Multy	N-North	I.	Stebbins	N-South
C.	Munroe	T-South	J.	Stebbins	N-South
H.P.	Munroe	T-South	A.	Stevens	D-North
P.	Normander	A-North	S.	Stevens	L-North
	Oakes	Tylerville	S.	Stevens	A-North
L.	Oaks	N-South	Store(PO)	Store (Post Office)	Tylerville
W.	Oaks	N-South	A.	Tamblin	T-North

	Tannery	A-North
	Tavern	Black River
	Tavern	Tylerville
D.	Thomas	T-South
Mrs.	Thomas	A-North
	Toll Gate	U-North
	Toll Gate	Black River
G.	Towns	N-South
F.	Treadway	L-North
W.	Treadway	T-North
J.	Tuttle	A-North
J.J.	Tuttle	Rutland Centre
J.	Tyler	T-South
	TYLERVILLE	L-South
E.	Underwood	L-North
H.A.	Underwood	U-South
C.	VanOlyndet	A-South
N.	Wadsworth	A-South
O.	Waful	N-South
A.	Waldo	T-South
A.	Waldo	D-South
Mrs.	Waldo	D-South
T.	Waldo	D-South
B.	Walker	Tylerville
D.	Walker	Tylerville
A.	Warren	A-South
W.	Warren	A-North
J.	Warrington	R-South
D.	Webner	N-North
Mrs.	Weirs	A-North
S.	Weller	N-South
S.	Weller	D-South
	Wemit	U-North
H.	Wheaver	Rutland Centre
A.	White	D-North
E.C.	White	A-North
R.	White	A-North
D.	Wilde	R-North
D.	Wilde	U-North
C.	Wilson	U-North
Mrs. S.M.	Wilson	R-North
W.H.	Wilson	R-North
D.	Winney	A-North
N.	Wood	D-South
	Wood	U-South
E.	Woodard	U-North
H.	Woodard	D-North
J.	Woodard	U-North
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N.	Woodworth	R-North
A.	Woolley	R-North
G. W.		U-South

The Hobby of Genealogy

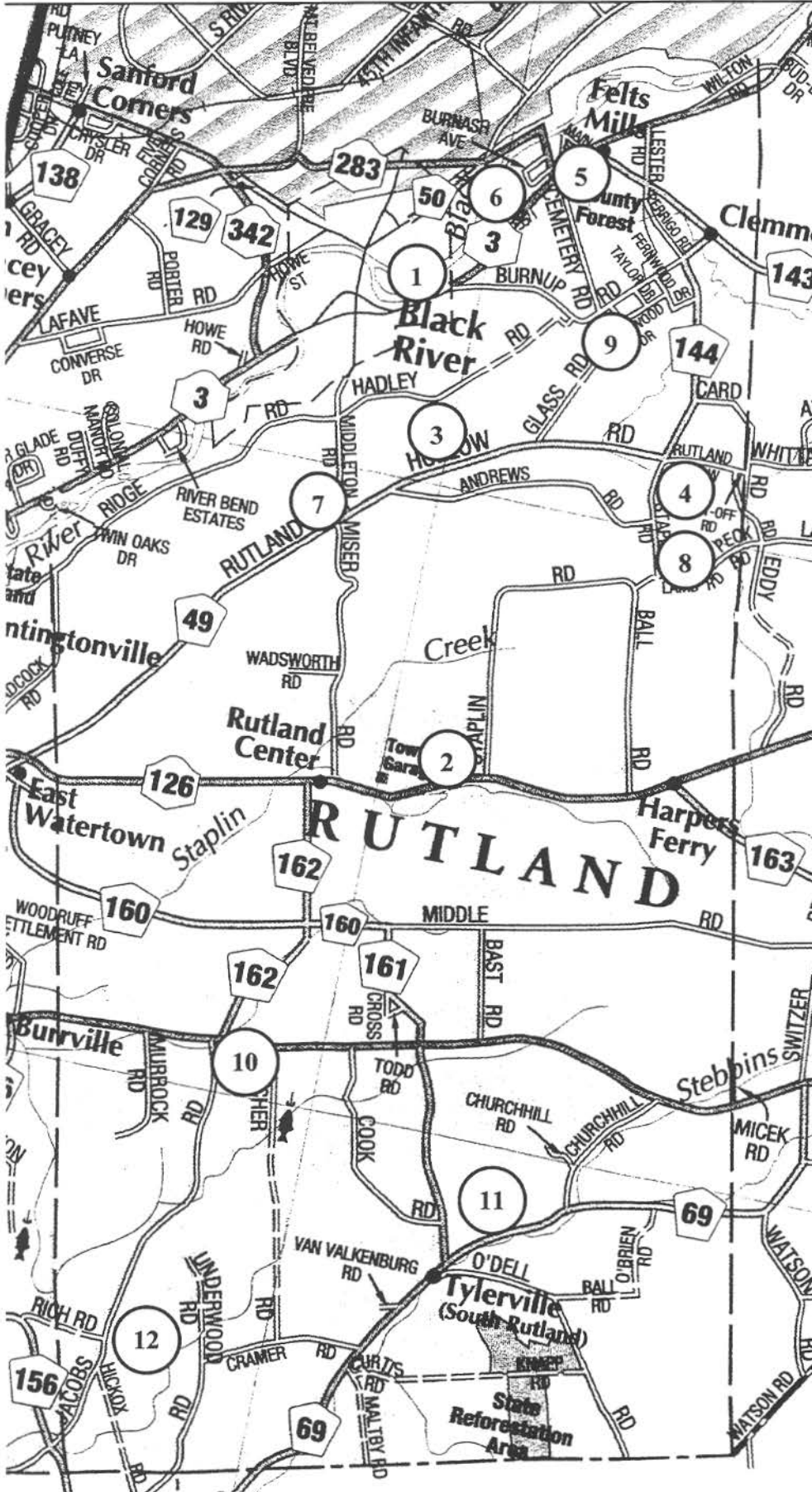
Genealogy is one of the fastest growing hobbies in the United States today. One of its advantages is that you don't have to leave home to enjoy it, especially if you have a computer. The computer enables you to travel all over the world in pursuit of ancestors without leaving your warm house. Jefferson County has several websites devoted to Jefferson County Genealogy, the largest being the Jefferson County GenWebSite, (www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer). It's the local branch of the rootsweb system which covers the world.

According to its supporters, it has many features going for it. A large data base of the majority of the Jefferson County cemeteries was donated by Gus Rogers, with John and Ellen Bartlett, the Gravestone Scribes, and is being updated through 2003. Another large data base is Harold Sanderson's directory of Jefferson County's Civil War military men. Again with the military, the site has lists of Revolutionary War veterans, many with family information from the Historical Association of South Jefferson. The individual 1864 maps from Stone's 1864 Jefferson County atlas, addresses of all officials who might have useful information about your ancestors, the 1890 *Child's Gazetteer and Business Directory* are among many other features.

This is just one of the websites! Another time we will write of the American Local History Network's Town sites, besides other smaller, more focused sites such as Grindstone Island's site, and those for Lyme Heritage and South Jeff. The Jefferson County Genealogy Society publishes articles about these sites, as well as other topics of interest to local family historians. Their newsletter, the *Informer* may be purchased at one of their monthly meetings, or by contacting JCNYS, PO Box 6453, Watertown, NY 13601 and inclosing \$4.00 for each issue. JCNYS meets at the Dillenbeck Room of the Flower Library on the second Monday of each month, at 7:00. All are welcome.



R.R. Station, Black River, N.Y. Demolished in the 1900's



Town of Rutland Cemeteries

An abandoned cemetery is one which no longer accepts burials, and which is under the protection of the town. A destroyed cemetery is one from which all markers have been removed, all records lost, and is known as a general location only. We have used CR to indicate a county road number. An asterisk (*) denotes an inactive cemetery. All phone numbers are area code 315.

1. Black River. Rt 3 just outside village going toward Felts Mills. Currently used for burials. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River, 13612; tel: 773-5179

2. Rutland Centre. Rutland Centre on CR 126 just past town barn and office. Destroyed fall of 1967 by new road project. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River, 13612; tel: 773-5179.

*3. Clark Family. Rutland Hollow road, CR 49. Just past Andrews Rd, up on the hill on left side. Private property. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612; tel: 773-5179.

*4. Coates-Graves. Also known as Porter Cemetery, Rutland Hollow Road CR 49. Right side of road just past second 4 corners. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612; tel: 773-5179.

5. Felts Mills. Rt 3 and Cemetery Rd, Felts Mills. Contact Ward Burrows, 773-5086. Still used for burials. (Continued next page)

(Cemeteries continued from page 10)

*6. Roberts. Rt 3, just past O'Donnell's Market, wooded area left side of road. Next to Mr. Ames house, just before Felts Mills. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612; tel: 773-5179.

*7. Rutland Hollow, also known as Middleton Hill Cemetery. CR 49 to Middleton, up hill, right side. Look for small driveway with fence. Up hill, follow path. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612; tel: 773-5179.

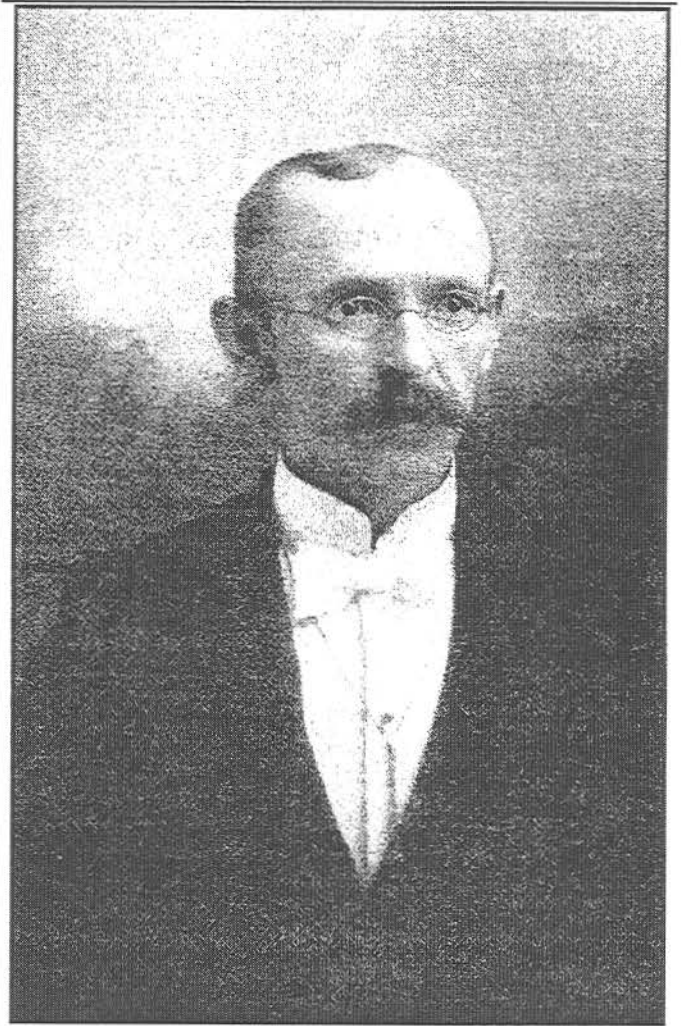
*8. Old Stevens, Rutland Hollow. Burnup Rd to Staplin Rd; about one mile on Staplin. White house, barn across road. About 1000 feet behind barn. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612; tel: 773-5179.

*9. Burnup Rd, also known as First Baptist Burying Ground. Down Burnup Rd to four corners. Right on dirt road. Right, dirt road, white house on Corner. Cemetery in field enclosed by a woven wire fence. Contact William Reichard, 28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612; tel: 773-5179.

10. Maple Hill, also called Maplevue. CR 126 to Rt 162, to cross road 160. Left at top of hill, right side. Contact Lowell Goutremout, President. 773-2362. Currently used for burials

11. Tylerville, at Tylerville. Rt. 12 south to Rt 69, left just before Tylerville. Currently used for burials. Contact Andrew Hodge, 788-9553.

12. Underwood, also known as Reed Cemetery or Jacobs Rd Cemetery. Rt 12 South through Burrville to Jacobs Rd just past Rich Road. Before Hickox Rd. at left in field. Currently used for burials. Contact William Hickox at 788-5298



Fred E. Whipple

One of Black River's Hustling Young Men—A Photographer

(This is from a late 1800's edition of the *Watertown Daily Standard*.)

A son of a Methodist minister, Fred E. Whipple was born in Chateaugay, NY, in 1861, and received his education at Ives seminary at Antwerp. In 1883 he moved to Black River and went into the employ of M. Poor & Son, grocers, of that place. In 1888 he purchased the business of his employers, which, with Mr. Hadsall, he conducted under the firm name of Whipple & Hadsall until, when a fire destroyed the business portion of Black River, where he was located. He then entered the employ of D. Dexter & Son, chair manufacturers, having charge of their office. On the dissolution of that company he manufactured chairs under the name of Dexter Chair Novelty Co. for two years. He then became associated with P. V. Poor of Black River as managing clerk, which position he now holds.



Main Street, Black River, NY

Jefferson County Historical Associations (Part 1)

In order that our readers may be aware of the various small historical societies that are now in Jefferson County, we are creating a spot just for them. If you know of a society which we have omitted, or where the information is incorrect, please let us know immediately and we will include them in our March issue. For more information on some of these societies, refer to the July and September 2003 issues of the *Informer*.

Historical Association of South Jefferson at Adams

Contact person: Debbie Quick
 Phone: 315-232-2616
 Address: 29 East Church St, Adams NY 13605
 Meeting place and time: 3rd Thursdays 8:00 pm At museum. These are board meetings.
 Email quick@usadatanet.net
 Museum or Repository: 29 East Church St, Adams NY 13605 (possibly best in area for southern Jefferson County). No membership meetings, but members are welcome to attend board meetings. New members welcome.

Oxbow Historical Society

Contact person: Robin Dango
 Phone: 315-287-4460
 Address: Main Street, Oxbow NY 13608
 Meeting place and time: Oxbow museum, next to Presbyterian Church in Oxbow, third Wednesday. No meetings January, February, March.
 Museum or Repository: Oxbow museum, next to Presbyterian Church.
 Welcomes new members

Town of Alexandria Historical Society

Contact person: Martha Grimes
 Phone 315-482-4033
 Address 27115 Limestone Road, Redwood NY 13679
 Meeting place and time January: Third Thursday, 7:00 PM
 Museum or Repository: Cornwall Brothers Store, Alexandria Bay NY 13607
 Welcomes new members

Thousand Island Historical Society at Clayton

Contact person: Janet Collins
 Phone: 315-686-5794
 Address: 312 James Street, Clayton NY 13624
 Meeting place and time: Research Room, Thousand Island Museum, third Wednesday of the month, 7 PM
 Email: infor@timuseum.org
 Museum or Repository: Thousand Islands Museum, Research Room
 Topic for next two meetings: Discuss funding publication of *History of Clayton up to 1928* - Arthur Strough
 Welcomes new members

Dexter Historical Society

Contact person: Theta Corliss
 Phone: 315-639-6608
 Address: P.O. Box 321, Dexter, NY 13634
 Meeting place: Dexter Municipal Building
 Business Meeting Time: 2nd Tuesday, 7 p.m.
 Programs: 3rd Thursday. Covered Dish Supper 5:30 and Speaker
 Repository: Corner of Brown and West Kirby St.
 Expect to have it open in the spring with Open House.
 Meeting topics: To be announced. Working on Dexter 150 year celebration in August.

Henderson Historical Society

Contact person: Eric Anderson
 Phone: 315-938-5183
 Address: 12432 County Rt 72, Henderson NY 13650
 Meeting place and time: Historical Museum, 1:00 PM third Monday every month
 Email: hendersonhist@Yahoo.com
 Museum or Repository: Former Henderson Universalist Church built 1839, corner County Routes 71 & 72, Henderson NY.
 Topic for next two meetings. Winter meeting locations vary: call Eric Anderson.
 Project: 1820 log cabin, restored next to museum

Part 2 will be published in our March issue. We are working on Historical Societies from: Town of Watertown, Redwood, Cape Vincent, and Lyme Heritage and perhaps some more from neighboring counties.

COMPUTER CORNER

Internet Resources

Message Boards & Mail Lists

How to get to them and what's the difference.

Provided by JCGS member Al Seymour

A Message Board is like tacking a note on a bulletin board. Someone has to come up to the board and look at the message. Then you have to go back there to see if someone made a reply. But with a Mail List, when you send a message to the Mail List, everyone who belongs to the list is sent the message. If 2,000 people subscribe, then 2,000 messages are sent out (one to each person). Now if someone replies, everyone gets the same message.

I find it's always a benefit to read all posts on a Message Board or e-mail from a Mail List even if the header indicates it might not concern who you are searching. There may be some connection, or the person may not have a clear subject matter in his heading.

To my knowledge there are two main Message Boards, one at Ancestry.com and one at Genforum/Genealogy.com. FREE - FREE - FREE, let's get this straight, these are free services. It's one thing on Ancestry that's still free. Both Message Boards are very similar in ease of use. For Ancestry, go to ancestry.com; you will find seven tabs across the top. Pick and click the one that has "Message Boards." You will now have three sections: Surnames, Locations, and Topics. If you want a surname, pick and click the first letter, then the first and second, then the first three. Now you will have a list of all the surnames that begin that way. You'll notice a number after each surname, this indicates how many messages are now on this board.

For the Genforum, just go to genforum.genealogy.com. This will take you right to the screen with the choices: Forum Finder, Surnames, Regional and General Topics. For surnames you do the same as above. If you get into Regional or Locations, you'll have a choice of countries. Each of these will give you the choice to go into counties or regions within the country.

I only know of one mail list, and that's at rootsweb.com. This is also a free service. Here you will find they have 28,585 different genealogy mailing lists. When you go to the web site, pick from the top banner "Mailing Lists". The message board from here is the same as Ancestry. Rootsweb is now owned by Ancestry. After clicking on "Mailing Lists" you will have three choices: Surnames, USA, and International. If you choose a letter from the surnames, you go right to a screen with all the surnames for that letter. If you choose a state you have two choices, "General Interest" and "Countries." The countries are broken into

regions. Canada for example has 195 different lists, the United Kingdom has 50 and Ireland has 87.

Once you make a choice of surname, state, or country you will go to a screen that is similar for them all, so if you can do one you can do any of them. I suggest you go to the bottom of the page, here you will find links to search the archives or to browse the archives. If you choose Browse the archives you will get a list of how many messages were sent each month of the last few years. This will give you an idea of how many messages to expect if you subscribe to this list. You can click on any month to see a list of the headers of the messages. Then click on one to see its full content. You could now go back and search the archives. You do this by choosing a year to search. Someone could do this every month or so and never subscribe to the list and still get the benefit of all the messages.

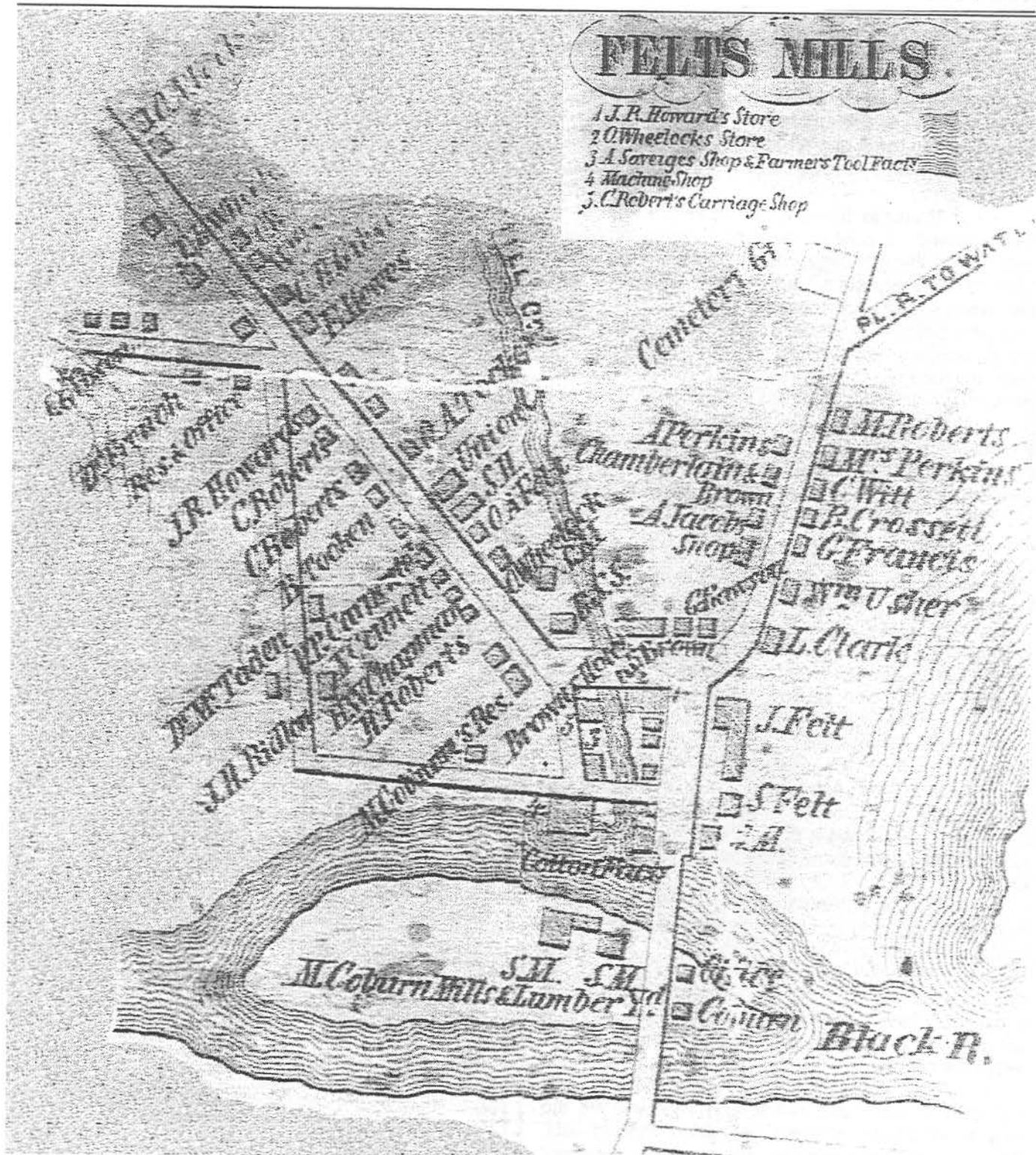
To subscribe to a list, just click on the link that has Subscribe to-L. This will bring up the message already addressed. Just click "send" and you're a member of the list. If you want off the list just go back to this screen and click on the Unsubscribe from-L and you are off the list. A lot of people when they go on vacation for a week will unsubscribe and then rejoin when they come home. This keeps the mail box empty. The list I belong to that deals with my French-Canadian ancestry sends over a thousand messages a month, and some days it's over 100 messages/e-mails. I met a man in Watertown who had been looking for a marriage for seven years. I took his info, sent a message to the message board and had his answer in half an hour. This list is very active, but remember you can test the water with the search and browse feature.

BARN RAISING RECIPE

(About 100 years old, from the days when barn raisings were very common)

115 lemon pies
500 fat cakes (doughnuts)
15 large cakes
3 gallons applesauce
3 gallons rice pudding
16 chickens
3 hams
3 gallons cornstarch pudding
50 lb. roast beef
300 light rolls
16 loaves of bread
Red beet pickles and pickled eggs
Cucumber pickles
6 lb. dried prunes, stewed
1 large crock stewed raisins
5 gal. Stone jar of white potatoes and equal amount sweet potatoes
Enough for 195 hungry men.
W. Thayer collection, Box 2175 Wenatchee, WA
Obtained from Mrs. Bernice Green, Wenatchee, WA





After studying this map of Felts Mills, the editorial staff has come to the conclusion that the map is oriented with South being at the top of the page and North being at the bottom.

Index to 1855 Map of Felts Mills (page 14)

By Don Dillenbeck, JCNYS Member

Initial(s)	Surname	Map Village—Rutland	1850 Census Occupation
B.S.S. =	(BlackSmith Shop)	Felts Mills	
G.M. =	(Grist Mill)	Felts Mills	
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	Felts Mills	
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	Felts Mills	
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	Felts Mills	
S.H. =	(School House)	Felts Mills	
Union Ch.	(Union Church)	Felts Mills	
	1. J.R.Howard's Store	Felts Mills	Merchant
	2. O.Wheelock's Store	Felts Mills	Merchant
	3. A.Savages Shop & Farmers Tool Facy.	Felts Mills	Carpenter
	4. Machine Shop	Felts Mills	
	5. C.Robert's Carriage Shop	Felts Mills	Wagon Maker
	Black River	Felts Mills	
R.G.	Brown	Felts Mills	Inn Keeper
	Brown's Hotel	Felts Mills	
U.P.	Carpenter	Felts Mills	
	Cemetery Gyd.(Graveyard)	Felts Mills	
	Chamberlain & Brown	Felts Mills	Painters
H.W.	Chapman	Felts Mills	
L.	Clark	Felts Mills	Cooper?
	Coburn	Felts Mills	Lumber Merchant
M.	Coburn's Res.(Residence)	Felts Mills	Lumber Merchant
N.	Connett (Connell in 1860)	Felts Mills	Grocer
	Cotton Facy.	Felts Mills	
B.	Crossett	Felts Mills	
S.G.?	Dixon ?	Felts Mills	
Res.& Office	Dr. French	Felts Mills	Physician
J.	Felt	Felts Mills	Farmer & Teacher (dad & son)
O.A.	Felt	Felts Mills	Lumber Merchant
S.	Felt	Felts Mills	Merchant
G.	Francis	Felts Mills	
Dr.	French	Felts Mills	Physician
C.B.	Gibson	Felts Mills	Carpenter
J.R.	Howards	Felts Mills	Merchant
A.	Jacobs Shop	Felts Mills	Shoemaker
Dr.	McTaden (McFadden ?)	Felts Mills	Physician
M.Coburn	Mills & Lumber Yd. (Yard)	Felts Mills	Lumber Merchant
	Office (Coburn)	Felts Mills	
E.G.	Orson	Felts Mills	
A.	Perkins	Felts Mills	
Mrs.	Perkins	Felts Mills	
G.	Rawson (Rauson in 1850)	Felts Mills	Watch Maker ?
J.H.	Ridlon	Felts Mills	
C.	Roberts	Felts Mills	Wagon Maker
C.	Roberts	Felts Mills	Wagon Maker
M.	Roberts	Felts Mills	Mill Wright
Wm	Smith	Felts Mills	Shoemaker
B.	Tooken (Tooker in 1850)	Felts Mills	Sawyer
O.A.	Tooken (Tooker in 1850)	Felts Mills	Pump Maker
O.A.	Tooken (Tooker in 1850)	Felts Mills	Pump Maker
Wm	Usher	Felts Mills	Clothier
O.	Wheelock	Felts Mills	Merchant
J.B.	Wheelock ?	Felts Mills	
C.	Witt	Felts Mills	Weaver in 1860
O.W.		Felts Mills	

No. 3,166

North Country Remembered

[License to a Retailer of Merchandize, including Wines and Spirits, in the country.]

No. 13-

WHEREAS *Isaac Moffatt Jr.* of the Town of *Brooksville* in the County of *Jefferson* in the *Sixteenth* Collection District of *New York* hath duly made application for a License to sell by retail Merchandize, including Wines and Spirits:

NOW KNOW YE, That the said *Isaac Moffatt Jr.* is hereby licensed to sell by retail Merchandize, including Wines and Spirits, at *his own Partners Store* in *the Town of* in the *County* aforesaid, during one year following the *Tuesday* fifth day of *February* one thousand eight hundred and *Seventeen* in conformity with the laws of the United States.

John M. Canfield

Countersigned at *Watertown* in the Collection District aforesaid, this *first* day of *February* 18

John M. Canfield
Collector of the Revenue for the
Collection District of *West Herk Co.*

A liquor license was issued for Isaac Moffatt Jr., of Brownville, for which he paid \$15 in 1817. The license was dated Feb. 25 of that year. It read: 'License to a Retailer of Merchandise, including Wines and Spirits.' The License was signed at Watertown by John M. Canfield, the Collector of Revenue for the Collection District of New York. The document was made available from records of Jefferson County Historical Society Museum.

Interview with William Reichard Town of Rutland and Village of Black River Historian

Informer: How long have you been historian here?

Mr. Reichard: About two years for Rutland, and about three years for the Village of Black River.

I'm also caretaker for the Black River Cemetery, and I'm putting together a listing of all the names of the cemetery. It's a big one. I'm listing all the names in each plot, and locating each grave in each plot. It's a big project, and I'm only as far as the letter E. The hard part is to locate the plots. In the old days, they used to leave a path between the rows of graves. Then as they ran out of room, they began using those paths for plots.

Informer: It must be difficult with all the vandalism.

Mr. Reichard: The police keep a careful watch. We don't get much vandalism, and if a stone falls over or breaks, I'm right there next morning to fix it.

Black River was a very important place in Jefferson County years ago. It was first called Lockport, but the Post Office had them change the name, because there was another Lockport out near Buffalo. Then it became Black River. It was quite a community. North Rutland was agricultural; not many people lived there compared with South Rutland. The Black River furnished water power. They had two chair factories, a marching band, a newspaper...

Informer: What was the name of the paper?

Mr. Reichard: First there was the *Black River Herald*, and it was published in Croghan.

Informer: That's Lewis County?

Mr. Reichard: Right. They called it the *Croghan News* first. In 1889, it was bought out and published as the *Black River Herald*, until 1890. Next, in 1895 they started the *Black River Press*. In 1896 there was the *Trades Unionist*. From the chair factories. They made some of the outstanding chairs in the world. The H.C. Dexter Chair factory. That went through a lot of name changes, but it was all one family. The factory stayed in the family, but they changed the name as it changed hands.

Informer: Where could we find copies of those papers? Microfilm?

Mr. Reichard: Oh, I don't know. I think they are all gone. Disappeared. There was a lot going on here, though. They had the Riverside Oddfellows, and the Crescent Rebeckahs.

Informer: Masons?

Mr. Reichard: Yes, they had a Masonic Lodge, and the Bethany Order of Eastern Star. They had a bicycle club.

Informer: Fire Department?

Mr. Reichard: Oh, yes, that was organized in 1890, right after the disastrous fire that burned down the

whole business section of Black River. They had an American Legion Post, and a USO, which later became the Pine Lodge for dinner and dancing. We had our own drug store. The druggist was W. H. Wheeler. They had a GAR, Grand Army of the Republic, you know, and a Women's Relief Corps. We had our own hospital.

Informer: Where would those hospital records be?

Mr. Reichard: I have no idea. Finding records of any kind is very difficult, and then people don't want you to have them.

Informer: Churches?

Mr. Reichard: The Methodist, right up at the corner. That split a while back, and became the Methodist and then St. John's Episcopal, another church and another building. We have the Old Disciple, Baptist, St. Paul, and we had Camp Meetings, of course. Then there was the IBOPM

Informer: What was that?

Mr. Reichard: International Brotherhood of Paper Makers. They had a paper and sulphite mill. (He was reading some of the indexes to his notebooks)

W. Wilcox was our first undertaker, in 1849. And then the Bending Company. That was very important. They found a way to bend wood with steam, and the bending company supplied bent wood all over. We had a milk plant

Informer: How about your historical archives? Where do you keep them?

Mr. Reichard: I don't believe in file folders. I keep notebooks, and I have them all here. The town has made a little room available to me, with a four drawer filing cabinet, not fire proof, of course, but a file cabinet. That was very recent. I haven't had a chance to put anything in it.

Informer: Did you inherit a lot of material from the former historians?

Mr. Reichard: (Annoyed) No! I was given a small cardboard carton with a lot of loose clippings in it, and that was it. I have nothing original. Everything I have is photocopied. And I keep everything in sheet protectors in notebooks. Seven notebooks, and they all have index tabs. I try to keep everything organized together. This one on family history, for instance, we don't have family files, but I keep obituaries, weddings, general articles on people, and each family has all of that together. And I copy things out of county histories, and from the internet, and put it all under the family.

Informer: Did a railroad come through here?

Mr. Reichard: (Looking through one of his notebooks) There was the Carthage, Watertown and Sackets Harbor. In 1853 one went from Black River to Utica.

Informer: Hotels?

Mr. Reichard: We had the Arthur House Hotel, and the Carter House Hotel which was also known as the Palace Hotel, and the McCumber House. That one was on the site of the school on Remington St, just up at the corner. That big building was once a school. Now it's an apartment house.

ASK AUNTY JEFF



Letters may be sent snail mail:
Aunty Jeff, c/o Dixon, 15407 Dixon Rd.,
Clayton NY 13624
or E-mail nandixon@Gisco.net

Dear Aunty Jeff,

My gg Grandfather was born in New York and moved to Jefferson County when he was very little. They lived in Henderson around 1802, so says the computer. William Petty was his father. We believe that John Petty from Philadelphia was his grandfather (no proof yet). What I was wondering was are there any land records for Henderson, Jefferson County NY around 1800-1830? If so, where are they kept? Any marriage records before 1830? Two of William's sons married in Jefferson County, Michael married Elizabeth Avery and Abner married Sally Fillmore. They all stayed in Jefferson County until 1827/28 and then moved to Ashtabula County Ohio and then to Wisconsin. We do not know the name of William's wife. Were there any churches in Henderson in 1800? If so, where do they keep their records? We do not know if Mrs. Petty moved to Ohio or if she died in Henderson, Jefferson County, NY. Are there any records of men from Henderson, Jefferson County that served in the war of 1812? We know that John Petty/Petty served as a seaman aboard the U. S. S. Constitution from July 1813-July 1815. It is believed that Joseph the oldest son of William and Michael the next son both were in the war of 1812 and they lived in Henderson, Jefferson County NY. If there are any records in Henderson, where do I find them? John Petty, Sr. was in the revolutionary war along with his oldest son Solomon. I believe he is buried in one of Jefferson County cemeteries. We saw it in 1990 when we were there on a visit. It must be somewhere in Philadelphia. I know that it is on a major highway. Is there anyone in Jefferson County who can help me find the stone and read what is on it? Thank you for all of your information. I hope to hear from you soon. *-Lois Jane Pettey*

Dear Lois,

Aunty Jeff likes these sorts of queries, with the known facts laid out and the questions specific. Jefferson County's principal research facility is the Flower Library Genealogy Room. If you haven't inquired there, it should be your first step. Debbie Quick, at the Historical Society of South Jefferson might also have some information for you. To your specific questions: All land records in New York State are kept at the county level. Thus, the county clerk at the County Buildings, Arsenal Street, Watertown NY 13601 would have the Henderson records, as well as all the others in Jefferson County.

Marriage records, as the readers of this column know, are a sometime thing. New York State kept NO vital records until the 1880s, with a brief exception in 1847,

1848, and 1849. Some information is available in the 1850 census, but after that, nothing until the 1880s, and then not certain until after 1900. See the plaintive note in the November Informer as to the difficulties the registrar labored under. Again, Flower Library may be of some help with their Bible records collection. Other sources are Bible records, church records, obituaries, diaries, birthday books, and census records.

As for church records (of course Henderson had churches!) they are not in any central repository. Eric Anderson, Town Historian for Henderson, may be able to help you there. Your questions may also be of interest to Gary Rhodes, who is compiling a history of the Town of Henderson, and may have access to some hidden records, or ones not of common knowledge.

War of 1812 records have been compiled (at least some of them) and can be found at Flower Library. The volunteer staff there is extremely helpful, but can only answer queries if a stamped, self addressed envelope is enclosed with the query. I believe Eric Anderson has some, if not all.

Henderson records, such as they are, are kept by the Town Clerk, for official records. Eric Anderson, Town Historian, also has many old records.

The Bartletts, and her father, Gus Rogers, read all the cemeteries they could find in about 17 of the 22 towns of Jefferson County. Most of them were published, and the Flower Library has a complete collection of the books. For the ones they did not publish, as well as updates for all, the Bartletts donated all material to the Jefferson County GenWebSite, at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer>. Gus Rogers himself is always helpful from his own very complete files. You can reach him by email at res1hh74@verizon.net

Addresses for the people above:

Eric Anderson: P.O. Box 40, Henderson NY 13650

Debbie Quick: P.O. Box 55, Adams NY 13605

Gary Rhodes: P.O. Box 220, Belleville NY 13611

Flower Library: Genealogy Room, Flower Memorial Library, Washington St., Watertown NY 13601

The November 2003 Informer, pages 14-17, has a complete listing of genealogical sources in Jefferson County.

Early History of The Village of Black River From The 1991 Centennial Calendar

Since the village of Black River straddles the border between LeRay and Rutland, some of these events pertain to LeRay.

1806 Lockport was the first name of the village. Several settlers came and Isaac and Harvey Cleveland built the first sawmill in the village.

1810 The first school was erected at the foot of Woodward Hill.

1815 Andrew Middleton and Christopher Poor started another sawmill below the village.

1826 The first house on the Rutland side was built in 1826 by Francis Butterfield.

1828 Christopher Poor purchased 150 acres from Alexander LeRay, agent for the Chassanis tract and constructed a dam by the sawmill site.

1829 Mr. Poor had the first home on the LeRay side, a log cabin, now the Brierton Apartments.

1831 Frances Butterfield opened the first hotel (Rutland side) and with his three brothers as partners, started the first store, site of the "Quick Stop."

1832 Mr. Poor and Mr. Butterfield, with other settlers sharing some of the costs, constructed the first bridge over Black River. Robert Van Schoick opened the first store on the LeRay side, near the "Village Inn."

1837 The site of the first post office was also at the "Quick Stop". Dr. Albert Parsons became the first postmaster. Black River became the new name.

1839 David Dexter with A.N. Brittan, a chair maker from Athok, Massachusetts, started a chair factory in July and produced the first chairs in 1840.

1842 Dexter's Chair Factory burned and Mr. Brittan moved to Theresa and opened his own shop.

1848 After holding services since 1833 in a stone schoolhouse on the corner of West and Remington Streets, a church was built by the Methodists in the spring of 1848. This church still stands with extensive repairs, additions. A tower was added in 1884.

1849 The Wilcox Coffin and Casket Works was erected on the land between the Post Office and the Village Offices. Mr. William S. Wilcox may have been the man now hired Josiah Johnson to build the 1835 stone house, known later as the "Poor Mansion", and now owned by the Schuman family. Construction

started in 1845 for a flour mill, known as Lockport Mills, but wasn't completed until 1849. A plank road went thru Black River from Watertown to Great Bend.

1871 On December 11, the Free Methodist Church Society was organized, the first trustees being John C. Kennedy, Josiah Johnson, and David Dexter. Mr. Kennedy transferred title of the stone house across from "Poor Mansion" to his son. The elder Kennedy is believed to have been the first owner and Mr. Johnson also was the builder. The home's construction date is around 1840.

1872 A station stop, with a passenger depot and freight house, was part of the Carthage, Watertown & Sackets Harbor Railroad.

1873 The Old Disciple Church was dedicated, now "Grieco's Garage."

1888 The Jefferson Paper Mill was constructed on the large island called Poor's Island. It closed in 1928 and the ruins of the mill are still visible.

1890 February 20, a disastrous fire burned out the "Poor Block" a three-story building with an opera house on the third floor; D.J. Scott and Son's block; the Arthur House (a hotel); Parkinson's store (before 1881, a post office); Whipple and Hadsall's store; F.H. Dillenbeck's tin shop and hardware store; A.W. McDowell's store; George Graham's barber shop; the I.O.O.F. Hall and two dwellings. The Kennedy stone house was badly burned but was later restored. Having no fire department, Black River village immediately one later in the year, with a hand-drawn hose cart with the river being their water supply. A hospital was also opened.

1891 The village was incorporated being located in LeRay and Rutland townships.

1905 Electricity lines were installed in the village.

1910 The Black River Waterworks was started and completed the next year.

1912 B.C. Dexter Chair Company closed, the last of several chair factories in the village.

1915 The first library was opened and was in the present Masonic Temple.

1920 The Black River Canal was built, reducing the land between the Post Office and the bridge

1970 A popular dining and dancing establishment, "Pine Lodge," burned.

1991 August 16 - 18, Village Centennial Celebration.

BLACK RIVER VILLAGE

Some Interesting Facts About Men and Factories.

(From a late 1800's *Watertown Daily Standard*)

Black River, one of Jefferson county's prettiest and most progressive villages is pleasantly situated on the river bearing its name and numbers about 1,000 inhabitants. On September 24, 1891, the inhabitants of the village of Black River held a special election and by a majority vote determined to incorporate under the provisions of the laws of 1870. According to a survey previously made by W. A. Lyttle, the area of village was 1,115½ acres, of which 635½ acres were taken from Rutland, 440 acres from Leray, while 40 acres were covered by waters of the river. The certificate of election was recorded in the county clerk's office, September 25, and on the 23rd of October following the incorporation was made complete by the election of village officers.

In 1806, Isaac and Harvey Cleveland built a saw mill on the south side of the river, which was carried away by high water the next year. About 1815 Christopher Poor and Andrew Middleton built a mill below the village but there were few evidences of a hamlet at that time. In 1826 the families in the vicinity were Thomas Scott, Beriah and Eli Penniman, Francis Butterfield and perhaps one or two others. In that year Butterfield built the first framed house, and about 1831, the first hotel. The first bridge across the river was built in 1828 chiefly at the expense of Mr. Butterfield and Mr. Poor, both of whom were largely interested in lands in the vicinity, and who were among the most enterprising men of their towns. The Butterfield brothers, Levi, Francis, William and Philander, opened their first store and gave the place the appearance of a settlement. These were the beginnings which led to the village on the south side.

On the Leray side of the river Christopher Poor was one of the first settlers in the locality, and bought from the Chassanis proprietary a tract of 150 acres of land, including water privileges, for the pioneer was attracted to the place by the superior mill sites. Mr. Poor had previously lived in Rutland and in 1829 removed to his new purchase on the Leray side, and was one of the chief factors in building up the hamlet, just as in more recent years his descendants have been instrumental in bringing about a prosperous condition of affairs in village life. In 1831 a dam was built across the river and a saw mill was erected by Coburn & Hubbard, who ran it about ten years and then sold it to W. K. Butterfield. In 1836 the first grist mill was built by A. Horton, but this and the saw mill were burned about 1843. In 1845 these were replaced with more substantial buildings for the same use. The well known Lockport grist mill was begun in 1845 by Oliver A. Ferguson, but was soon afterward taken by Matthew Poor, R. G. Vaughn and Henry Chapman, who finished the building in 1849. The property afterwards passed through various hands and in 1890 was replaced by the plant of the Black River Wood Pulp company. This company was incorporated November 17, 1891, with \$15,000 capital by Wooster O. Ball, Henry M. Ball, Kate L. Ball, Eunice D. Ball and Joseph Atwell, Jr. This property afterward passed into the hands of H. Remington & Son Pulp and Paper Company and is now one of the substantial industries of the village.

The company furnishes electric lights for the village.

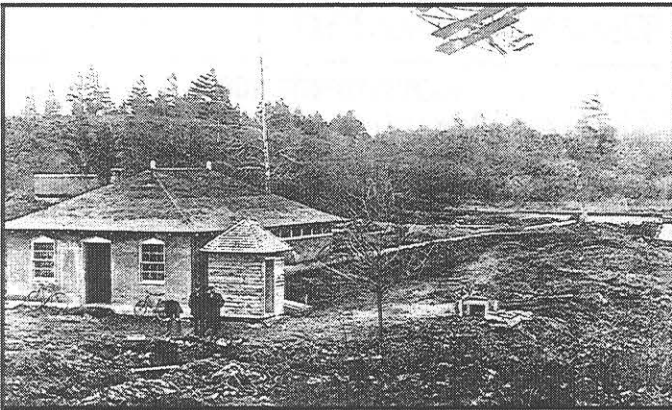
In 1832 Robert Van Shoick opened a store and began trade. Mr. Thurston succeeded to the business in 1848. The second store was started in 1852 by S. L. Mott, succeeded by Matthew Poor in 1866. In 1848 Peter Poor built a planing mill, being the same afterward owned by Andrew Poor. In 1860 Hinman & Middleton built a box factory and wood working shop which they occupied for a time. The building was used about a year some time during the sixties by D. Dexter & Son, after their plant on the Rutland side of the river had been burned. At a still later period, the building was used as a place of meeting for the Free Methodist society, but eventually passed into the hands of D. H. Scott & Son. It is now occupied by the H. C. Dexter Chair Company. The company was established about 1882 by Poor, Dexter & Co. The firm afterward became Dexter & Scott and eventually H. C. Dexter Chair company, as now known. The works, running at full, employ about 50 men.

The Black River Bending Company was established in 1860 for the manufacture of bent chair stock, and from the beginning has been a successful enterprise. In 1889 the company was incorporated, with a capital of \$20,000, and Matthew A. Poor, Clarence M. Woodward, Charles M. Wolie, Myron W. Scofield, Bryon N. Scott and Perrin V. Poor as principal stockholders. The company employs, when running full time, about 50 men. On the site of the Bending company's works a machine shop was built by Isaac Howe about 1840. It was run by him several years, and after he went out the buildings were idle for a long time. They were then sold to the Bending company, and were so radically enlarged and remodeled as to entirely change in appearance. Where Thomas Childs & Son's sash and door factory stands formerly stood a similar industry started many years ago by Wolcott Brothers.

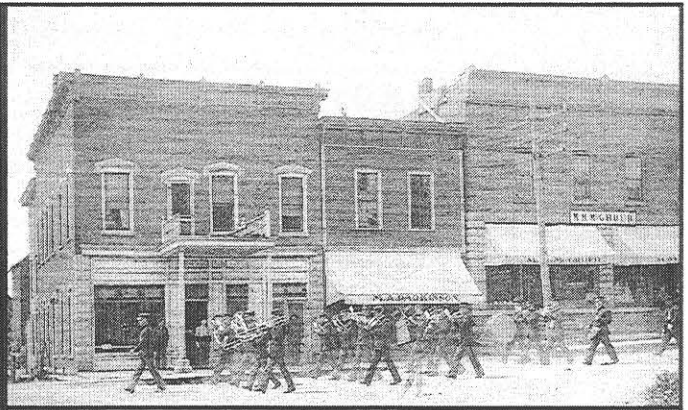
The Empire Wood Pulp Company, whose large plant stands on the lower island, was incorporated April 11, 1888, with a capital of \$15,000. This, too, is a leading industry in the village. On this site years ago stood a saw mill which was carried away by high water and was then replaced with Tamlin's sash and door factory. This was about 1875, but two years later it became Poor & Dexter's plant and later the pulp mill.

The Jefferson Paper company, whose plant occupies a site on Poor's Island, was incorporated July 26, 1887, with \$20,000 capital, by William P. Herring, Frank H. Munson and James M. Hamlin. The purpose of the company was to manufacture lumber, wood pulp and paper.

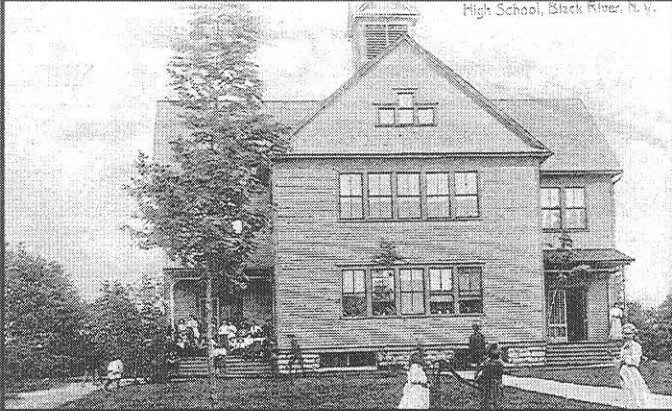
David Dexter was the pioneer of the chair industry at Black River. He established the business in 1839 on the Rutland side of the river and continued it until 1865 when he took his son Everett A. Dexter as partner under the firm name of D. Dexter & Son. The plant of the company was enlarged and the business extended so that from 40 to 50 men were employed. It was thus continued to the death of David Dexter in 1880. Everett A. Dexter then took as partner his brother David E. Dexter and under the firm style of D. Dexter's Sons' the business was continued to 1893 when Everett A. Dexter died. Since that time the plant has been operated by David E. Dexter as surviving partner.



Air Ship At Pump House, Black River, NY



Cornet Band, Black River, NY



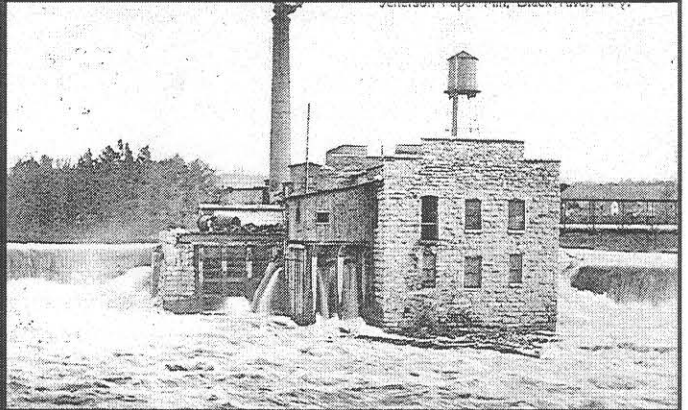
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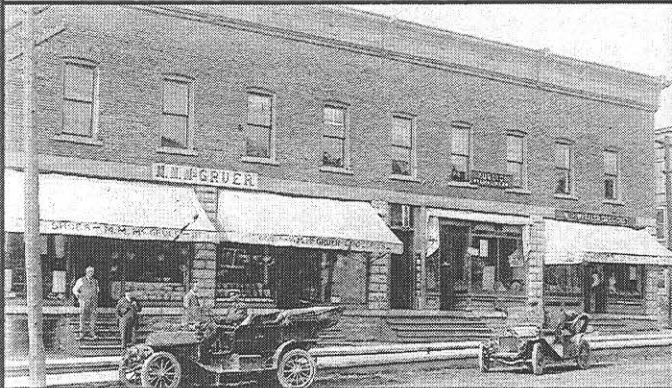
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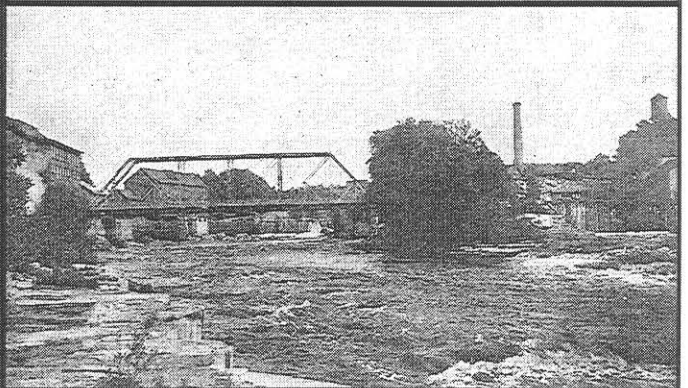
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EVANS

(QUERIES CONT.)

I am doing research on New Yorkers at the Alamo and was wondering if you had any information on Samuel B. **Evans** born January 16, 1812 in Jefferson County, New York. Fondlest Regards,
Allan Foote

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(315) 736-4378 Oriskathy@aol.com

WILLSON

I am looking for info on the **Willson** surname 1800--1900 in the Jefferson & Erie Co. areas. I will happily share family sheets on my Abner **Willson** (1772-1851) to anyone interested. He married twice and had several children. Do the **Willsons** in Jefferson Co. connect to the ones in Erie Co. NY? Regards,

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MATTY

I am looking for information on the **Matty** family. I believe Jacques **Mettey** (changed his name to James **Matty** in the U.S.) moved to Jefferson County from France in the early 1800's. They may have lived in Rutland or Adams. I also think he married Susanne **Chamot**. would appreciate any information.

Fred Kelly
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fkelly@stny.rr.com

FOX

We are looking for a marriage record for Benjamin **FOX** & Mary (---). The date range would be 1835 to 1840, & probably took place in Town of Leray. The 1840 Census shows Benjamin with spouse & one male child under 5 years old. This would be their son Cornelius. We are most interested in Mary's maiden name. Hope one of your readers can help. We live in Niagara County, NY, and will happily do lookups here.
Thanks,

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Queries

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SPAETH

I have learned that my Great Great Grandparents immigrated to Depauville, NY in 1867, with 3 children. They had more children born in America. I am looking for church information, death certificate or cemetery location for Leonard & Kathrina **Spaeth**. Do you know of any one that is researching this surname in the Jefferson County area? Thank you very much for any information you can provide.

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TIBBETS/SEWARD

I am looking for the family of Almanson **Tibbets** (b. 1797 Vermont) who married Martha Gridley **Seward** (b. 1812). They lived in Rodman, Jefferson County, NY between 1830 & 1880. Almanson died before 1870 & Martha died after 1880. I am in particular looking to see if they had a son named Almanson or Alanson **Tibbets** born around 1820 (Martha would have had to be a second wife). Thank you.

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RULISON/VANANTWERP/BIGGER

Nelson J. **Rulison** 1802-1876 was my great-great grandfather. He married Sophia **Van Antwerp** August 20, 1833. Harmon **Rulison** was my great-great-great grandfather & I have little information on him. He married Sarah **Jones** (1780-1861) in 1801. I have the **Rulison** Family Bible & I recently submitted that information to a Jefferson County Genealogical website. My family made many trips to Carthage during my growing years to visit my grandmother who was Harriet **Rulison** (maiden name). She married William **Bigger** & named her only child Rulison. My father was Rulison Garrett **Bigger** (born 1911) & he grew up in Carthage. He died Dec. 28, 1970. Perhaps some of your older subscribers may remember him. He was an only child. I would appreciate any contacts, information, or sources anyone could offer me & I thank you for responding.

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jdmail@earthlink.net

STORRING/STARRING/STORRIN

I am interested in locating information on the **Storring** (**Storing/Starring/Storin**) family who appears in the 1820 & 1830 Jefferson County census records in LeRay. Robert **Storring**, I believe, may have been from Holland. His first wife was Rachel **Blodoo**, & he may have had a second wife named Nancy ?. Robert appears in the 1830 LeRay census with three sons under 15, & two daughters under 10. He is between 40 & 50 years & his wife is between 30 and 40. He may have had a brother, Adam. He had several sons, two known sons are: John **Storring**, & Milo C. **Storring**. Benjamin **Storring** also appears & may be another son. The family later appears in Hermon, St. Lawrence

Co., NY. Any information on this family greatly appreciated.

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STORY/HENDERSON

I am trying to find the parents' names of Susannah **Story**, b 22 Nov 1805, in (I think) Watertown or Parmelia, Jefferson, New York & Joseph P. **Henderson**, b 6 April 1791, Vermont). Susannah **Story** was first md to Enos **Phippen**, s/o Samuel **Phippen**, living in Watertown having migrated from Vermont. According to pension applications War of 1812 Laura **Woodard** was Joseph **Henderson**'s first wife. Joseph was in the military hospital in Brownsville in 1814. There was a Joseph P. **Henderson** in the Federal Census of Brownsville in 1830. One of the accounts in a pension application said Joseph P. **Henderson** married Susannah **Story** in Parmelia, St. Lawrence County [sic] in Nov 1830 or 1831. Geo. **Woodard**, Justice of the Peace, officiated. Where could I look for a marriage record from 1830? Thank you.

Claudia Day
1273 Suncrest Drive NE
Grand Rapids, Michigan 49525.

WHITE/THOMPSON

My great grandfather was Ozias Preston **White** b Jefferson County, New York, 1817 or 1818. I know he m Sarah **Thompson** in LeGrange County, Indiana. March 22, 1840. By the 1850 census he is in Kosciusko County, Indiana (no mention of Sarah) with children John, Martha J., & William. Ozias then m Julia Ann **Calkins** in Indiana & on the 1860 census they are in Buchanan County, Iowa with the above three children plus Homer, Walter, Mary, and Sullivan. My grandfather, Edward Fremont **White**, was b 1861, LaPorte, Iowa. Can not find Ozias anywhere on the 1870 census. On the 1880 census he is in Madison County, Iowa with at least his 3rd wife, Sarah Burnsides **Mayfield**, whom he m in Saline County, Missouri, August 22, 1874. In Jefferson County, New York records I did find an Ozias **Preston** & wondered if this could be a maternal relative of my great grandfather as the name appears to be too much of a coincidence. Any help you can give me would be very much appreciated.

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DEWEY/LEWIS

I have a Carthage High School Class of 1915 announcement (invitation) sent by Paul Dewey **Lewis**. It lists Mr. **Lewis** as class president. Information from the **Dewey** Genealogy indicates that Mr. **Lewis**, b 1895, is the son of Althea Martha **Dewey** and George Ezra **Lewis**. He married Mary **Cain** in 1918 and Mrs. Gladys E. **Welt** in 1926. Please contact me if anyone in the **Dewey** or **Lewis** families or anyone who collects Carthage memorabilia would like this treasure.

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(More Queries on Page 22)

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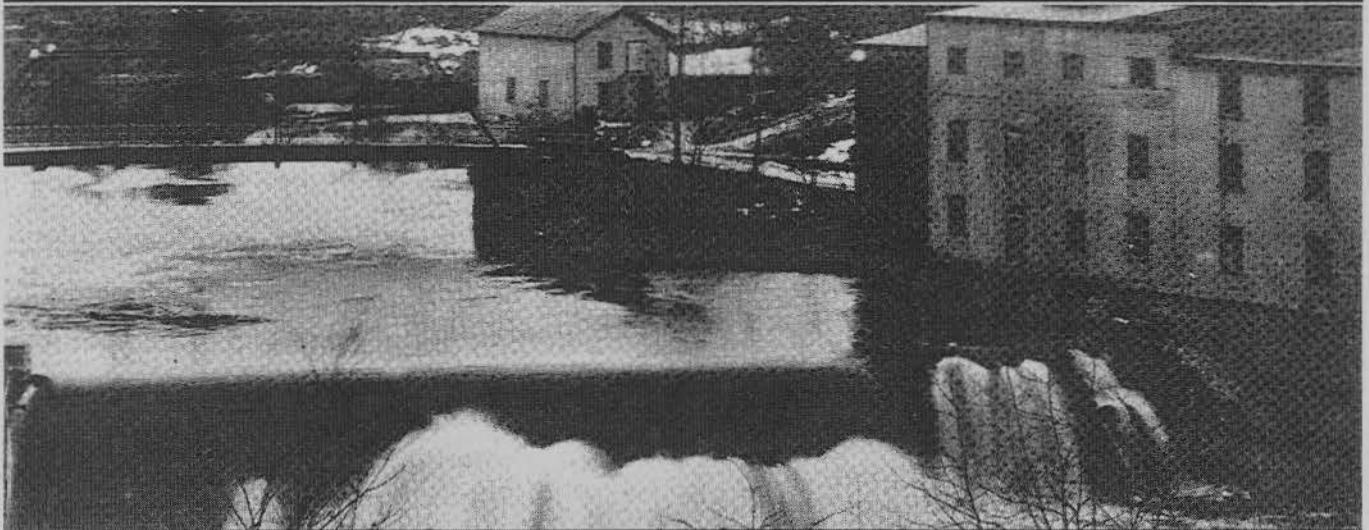
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Charles Benjamin Clark
1848 -

Charlotte Augusta Evans
1846—1887

John Sheley
1842—1934

Mordecai Lyman Stotler
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The articles in this newsletter are written purely to stimulate interest in the genealogical history of Jefferson County. If comments are in any way offensive, this was not the intent. All articles, submissions, etc., are the viewpoints and research of various contributors. As such, they do not necessarily reflect the views of the executive committee or members of the Jefferson County New York Genealogical Society.

Letters.....

Letters to the editor may be directed to nandixon@gisco.net or to Nan Dixon, 15407 Dixon Road, Clayton, NY 13624.

The War of 1812 information the Henderson Historical Society has is photocopies of the membership applications for the NNY chapter of the Daughters of the War of 1812. The chapter disbanded about 6-7 years ago, and the remaining members gave us their membership applications dating back at least 100 years. In those applications, the women applying for membership had to document their familial connections to War of 1812 soldiers. Unfortunately, officials at the national organization of the Daughters of the War of 1812 requested that the applications go to them, so we complied, but not after spending about \$500 to get them all photocopied. I don't know if anyone else in Jefferson County has the same copies.

I am compiling an index of names found in old town documents that were in 10 or so very disorganized boxes. I think I've shown you those boxes. Organizing and indexing them will be my life's work. At this point, I have organized the documents from 2 or 3 of those boxes, and I've started recording all the names on those documents. I'll hit my 2000th name this week - though that includes many instances of multiple references to the same person.

Research requests can be directed to the Henderson Historical Society, P.O. Box 322, Henderson N.Y. 13650. There is no charge, but donations of cash and a copy of the results of the research are encouraged. The society's museum is closed to the public for the winter due to the cost of heating it. It'll reopen in mid-May and be open Wednesdays from 1-3, and Saturdays from 9 to noon through early October.

Eric Anderson, Henderson Town Historian.

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**Jefferson County Historical Associations (Part 2)
will be published in the May *Informer*.**

NYS COGO - Genealogy at the Crossroads
Hi Folks:

I just wanted to stop by and let all of you know that we have a very nice full-page spread in the Jefferson County *Informer* thanks to our loyal cohorts Nan and Bill Dixon.

Many thanks Nan and Bill on behalf of all of us. Just love that paper and the great articles that you share each month.

Warmest regards - Diana

William Asa Flint, 81, justice of the peace of the town of Adams the past 31 years, died at 3:50 p.m. Tuesday, June 20th, 1939 at his home on Honeyville Road, a short distance from Adams Center. He had been in failing health a year and confined to bed a month. Mr. Flint had lived on his farm since 1901 and for many years was an auctioneer as well as farmer and justice. Before moving there he had conducted a meat business in Watertown for 20 years. (cont. page 3)

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The funeral was held Friday at 2 p.m. at the home with Rev. Ivan M. Cash of the First Day Baptist church officiating. Masonic rites were conducted at the grave. He was buried in the Union cemetery at Adams.

Mr. Flint was born in Oneida County five miles north of Utica, Sept 28, 1857, son of Manasseh and Harriet Flint and descendant of New England colonists. When he was 16 years old he moved to South Rutland, where he married Miss Mina Jane (Jennie) Brooks, July 4, 1877. At that time Mr. Flint was a meat cutter at Copenhagen. William Flint had children Charles Elmer Flint and Pearl Flint.

Addendum

William A. Flint's grandfather was Asa Flint Sr., born 1779 in Windham CT. Asa Sr. is the son of Benjamin Flint whose ancestry goes back to Thomas Flint of Wales whom settled in Salem, MA. in the 1600s. Asa Flint Sr. eventually migrated from CT to Brookline, VT and lastly settled in Marcy, Oneida, NY on a large farm with his wife Sarah, son Manasseh and his wife Harriet Chapman of New Hartford, Oneida, NY. Manasseh and Harriet had 3 children, Nelson H. Flint, William Asa Flint and Sarah J. Flint.

After Manasseh died in 1870, Harriet Chapman Flint with children moved to Rutland, Jefferson, NY. She was re-married to a Washington Bucher, a shoe maker. Nelson Flint, born 1849, married Anna Lovell of Trenton, NY and they had a son, Fred Lovell Flint, born 1884 in Watertown, Jefferson, NY. Anna Flint died in 1885, then Nelson married Frances Ellen (Ella) Austin of Denmark, Lewis NY. Sarah Flint, born 1851, married Charles Everett Crouch of Rutland, Jefferson, NY. They had children Everett, Grace and Gertrude.

If you have any information on any of these people please email lakelilly@aol.com. Thank you!

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What's Going on with JCNYS

By Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

December Meeting

Vice President Bob VanBrocklin called the meeting to order with 6 people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Hollis Dorr and seconded by Nan Dixon.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr reported a balance of \$8,499.47. Bill Dixon moved to approve the report and Jean Coyne seconded. Passed.

Corresponding Secretary Clancy Hopkins had left an oral report with Bill Dixon mentioning that there was very little activity in the last 2 months with only a letter with a query which was answered and one change of address.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that the January issue is in publisher Clancy Hopkins hands. Editor Nan Dixon mentioned that March *Informer* has begun.

Publications Committee report by Jean Coyne mentioned that the *Wills* book is being done by Benjamin Publishing and will be 150 copies of 196 pages, 5½ by 8½ perfect bound, with cover and inside maps for an estimated \$1,423.50. Printing from the hard copy and not a disk, some of the margins will be very close to the page edges. Bill Dixon **Moved: That the society proceed with the publication of the *Wills* book. Seconded by Nan Dixon. Passed.** Jean mentioned that the work on the next book continues. After further discussion Jean **Moved: That the 2 people who sent checks for the book over a year ago, be reimbursed and sent a complimentary copy of the 1st *Wills* book. Seconded by Nan Dixon. Passed.** The new price for the *Will Book* will be decided by the *Will Book* Committee at the first meeting of the Newsletter Committee in January as most are members of each committee.

For the Resource Committee Nan Dixon mentioned that an interview with the Village of Black River and Town of Rutland Historian has been put into the January *Informer*.

Old Business: Bill Dixon reported for the Nominations Committee that Jean Coyne has been nominated for the newly created office of 2nd Vice President. Hollis Dorr **Moved: Approval of the Nomination of Jean Coyne as 2nd Vice President. Seconded by Nan Dixon. Passed.**

Hollis Dorr moved to adjourn with a second from Bill Dixon.

Even with the small attendance, those present had an enjoyable time talking and looking over genealogy works by Nan Dixon and Bob VanBrocklin.

Antwerp Man Tells About Cutting Wood

By the late Ernest G. Cook

Theresa Town Historian, written circa 1930s - 1940s
Reprinted in the July 7, 2004 *TI Sun*

"When I was a young man operating my farm a couple of miles out of Antwerp, Gouverneur road, two men used to come over early each winter from Bear-town, near Oxbow, and offer to cut wood for me. Each year we would make the bargain, I would give them what they asked, which was 35 cents a cord. They would start in cutting, perfectly satisfied and contented, and I was equally so, and when people are contented they are happy, no matter what the price may be."

It was William J. Rogers, Antwerp, retired farmer and 86 years old, who was recalling events of other days as we visited this morning at his home, Depot Street, Antwerp. Mr. Rogers, a member of one of the pioneer families of Antwerp, is still active, notwithstanding his advanced age, and has a mind that is keen and eyes that twinkle, as they relate interesting events. But going back to the wood cutters for just a moment.

"Those two men," said Mr. Rogers. "were two of the best men with a saw I ever hired. They would walk over on a winter morning from their homes in Bear-town and expected, as they usually did, to cut and pile six cords of hard wood in a day. But there was once they got a surprise. I had a big hard maple, a mammoth tree that was probably 40 feet high before there was a limb. They were anxious to cut that tree for it would make wood fast, they thought. Well, they did. But they were two surprised fellows. The trunk was so large that four cuts from off the tree would make a cord. The blocks were so large that the saw could not dry out the sawdust fast enough to make fast cutting. They got 22 cords of wood out of that one tree. I remember.

"It was never any trouble to sell the wood, for back in those days the mines were operating. I could take my wood over to one of the mines where the workers lived in shacks, and sell it quickly for \$2. Business was brisk back in those days.

"Yes. I remember the Sterling family, who were pioneers in this town. Their farm and ours were not far apart and on the same road. One incident that always impressed me was the day they held the funeral of J. R. Sterling. I think it was in May, 1867, and I would be a boy of 10. It was to be a Masonic funeral and I was anxious to see what the service would be like. The Sterlings were prominent people, and everybody said

it would be a big funeral. Well, it was, I went down to the place, probably with my folks, and was thrilled to see coming up the road from Antwerp village, a long procession of Masons and at the head of the procession was the Antwerp band. They were playing a funeral march, as I recall. This procession of Masons, headed by the band, escorted the body down for the funeral services in the village and thence to the cemetery. The band played some fine funeral marches, and boy-like, I thought it great. But the thing that filled me with wonder was the fact that when they went from the cemetery the band was playing a good, brisk march, I couldn't see if they were sad before, how they could change their feelings so quickly. But I suppose it was the custom.

"Sure, I remember when the Stone Church (Congregational) was built in this village. John Ellis came out to our farm to see what father would pay toward the building and as I recall \$50 was considered a high subscription. That was what father paid. I think. The church was built in 1873 and they got the stones for the building over towards Oxbow.

"But, getting back to that wood-cutting for just a moment I paid 35 cents a cord for cutting and last winter the price for cutting was \$2, if you could find someone to cut.

"Yes, we are a pioneer family. My grandfather was John Rogers and he came up to this section from Hebron, Washington county in 1826, and took up land. I was interested in the story of the Eggleston family, for my grandfather, John, married Polly Eggleston, a daughter of this Asa Eggleston that you told about. My father was LeRoy, but we all called him Roy S. Rogers. He took up the land on the Gouverneur road and I think his deeds came direct from George Parish, the land owner of the north. Later I came in possession of the farm.

"There are plenty of stories I could tell about the mines when they were in operation. I still think there is good ore to be found in those veins, if they had the machines to work it in a modern way.

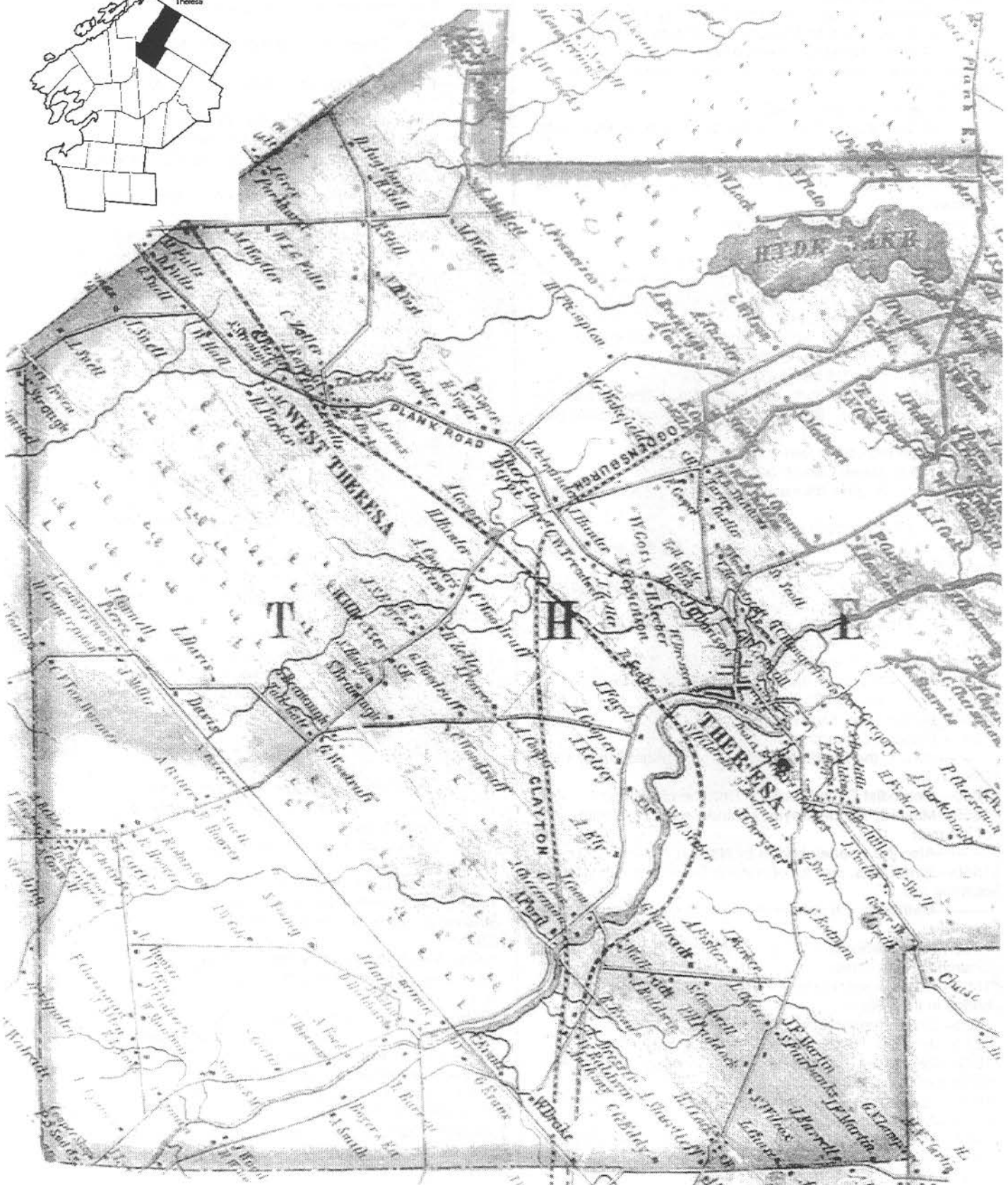
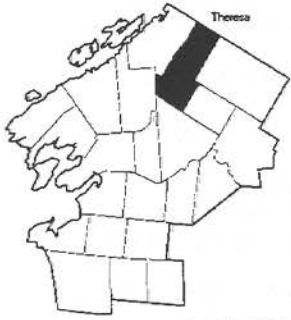
"Antwerp has changed, just as every other village has gone through its transformation. I served for seven years as patron of the Eastern Star chapter here in Antwerp and I served as master of the local grange for four years. I was born March 5, 1857, and still enjoy getting out and doing some work in my garden and about the place. Only, now I seem to get tired much sooner than 40 years ago. Up on the farm father first built a log house, later a more modern one. That is the house we use there today. I hope the farm will remain in our family down through the coming years."

TOWN OF THERESA CHRONOLOGY

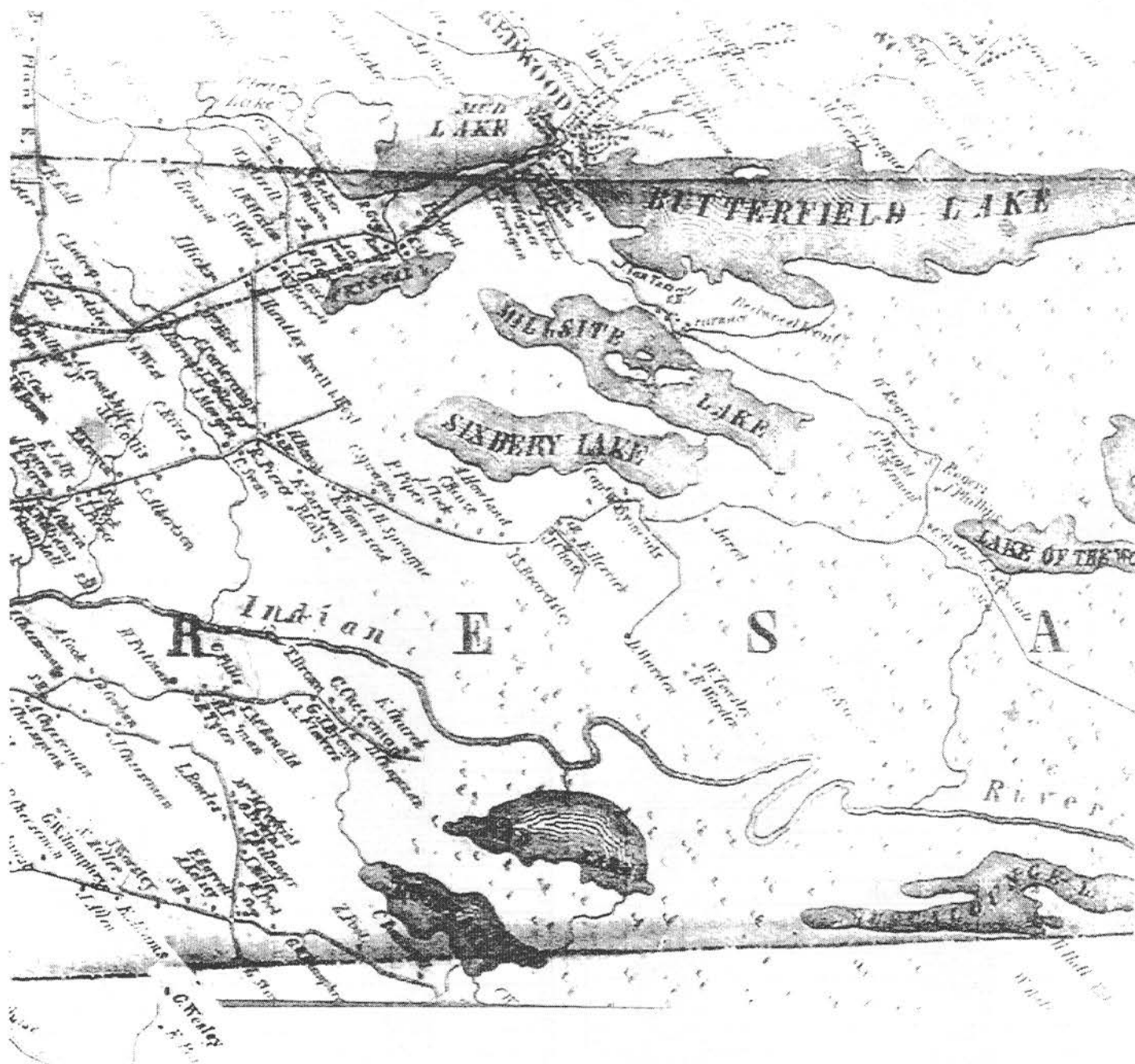
Contributed by Gerald and Margaret Desormeau

1810—High Falls cleared
 1812—Named Theresa for James D. LeRay's daughter
 1817—Lots surveyed by Musgrove Evans for a village.
 ———Anson Cheeseman settled here
 1819—Stage house built for LeRay at present site of Getman House.
 ———Jesse Doolittle settled.
 ———Allen Cole settled, his daughter born 6 May 1819; first birth in village.
 1820—Archibald Fisher arrived.
 ———First school in Mrs. Castleman's home. She was teacher.
 ———First store opened by Ebenezer Lull.
 1821—Stage house burned.
 ———Wood school house built on Sand Hill
 1822—May 8, first post office established in Theresa.
 ———First doctor, James Brooks settled.
 ———American House built
 ———Nathan Flower arrived and built a fulling mill; purchased water rights from Azariah Walton.
 1823—First interment made in old cemetery
 1824—Brick tavern built by Archibald Fisher, replacing LeRay Stage house. Bricks manufactured by Benjamin Barnes, locally
 ———Masonic Lodge formed
 1825—Presbyterian Church organized
 ———John LaFarge house built by John Rotiers, one mile out in clearing
 1833—Mormons arrived in Theresa
 1838—Union Church built combining Methodist and Presbyterian faiths
 1839—Dam built for Anson Ranney at upper falls and saw mill erected on left bank of river.
 1840—Brooklyn side school built, called District # 7; present day town storage building.
 1841—April 15, Town of Theresa formed.
 ———Anson Ranney had lots surveyed on river road by Jason Clark, now 208 Riverside Ave.
 1843—Britton Chair Factory built
 1848—Episcopal Church built
 ———Jan. 1, the *Theresa Chronicle* was published by Eliza Church Burt.
 1850—Methodist Church built on Commercial Street
 1859—May 12, fire destroyed businesses on the north side of the river
 ———Also the wooden bridge by Nathan Flower's mill.
 1860—John Collis, partner of Nathan Flower, rebuilt mill as a clothing mill.
 ———Methodist Church burned by children playing with matches.
 1862—New Methodist Church dedicated on corner of Church & River Street
 1863—Great flood caused havoc, carried away covered bridge in the village
 1866—Stone School built on Sand Hill
 1871—June 29, Theresa Village incorporated.
 1872—December 9, first train arrived in village, the U.B.R. a division of R.W. & O Railroad.
 1880—April 20, Flower descendants had new brick Presbyterian Church constructed
 1882—In October, G.A.R. Post # 306 est. by G.W. Flower
 1884—Oakwood Cemetery established and laid out by surveyor Perrine

1886—W. Van Slyke
 1889—Brittan Chair Factory burned and not rebuilt.
 1890—Fire destroyed entire business section of village and several homes
 ———Also Chapman Fishing Lure Manufacturing Co. Never replaced
 1892—July 27, Theresa Village Fire Department established.
 1896—Water service established in village
 1897—Sand Hill School became certified high school
 1901—Bell Telephone established service in Theresa
 1904—Catholic Church built
 1905—Women's organization of G.A.R. formed January 5; called Howland Circle.
 1906—Theresa Municipal Electric system established and power plant built 1 1/2 miles above village on Indian River.
 ????—Monument placed in middle of road by Howland Circle of the G.A.R. honoring all soldiers and sailors of the nation.
 1910—Carnegie Free Library built
 1916—Main and Commercial Streets bricked.
 1923—May, kidnapers of Alexanderson boy caught down Indian River.
 ????—Pagoda constructed on river bank by Bill Corham
 1926—R.W. & O. train wreck on the flats
 ———Bootleggers caught and shot transporting liquor to Elite Park upriver.
 1927—October 27, Santway Park given as gift to residents of village.
 1929—Electric power dam built at lower falls and supplied half of village power.
 1938—Hoboken School built for junior and senior high.
 1945—March 1, last issue of the *Theresa Gleaner*
 1957—High school moved to Indian River Central complex at Philadelphia
 1958—Presbyterian annex completed
 1961—May 2, last train ran through Theresa
 ———New stand pipe constructed for water storage.
 ———Substation for NYPA power constructed for service
 1970—March 22, Methodists joined with Presbyterian congregation
 1971—October 11, Farmers Milling Company building burned
 1972—July 8, stone school on Sand Hill burned
 1977—January, fire destroyed Frederick Funeral Home and nearby businesses
 ———Village and Town fire departments joined forces and built new fire hall
 1978—January, fire destroyed Vock block
 1987—Sewer system installed in the village.
 1992—November 8, new addition added to Presbyterian Church.
 1993—New bridge built by state on Bridge Street
 1994—New street, sidewalks and bridge on Mill Street by state
 1996—Post Office moved into the Wilcox Insurance office.
 1997—Steeple removed from unused Methodist Church.
 2000—Gilman Park dedicated.
 2002—New town barns constructed and town offices moved to old medical building on Riverside Drive.
 2003—Dec. 7. fire of undetermined origin began in rear of 142-146 Commercial Street and spread to the Getman House destroying both



TOWN OF THERESA



The Town of Theresa was one of the last to be settled in Jefferson County. Covered with thick timber, and the northern part of the town studded with lakes, settlers preferred more accessible lands. Though a road was opened from Evans Mills to Theresa High Falls, no permanent settlement was made until after 1817, when James D. Le Ray began to sell lots to pioneers. Theresa lies in the northern section of the county, surrounded by the Towns of Alexandria to the northwest, Orleans on the west, Le Ray on the south, and Philadelphia and Antwerp on the southeast. Northeast is St Lawrence County.

Index to 1855 Map of Theresa Township (pages 6 & 7)

By Don Dillenbeck, JCNYS Member

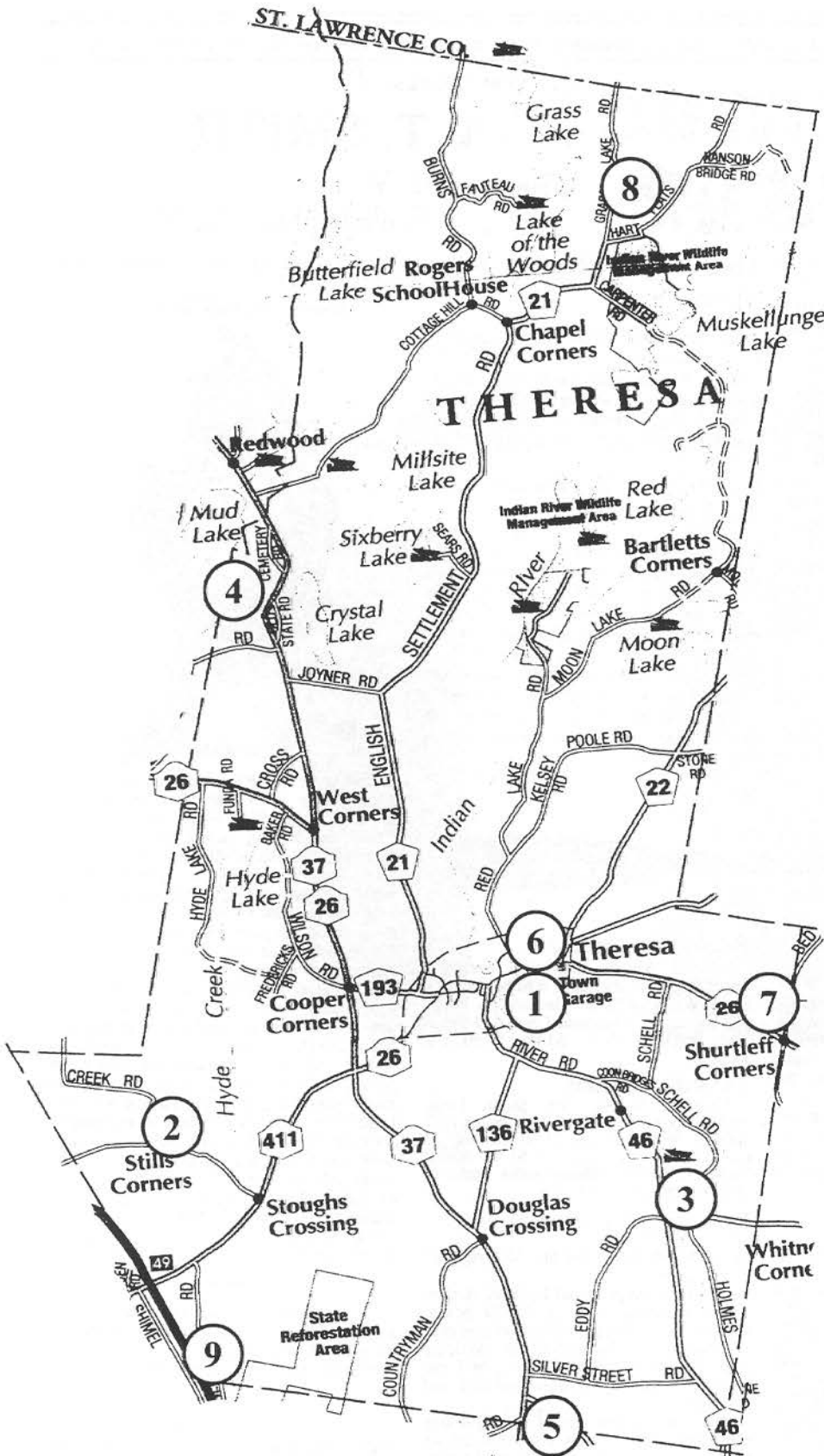
Column 1 consists of initial, column 2 is surname or main entry, column 3 indicates location of residents on the map.

By dividing the town map into 7 parts, Don uses the letters T, H, E1, R, E2, S, A already on the map as locators.

Initial(s)	Surname	Map Letter- -North/ South				
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	T-North		S.	Bodman	E1-South
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	H-South		S.	Bodman	E1-South
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	H-South		L.	Bowles	R-South
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	E1-South		J.S.	Boyer	H-South
P.O.	(Post Office)	T-North			Boyer's Est.	T-South
Presb.Ch.	(Presbyterian Church)	E1-South		A.	Branough	E1-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	T-North		S.	Branough	T-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	H-South		S.	Branough	T-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	E1-North			Britain	T-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	R-North			Britain	H-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	E2-North		G.J.	Brown	R-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	A-North		T.	Brown	R-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	A-South		T.	Brown	E2-South
S.H. =	(School House)	T-North			BUTTERFIELD LAKE	S-North
S.H. =	(School House)	T-South			Caffurity ???	H-North
S.H. =	(School House)	H-South		?	Calvin	R-North
S.H. =	(School House)	H-South		C.	Caricranch	R-North
S.H. =	(School House)	H-South		J.	Carpenter	E2-North
S.H. =	(School House)	E1-South		J.	Carrigan	E2-North
S.H. =	(School House)	R-North		E.	Carter	T-South
S.H. =	(School House)	R-North		S.	Carter	T-South
S.H. =	(School House)	R-North			Casler	E1-North
S.H. =	(School House)	R-North		R.	Caty	R-North
S.H. =	(School House)	R-North		D.	Chapman	E2-South
S.H. =	(School House)	R-North		J.	Chase	R-North
S.H. =	(School House)	R-South		J.	Chase	E2-North
S.H. =	(School House)	R-South		L.	Chase	E1-South
S.H. =	(School House)	E2-North		L.	Chase	E1-South
S.H. =	(School House)	S-North		P.	Chase	R-North
Steam S.M.	(Steam Saw Mill)	T-South		F.	Chafty	T-South
A.	Adams	T-North		J. & J.	Chaumont	E1-North
E.	Adams	R-South		A.	Cheeseman	E1-North
S.	Albertson	R-North		A.	Cheeseman	E1-South
J.	Allen	T-South		A.	Cheeseman	R-South
J.	Allen	R-South		C.	Cheeseman	E1-South
	Anthony	H-South		C.	Cheeseman	E2-South
	Atwell & Hoyt	R-North		J.	Cheeseman	H-South
D.	Augsbury	T-North		J.	Cheeseman	R-South
E.	Baker	R-North		P.	Cheeseman	E1-South
J.	Baldwin	H-South		F.	Christman	T-South
W.	Baldwin	H-South		J.	Chrysler	E1-South
F.	Ball	R-North		E.	Church	E2-South
?	Barnes	R-North		J.	Clark	T-South
H.	Barnes	E1-South		H.	Clock	H-South
E.	Barrett	R-South		J.	Clock	E2-North
J.	Barrett	E1-South		A.	Coie ???	H-North
L.	Barrett	H-South		J.W.	Cole	T-South
W.	Barrett	R-North		J.C.	Collis	R-North
K.	Bartram	R-North		J.	Connell	T-South
J.S.	Beardsley	R-North		A.	Cook	R-South
J.S.	Beardsley	E2-North		C.	Cook	E1-North
A.	Bebbe	T-South		L.J.	Cook	E1-North
P.	Bellanger	R-South		N.	Cook	E1-North
A.	Benson	R-North		J.	Coon	H-South
				O.	Coon	H-South
				A.	Cooper	H-South

A.	Cooper	H-South	S.	Hildreth	E1-South
K.	Cooper	E1-North	K. ???	Hilman ???	R-North
A.	Cooper	H-North	S.	Hinman	T-South
	Cooper Shop	T-South	S.	Hodge	T-South
	Cooper Shop	E1-South	L.	Hoover	T-South
A.	Cooper's Tavern	H-North	R.	Hoover	T-South
G.W.	Cornwall	E1-South	R.	Hoover	T-South
S.	Cornwell	H-South	C.	House	E2-North
S.	Coswell	T-South	A.	Howland	E1-North
A.	Countryman	T-South	A.	Howland	E2-North
H.	Countryman	T-South	D.	Hubbard	T-South
W.P.	Crandall	E1-North	G.W.	Humphrey	R-South
A.	Cronkhite	R-North	G.W.	Humphrey	R-South
	CRYSTAL LAKE	E2-North	G.C.	Hungerford	E1-South
D.	Curban	R-South	H.	Hunter	H-North
C.	Curtis	A-North	J.	Hunter	H-North
P.	Curtis	E1-North	H.	Huntley	R-North
	Davis	T-South		HYDE LAKE	E1-North
Doc't. J.O.	Davison	H-North		INDIAN RIVER	R-North
J.	Denney ?	E2-North	W.	Irven	T-North
J.	Dillenback	T-South		Jared	S-North
T.	Dollenger	R-North	B.	Jolly	R-North
A.	Doolittle	E1-South	A.	Kelsey	R-South
J.S.	Doolittle	E1-South	D.	Kelsey	T-South
J.W.	Down	E1-North	D.	Kelsey	H-South
W.	Drake	H-South	J.	Kelsey	H-South
A.	Dresser	H-South	T.	Kenyon	R-North
W.M.	Dresser	T-South		LAKE OF THE WOODS	A-North
C.G.	Eddy	H-South	C.	Latrop	R-North
A.	Ely	H-South	W.	Lock	E1-North
C.	Evans	H-South	I.	Lyman	T-South
G.	Evans	H-South	I.	Lyman	T-South
R.	Evans	H-South	I.	Lyman	T-South
S.	Fairbanks	E1-South	I.	Lyman	T-South
J.	Fayel	H-South	R.	Lyons	T-South
A.	Fisher	E1-South	A.	Mallett	H-North
H.	Fisher	E1-South	W.	Mantoni	T-South
P.	Flaherty	T-South	J.F.	Martin	E1-South
A.	Flowers	R-South	J.F.	Martin	E1-South
M.	Force	A-South	S.	Mathews	E1-North
A.	Ford	T-South	S.	McDonald	R-South
A.	Ford	H-South	J.	Miller	T-South
J.	Francisco	H-North	J.	Miller	H-North
A.	Frost	H-North	J.	Miller	R-South
C.	Fults	R-South		MILLSITE LAKE	E2-North
W. & G.	Fults	T-North		MOON LAKE	E2-South
	Furnace	S-North	J.	Morgan	R-North
L.J.	Goodale	A-North		MUSCALOUNGE LAKE	S-South
W.	Goss	H-North	J.	Nichols	E2-North
	GRASS LAKE	A-North		Ogdensburgh Clayton RXR	H-North
R.	Gray	E2-North	J.	Ostrander	H-North
Doc't.	Gregory	E1-South	P.H.	Paddock	E1-South
J.	Grey	T-North		Padgett	E2-North
W.	Hall	T-North	A.	Parker	H-North
H.	Hanah	R-North	C.	Parker	T-North
C./G. ?	Hardy	H-North	H.	Parker	T-North
J.	Hemstreet	E1-North	H.	Parker	T-North
E.	Herrick	E2-North	J.	Parker	E1-South
?	Hicks	R-North	J.	Parker	E1-South
J.	Hicks	R-North	A.	Parkhurst	E1-South
E.	Higgins	E1-South		Parkhurst	T-North

J.	Pearce	H-South	C.	Sprague	E2-North
J.	Peck	R-North		Stattler	E1-North
Mrs. M.	Perkins	R-South	L.	Stearnes	E1-South
O./G. ?	Perkins	R-South	N.	Stephenson	H-North
J.	Petrie	T-South	H.	Still	T-North
E.	Phelps	H-North	R.	Still	T-North
K.	Phelps	H-North	L.	Stone	R-South
J.	Phillips	A-North	S.	Stratton	T-South
J.	Phillips	E1-North	S.	Strough	T-North
J.	Phillips Jr.	E1-North	P.S.	Suddy (Sawdy in 1850 Census)	T-South
L.	Pierce	R-North	C.	Swan	R-North
R.	Pierce	R-North	Capt. W.J.	Symonds	E2-North
S.	Pierce	E1-North		THERESA	E1-South
	Pierce	T-South		Thersea Depot	H-North
P.	Piper	E2-North		Toll Gate	T-South
	PLANK ROAD	H-North		Toll Gate	H-North
N.	Plato	E1-North		Toll gate	E1-North
	Plessis Depot	E1-North	E.	Townsend	R-North
H.	Plimpton	H-North	W.	Towsley	S-South
H.	Pool	R-South	Rev'd. C.W.	Treadwell	H-North
Z.	Pool	E2-South	B.	Tyler	R-South
	Powell ???	E2-North	J.	VanTussell	E2-North
H.	Putman	R-South	C.	VanWormer	T-South
H.	Putman	R-South	J.	Wagner	T-South
I.	Putman	E1-North	Mrs.	Wagner	E2-North
A.	Ransom ???	E1-North	G.	Wakefield	H-North
J.	Rappot	T-North	T.	Wakefield	T-North
	RED LAKE	E2-South	C.	Wallradt	H-South
	Redwood Iron Company	S-North	G.	Wallradt	H-South
A.	Ritter	T-South	M.	Walter	T-North
A.	Ritter	T-South	M.	Walter	H-North
C.	Rives	R-North	B.	Warden	S-South
T.	Robinson	T-South	D.	Warden	E2-South
S.	Rogers	A-North		Welch	H-North
W.	Rogers	A-North	S.	West	R-North
	Royers	E1-North	L.	West	R-North
W.	Russell	R-North		WEST THERESA	T-North
R.	Salisbury	E1-North	A.W.	Weston	R-North
St.	Scott	E1-North	A.	Wheeler	E1-North
D.	Seaber	H-South	S.	Wilcox	E1-South
H.	Seeber	H-North	A.	Williams	R-North
W.H.	Seeber	H-South	C.	Wilson	E1-North
W.B.	Sheldon	E1-North	H.	Wood	T-South
W.B.	Sheldon's Tavern	E1-North	T.	Wood	E1-North
F.	Sherman	A-North	J.	Wood	T-South
	Shop	R-South	C.	Woodruff	H-North
A.	Shurtleff	H-South	G.	Woodruff	T-South
B.	Simons	S-South	G.	Woodruff	H-South
	SIXBERY LAKE	E2-North	G.	Woodruff	H-South
A.	Smith	T-South	J.	Worsley	R-South
J.	Smith	E1-South	S.	Wright	S-North
J.	Smith	E1-South	N.D.	Yost	T-North
A.	Snell	T-North	N.	Young	T-South
C.	Snell	T-North	S.	Young	T-South
F.	Snell	T-South	H.	Zeller	H-South
G.	Snell	E1-South	N.	Zeller	R-South
G.	Snell	E1-South	C.	Zoller	T-North
J.	Snell	T-North	J.	Zoller	H-North
H.	Soper	H-North			
P.	Soper	H-North			
C.	Spalding	E1-South			



Town of Theresa Cemeteries

An abandoned cemetery is one which no longer accepts burials, and which is under the protection of the town. A destroyed cemetery is one from which all markers have been removed, all records lost, and is known as a general location only. We have used CR to indicate a county road number. An asterisk (*) denotes an inactive cemetery. All phone numbers are area code 315.

1. Oakwood Cemetery. Theresa Village. Contact John Rajner 628-5522
2. *Still Cemetery. Stills Corners on Dano Road. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046
3. *Kelsey's Bridge Cemetery. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046
4. *Adams Farm Cemetery. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046
5. *Chauffy's Cemetery. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046
6. *Old Theresa Cemetery. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046
7. *Shurtleff Cemetery. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046
8. *Golby Cemetery. Golby Corners near Hart Flats Road. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046
9. *Shimmel Cemetery. Listed as south west corner of Theresa Township. Another reference lists Shimmel Cemetery the same as New Boston Cemetery in the Town of LeRay and is also known as Drake Cemetery. Contact Town of Theresa 628-5046

From an Ernest Cook church newsletter he sent regularly to the members of the Theresa Methodist Church

Christmas



At the stores of

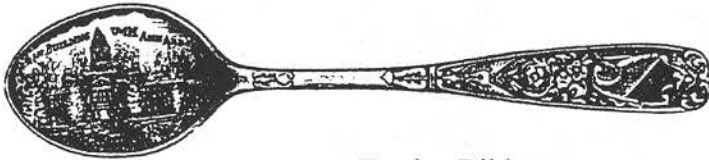
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Theresa, N. Y.

Philadelphia, N. Y.

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In Rogers 1847, Rogers and Hamilton, or Forbs.

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These handsome works of art are becoming more popular each year; last year our friends were kind enough to praise our selections; this year we have a greater variety, many of the subjects being entirely new; our prices are .25, .50, .75, \$1.00 and \$1.50. 16 by 20 inches pictures mounted on heavy card board .10 and .15. Photographs 5 by 7 inches in variety subjects on black steel easel, .01. Photo picture suitable for Sunday school class, .03 and .05.

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Life of William McKinley, over 500 pages, \$1.00. Illustrations, sold by agents at \$1.50, our price \$1.00. Handsomely bound gift books, .25. Christmas Cards and Booklets. Teacher's Bible, \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

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Crokonal Boards, .10; Steam Locomotives that runs, \$1.00, iron trains, .50. Rocking Horse .50 and \$1.00. Drums, .25 up. Dolls, .10, .15, .25, .50, \$1.00. Pocket Knives in twenty different styles blades of best steel one price, only .25.

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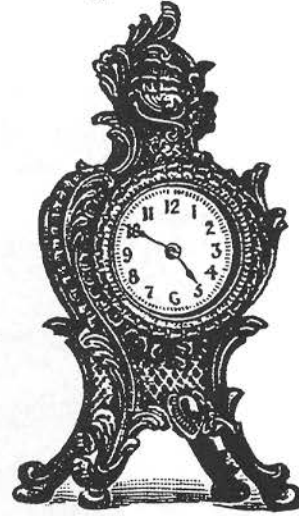
\$1.00, \$2.50, \$3.50 and up. Also supplies for the same.

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Ladies' or Gents' gold filled case, warranted to wear twenty years with Waltham or Elgin movement for \$15. Solid Gold Watches, \$20.00 and \$25.00. Ladies' Silver Chatelaine Watch, \$5.00. Mens' Silver Watches, \$1.00, \$3.50, \$5.00 and up. \$7.00 buys a heavy nickel with Waltham or Elgin movement. Ladies' long watch chain, \$2.00 up. Heavy gold band rings, \$2.00. Rings set with all kinds of stones, Child's solid gold rings, .75. All jewelry and silver ware engraved free of charge. You will find our stock of Jewelry complete and prices lowest to be found any where. All goods guaranteed to be as represented or your money will be refunded. We will give lower prices on watches than those quoted by city mail order houses. By purchasing at home you not only save money but if your purchase is not satisfactory you have the privilege of exchanging for other goods at any time. We have a handsome line of Iron and Porcelain Clocks in red, white, or black from \$1.25 up. Eight day, oak, or walnut clock 22 inches high, \$2.75, with alarm, \$3.00. Handsome large black and gold clocks, \$3.75, \$5.00, and \$6.50. Nickel alarm, \$1.00. Repeater Alarm, \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Cream of Almond and Rose, an elegant preparation for the skin. will make it smooth, soft and white. Handsome package twice the regular .25 cent size.

Tooth Powder, large bottle, gold sprinkler, will preserve and whiten the teeth.

Computer Corner

Some sites to check out:

W. David Samuelson is a Rootsweb volunteer, who also has a business called SAMPUBCO which provides wills for a fee. With encouragement by SAMPUBCO the will transcriptions have been added to The USGenWeb Archives for New York & Pennsylvania. Under "Recent Uploads" at <http://www.sampubco.com/wills/recentupload.htm> you might be able to find one you are looking for.

Bob Sullivan, state coordinator for New York State GenWeb, has sent us this information.

The online version of Hudson-Mohawk Genealogical and Family Memoirs [a compilation of genealogies from that area] has now been updated with another 330-odd pages from the second and third volumes. While this is not the Jefferson County area, so many of our ancestors migrated here from that region that the Informer <http://www.schenectadyhistory.org/families/hmgfm/> feels this is a valuable site for our readers. With almost 60% of the set completed, you may search more than 700 family entries from Albany, Columbia, Fulton, Green, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady and Washington Counties. Indexes for those counties and Schoharie and Warren are included.

The series also has many references to other areas of New York and New England, so a search for Ovid or Herkimer or Chenango will turn up some relevant info. Hope there is something useful in there for you!

The Jefferson County GenWebSite has added the 1918 Farm Directory recently with lots of help from volunteer Ellie Flint. The book was made available to us by recent speaker, Marguerite Rainieri of the Northern New York Agricultural Museum. Member Jon Holcombe has just finished (January) scanning the maps that accompanied the names of nearly all the farmers in Jefferson County. The information in this Directory is arranged as follows:

1. Last name of individual followed by first name and second name initial (if there is a second initial.)
2. Wife's name (if married) in parentheses.
3. The number of children living at home.
4. Name of individual's farm, if it has a name.
5. The individual's business or occupation.
6. The chief crop or specialty. (Example, grain, poultry, apples or potatoes, means that these are the specialties of the individuals to whom they refer.)
7. The crop or specialty the individual has for sale. (Example, s fruit means has fruit to sell.)
8. Refers to the property on which individual has residence, O (figure a) designates number of acres in farm owned. O H&L means owns house and lot. R (figure a) designates number of acres in farm for which

money rent is paid. R H&L means rents house and lot. WOS (figure a) designates number of acres worked on shares.

9. The number of the rural delivery route or street address and postoffice from which mail is received.

10. The name of the township in which individual lives.

11. Telephone indicated by the letter T. [Remember that the phone was not as ubiquitous as it is now.]

12. "H" figures designates the highway on which individual has residence (see map).

<http://www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/1918exp.htm>

The History of Theresa

Edited by Ronald E. Sinclair
1980, Vol II 1981

Bound as one. 220 pages, maps, photos. Additions and corrections to 1980 publication, no index. Price, \$20.00. Available from Theresa Village Office, Municipal office, P.O. Box 299, Theresa NY 13691. Also available from the Theresa Free Library, Main and Pine Streets, Theresa.

The 1980 volume is divided into 13 chapters, taking up such topics as physical and historical geology, earliest habitation, early settlement, people, churches, schools, organizations, government, serving the nation, folklore. All these subjects are adequately covered, but the fun part of the book is the pictures. Old photographs collected by the dozens illustrate nearly every page, and every phase of the history. Maps and charts, clear and well done, add to its value.

The 1983 volume merely expands and adds to the 1980 section. Chapter one is an essay on the development of water power and industry by Aziel LaFave, a prominent Theresan, a land surveyor with intimate knowledge of the property of the town. Lavishly illustrated by picture postcards of the bygone era, it is also footnoted and documented. The chapter ends with a listing of the Theresa business directory of 1864, in rhyme.

Ernest G. Cook, whose local history articles have been used in previous editions of the Informer, presented "When Mrs. Baumert Saved the Day," and a reprint of the earliest history of Theresa from Hough's Jefferson County History. Many landmarks have been destroyed by fire. Theresa seems to have had more than its share of fires, burning the town records more than once. Some of these old buildings are recaptured in the photographs of the day.

Theresa, with its many lakes, has been a tourist area for years. Another chapter deals with this phase of history. Winnifred Busler, one time town historian, wrote the chapter on German immigration of the 1830s and 1840s, mentioning many German names still extant in the township. The section on the pioneer women of Theresa reads like a series of adventure stories.

On the Web: <http://rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/jeffsoc.htm>

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By Don Dillenbeck, JCNYS Member

Initial(s)	Surname	Gent. A.	Fisher		Pine St.
		Mrs.	Flower	C.	Pool
Presb.Ch	(Presbyterian Church)	Mrs.	Flower	C.	Pool
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)		Flower	S.S.	Porter
	Alexandria Rd.	G.P.	Fox		Porter
	Atwell & Hoyt Store		Gale		Porter
Dr.	Babcock	Jno.	George	W.P.	Proser
A.	Baker	S.E.	George	C.E.	Prosser
D.	Bangs Esq.	Mrs.	Gibbs		Quarry St.
B.	Barnes	S.	Gibbs Land	A.	Ranney
B.	Barnes	W.T.	Goodenough	A.	Ranney Store
	Bennetts Hotel	S.O.	Gregory	A.	Rawson
Kelsey	Black	S.O.	Gregory	A.B.	Richardson
	Brick Yard		Gregory & Co. Mills		River St.
	Brick Yard	Jno. A.	Haddock		Road to Philadelphia
A.N.	Brition (Brittain in 1850 census)	J.	Hall	J.P.	Robinson
	Brooklyn St.		Hall	S.	Rodman
S.T.	Brooks		Hall	P.H.	Ryther
P.	Brown	L.	Hamahs M.D.	P.H.	Ryther
P.D.	Bullard	S.	Hildredths Land	A.P.	Salsbury
P.D.	Bullard		Holdenhouse		School House
	Bullard & Walradt	L.C.	Hungerford	D.	Shelley
D.	Burr		Hungerford	Miss	Shurfley
D.	Burr		Hungerford	J.D.	Simmonds
D.	Burr	J.	Kelly's Land	P.S.	Skinner
D.	Burr		Kinner	D.	Spalsbury
A.	Canney's Mill	Mrs.	Knap	R.M.	Spalsbury
Dr. J.B.	Carpenter	E.W.	Lewis Esq.		Spalsbury
C.C.	Chadwick	R.W.	Lewis Esq.	E.S.	Stockwell
W.D.	Chapman	N.W.	Lull	Mrs.	Stone
F.	Cheeseman		Main St.		Telegraph Building
J.C.	Collis	A.	Manson	J.	Thompson
	Commercial St.		Meth. Church		Tompkins
J.	Comstock	J.	Moak	W.	Townsend
N.	Cooper	J.D.	Moak	W.	Townsend
G.W.	Cornwall	Jno.	Moak Shop	F.	Tozer
G.W.	Cornwall	S.A.	Morrow	Rev.	Treadwell
G.W.	Cornwall Ld. (Land)	M.	Myers	G.W.	
Mrs.	Cushman	M.	Myers	C.G.	Twing
Dr. J.D.	Davison	J.	Owen		W. Mill St.
G.	Dennisson	F.	Parker	A.M.	Walradt
Wm.	Dresser	F.	Parker	A.M.	Walradt
G.	Dresser	F.	Parkers Land		Walradt
Wm.	Dresser's C. Shop		Parkhurst	S.S.	Ward
	Episcopal Church		Parsonage H.		Wilson's Furnace
	Exchange Block		Pearl St.	J.	Wood
			Pierce		

Jefferson County, NY Will Abstracts 1830-1850

Book Now Available

Article by Jean Coyne, 2nd Vice President JCNYGS

Nearly four years ago, a group of JCNYGS members met at the Surrogate's Office in Watertown to discuss the possibility of abstracting the contents of early Jefferson County wills before they were put on microfilm and the books placed out of public reach. It was decided to compile abstracts for all of the earliest wills and publish them in book form.

The meeting produced a list of the information that should be included in each abstract: the volume number and page number of the will; the deceased's name and address; the date of will; the date of probate; the petitioner's and executor's names and relationship to the deceased; heirs' names, relationships, and addresses whenever available; other names mentioned in the will; miscellaneous information which did not fit any of the designated categories.

Volunteers from that original group (Bill Dixon, Nan Dixon, Beverly Galaydick, Clancy Hopkins, Jean Coyne, Dan Grant, Sue Grant, Pauline Zach, Jon Holcombe, Phyllis Putnam, Hollis Dorr, and Suzy Howard) began reading and abstracting information from the wills. Doris Monterey joined us as a transcriber. The first 5 will books, letters A through E, were completed two years later. Then, we began to put all of the information into a format for publication. After over a year, our first typist ceased communicating with us. So, we turned the materials over to Suzie Howard who managed to get all of the typing and initial formatting done in an amazingly short time. Pauline Zach and I went back to the original wills to recheck the accuracy of the typed work. Tracy Robertson did the final formatting for print.

Our intention was to publish a hard cover volume, but many difficulties arose at this point, and another year passed without publication. However, in the fall of 2004, determined efforts by Linda Malinich and others produced the impetus needed to get this material into publication. Benjamin Printing, located in Watertown, did a wonderful job working on this book and printing from a paper copy. A perfect bound cover was chosen over a hard cover as a time-saving and cost-saving measure. The cover design by Franklin Espinal, Jr. was adjusted by Jerry Davis to meet the printer's specifications. Finally, in December of 2004 all materials were turned over to the printer, and in early January, 2005 *Jefferson County, NY Will Abstracts 1830-1850* was ready for sale.

Jefferson County, NY Will Abstracts 1830-1850 consists of 194 pages, two early maps of Jefferson County, information on the formation of the Towns, abstracts of over 300 wills, and an every name index with over 3000 names. It is available at a cost of \$15.00 (plus \$5.00 S&H). Production of a book of this caliber is the sort of work that makes a genealogical society worthwhile, and I would like to thank all of the people who worked so faithfully on this project.



Interview

With Theresa Town Historian, Larry Honeywell
We first met Mr. Honeywell at the town offices. He had warned us that his house was a mess, since his water lines had frozen, and there were electric lines and hoses all over the floor.

His greeting was, "I am not interested in genealogy, and the state has mandated that historians should not do it. I don't like paper work, or files, or anything like that."

Informor: *Why did you decide to take this job?*

Historian: Well, I'm on full disability, but I can still get around. I like antiques and history, and this gives me a chance to do what I like best.

Informor: *Who were some of the most important families in Theresa?*

Historian: W.D. Chapman was the largest fishing tackle manufacturer in the area. His production was between 1850 and 1909. He made only metal lures. Did you see the article on him in the Watertown Daily Times? [It was the feature article on the front page of the Currents section. One of the illustrations was the photo on the post card that Mr. Honeywell uses for a business card] He interviewed me for the information. Indian River was navigable from Theresa to Rossie, then with a portage, you could go right to Black Lake. From Black Lake, you can get to the St. Lawrence River. Chapman and his brother Simeon built two steamboats right here in Theresa: the Mohawk and the Indian Chief. Besides a regular schedule, they used to run excursions to Red Lake, for picnics and such. I located the anchor of the Indian Chief once.

Chapman lures are very collectable. He had been a jeweler, and made each lure unique. Someone came across a collection of the lures, and decided to try one out to see if they really worked. He took one that he didn't like the looks of, put it on his line and used it for a day. Later, he found the price of the lure he didn't like the looks of...it went for \$2000!

He started out making caskets. You know, the local hardware store often made furniture, too, and a casket was considered a piece of furniture. Then the hardware store owner became the undertaker, and often he made, or dealt in, grave stones as well, but making furniture was his primary business.

Theresa was the center of casting. From Rome (Oneida County) to Madrid (St. Lawrence County) Theresa was right in the center of the circle [gesturing an imaginary circle drawn on a New York State map] as the hub. Many little villages around here made lures.

Informor: *Like the Skinner Spoon factory in Clayton.*

Historian: Yeah, like that. Lots of little places.

Informor: *Going back to the history of Theresa...*

Historian: Theresa was the last township for lots laid out. Land wasn't selling here, until finally people asked LeRay de Chaumont for a saw mill, a grist mill,

a church, a school. He gave the land for those, and then laid out lots. He sold his land through agents. He was never around much.

Theresa had lots of water power. You should see the water go over the high falls. We had sawmills, a chair factory, electric power...

Informor: *We understand Theresa no longer manufactures its own electric power.*

Historian: Oh, yes, it does! I have a newsletter that goes out each month with the electric bill. People say they can't pay their bills till they read the letter first!

Informor: *Did Theresa have any newspapers?*

Historian: Well, there was the Gleaner, and the Gazette. I think they were both weeklies.

Informor: *Are there any available?*

Historian: Yes, I think the Theresa Library has some.

Informor: *What we really need is some pictures of old Theresa.*

At this point, the Mr. Honeywell gave us a large post-card album to look through, and some of the pictures are in this issue.



W.D. Chapman
Theresa, New York
1820 -1909

A Stroll Through By Gone Theresa With Wilma Hoover

These stores were all well patronized, as no one drove to Watertown for supplies. As I remember, starting from our house and going to the corner, there was: Will Root's grocery, a vacant lot, the blacksmith shop, Dad's shop and hardware store, Kelly's harness and leather shop. Then a vacant lot with a wooden sidewalk, a store that kept changing hands—once an ice cream parlor, Lehr's shoe store, Soper's grocery, the post office. Davis had sort of general store which was later Tenny's drug store. The Getman House (Hotel) was complete with dining room.

Families lived over these stores: Loucks, Lehrs, Sopers. Then there was the telephone central office, run by Maggie Kavanaugh. As a good central, she could usually find you anybody you needed, and connect you by phone, when they weren't home. In case you miss the implication here, Central, as she was universally called, in most small towns knew if Effie had run over to her mother's for a recipe, or Joshua was passing the time of day at the blacksmith's as usual, or the doctor could be found at Aunt Hilda's.

Across the corner, Earl and Coda W(?) had a butcher shop. Voiles lived above that. Crossing to the opposite corner was Henry's grocery. Going toward the Presbyterian Church was the ? and Bilderson's hats, etc.

Back on Commercial Street, going back toward home, was Guy Bury's dry goods store, the barber shop with Biddleman's tailoring above it, Murray's drugstore (formerly Johnson's), the Farmer's National Bank, Sargeant's Dry Goods Store, and the State Bank.

Then Dr. Santway's property and a harness shop, and lastly the meat market. Westcott's hardware, a grocery, and a carriage shop, Stottler's, were below the Getman House. There was a second hotel and the undertaking parlor, Giltz's, on the opposite side of the street.

With all these stores, there was no need to shop elsewhere.

100 Years Ago

There were no Mother's Day
Or Father's Day!

Canada passed a law prohibiting poor people
from entering the country for any reason.

From The Desormeaus Of Theresa

Gerald and Margaret Desormeau, long time members of the Society, have amassed an interesting collection of clippings, pictures, and artifacts of Theresa. Mr. Desormeau was born in the village, and can see the roof of the house in which he was born from their new, very modern home. Discussing the history of the village, he noted that Theresa has had, in the past, a jail, a hospital, and the two fire departments, which they still have. First the village, after a disastrous fire, set up its own fire department, and then later the town had one of its own. He agreed, laughing, with the story of the equipment the city of Watertown sent to aid Theresa in one of its fires. They loaded the equipment on a flat car and sent it to Theresa by train, only to have the train shunted aside by a freight, which took so long that the equipment never made it in time.

Theresa was also one of the few villages in Jefferson County to be on a rail line, the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburg. In March, 1947, as all residents old enough remember, Jefferson County was buried under a massive snow fall. The train and its passenger cars was stuck in the Morgan Cut below Theresa, where the track had been cut through the hills. Young Gerald Desormeau, willing to earn the extra dollars the railroad paid for emergency help, joined the crew to dig out the train. He showed pictures of the snow in the cut, the snow towering above the engine. The edge of the drifts was too high for a shovel of snow to leave the cut, so the men used a sort of bucket brigade of shoveling: the lowest man threw the snow up to the next, who tossed it up another level, and the third man got it far enough for the fourth and last man to get it onto level ground.

As soon as they had uncovered the boiler, however, then they shoveled the snow directly into the boiler of the train, which was, by then, nearly empty. That allowed the boiler to do its work once more, and thereby supplied heat to the shivering passengers in the Pullman cars.

A family tree can wither if nobody tends its roots.

Many family trees were started by grafting.

**Any family tree produces lemons, nuts,
and a few bad apples.**

**Ever find an ancestor HANGING from
your family tree?**

On Local History Articles

By locally famous Theresa writer Ernest Cook

Volume Two of a collection of the local history articles by Ernest Cook, locally famous Theresa writer, features the Theresa area Quakers, Dr. Santway, Theresa Physician, Theresa Area Pioneers, Robert Sixberry, French Nobility in the North Country, and other topics. Phyllis Putnam, Society member, compiled this and the other volumes for the Society and for Lyme Heritage Center in Chaumont. While Volume two merely reproduces the articles from the Watertown Daily Times, in other volumes, Mrs. Putnam has re-typed the material for easier reading. These were done with the permission of John B. Johnson, the publisher of the Times.

Mr. Cook, who has been mentioned in the Informer before, wrote his articles over the period of his long life, interviewing the old folks, and preserving their memories that stretched from early nineteenth century through the mid twentieth. Volume two contains articles written between 1929 and 1935. For those of you who are interested in the lore of Jefferson County and Theresa, which you could never find in history books, Ernest Cook has captured it in some of the most readable prose you can encounter. Some of this material can be found in the history of Theresa, reviewed elsewhere in this volume.

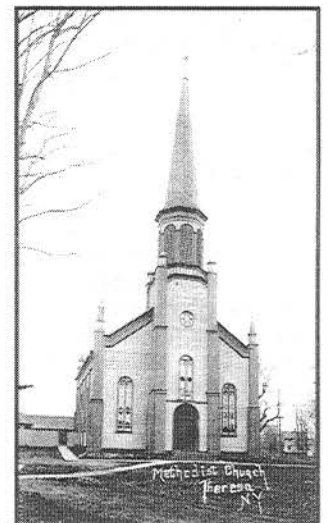
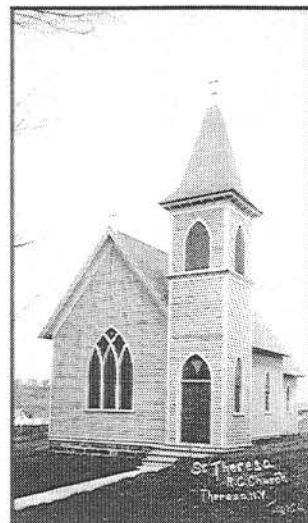
Society Meetings To Resume!

After a two month's lay off to cope with the winter months of January and February, the Jefferson County New York Genealogy Society will resume their regular second Monday night of the month meetings on March 14 at 6:30 pm in the Flower Library. Several members and guests usually gather at the Panda Buffet a 5:00 before the society meeting begins at the library.

The program for this March 14 meeting is to be Ben Cobb and a presentation on Jefferson County's Bicentennial.

Coming in May INFORMER

We will feature the 1855 map of the town of Watertown. Members are encouraged to send in information, stories and photos relating to town of Watertown genealogy/history. Contact editor Nan Dixon.



ASK AUNTY JEFF



Letters may be sent snail mail:
Aunty Jeff, c/o Dixon, 15407 Dixon Rd.,
Clayton NY 13624
or E-mail nandixon@Gisco.net

Dear Aunty Jeff,
I found an ancestral marriage listed in "Rev. Abner Wood's Record of Marriages and Funerals" on the NEHGS site. Dates for the portion I saw are 1829-1836. Does anyone have knowledge of him and/or the church that he served at during this time in Antwerp?

Lois

Dear Lois,
This type of information, if it is available, can be obtained from the town historian. And you are lucky in needing information from Antwerp. Nancy Raymon, the historian, keeps excellent files. Her address was published in the November 2003 Informer, pages 14-17. A warning: Aunty Jeff discovered very recently that there is no working system, regulation, or directive compelling the outgoing town historian, or that historian's family if she died in harness, to pass on any information to the incoming historian. Some families consider this information the personal property of the family. Sometimes historians, while doing an excellent job, simply mix personal and town history together, so that no one can tell which is which. And sometimes, alas, the historian has nothing to pass on. The personalities and traditions vary from town to town. The county historian is supposed to give guidance to the town historians, and again, some county historians are overwhelmed by their county duties, and give little help to the towns, while others try to assist in every way possible.

Therefore, if the town historian says she has no idea of church history in her town, she may be one of those unfortunates who was given a cardboard box of recent newspaper clippings when she took office, and those comprise her entire files. Others (and Aunty Jeff has spoken to one such, but not of Jefferson County!) who feels that his job is to research town history of a hundred years ago, and pays no attention to the present events which will be the town history in fifty years from now.

Towns vary in the amount of stipend or petty cash they give their historians. While some may cover costs, others appear to begrudge even office supplies, which must come out of the historian's pocket. We must consider the historian's office a volunteer position in most cases.

Aunty Jeff

Russ Sprague of Kensington, Maryland sat in Aunty Jeff's seat and answered Lois's question this way: (Russ obviously depends a great deal on his computer) You can go to www.411.com, yellow pages, and search type of business 'church' in Antwerp and get two results (it's a very small town). There is a Congregational Church, Main St., Antwerp, NY 13608 and the United Methodist Church, 2 Academy St., Antwerp, NY 13608. You could write to each church and maybe include a small donation for their time plus a stamped self addressed envelope for a reply and ask if either had a

Rev. Abner Wood in that time period that they are aware of.

It's so far back in time they may not have records but it wouldn't cost much to write (or call during business hours).

You might also try the Flower Memorial Library in Watertown, NY (do a google search for that and it will list a link to their website including snail mail address).

The Jefferson county website at www.usgenweb.org might list the town historian for Antwerp. I haven't visited the site in a while but I believe it lists each town's historian. Not sure if it is unique to NY state but by law each town does have a town historian.

Hope this helps -

Alice Corbett, a volunteer at the Flower Memorial Library in Watertown, whose name is familiar to many Jefferson County genealogy researchers, sits in Auntie Jeff's place for this question. Since Mrs. Corbett has been with the genealogy room for at least ten years, she is an expert on their collections, and has some personal ones. She also maintains the site on which the Genealogy Society is allowed to keep their 1850 census records.

Joe asks:

I am wondering if the Watertown Daily Times has their obituaries indexed? They were kind enough to send me an obituary for my GGGgrandmother but I provided the date the obit was published. I never thought to ask about obtaining other obits...know that my GGGgrandfather died sometime between 1893 and 1900, and would like to obtain his obit if there was one. Was there a Watertown Daily Times then? What was the newspaper for Watertown in that time period? Also, several grown children of this couple lived and died in Watertown. I would like to obtain their obits as well but have no dates of death. For their death dates, the best I can do for the children is "after 1930" when I find them in the census records.

Thanks for any leads....Joe in Johnstown, Pa.

Joe:

You might want to try the Genealogy Dept, 229 Washington ST, Watertown NY, 13601.

First: In house searches are free except for a 20 cent per page copy fee and postage. Please include a SASE with your request. The obits might be in the family files.

Second: If you will send me the names I will look in the index I have for the WDT, some of which is on line but I have a lot more that is not.

Third: The WDT has obits in files so you would probably be able to get any after 1940 from them. - don't know the cost from them by mail. The cheapest way (I think we are all interested it that) is me then the Genealogy Department of the Flower Memorial Library.

Alice Corbett

"The Brick Hotel"

Evans Mills, NY
Article by Ernest Cook

"I was born June 11, 1863, in what people termed the 'Brick Hotel,' Evans Mills, best known among historians as the inn where the celebrated game of cards was played one winter night with a well known woman as the prize for the winner. And in that hotel, I spent my first years, and I can remember quite a few events connected with the place."

It was Mr. Elmer G. Burtis, veteran business man of Antwerp speaking, as he recalled some of the events of his early life. Mr. Burtis, now 80 years old, is still active in the operation of his jewelry store and watch and clock repair shop. He is a busy man at the present time, for people are not able to purchase alarm clocks, so bring in what timepieces they have to be repaired and set running.

"I can remember well that large circular table, where it stood when I was a boy and where that famous game of cards was played," he said. "And the stories about the building of the old hotel there in the Mills always interested me. Capt. John Hoover started the building in 1827, and when he made ready to build, he wanted some of the bricks he could buy and went over to Theresa to talk it over with Rev. Benjamin Barnes, who often preached Sundays and made bricks on weekdays.

"Rev. Mr. Barnes was also a stone mason and said that he thought there was material right there in Evans Mills for the making of good brick and went over to investigate the surroundings. He concluded the material was of the best and set at work getting his brick kiln in operation, which was just across Pleasant creek. He took the contract to lay the walls of the building after the bricks were made and burned. He made the brick and put them into the wall for the low price of \$5 per thousand.

"Mr. Hoover got one of the best wood workers of the times in that section, Alfred Vebber, to do the wood work in the hotel. I understand Mr. Vebber did the wood work in the LeRay mansion. And over at Theresa he engaged P. H. Ryther to forge out two large iron letters, "J.H.," to put on the hotel, meaning it was owned by John Hoover. And there is a story about those letters, but you wanted to know about my boyhood in the Mills.

"I recall that when I was a boy and my father, John Burtis, was running the Brick hotel, there was

another well known hotel in the Mills - the Whitney hotel - the stone building where the Agricultural Insurance Company was born. Also, at the railroad station was another large hotel, known as the Central House.

"My first school days were spent in a private school conducted by Hattie Owens and the people all called her Aunt Hattie and she was a splendid lady. Father took me over to her school - it was on the edge of the village towards Philadelphia - and there made the arrangements with "Aunt Hattie" and started me in school. Later, when I went to a district school I recall that my teacher was a Miss Addie Deleware. I liked her very much and I recall that she was very musical and played well a big bass viol. I recall that she was the bass player in the Deleware orchestra that was in quite demand at that time.

Well, school days over - and I have some interesting stories about some of my school experiences - I began looking for a situation. I always like the time that I was employed in Theresa by the late Alanzo Church, who conducted the old American Hotel, for it was at that time that I courted and wed Miss Nellie Nicholas and was married in the Nicholas home on Depot Street in 1884. Rev. Joseph Canfield was the clergyman.

"I was for a time in Gouverneur, but soon located in Antwerp and started this business of watch and clock repairing and opened into a full fledged jewelry store. It is between me and John Wait, just across the street, as to who has been in business the longest here, but we are both veterans and he is one year older.

"I have been a free Mason well past the half-century mark and for years used to be called upon to conduct the Masonic funeral services. But I am dropping out of that funeral work now as it is quite an effort and we are training the younger men to learn to do it. I have also gone into other towns to do this work."

Mr. Burtis had on the wall a "dickery, dickery, dock" clock. It is the kind that is just a straight board standing upright with the hours marked at intervals and there is a mouse that crawls up as the day advances. When his nose reaches an hour mark the clock will strike, but when the nose reaches one 0' clock, the mouse falls to the bottom and starts his climb over again. There is a verse on the clock which reads: "Dickery, Dickery, Dock; The mouse ran up the clock; The clock struck one and the mouse fell down; Dickery, Dickery, Dock."

From the Watertown Re-Union Newspaper
November 10, 1870, Theresa and Vicinity.
 (Contributed by Pauline Zach, JCNYS member)

November, with all its faults, once in a while presents a smiling face, and vouchsafes a day or two at a time of glorious sunshine and clear bracing atmosphere. Such was the weather on Friday and Saturday last, and your correspondent improved the opportunity to visit the Switzerland of Jefferson County, Theresa and neighborhood. Though the roads were bad and the mud almost interminable, a gallant pair of ponies drew us promptly and pluckily through, carrying us from Watertown to Theresa in a little less than four hours.

The stranger visiting Theresa is struck at once with the romantic situation and surroundings of the village as it perches itself upon lofty banks precipitately and abruptly running down on the west, and north to Indian River, which deviously twists and turns between stately banks as it flows right through the village. Snug, thrifty and independent; her numerous stores well stocked and well patronized; her hotels models of cleanliness and order; her inhabitants bright, active and intelligent. Theresa promises at no distant day to secure almost the exclusive trade of the north of Jefferson and southwestern portions of St. Lawrence counties. Her growth is steady and surprisingly rapid. A few years ago and there were but a few houses in the place, now the population is not far, if any, short of one thousand. This gratifying advancement is mainly owing to the indomitable push and activity of her leading men of business. They decided some time ago that they must have a railroad, and by well-directed effort and intelligent manipulation, they have succeeded so far as to have the contract let, and two hundred men at work upon the line between there and Redwood. It is simply a verification of the remark that where Labor and Capital combine upon a given object, that object must be accomplished though heaven should fail.

BLACK RIVER AND MORRISTOWN RAILROAD

The contract recently let is for the completion of the line, ready for the rolling stock, by the

first of August, 1873, from Morristown, opposite Brockville, in Canada, to Philadelphia, in this county. The distance is a little over thirty-eight miles and the sum agreed upon for the work is \$650,000. The section between Redwood and Philadelphia has to be finished by the first of November next.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF PROPOSED RAILROAD

There are thirteen members of the board that include W. W. Butterfield, A. A. Holms, J. S. Vanderburgh of the Town of Alexandria. From the town of Morristown, Henry Hooper or Hooker, Charles Richardson and W. R. Fitch. From the Town of Hammond, A. P. More(?), Henry C. King, Charles A. Wooster. From the town of Theresa, David Bearup, Dr. L. Hannahs, Joseph Fayel, Herbert C. Jones of Brockville, Canada.

D. Bearup, Esq., Theresa is president and W. W. Butterfield of Redwood is secretary and treasurer.

BUSINESS CHANGES

Dr. L. Hannahs and Mr. M. E. Cornwall comprised the firm of L. Hannahs & Co. Dr. Hannahs recently purchased the entire interest in their drug and general store from Mr. Cornwall. The hardware firm of Cooper and Rodenhurst has been changed to Rodenhurst & Tyler.

HOTELS

The Getman House and The Terrel House are mentioned.





Roswell Pettibone Flower

(From *The History of Theresa* edited by Ronald Sinclair.)

Nathan Monroe Flower and his wife, Mary Ann Boyle Flower, came northward in 1822 from Cherry Valley, New York. The journey took eight days by wagon over a difficult trail.

The young Mrs. Flower knit a pair of stockings on the way. Their intention, family records show, was to go into St. Lawrence County, but after eight days of hard travel, they reached the Indian River and decided to halt at the clearing and settlement of Theresa. There were a few log cabins, a sawmill, and a gristmill partially finished. The Shurtleffs, one of Theresa's earliest families, welcomed them.

Nathan Flower turned actively to necessary tasks. A year later he had his woolen mill in operation, one of the earliest in Jefferson County. Pioneer farmers kept sheep and the wool was brought to the mill to be carded.

Nathan Flower and his wife built a small cabin where he and his family lived until June 8, 1835. On that date they took legal possession of a house they had purchased from Azariah Walton, and only two months later, in August, 1835, Roswell P. Flower was born. He was christened Roswell Pettibone after the Rev. Roswell Pettibone, pastor of the Presbyterian Church. The home still stands on the north side of the lower bridge, on the left as you face the river. The family was large, including nine children. Then, tragedy struck. Nathan Flower died in January, 1843, a victim of pneumonia. He was forty-six years old.

His young widow showed herself to be of rare intelligence and unusual energy in rearing seven sons and two daughters. It was a home with a deep religious atmosphere. The first Sunday School in Theresa was in their home with Mrs. Flower, teacher, and Nathan Flower an influential organizer of the Presbyterian Church in Theresa.

Although Nathan Flower left a remarkable estate, considering his rather brief and difficult life in Theresa, it was necessary that Roswell go to work at an early age. He recalled the first dollar he earned working in the village grocery where he slept in the back room with a fellow clerk. His dollar disappeared. He said nothing but when all was quiet he found his dollar in his roommate's treasure box and recovered it without comment and was not bothered again.

After passing a simple oral examination upon completing work in the local school, Roswell Flower taught

for a short time in what was known as a tough country school. From teaching he turned to work in the brickyard at \$1.50 a week. He later was employed by his brother-in-law, Silas George, for \$5 a month in George's Theresa store. One summer Roswell cut wood for farmers and delivered it to offices and other places in the village for 25 cents per half-cord.

To Roswell, or "Rowell" as he was called, it soon became apparent he never was going to get ahead laboring or teaching. He decided to study law, but he needed money for books to educate himself. In the late 1840s he went to Watertown. After several lesser jobs, he secured a position as assistant postmaster, actually a clerkship, at \$50 a month with board. He bought a gold watch with his first month's pay, and made \$3 selling it to a friend who needed it because he was going west. He studied Blackstone and other legal books and became a keen student of the Constitution.

Through a friend, Howell Cooper, whose wife was Lois Woodruff, he met Lois' sister, Sarah Woodruff. Both were daughters of Norris Woodruff, a well-known Watertown businessman. Roswell and Sarah were married in December, 1859, in a quiet ceremony in Theresa with the bride's mother the only witness. Roswell Flower's sixteen-year-old brother, Anson, however, rode along in the cutter.

Young Roswell Flower had saved about \$5,000. He knew something of the jewelry business, so with his brother, Anson, they opened a store at No. 1 Court Street, Watertown, known as R.P. and A.R. Flower, Jewelers. They later took into partnership Silas L. George, Jr., the son of their sister, Caroline. This later became the S. L. George store, a business which continued in Watertown many years.

Roswell Flower might have continued to be a successful Watertown merchant if events in the late 1860s had not altered his life completely. Mrs. Flower's sister, Emma, another of the Woodruff girls, had married Henry Keep, an orphan boy from Adams, who in an amazing career had become president of the New York Central Railroad and a man of unusual wealth. Mr. Keep's health failed in 1868 and he asked Roswell Flower to come to New York to help him direct his financial holdings. The following year Henry Keep died and Flower remained in New York to take charge of a fortune estimated at six million dollars. The estate doubled in value under his management. He became well-known as a financier and set up the banking firm of Benedict and Flower, later to become Flower and Company, a firm which held the stock market in its grip for many years.

R. P. Flower achieved mounting wealth and influence, attracting the political leaders who recognized him as a vote-getter.

Mr. Flower was always a Democrat. In 1881, two weeks before election, he was asked to run for Congress in New York's eleventh district. He managed to defeat his Republican opponent, William Waldorf, by a decisive margin.

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(Roswell Pettibone Flower—cont.)

He rapidly moved ahead politically. He was a better than average public speaker. People liked him. He served several terms in Congress. Flower was a member of Tammany Hall but insisted on clean politics. In the fall of 1891 he was nominated for Governor of New York State and won by five thousand votes. Watertown gave Flower a two thousand-vote margin, but even so, it was considered nothing short of amazing at the time that a Democrat could accomplish such a feat.

In reality, Roswell P. Flower did not enjoy politics. He had trouble with his Tammany associates and refused to run for re-election in 1894. He returned to Wall Street. Flower died suddenly in the spring of 1899. He was a kindly man who never lost the common touch. A special train brought his body back to Watertown where he was buried in Evergreen Cemetery.

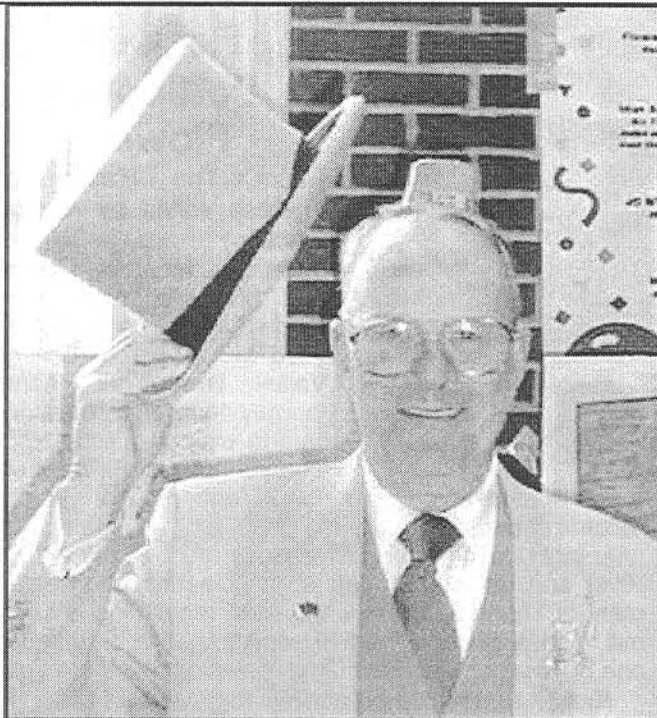
The Flowers were an interesting family, making important contributions to pioneer life in Theresa and Jefferson County. George Flower was the first mayor of the City of Watertown in 1869, and was a popular officer during the Civil War. He led Company C, the Theresa Company, of the 35th Regiment of Jefferson County. Anson Flower was associated with Roswell Flower in his financial career in New York City. Nathan Flower, another son, had many exciting stories to tell of his experiences when he and a group of other Theresa boys went west to have their try at the gold fields of California.

Governor Flower aided Mrs. Henry Keep in the creation of the Henry Keep Home in 1883, a forerunner of the present Samaritan Keep Home. Governor Flower's daughter, Mrs. Emma Flower Taylor, contributed generously to the Flower Memorial Library in Watertown. Members of the Flower family were responsible for the Flower Memorial Presbyterian Church being erected in Theresa in memory of their parents, Nathan and Mary Ann Flower.

We have seen the classic American dream unfold before us. From a small house in Theresa to the governor's mansion; from a woolen mill at High Falls to czar of Wall Street.

OF INTEREST!

The Saturday, January 22, 2005 issue of *The Watertown Daily Times*, page B1 of the Currents section, presented an article entitled Surprise Discovery. A Great Lakes ship named for Gov. Flower was launched 118 years ago. The Wooden freighter, built in 1887, sailed the Great Lakes under the Roswell P. Flower name for about 27 years.



Clancy Hopkins at the 2004 IRISH FESTIVAL!

Again this year the JCNYGS will be represented at the Watertown Irish Festival March 11, 12, and 13 at the State Office Building. The new WILLS BOOK will be available as well as past issues of our newsletter the *Informer*. Many displays and representatives of our society will be available for those in attendance. See you there!



Our thanks to JCNYGS member Gerald Desormeau of Theresa for the above postcard. Sterling A. Graves and Lois I. Graves-Kelsey are in the picture and Gerald mentioned that he knew Lois when she was a much older woman.

100 years ago: The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was 30. Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented!

Queries

Send Queries to: Suzanne L. Howard, POB 24, Chippewa Bay, NY 13623; LemmonMinnie@hotmail.com; Subject: Informer

LOADWICK

I'm searching for information on Ward Alton **Loadwick** from Jefferson Co., NY, born in the 1880s, died in Watertown, NY Oct 1945. Thanks

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GRINNELL

I am trying to determine the parentage of George R. **Grinnell**. He was born around 1826 in Jefferson County, NY. It is possible that there could be some variation in the spelling of "Grinnell." He moved to Russia, Herkimer County & md Lucy Ann **Hemstreet** in 1856, joined the Union Army in 1861 & died from wounds received in the Battle of Bull Run in 1862. William W. **Grinnell** enlisted in the same infantry unit along with him but I do not know if he was a relative or brother of George. Any clues as to his identity would be most appreciated. I noted that there was a Jason **Grinnell** born approx. 1825 who lived in Theresa, Jefferson County, NY. It is possible that they might have been brothers. Thanks much.

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HALL

Seeking any information about Daniel **Hall**, listed in the 1810 census as a resident of Brownville.

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DANO

Looking for information on James B. **Dano** of Perch River New York , 1861, lived around Perch River around the time of the Civil War.....looking to find were he served , which unit in the Civil War. Thanks.

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TURNER

We are looking for our Great Grand-father Lucien D. **Turner**, whose family reported came from Watertown., NY. I found 4 **Turner** families in 1850 from Watertown & think Lucien D. **Turner** b abt 1837, may have been one of their children. Also in 1840 Census I see 2 boys under 5, but they don't appear in the 1850 Census. Is there any more info on these 4 **TURNERS**? Looking for any info on the 4 **Turners** from Watertown, (1835-1852), especially Lucien D. **Turner**.

1850 Census info:

D M **Turner**- 34, b abt 1816 in Vermont, Hatter (Don M, 1870-NYC).

Timothy **Turner**- 30, b abt 1820 in Vermont, Hatter.

Morton E **Turner**- 35, b abt 1815 in Vermont, Shoemaker.

A B **Turner**- 35, b abt 1815 in Vermont, Butcher (Alonzo, fm 1840).

Thank you,

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FLINT

My great grandfather was Fred Lovell **Flint** b Watertown NY, 1884. His father was Nelson H **Flint** b Trenton, Oneida, NY, 1849. Nelson also had a son Russell N **Flint** of Watertown. Nelson's brother was William A **Flint**, justice of the peace in Adams Center, Jefferson, NY. William was married to Mina Jane (Jennie) **Brooks**. Any scrap of info on these people would be appreciated!

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LANDON/HAYES

Request information &/or other researchers, for the Henry **Landon** (c1826-after 1890) family who left Smith Falls, Ontario, Canada area, & settled in Watertown, NY sometime after 1871. Other members of the family known to be in Watertown area are: George F. **Landon** (1855-after 1943) & his wife, Harriet G. (1860-1943), & Henry's wife, Harriett **Hayes** (c1841-1890). It is believed that both Harriet's died in Watertown. Henry's known children were Heneretta (1854-unk), George Franklin (1855-after 1943), Joseph (1869-unk), and Lola May (1873-unk).

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FOX

Benjamin **Fox** b. May 24, 1814, in German Flats, Herkimer Co., NY; son of Michael & Catherine (**Orendorf**) **Fox**. Benjamin appears on the 1840 Census for LeRay, Jefferson Co. with a spouse & 1 son & 1 daughter, both under 5. We have traced them forward to Steuben Co. in 1850 & then to Clearfield PA, where both died. We have not been able to find the maiden name of his spouse, or a marriage date. They may have met & md in Jefferson Co. We don't know exactly when Benjamin came to the county, but we assume it was sometime after the death of his father in 1818. His mother appears on the 1830 census in Herkimer Co. without any of her children. We are especially interested in any possible Native American connections. We would be happy to share whatever we have on this family if anyone is interested, and we will do lookups in our area as well. Thanks in advance.

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The articles in this newsletter are written purely to stimulate interest in the genealogical history of Jefferson County. If comments are in any way offensive, this was not the intent. All articles, submissions, etc., are the viewpoints and research of various contributors. As such, they do not necessarily reflect the views of the executive committee or members of the Jefferson County New York Genealogical Society.

Letters.....

Letters to the editor may be directed to nandixon@gisco.net or to Nan Dixon, 15407 Dixon Road, Clayton, NY 13624.

In one of the back issues of the *INFORMER* that I ordered recently from the Jefferson County Genealogical Society, I found a picture to connect to my ancestors! On the front cover of the July 2003, is a photo of Civil war veteran Hiram S. Presley and his wife Mary M. of Henderson, NY, taken about 1910. (Henderson Historical Society photo). I have an affidavit signed by Hiram S. Presley on January 24, 1889 of Henderson, NY, on behalf of my great-grandmother Lavinia Fillmore Phillips Farmer, for the matter of a pension claim of her son, Reuben H. Phillips, who died in the Civil war. Hiram S. Presley had written a lengthy affidavit stating he had known my great-grandmother Lavinia since her childhood and when she was married to her first husband, Alonzo Phillips, father of Reuben Phillips. Alonzo Phillips died in 1858 and her second marriage was to Silas Farmer in 1860. It was great to connect this affidavit to the photo of Hiram M. Presley and his wife Mary, who had known my great-grandparents and their family! I look forward to browsing through other back issues of the *INFORMER* to see what else I may have missed! Thank you JCNYGS.

Julia (Phillips) Lewis
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Nan

I volunteer at the MD Archives so if you know of anyone up there who needs help down here, give them my email.

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Charles

Nan

So that people realize they have to have a lot of patience in receiving certificates from Albany: I

sent for my grandmother's death certificate on March 11, 2004. On August 23, 2004, my check was cashed but no report sent. The certificate finally was mailed from Albany on February 9, 2005 and received some days later. Can you believe an 11 month wait for an application that had nothing missing?
Janet Butler

Nan,

I am a member and (new) treasurer of the Capital District Genealogical Society. My wife, as corresponding secretary picks up the CDGS mail, so I get a first hand look at it. I have been impressed with your newsletter, the heavier cover pages and the number of pages of text. Cost is always an issue here, but it would be great if we could publish a larger newsletter.

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FAMILY REUNIONS

The fifth annual Chapman Family Association convention is scheduled for June 3-5, 2005 at the Holiday Inn, Williston Road, South Burlington, Vermont.

The three-day-event will feature seminars and information on the various Chapman family lines and is open to both members and non-members of the association.

Advance registration for the meetings is required and further information may be obtained by contacting meeting chair Liz Codding by writing her at 717 Hollowdale, Edmond, OK 73003 or calling (405) 359-7478.

Those wishing to make motel reservations should mention the Chapman Family Association to receive preferred rates.

LYME HERITAGE HAS CORONERS' REPORTS

Newly gathered statistics from old reports.

The volunteers at Lyme Heritage have extracted the coroners' reports from the Town Supervisors' Minutes of Jefferson County. Their collection spans the years 1881 through 1954, and they assure us that they have a nearly complete collection of these valuable statistics. The coroners, usually doctors, had to write a report on each death when they were called to officiate, including any accidental or unattended death. The Lyme collection covers the whole county, and Mrs. Gosier says it runs to thousands of names.

This collection is not indexed. The Lyme Heritage volunteers are happy to do look ups provided you have an approximate date of death, since their notebooks are arranged chronologically. This information is housed at the Lyme Heritage Center in the Chaumont Public Library, Main Street, Chaumont, NY 13622. We are told by more than one person that it makes a fascinating read. The individual reports are placed in sheet protectors in notebooks, and can be photocopied. Be sure to call ahead before you go, so as to have a volunteer on hand.

Lyme Heritage Center Programs 2005

Presented by Juila Gosier, Town of Lyme Historian

Sunken Ship Video

Film about a ship built in Three Mile Bay in 1861.

June 16th 7PM

Walter Ryder Slide Show

Early pictures of The Town of Lyme and surrounding areas.

July 7th 7PM

North Country Slide Show - Part One

Early pictures of the North Country.

July 21st 7PM

North Country Slide Show - Part Two

Early pictures of the North Country.

August 4th 7PM

Genealogy Seminar

Tips for Beginners and Others

August 18th 7PM

Chaumont Public Forum

Let's Talk About the Good Old Days!

September 15th 7PM

Three Mile Bay Public Forum

The Good Old Days in Three Mile Bay!

September 29th 7PM

All programs will be held in The Children's Room at Lyme Free Library, Rt. 12E, Chaumont.

Jefferson County's Bicentennial 1805-2005

Jefferson County was created by an act of the New York State Legislature on March 28, 1805. The County was named in honor of the third United States President, Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson County was originally divided into eight Towns. These were Champion, Watertown, Adams, Brownville, Ellisburg, Rutland, Harrison, and Malta. The Towns of Harrison and Malta were renamed Rodman and Lorraine respectively in 1808. Later the county split into 22 towns. By 1849, Cape Vincent was the last Town to form and in 1869 the City of Watertown was formed.

Jefferson County has a rich history and we want to celebrate this on the County's 200 year birthday in 2005. For the Bicentennial, we are in the process of planning several events. In coordination with the Jefferson County Historical Society, we plan to set up a historical display of all the Towns and the City of Watertown, which will run from May to August 2005. We are also working on raising funds to place a historical bench in each of the original eight Towns and two in front of the County's courthouse. These benches will be a lasting monument to mark Jefferson County's Bicentennial. These benches will have a short history of the Towns and the County.

We are still working on events for 2005. We are looking for input and support in this endeavor. We hope you will help us celebrate our County's birthday.

For additional information, please contact:

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JCGS MINUTES MARCH 14, 2005

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

Vice President Bob VanBrocklin called the meeting to order with 30 people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Clancy Hopkins and seconded by Jean Coyne.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr gave reports for 3 months with a March 10th balance of \$6472.94. The complete reports are attached. Jean Coyne moved to approve the reports and Patti Hopkins seconded. Passed.

Corresponding Secretary Clancy Hopkins reported keeping current with queries and passed on information but in general things were very quiet.

A call by Vice President Bob for a Repository Chairman continued with a short discussion on what our Repository is, where is it located, what is in it, when is it available, and what are the duties of the chairman. No volunteers came forth at the meeting.

Vice President Bob mentioned for the Publicity Committee that Linda took care of the email meeting notices.

Program Committee Coordinator Phyllis Putnam presented a list of the proposed programs for the year 2005. The society did not meet in January or February. Beginning with this evening's program:

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|----------------|--|
| March 14 | Benjamin Cobb—Jefferson County Bicentennial |
| April 11 | Julia Gosier—Coroner's Reports |
| May 9 | Lis Couch—
(In the works) |
| June 13 | Martha Grimes—Alexandria Bay Historical Society |
| July 11 | Al Seymour—Robert Arnold & The State Archives |
| August 8 | Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke—"Your Right to Know Your Family" |
| September 12 | Gerald Desormeau—(Possibly) & The Annual Meeting |
| October 10 (?) | Julia Gosier—Lyme Heritage (Maybe Saturday PM) |
| November 14(?) | Eric Anderson—Henderson Historical Society (21 st ? or a Sat.?) |
| December | (Open) |

Vice President Bob mentioned that the society has been invited to the Dexter 150th Anniversary in August.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that the March issue was in their mailbox and May is well under way. Bill mentioned that the July issue will be devoted to the Jefferson County Bicentennial and invited members to submit material for that issue. Publisher Clancy Hopkins requested a statement in the May *Informer* that all dues are due July 1st.

Clancy Hopkins mentioned for the Surname Committee that there were a couple of new members and their lists of surnames to add. Clancy then asked those present for their input as to having another Membership and Surnames list at the end of this year. Several members mentioned their use and the value of that issue. Clancy mentioned that the "Blue Card" routine would be used again.

For the Surrogate Committee, Jean Coyne showed the group the new Wills Book and thanked all

those who worked on it. Jean mentioned that the price was set at \$15 and if you wanted it to be mailed \$20.

Old Business: Phyllis Putnam mentioned that the Ernest Cook books have been reprinted and are available.

New Business: Al Seymour spoke of the CDs containing 4 years of our *Informer* in PDF format. Work continues including work on an index.

Vice President Bob mentioned that Alice Corbett had requested help with the Genealogy Room and wanted the society to be aware of her request.

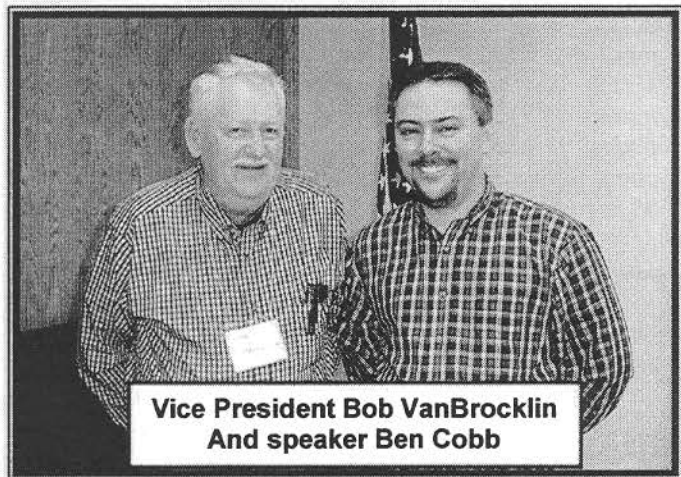
Bob also mentioned the society at the Irish Festival and thanked those who participated.

Hollis Dorr moved to adjourn with a second from Pauline Zach.

Phyllis Putnam introduced Ben Cobb and our program on the Jefferson County Bicentennial.

What's Going on with JCNYGS

By Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary
March Meeting



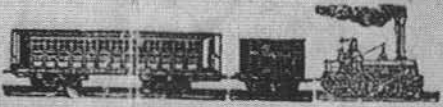
Vice President Bob VanBrocklin
And speaker Ben Cobb

Benjamin J. Cobb is Jefferson County Historian and Records Management Coordinator. His presentation was in two parts including the Jefferson County Bicentennial Celebration and the Genealogical Resources available through the Jefferson County Clerk's Office. By the large attendance at the meeting, they were subjects of great interest to a lot of people and no one was disappointed. With his 'power-point' computer presentation on the projector screen, Ben went from the Creation of Jefferson County with maps and county boundary changes to the history of the Towns & Villages right into the Bicentennial Events planned for the county celebrations including the Black, Granite Benches and Bicentennial Souvenirs including a four part envelope series, a postal cancellation, the Bicentennial Tapestry Throw, a Bicentennial Quilt, Calendar, and PBS Documentary. He reviewed the Genealogical Resources available including County Clerk's Records, Legislative Board Minutes, Wills & Probate Records, Tax Records, and other resources.

The *Informer* committee wishes to thank all those who have helped us with the material for our May issue. A special thanks to Watertown City Historian Donna Dutton for making so much available to us. This 1857 Watertown & Rome Railroad time table is but one example.

On the Web: <http://rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/jeffsoc.htm>

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1857.  1857.

WATERTOWN & ROME RAILROAD.

TIME TABLE NUMBER FOUR.

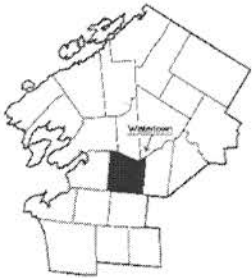
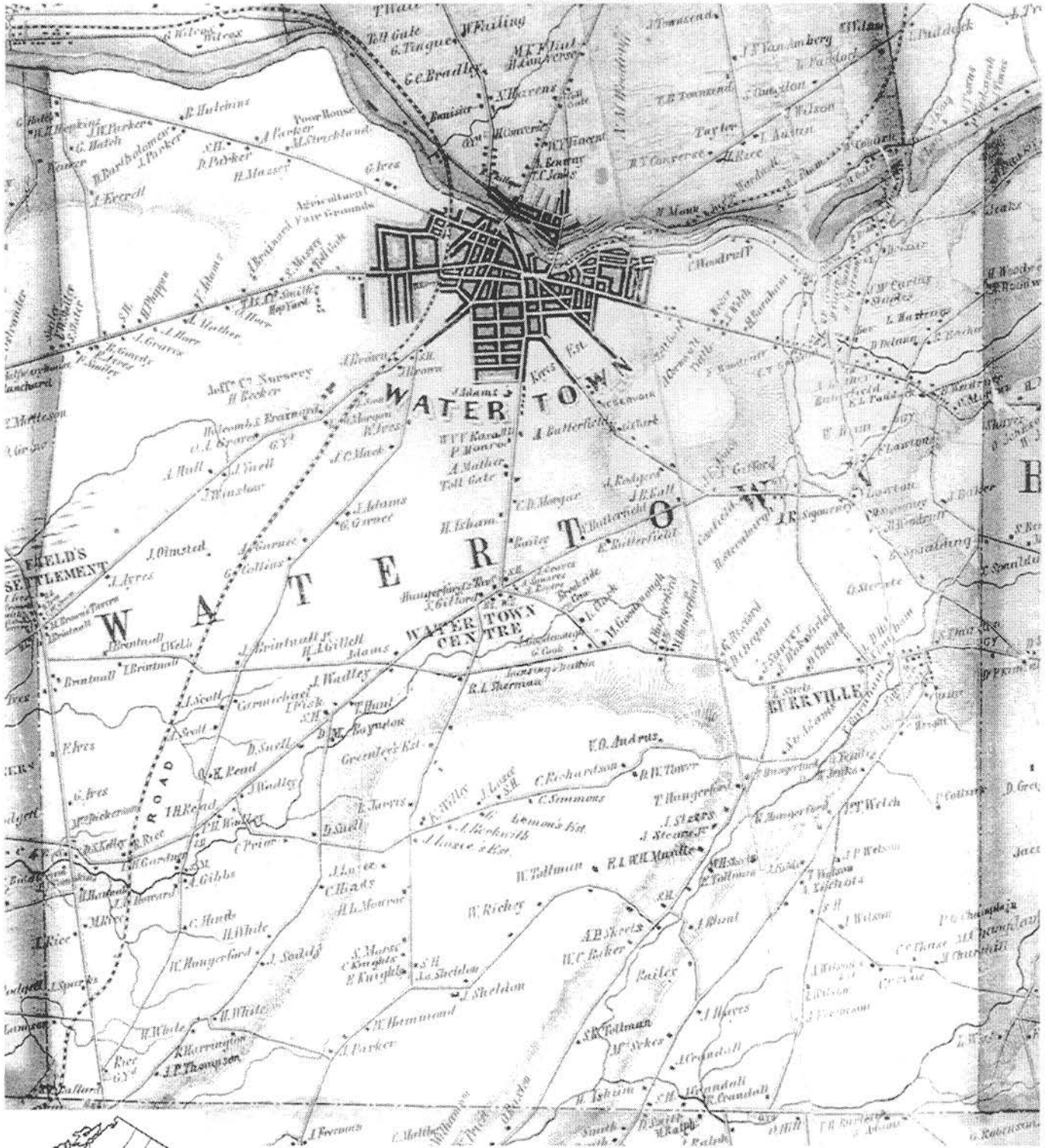
GOING SOUTH.				MILES.	STATIONS	GOING NORTH.			
1st. EXPRESS.	2d. FREIGHT.	3d. MAIL.	4th. ACCOMOD'TN.			1st. MAIL.	2d. FREIGHT.	3d. EXPRESS.	4th. ACCOMOD'TN.
A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.			M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
6 30	6 40	10 00	7 30	0	CAPE VINCENT ..	12 00	3 20	7 15	1 00
6 50	7 05	10 20	7 50	8	.. 3 Mile Bay,	11 40	3 00	6 56	12 30
6 58	7 20	10 29	7 58	11	.. Chaumont,	11 32	2 48	6 50	12 20
7 14	7 40	10 47	8 14	17	.. Limerick,	11 14	2 20	6 35	12 00
7 24	8 00	11 04 ^{meet}	8 26	21	.. Brownville,	11 04 ^{meet}	2 05	6 25	11 47
7 44	8 38	11 24	8 44	25	.. WATERTOWN	10 54	1 45	6 15	11 32
8 12	9 20	11 50	9 08	35	.. Adams Centre, ..	10 29	1 00	5 53	11 02
8 20	9 40	11 58	9 17	38	.. Adams,	10 20	12 45	5 45	10 50
8 42	10 05 ^{meet}	12 20 ^{meet}	9 40	43	.. PIERREPONT MAN'R	10 05 ^{meet}	12 20 ^{meet}	5 35	10 35
8 50	10 15	12 26	9 46	45	.. Mannsville,	9 47	11 45	5 23	10 20
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9 17 ^{meet}	11 00 ^{meet}	12 55	10 14	55	.. Richland,	9 17 ^{meet}	11 00 ^{no-meet}	5 03	9 35
9 30	11 25	1 10	10 28	60	.. Albion,	8 57	10 20	4 50	9 15
9 46 ^{meet}	11 55	1 28	10 45	66	.. Kasoag,	8 36	9 46 ^{meet}	4 38	8 50
9 55	12 20	1 37	10 54	69	.. Williamstown, ..	8 27	9 14	4 30	8 36
10 09	12 44	1 52	11 10	74	.. West Camden, ..	8 10	8 48	4 20	8 16
10 23	1 10	2 07	11 24	79	.. Camden,	7 53	8 25	4 10	7 56
10 38	1 35	2 22	11 38	84	.. McConnellsville, ..	7 36	7 55	3 55	7 38
10 46	1 45	2 30	11 44	86	.. Taberg,	7 30	7 45	3 50	7 30
11 10	2 20	2 55	12 10	97	.. ROME,	7 05	7 15	3 30	7 00
A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.			A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.

The Express going North, will stop only at McConnellsville, Camden, Kasoag, Richland, Sandy Creek, Pierrepont Manor, Adams, Adams Centre, Watertown, Brownville, Limerick, Chaumont, and Three Mile Bay.

The Heavy Figures Denote Meetings. *Trains Going North will take the Branch.*

This Time Table to take effect on Monday, May 25th, 1857. CARLOS DUTTON, Supt.

Town Of Watertown



The existence of a township called Watertown confuses many people even in Jefferson County. When one mentions Watertown, the city is immediately called to mind, being the only city in the county. The Town of Watertown, while overshadowed by its much more populous neighbor, is an older entity. Centrally located in Jefferson County, the city of Watertown occupies nearly all of the township's northern border, the edges barely touched by the Towns of Brownville, Pamelaia, and Le Ray. Easterly lies Rutland, south is Rodman with a touch of Adams, and west is solidly Hounsfield.

Index to 1855 Map of Watertown Township (page 6)

By Don Dillenbeck, JCNYS Member

Column 1 consists of initial, column 2 is surname or main entry, column 3 indicates location of residents on the map.
By dividing the town map into 9 parts, Don uses the letters W1, A, T1, E, R, T2, O, W2, N
already on the map as locators.

Initial(s)	Surname	Map Letter- -North/South
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	W1-North
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	W1-South
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	Watertown Ctr
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	W1-South
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	T1-North
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	O-South
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	W2-North
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	N-North
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	N-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	W1-South
S.H. =	(School House)	A-North
S.H. =	(School House)	A-South
S.H. =	(School House)	T1-North
S.H. =	(School House)	T1-South
S.H. =	(School House)	T1-South
S.H. =	(School House)	R-North
S.H. =	(School House)	Watertown Ctr
S.H. =	(School House)	R-South
S.H. =	(School House)	T2-South
S.H. =	(School House)	O-South
S.H. =	(School House)	W2-South
W.S. =	(Wagon Shop)	Watertown Ctr
J.	Adams	E-North
J.	Adams	T2-North
S.G.	Adams	W2-South
Y.	Adams	T1-North
	Adams	E-South
	Agricultural Fair Grounds	R-North
V.O.	Andrus	T2-South
J.	Ayres	W1-North
R.	Ayres	W1-North
B.	Bacher	N-North
	Bailey	R-North
	Bailey	T2-South
J.	Baker	N-South
W.C.	Baker	T2-South
J.B.	Ball	O-North
S.P.	Ballard	W1-South
D.	Bartholomew	T1-North
D.	Bartholomew	A-North
W.	Baum	N-North
A.	Beckwith	E-South
S.	Biddlecum	W1-South
A.J.	Blunt	T2-South
	Bow	N-North
D.M.	Boynton	T1-South
A.	Brainard	T1-North
J.	Brintnall	W1-South
L.	Brintnall	W1-North
	Brintnall	W1-South
J.	Brintnall Jr.	A-South

	Brookside Cemetery	T2-South
J.	Brown	R-North
J.	Brown	R-North
M.	Brown's Tavern	W1-North
T.H.	Burleigh	W2-South
H.	Burnham	W2-North
M.N.	Burnham	N-South
N.	Burnham	N-South
	BURRVILLE	W2-South
A.	Butterfield	T2-North
E.	Butterfield	T2-South
W.	Butterfield	T2-North
	Butterfield	N-North
	Canfield	W2-North
S.	Carley ?	N-North
	Carmichael	A-South
D.	Chapin	W2-South
D.	Chapman	O-South
C.C.	Chase	W2-South
C.C.	Chase	W2-South
M.	Churchill	N-South
E.G.	Clark	O-North
L.	Clark	T2-South
G.	Collins	T1-North
P.	Collins	N-South
G.	Cook	T2-South
A.	Cornwall	W2-North
J.	Crandall	T2-South
J.	Crandall	T2-South
R.	Crandall	T2-South
R.	Crandall	O-South
D.	Delana	N-North
Mrs.	Dickerson	W1-South
	Dresser	N-North
C.O.	Dye ?	N-South
J.	Eddy	W2-South
A.	Everett	A-North
J.	Ferguson	O-South
	FIELD'S SETTLEMENT	W1-North
I.	Fisk	T1-South
I.H.	Gardner	W1-South
A.	Gibbs	W1-South
J.	Gifford	W2-North
H.A.	Gillett	T1-South
A.	Goodenough	T2-South
M.	Goodenough	T2-South
B.	Gowdy	A-North
C.T.	Graham	N-North
A.	Graves	Watertown Ctr
J.	Graves	A-North
O.A.	Graves	T1-North
C.W.	Green	W1-North
	Greenley's Est.	E-South
S.	Guilford	Watertown Ctr

A.	Gurnee	T1-North	P.	Monroe	T2-North
G.	Gurnee	E-North	C.D.	Morgan	T2-North
W.	Hammond	T1-South	L.D.	Morgan	E-North
H.	Hannah	W1-South	S.	Morse	T1-South
R.	Harrington	W1-South	C.?	Murray	N-North
L.	Hastings	N-North	J.	Olmstead	A-North
G.	Hatch	A-North	W.P.	Orson	N-North
A.	Hayes	T2-South	E.L.	Paddock	N-North
L.D.	Hill ?	N-South	A.	Parker	E-North
C.	Hinds	A-South	D.	Parker	E-North
C.	Hinds	W1-South	J.	Parker	A-South
	Holcomb & Brainard	E-North	J.	Parker	T1-North
A.	Horr	A-North	J.W.	Parker	T1-North
O.	Horr	T1-North	M.	Peterson	N-North
J.A.	Howard	W1-South	H.	Phippen	A-North
A.	Hull	A-North		Poor House	R-North
A.	Hungerford	O-South	C.	Prior	A-South
M.	Hungerford	O-South	C.	Raeferd	O-South
R.	Hungerford	W2-South		RAILROAD	W1-South
T.	Hungerford	O-South	J.H.	Read	A-South
T.	Hungerford	O-South	O.H.	Read	A-South
W.	Hungerford	A-South		RESERVOIR	O-North
	Hungerford's Tavern	Watertown Ctr	B.	Rice	W1-South
T.	Hunt	T1-South	J.	Rice	W1-South
J.	Hunter	N-North	M.	Rice	W1-South
B.	Hutchins	T1-North		Rice	W1-South
H.	Isham	R-North	C.	Richardson	T2-South
H.	Ishum	R-South	W.	Richey	R-South
F.	Ives	W1-South	J.	Rodgers	O-North
G.	Ives	R-North	A.	Rogers	Watertown Ctr
G.	Ives	W1-South	W.V.V.	Rosa M.D.	T2-North
H.	Ives	W1-North		Rudd	N-North
W.	Ives	W1-South	J.	Sawyer	W2-South
W.	Ives	E-North	A.	Scott	A-South
B.	Jarvis	E-South	A.	Scott	A-South
H. Becker	Jefferson Co. Nursery	E-North	L.	Scott	E-North
W.	Jenks	W2-South	J.	Sheldon	E-South
J.E.	Jones	W2-North	Jos.	Sheldon	E-South
D.S.	Kelly	W1-South	R.L.	Sherman	E-South
R.	Ketchum	N-North	R.L.	Sherman	R-South
	Keyes Est	T2-North	J.R.	Sigourney	N-North
R.	Kidder	N-North	M.	Sigourney	N-South
C.	Knights	T1-South	C.	Simmons	R-South
E.	Knights	T1-South	A.P.	Skeets	T2-South
	Lamson	W1-South	W.H.	Skeets	O-South
	Lansing & Dutton	T2-South	S.	Slater	W1-North
F.	Lawton	N-North	F.	Smiley	W1-North
	Lawton	N-North	T.A. & C.P.	Smith's Hop Yard	E-North
G.	Lemon's Est.	E-South	D.	Snell	T1-South
J.	Losee	T1-South	J.	Snell	T1-North
J.	Losee	E-South	J.	Soddy	A-South
J.	Losee's Estate	E-South	J.	Sparks	W1-South
A.	Luther	N-North	B.	Spaulding	N-South
J.C.	Mack	E-North	A.	Squares	Watertown Ctr
R & W.H.	Mantle	O-South		Staples	N-North
H.	Massey	E-North	J.	Stears Jr.	O-South
S.	Massey	E-North	L.	Steele	W2-South
A.	Mather	T1-North	J.	Steers	O-South
A.	Mather	R-North	O.	Ster_ete ?	N-South
J.	McCarlay ?	N-North	W.	Sternburgh	W2-North
H.L.	Monroe	T1-South	M.	Strickland	E-North

Mrs.	Sykes	T2-South
S.B.	T ____ ?	N-North
J.P.	Thompson	W1-South
S.	Thursan ?	N-South
	TOLL GATE	E-North
	TOLL GATE	R-North
	TOLL GATE	W2-North
E.	Tollman	T2-South
S.B./R.	Tollman	R-South
W.	Tollman	R-South
A.	Tompkins	W1-South
D.W.	Tower	T2-South
	Tuttle	W2-North
J.	Wadley	A-South
J.	Wadley	E-South
P.H.	Wadley	A-South
E.	Wakefield	W2-South
	WATERTOWN	R-North
	WATERTOWN CENTRE	R-South
I.	Webb	A-South
	Weber	W2-North
N.	Welch	W2-North
P.T.	Welch	W2-South
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E.	Willey	E-South
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J.	Wilson	W2-South
J.P.	Wilson	W2-South
T.	Wilson	W2-South
A.	Wilson's Est.	W2-South
J.	Winslow	A-North
B./D.	Woodruff	N-South
C.	Woodruff	W2-North
F.	Woodruff	N-North
S.	Woodruff	N-North
	Wright	N-South
O.	Yendes	W2-South

BURRVILLE STORE IS SOLD TO FOLEY

(News clip in Watertown City Historian scrapbook)

Richard V. Foley Purchases Hayes Grocery—Building Is Historic Landmark.

Richard V. Foley, Burrville resident, has purchased the grocery store of Fred H. and Margaret G. Hayes at the intersection of the Watertown-Copenhagen state highway and the Burrville-Whitesville road in the hamlet of Burrville.

Mr. And Mrs. Grant Roden, son-in-law and daughter of Mr. Foley, are operating the store for him. The sale of the property to Mr. Foley was negotiated by W.

D. Timmerman, real estate broker, located on the Bradley Street Road.

Mr. Hayes, resident of this city and for some years a member of the local fire department, operated the store for about two years. Prior to that it was conducted under lease for two years by John W. Hotis, formerly of Buffalo, and preceding Mr. Hotis the business and building were owned and operated by William M. Hayes for approximately 30 years as a grocery and general store. Mr. Hayes was the lessor to Mr. Hotis.

The building is one of the county's historic landmarks and for a number of years prior to becoming a store was a hotel and stagecoach stop on the route between this city and Lowville.

Before William Mr. Hayes purchased the place on March 17, 1915, from the estate of Mrs. Elizabeth J. Hughes, it was operated for several years by Arnold C. Hughes as a hardware store, he having started that business there about 55 years ago.

After an ownership of some years during which he conducted a hotel in this building, George A. Wilson sold it Aug. 18, 1893, to Mary O'Donnell and the ensuing Dec. 30 she disposed of it to Catie Phillips of Chicago. It was after that that Mr. Hughes purchased it.

Burrville is one of the oldest settled districts in the county. Simeon and Benjamin Woodruff having settled a short distance northeast of the hamlet in 1800. Hart Massey, one of the original pioneer settlers of this city, contracted in June, 1801 to build a sawmill and gristmill at Burrville for Silash Stow. In 1802 this was sold to Capt. John Burr, for whom the community was named and is located but a few rods from this store on the banks of North Sandy creek.

Almost from the beginning of the hamlet there had been a hotel there until the middle 1890's, and historians declare that one of the first Burrville hotel proprietors was Septimus G. Adams.

Besides Captain Burr's mills, William Lamson had the first iron smelter and blast furnace in the county at the top of the elevation by the cataract. Also in the vicinity Judge Jabez Foster and Thomas M. Converse as the firm of Foster & Converse operated a large store, in which Orville Hungerford was clerk. In 1807 Judge Foster sold his interest to Converse and moved to this city, Converse continuing the operation of the store.



Our thanks to the Watertown City Historian's office for this picture of the **Woodruff Hotel**.

7. **TALCOTT**, from Rt. 11 south, turn right onto CR 64. About .3 mile on 64.
8. ***SOUTH MASSEY STREET**, aka GRAVES HILL. Go out Massey Street South, Field Settlement Road, renamed Massey Street Cemetery 1998.
9. ***GOTHAM STREET**, NY Route 12 south. Turn right on CR 159. Cemetery on right, past the corner.
10. ***EAST WATERTOWN**. Go east from Watertown on NYS Rt 126 to first right, on CR 160. Then right on Overlook Drive, about .2 mile on right behind low stone wall close to a house.
11. ***LOSEE/LOSIE**, Take Rt 12 south of Watertown, turn west on Dry Hill Road just before Burrville. Cemetery no longer exists; barn built on the site of the cemetery burned in 1966. A family cemetery only.
12. ***WOODWORTH** (Location Unknown)

Watertown City Cemeteries

(Map on page 12)

A—North Watertown Cemetery located North on Bradley Street (Rte 12). This cemetery is listed in A. E. Rogers' book for the Town of Pamela. It was organized and chartered several years before the City of Watertown was formed. At that time it was in North Watertown in the Town of Pamela. Names are included in the Rogers' Pamela book and on line at www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/Pamelia.htm. For information contact North Watertown Cemetery Association at 782-5960, Mr. Richard Williams.

B—Calvary Cemetery is located on Ridge Road at the eastern edge of the city..

C—*Graves Cemetery, also called South Massey Street Cemetery, is located on outer South Massey Street about .3 miles outside the city on County Road 63.

D—*Arsenal Street Cemetery is located on Arsenal Street going west just beyond the Railroad overpass.

(From Watertown City Historian office)

From the minutes of the Common Council of the city of Watertown 30 Nov 1869:

A communication states that a crosswalk was very much needed from the sidewalk in front of the burying ground to the corner of Boon Street.

19 April 1870: A communication from K. Hannahs states that the burial ground in the rear of Trinity Church is destitute of fence; is open to cattle and hogs to occupy the grounds and requires a good substantial fence to be constructed from the rear to Court Street. Referred to aldermen of the 4th ward.

31 May 1870: A petition and resolution received from J. Mullin and others asking to have a vault in the rear of Trinity Church for the temporary burial of the dead.

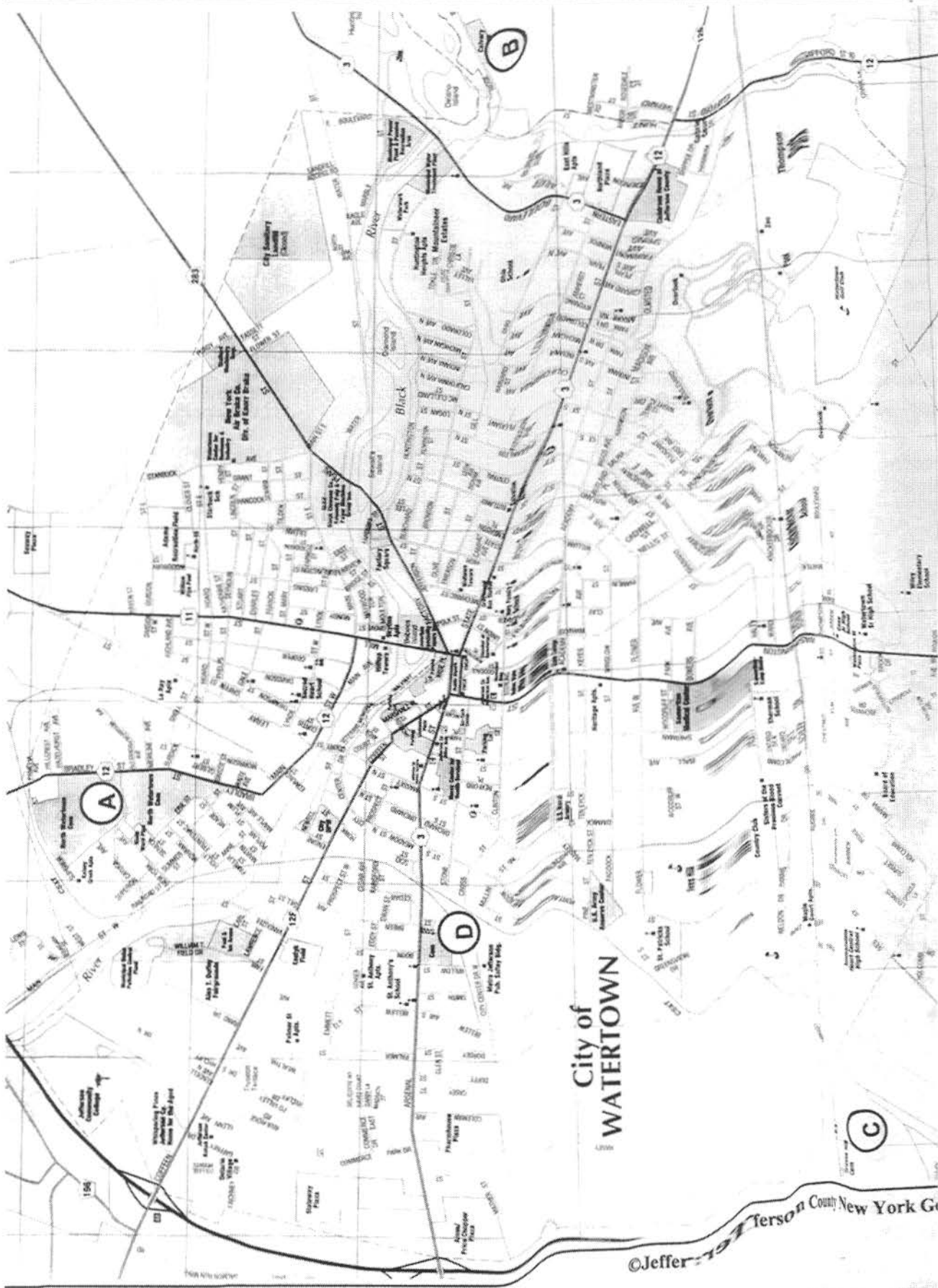
The appointed committee reports that they have examined the records and find that the Trinity Church burying ground and find that it belongs to the city. Resolved that the mayor be authorized to advertise for proposals to build a good substantial picket fence around the lot known as the Trinity Church burying grounds, to be completed within the next thirty days.

7 June 1870: By reason of distance from the city to the cemeteries now in use by our citizens and the difficulty of approach thereto by reason of the drifting of snow in the roads and avenues leading to the places of burial in said cemeteries, and the consequent great expense in opening a passage for funeral procession in the winter months it is practically impossible to use these cemeteries during a considerable part of the year. It is necessary to procure some place for the deposit of the bodies of the dead during the time it is impossible to bury in cemeteries. The vaults now in use are owned by individuals and are liable to be withdrawn from the use of the public. These vaults can only be approached by crossing the track of the Rail Road near the lower depot where engines and cars are almost constantly in motion thereby endangering the lives of persons who may be attending funerals. Neither of the cemetery associations now organized have the means to erect a vault suitable for the use of our people. Be it Resolved that there shall be erected in the lot in the rear of Trinity Church known as the old burying ground a vault of such dimensions as will contain at least fifty coffins to be used for the deposit of the bodies of deceased persons from the 1st day of December until the 1st day of May following in each year before which last mentioned day all bodies must be removed....

Watertown Cemetery History

One of the first recorded burial grounds was the Old Trinity Church Cemetery, which was located on Court Street. The site, granted to the village in the early 1800's by Henry Coffeen "as a public burying ground", was abandoned by the late 19th century. In 1823, the village trustees bought land on Arsenal Street for a burial ground, assigning lots to the taxpayers of the village. Adjoining this location was the first Catholic cemetery. Both were out of favor by the late 19th century, and replaced by new "pastoral" sites, based on the rural cemetery model popular at the time. Brookside (1854) and Calvary (1869), the new public and Catholic cemeteries respectively, were located adjacent to one another south of the City. Another early cemetery, serving residents of the north side, was the Pamela graveyard (established 1838), later called the North Watertown Cemetery. This location was still being used at the turn of the century.

Brookside, although technically outside the City limits, has been Watertown's major burial ground for the past century, and is therefore an important city institution. Many notable leaders in industry, commerce and finance are buried there, in lavishly designed temple-like mausoleums (featuring Egyptian, Gothic, and other styles).



City of Watertown Cemeteries

COMPUTER CORNER

From Shirley Farone, who has a Jefferson County website herself, and is a great volunteer for the Jefferson County GenWebSite. Remember, Watertown was a village, not a city, until 1867.

I've just posted Fitch's 1840 Watertown (NY) Village Directory on my website at:

<http://freePages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~twigs2000/1840directory.html>. This contains a "List of Citizens," which you may access by clicking in the box at the top left of the page. In my opinion, this doesn't appear to be a complete list of all the citizens in the Village at that time, but I'm hoping what's there will be of interest to someone. One gets the impression that the List is one of master workmen. The copy from which I typed was bad and there are sections missing. Hopefully, I can locate the missing portions. Particularly interesting is the List of Establishments of master workmen in the village at the time – certainly the growth of a viable business community in only 35 years' time was astounding.

For those of you who haven't visited her website: <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~twigs2000> is more social history than genealogy, but is fun, and strewn with genealogical tidbits.

Sheila Hoffman has also been busy. She has just completed extracting marriages, deaths, and deceased veterans records from the 1865 NY State Census for Jefferson County.

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~cnyfamilies/Vitals/jcvitals.html>

There are 677 deaths, including date and cause of death; 294 marriages including clergy affiliation, and records for 623 deceased veterans, including when and where they died and were buried.

Also, on her website there are similar extractions for Broome, Herkimer, and Oneida Counties.

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~cnyfamilies/>

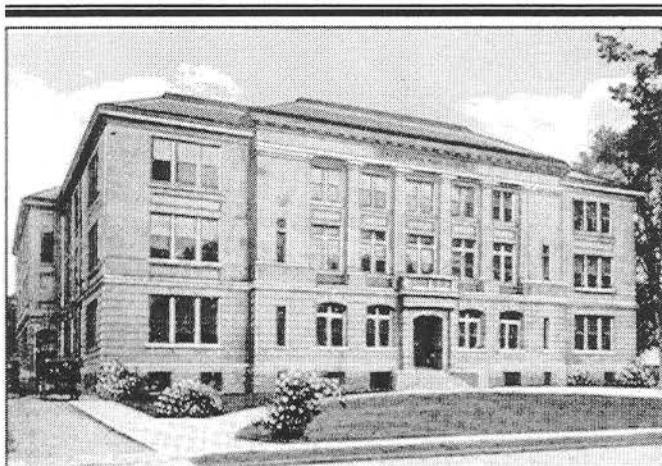
This site is definitely worth a visit. While she concentrates on Central New York, Jefferson County is by no means neglected.

Headquarters of the Palatines to America reported a "snatch and grab" break-in of their offices this January. Their main computer was stolen. Their solemn warning to genealogists everywhere: make regular backups (they do theirs daily) and have the cds, or whatever you use, stored under another roof. This is merely

good policy for everyone who uses a computer seriously. (They have materially reinforced their security since.)

The Jefferson County GenWebSite (<http://www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer>) has been adding new information, much of it in links to other sites. Ray Brown is continuing to scan Hough's History of Jefferson County, and has added the history of the towns of Adams, Cape Vincent, Champion, Ellisburg, Henderson, Hounsfield Lorraine, Lyme, Rodman Theresa, Watertown and Worth. Brownville will be added soon. The 1918 Farm maps have been received enthusiastically. Four more files have been added to "Bits and Pieces." Many of you like to read these scrapbook items, even when you are not looking for a specific name.

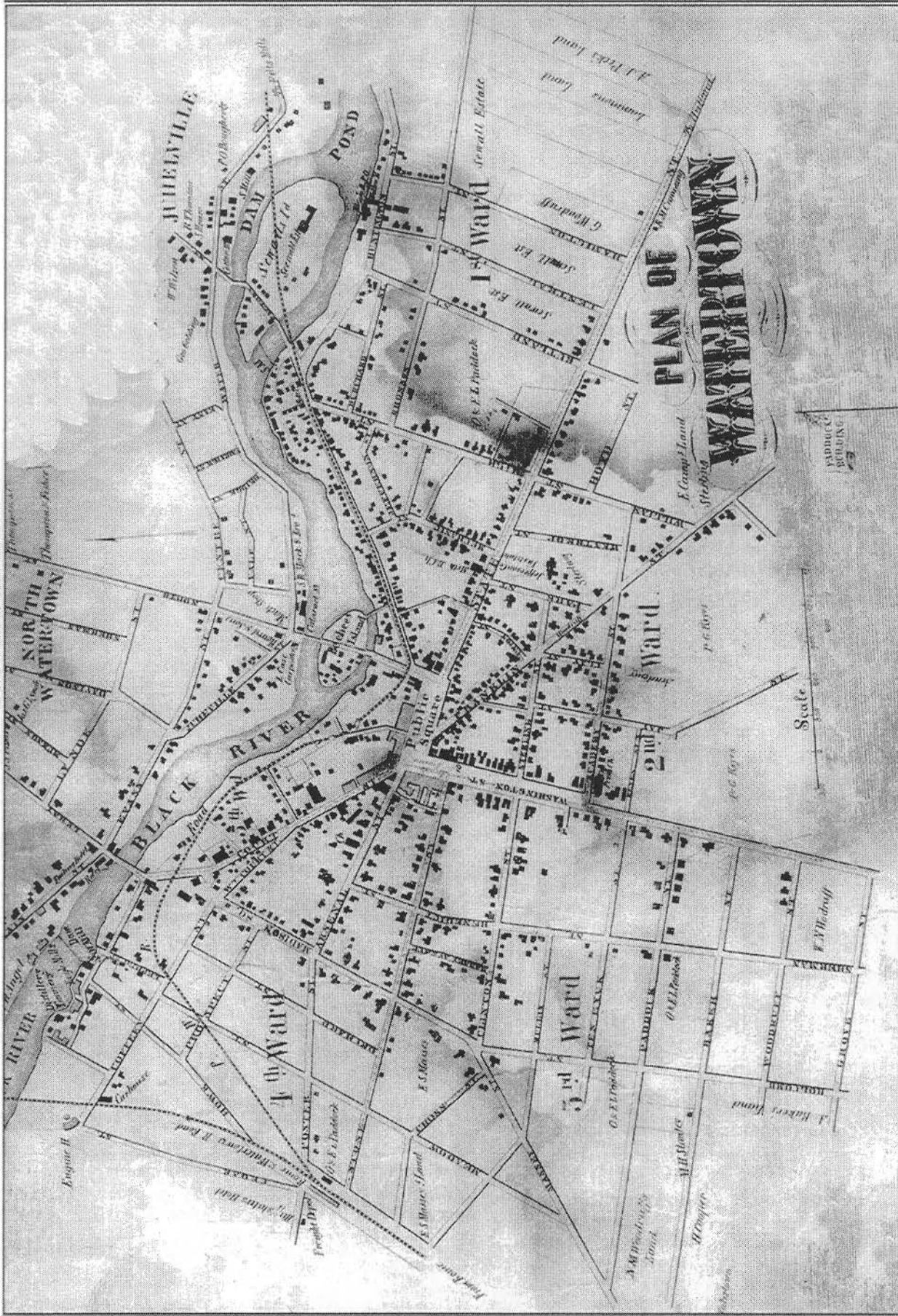
The JCNYS Society Page has received a face lift this year, thanks to suggestions by member Patti Hopkins. All members are encouraged (begged?) to offer suggestions and comments about this page: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/jeffsoc.htm>. The addition of the tables of contents, supplied annually by member Bonnie Borrello, displayed on <http://www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/inftab.htm>, have been getting viewer response: people have been requesting back issues of the *Informer*. This page reaches more than just society members, so it is important that it contain pertinent information about the society. This is one way that distant members can really make a difference: suggestions, comments, criticism...all gratefully accepted. Email the society, the editor, someone!



This **High School** was located on Sterling Street where the present American Legion is located. It was built in 1902 with additions in 1915, 1922, and 1923. It closed in 1949 when the new high school was opened. Our thanks to the Watertown City Historian's office for the picture.

On the Web: <http://rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/jeffsoc.htm>

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Village of Watertown (1855)

TUG HILL LITERARY REVIEW

(From Historical Association of South Jefferson)

Along with our Historical Association of South Jefferson Newsletter for March-April 2005 came a little insert called *Tug Hill Literary Review* for Spring 2005, volume 1, number 1. It intends to review "a collection of original poetry, prose and book reviews by writers past and present from the greater Tug Hill Region." A joint project of the Half-Shire Historical Society (northern Oswego County) and the Historical Association of South Jeff, it will be compiled and edited by Shawn Doyle, Debbie Quick, and George Widrig. It contains reviews of *Yesterdays* by Doris Brown Allen, and of other local histories of Williamstown, Happy Valley, Osceola, Ellisburg, The Huddle, Sixtown Settlers, Adams Electric Light Company, the story of the Rome, Watertown and Ogdensburgh Railroad, and much more, including a personal favorite, *Memories of the Old Homestead* by Henry H. Lyman, reprinted from the 1900 original. Contact Debbie Quick at South Jeff, or Halfshire@hotmail.com They are asking for original work, or suggestions for other books.

Your editor and your committee chairman read this little newsletter from cover to cover as soon as it comes in. Debbie picks for the newsletter interesting reprints from the Jefferson County Journal, of which she probably has the entire publication, with its wealth of gossip and vital statistics.

"YES" The JCNYGS Has A "REPOSITORY"

At the last meeting, Vice President Bob Van-Brocklin voiced a plea for a volunteer to open our repository. It's a shame that the carefully collected and organized material there is unused. If anyone in the area can spare an hour or so a month to man the repository before and possibly after our regular meetings, the second Monday of the month at the Flower Library, contact Vice President Bob. Members Charlotte Brenon and Phyllis Putnam have it well organized, so that items can be found quickly. It only lacks a person or persons to get the material out of the filing cabinet, and put it back after use.

Our repository is located upstairs in the Flower Library in the opposite corner from the Dillenbeck room where our society meetings are held. Just take the door to the right as you get off the elevator. There is material that fills over a dozen file drawers and then some. While the following lists are of material in the repository, it is by no means up-to-date.

After a drawer of society "stuff", there begins a drawer with Geographical areas/newsletters that include:

Berkshire Genealogist	Canada
Capital District (Albany)	Clayton
Cleveland Gen. Society	Fonda Register
Franklin Co.	Henderson
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Jefferson Co. South	Jeff. Co. Town Historians
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St. Lawrence Co.	Steuben Co.
Tioga Co.	Tompkins Co.
Warren Co.	Washington Co.
Watertown	Wayne Co.
Wyoming Co.	Yates Co.

Another drawer contains our collection of family files including:

Barnes	Bennett	Bibbins
Brenon	Brown	Bruce
Calhoun	Carter	Cole
Cronk	Dillenbeck	Dixon
Edmonds	Ellsworth	Flower
Foster	Fuller	Gotham
Hallett	Hatch	Hovey
Howard	Hubbard	Jackson
Joy	Larkin	Lepper
Maine	Maxim	McInnis
McComb	Mellett	Monroe
Mosher	Norton	Ormsby
Orr	Peot	Phillips
Presler	Purcell	Putnam
Reed	Rhines	Rogers
Sheldon	Sickles	Simmons
Sturtevant	Switzer	Town
Ward	Weaver	Webb
Whitfield	Whitten	Wilder
William Tuttle	Woodward	Zoller

Other material includes our past *Informer* newsletters; Watertown City Directories for 1855, 1927, 67, 71, 79, 86-88; Watertown Board of Supervisors books for 1855, 1902, 1903, 1911, 1913, 1914; Roberts Rules of Order; Saints and Strangers (a novel); videos including "Out Of Your Tree—Crazy About Genealogy".

Our repository has been well organized by Phyllis and Charlotte but we need an interested member or members to have the repository open to members before and after our regular meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month.

NORTH COUNTRY VISITS

Pioneers Settled On Road From Watertown Center to Burrville—James Rogers Settled Land Where Brookside Cemetery Now Is Before 1800—Iron Forges Once Flourished at Both Communities.

By ERNEST G. COOK

Burrville via Watertown Center.

The usual way of going to Burrville would be out the state highway from Watertown towards Copenhagen and many travel this route. But it is interesting to travel a new route. Especially when it takes us from one important pioneer center to another. We hear little of Watertown Center today, for Brookside has come to be the name for which this region is known. But in pioneer days Watertown Center was a real industrial center for it was right here that Roswell Bingham at an early day started a furnace for melting iron and began the manufacturing of edged tools and broadened out to include wagons and the much needed plows of the pioneers and other agricultural implements. He included in his plant a first class blacksmith shop and did a large business. He was one of the men who could shoe oxen, quite an intricate bit of work, and such shops usually had slings to raise the body of the ox when the shoeing was done, especially those on the hind feet.

Of course we reach Watertown Center by going up Washington Street to the entrance of Brookside, the corners where the road turns to go towards Adams Center being the center to the pioneers. We are to turn left to go towards Burrville, but before we leave this section let us recall some of the pioneer families who located in this favored spot.

James Rogers came at an early date. His deed was recorded in 1799, which would be ahead of most of the other Watertown settlers. He was the son of Lieutenant John Rogers of New Hampshire. Brookside has absorbed the Roger farm, or at least that part in the triangle where Joseph Rogers built a house. A Ralph Rogers became a doctor who located in the city. Down the highway we pass the Hungerford place settled in 1801 by Timothy Hungerford.

As we drive on towards Burrville we pass the Rexford place at the left and we must not forget that over at our right is the Jefferson County Farm school. But many years ago this section at our right was known as the land where the first horse-drawn rake in the county was made. It was Joseph Sheldon, born in Lisbon, Conn., in 1782 who came to the Watertown section in about the year 1801. He actually came to Herkimer county in the spring of 1801 where he worked, but in the fall, with a few other men, came to inspect the Black River country. They liked it and came to buy

land later. Some say he located in Rodman first and in the Watertown section later, but we find him making potash in 1804 on these lands at the right. He was a progressive man and at one time had a flock of over a thousand sheep and before that the first "dairy" as it was known, but a home cheese factory we might call it today.

Mr. Sheldon was looking in Oneida county for some improved breeds of sheep and he saw a man raking hay with a horse. It was nothing more than a cedar post some twelve feet long into which sticks some 15 inches long were inserted. These lay flat on the ground and the man walked behind holding on to two handles, as a plow, to manage the rake. A rope ran from each end to the harness on the horse to draw the rake. A boy sat on the horse to guide the animal and that completed the outfit. The man raised the handles of the rake when he wanted to dump it to leave the hay in the windrows.

But we are far from our road and must not forget that we are passing through Sawyers Corners. Thomas Sawyer settled here about 1801 and it is an interesting study to follow the outcome of the members of this family. There was one who became judge of the supreme court of California.

There are other names of pioneers to study but we must give our attention to Burrville, which we are approaching, for we are now on the state highway and we will turn right to take the county highway and stop the car long enough to get a hurried survey of the place. Far off at the right is the Creek Valley school house, or No. 14 in the early days.

This village we know as Burrville was early an industrial center, much as was Watertown Center, only much greater. Here William Lampson built a cupola for melting iron and began the manufacture of agricultural implements. He is reported to have made the first plow with an iron moldboard ever to be fashioned in the entire region. This stream of water, with its long fall, was regarded in early days as one of the best and most favored water powers in the county and it was expected that a large..... (rest of paragraph is not legible from our source.)

In those early years, Burrville was the capital of that section of the frontier. William Lampson built an axe-factory, with a water-driven trip-hammer for making edged tools. James Mann erected a tannery about 1806, later managed by Deacon Theophilus Redfield, who also operated a shoe-shop.

In 1809 a carding mill was built a little below the saw mill, and afterwards a cloth dressing shop was erected nearer the falls. A tavern, of course, had been among the earliest structures, conducted by Septimus S. Adams.

Dr. Crafts P. Kimball was the first physician, beginning his practice at Burrville shortly before the War of 1812 and founding Greystone farm. Potash, obtained by burning trees in clearing land, (cont. on pg. 17)

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was a principal item of commerce.

But the village of Watertown was growing too. For a while its residents were content to go out to Burrville Sundays for services in the Congregational Church founded by Rev. Ebenezer Lazelle.

Eventually, though, they withdrew in 1811 and organized their own church in Watertown, and it subsequently became the First Presbyterian Church.

This marked the beginning of the end for Burrville as an industrial community. The Sandy Creek could not compete with the great force of the Black River. Deacon Redfield moved to Watertown, and his tannery was closed. About 1825 a Captain Sampson erected a blast furnace at the top of the falls, but it operated only a few years. The carding mill, the cloth dress works and finally the axe factory all closed their doors and were abandoned.

Only the old mill with its ponderous stones and its whining saws remained in the sleepy village to remind the older residents of a by-gone day. Now the mill has no one to share its memories.

A Bit Of Genealogy

This is a narrative from my grandfather on the Wicks/Burnham family history. The key person we are really looking for is Mary Burnham. We believe she was born in NY because all the census records say so. We simply haven't been able to find her birth records or parents anywhere in Jefferson County. Perhaps you could help us?

Children of Benjamin 2nd were: Benjamin 3rd, William, Philemon, John, Polly, Sarah, Amy, Welthy, Jane, and Renew. Benjamin 2nd and his brothers had moved to western New York near Watertown (Oxbow) about 1800 A.D. Of the children of Benjamin 2nd, in which we are directly interested, are Philemon and Renew. Philemon was my father's father and Renew was my mother's mother. So my father & mother were cousins. Philemon Wicks was named for Phil Stacy, his grandpa. Philemon Wicks, born at Oxbow, N.Y. 1-15-1799, was married three times. Last wife, Mary (Jane) Burnham, our ancestor and mother of all the kids except Charles who never moved west, lived near Oxbow. Children of our direct family were Henry, John, Philemon, Martin, Elizabeth. The family moved to Princeton, Wisconsin about 1845. Grandfather Philemon died Oct.11, 1859. Grandmother Mary Burnham Wicks was born Dec.5, 1808 and died of cancer of the breast and I estimate the time as about Sept 15, 1870, Princeton, WI.

Sincerely,
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Newspaper Extracts To Help With Your Connections To Canada

As Jefferson County genealogical researchers probably have many family connections to Canada, I thought you or some of your members might be interested in this source I recently discovered. The publisher extracts genealogical information from early newspapers of Ontario Province Canada & publishes them. The contact for these early newspaper extractions is:

Bur-Mor Publications, W. Craig Burtch
359 West Gore, Stratford Ontario N5A 1K9
(519) 273 4481

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Perth Papers including Stratford, Oxford etc.
The London Papers
The Middlesex Papers
The Lanark Papers
The Glengarrion
The Ottawa-Carleton District
The Simcoe Papers
The Wellington Papers (Guelph Evening Mercury 32 volumes)
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or E-mail nandixon@Gisco.net

Dear Aunty Jeff,

In 1831 (Bethuel Fields, his wife Adelaide [Delia] Van Wormer Field[s], and daughter Laura Anne Field [s] were somewhere in Jefferson County. I am curious as to why this family would have left Jefferson County to go to north Michigan.

Jody

Dear Jody,

Jefferson County was the destination, the far west, for many people in the 1798-1830 era. But after they got here, the county started filling up, and Jefferson County then became the jumping off place for all the Great Lakes states. In 1829 the Welland Canal around Niagara Falls opened, and steam and sailing vessels could then go through to Lake Superior. Michigan, Wisconsin, Ohio...all those states are full of settlements started by folk from Jeff Co. Look along the shores.

Aunty Jeff

Dear Aunty Jeff,

On the 1900 census for Pamela, I have a listing of someone at the County House, inmate. Would you happen to know what this institution was? Hospital, prison, or what?

Chris

Dear Chris,

Also known as the County Home, it was the poor house, a place for the indigent, terminally ill or mentally deficient whose family could not, or would not care for them. It was also a home for the homeless. Men and women who could get seasonal work (in the farming community this once was) that meant summer. A few went in in the late fall, and came out in March or April to work as hired men, or whatever.

Many such places had really bad reputations, but since I know of one man who regularly spent his winters there, it couldn't have been too bad. This man was probably an alcoholic who drank his meager wages as he got them. Children were born there, because there were no "single moms". An illegitimate child was illegitimate, and the mother was often cast off by her family. After having her child, she might find work somewhere, take her child and go. One woman put her three illegitimate children in the home, took the money their dead father left for their upkeep and led, one supposes, a merry life. The youngest, a three year old, fell in the nearby Black River and drowned,

and I think a second died of an illness in the home, so it was part orphan asylum also...a warehouse for the unwanted.

It was also the nursing home of the day for old folks whose care was too much for the busy farm-wife with her umpteen children and chores outside and in that would make today's busy single mom raising her children and working, cringe.

Aunty Jeff

Dear Aunty Jeff,

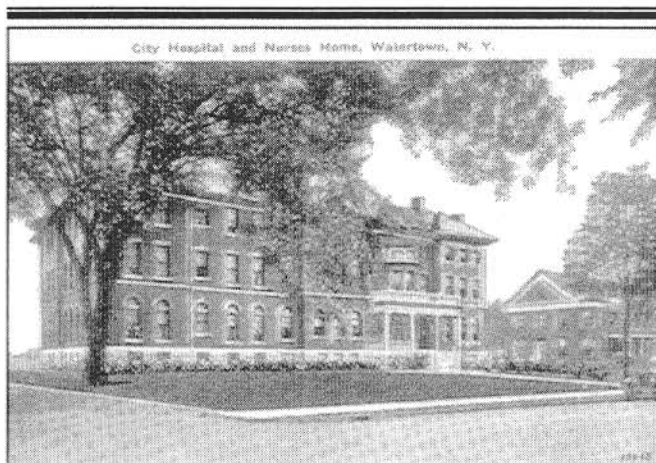
I downloaded some information from the familysearch 1880 census on the internet. Based on the index, I recently went to the nearby National Archives (NARA) and looked for two actual records. On one, there was an error. For another person, there was no listing for that person on family search, but I found them without any problem using the microfilm. What's going on?

Carrie

Dear Carrie,

All records have errors. That is why it is so important to look at the census page by page, look at court records page by page, etc. Some times the indexes change the spelling, sometimes they miss people. Sometimes the actual data provided is wrong on purpose!

Aunty Jeff



(Thanks to the Watertown City Historian's Office)
**Watertown City Hospital
And Nurses Home Facing Pratt Street**

Jefferson County Historical Associations (Part 2)

In order that our readers may be aware of the various small historical societies that are now in Jefferson County, we are creating a spot just for them. If you know of a society which we have omitted, or where the information is incorrect, please let us know immediately and we will include them in a future issue. For more information on some of these societies, refer to the July and September 2003 issues of the *Informer* as well as Part 1 published in the January 2005 *Informer*.

Town of Watertown Historical Society

Contact person: Bonnie Shafer and Ann Keefer
Phone: 315-658-4774
Address: TWHS 22867 County Route 67, Brookside Drive, Watertown, NY 13601
Meeting place and time: 1:30 pm on 4th Tuesdays at Municipal building town of Watertown - address above. Welcomes new members.
Email address: twhs@imcnet.net
Museum or Repository: At present information stored on computer. Email requests.

Redwood Historical Society

Contact person: Daryl S. Brown
Phone: 315-482-7353
Meeting place and time: Noah's Ark Nursery School, Lutheran Church, Redwood, 4th Tuesday, 7 P.M.
Museum or Repository: None yet but they are working on it.
Membership: Members welcomed.

Cape Vincent

No Historical Society as such, but a lovely museum with genealogical files.
Contact person: Jeanne Thompson
Phone: 315-654-3094
Address: Box 376, Cape Vincent, NY 13618
Museum or Repository: Lower James Street, at Ferry Dock. Open July 1—Labor Day, 10—4, 7 days a week. Any other by Appointment only.

Lyme Heritage Center

Contact person: Julia Gosier
Phone: 315-649-5454
Address: Main Street, Chaumont, NY 13622
Meeting place and time: no regular meetings
Email address: heritage@chaumontny.com
Repository: Lyme Heritage Center in Chaumont Public Library, Main Street, Chaumont
Note: The Heritage Center does not have members as such, but volunteers to work in the center are warmly welcomed.

Sackets Harbor Historical Society

Contact person: Trish Pacilio
Phone: 646-1708
Address: P. O. Box 398, Sackets Harbor, NY 13685
Meeting place and time: Watertown Savings Bank, 100 West Main; Sackets Harbor 13685; Third Monday @ 7:00 PM
Email address: sackets_harbor_historical_society@hotmail.com
Museum or Repository: No museum at present but should be back in their own quarters in the bank building by summer. They welcome members.
Current project: Restoring the Samuel Hooker House On West Main.

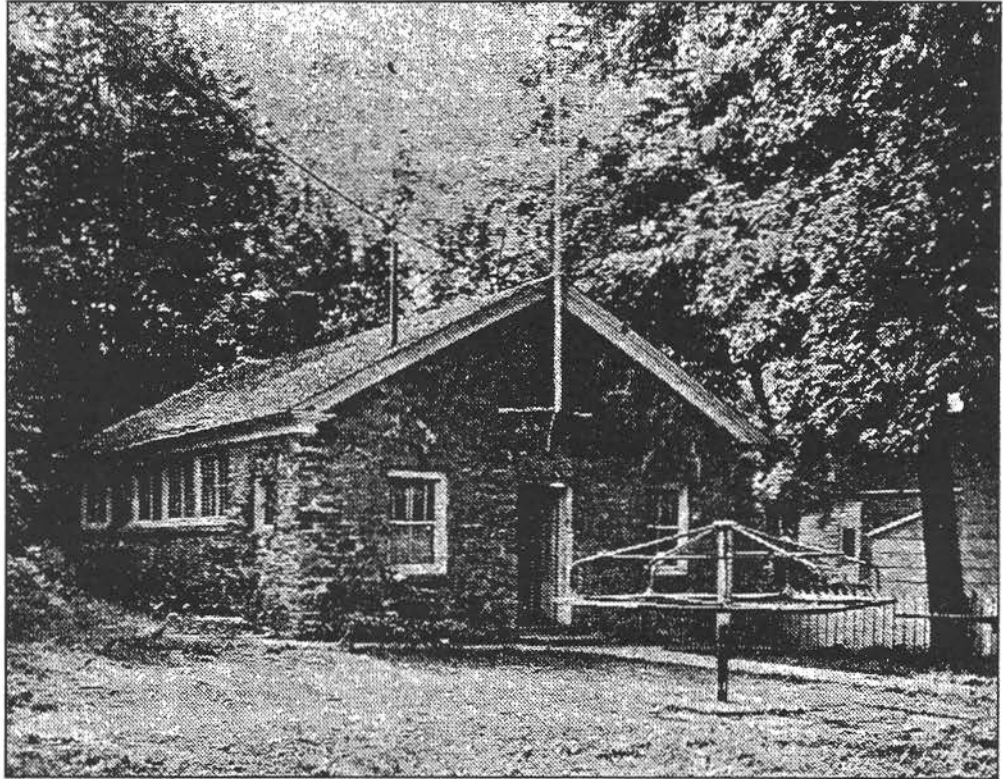
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120-Year-Old School At Burrville Closes

(From Watertown City Historian's Scrapbook)

LAST CLASS SALUTES FLAG—On Friday morning the last class of pupils to receive primary education in the 120-year-old stone school house at Burrville met to get report cards. As young Fred Lister holds out a corner of the Stars and Stripes, the others of the class stand in salute and pledge allegiance.

HISTORIC BURRVILLE SCHOOL CLOSSES—After attaining an age of 120 years, the quaint little native limestone district schoolhouse nestling in the hillside at Burrville ends its educational career. It is one of the last of the early common schools of the county, giving way at last to centralization.



By David F. Lane

The historic little 120-year-old stone district school house of school district No. 9 of the town of Watertown, located in the hillside at Burrville, permanently ended its school service on Friday. Next fall its 56 pupils will be transported to schools in this city, 34 of them going to municipal public school, 14 to parochial school and eight to kindergarten.

Meantime the windows of the old schoolhouse will be boarded up, its books and playground equipment sold. However, the building will be retained by the district for use in case of emergency and insurance will be continued upon the property.

This was decided at an adjourned meeting of the district held on May 15, when Mr. William Hulbert presided and Mrs. Elizabeth C. Bunce, a former teacher in the school, acted as clerk pro tempore in the absence of Mrs. Daniel Sullivan, clerk.

At that meeting Richard Ennis, of a committee of himself and Raymond Sawyer, named to work with School Trustee Raymond Churchill, reported on the problem of transportation of the children to and from the district and Watertown during the coming school year. A school bus to meet all state education requirements can be purchased at a cost not to exceed \$5,900 to the district, Mr. Ennis' report showed. The

Freeman bus line of Watertown would contract transportation for the year at a price not less than \$3,500 nor more than \$4,200, and the Star Cab service of Watertown will contract to bring the kindergarteners to their individual homes at noon for \$350 a year. In addition, it is proposed to obtain bids on chartering a bus.

In the event that community organizations should desire to use the building for community projects, the trustee is authorized to grant permission. On July 1, Dr. Wilbur Bull will succeed Mr. Churchill as trustee.

Down through the 12 decades of operation of this quaint little schoolhouse not far from John Burr's mill, which was the first grist mill in the township of Watertown, hundreds of Jefferson County citizens have received the foundation of their education. Prominent among them, to mention only a few, have been the Kimballs, the Hardys, the Wilsons, the Bibbinses, Graggs and others well known, but too numerous to mention.

While this school was equally as famous as the old Eames or Model schoolhouse in the Middle Road district of the town of Rutland, which was closed more than a year ago, county and town historians, for some unknown reason, (cont. pg. 21)

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have failed to put its story in the printed record. Practically nothing is mentioned about it in any of the county histories.

For the past 80 years at the very least, it has been known as the schoolhouse of District 9 of the town of Watertown but, if the county records are correctly read, it started 120 years ago as District 16 of the towns of Watertown and Rutland, the boundary line between them being but a matter of feet east of this schoolhouse.

It is to be presumed, in the absence of any presented record to the contrary, that the schoolhouse was constructed of native limestone in 1836, under which Abel Harvey and his wife Polly of the town of Watertown sold a plot of 28 2/3 rods of land for \$25 to George W. Jenks and Abel Harvey of Watertown and Dr. Crafts P. Kimball of the town of Rutland, school trustees of District 16 of the townships of Watertown and Rutland. The deed describes the lot as starting at a cedar hub in the center of the road at the southwest corner of Dominick Huntington's lot, known as the Converse lot in Burrville.

Stone's county atlas of 1864 shows that the schoolhouse at that point was that of District 16, but the Robinson atlas of 1888 gives the schoolhouse in the identical location as in District 9. When the numbering of the districts was changed and when the township of Rutland withdrew from District 16, there appears to be no record. It is likely that Rutland did so to establish a new district of its own.

If that assumption is correct, the schoolhouse further up the Watertown-Copenhagen road in the Archer neighborhood towards Eames Corners and designated upon the Robinson atlas map of 1888 as Dist. 2 is likely the answer.

Dr. Crafts P. Kimball, one of the original trustees of Dist. 16, came to the area in 1810 and was the first physician in the town of Rutland. He resided in the big stone house a little further up the Watertown-Copenhagen state road.

A scanning of some of the record books of the district back in the 1880's reveals some interesting items. One of these relates to the heating of the school. Good body hardwood was the fuel and one item concerned a contract with A. St. John to deliver eight cords of it, four feet in length, at the beginning of the next September term at a total of \$22. Drinking water for the school came from a clear, cold spring a few rods away. Kerosene lamps provided the illumination until quite a recent time, when electricity was installed.

The late Elon O. Andrus, prominent Rutland farmer and historian was a teacher in this school in the early 1880's. Other teachers were Nettie Ryel, Charles W. Bibbins, Margaret Rowe, Emma Barrett, Kate McDonald, Clara E. Todd, Grace Rice and Ella Hosford, to mention a few.

In more recent years, Mrs. Eugene H. (Elizabeth) Bruce taught. The present teacher is Mrs. William B. (Thelma) Eves of Carthage R.F.D. 2. The school now has central heat and running water. The scope of teaching runs through the sixth grade.

Marriage Proposal

Hi Nan,

Here's an interesting item I saw on Ebay. Its a letter of marriage proposal....1841 Rochester, NY stamp less MARRIAGE PROPOSAL! Maybe you or someone you know would be interested.

Chris Morrell

It's a stamp less folded letter written September 21, 1841 by "E.A.H." in Rochester, New York and sent to Miss Caroline Congar at Sacketts Harbor in Jefferson County, New York.

The writer asks Miss Congar to marry him: "Miss Congar, I wrote you eight or nine days since, I have received no reply. When I wrote I expected an immediate reply, but whether that appeared in my letter, I cannot remember. Should I receive from you a letter this week and that letter consent to our marriage the 29th instant, I shall not fail to be at Sacketts that day if the divine will do not positively forbid in other words if I am alive and can possibly get there and I shall be ready for the ceremony. If I receive from you no communication this week I shall consider the event as fixed by your last to be set down for the last of October and perhaps I shall not be at Sacketts before that time...."

Wow - this guy is putting an enormous amount of confidence in the post office! I just wonder if he showed up in October.... in his tux... and Miss Congar was more puzzled than anyone. It would be interesting to research whether these two actually got married.

Postmark is a red Rochester, NY CDS with a PAID mark plus a 5 cent and 12 cent rate mark (not sure why it has both?) Plus nice black wax seal remains. Letter fully intact and in great shape.

Reminder!
Dues are due by July 1st!
See back cover!

Queries

Send Queries to: Suzanne L. Howard, POB 24, Chippewa Bay, NY 13623; LemmonMinnie@hotmail.com; Subject: Informer

EVANS/CRIPPEN

Anyone with information on documentation in Jefferson County, NY on Elizabeth Anthony (1 Charles) **Evans Crippen** & (2) **Levi Crippen** is asked to contact me. They are last found on the 1830 Antwerp, Jefferson Co., NY Census. In 1835, Levi was appointed guardian for Elizabeth's children from her marriage to Charles **Evans**. Nothing further known about Levi. Elizabeth & blended children migrated ca. 1836 to Michigan, Arkansas & Texas with **Evans** families. One dau, **Gulia Evans Cooper**, & son, **Burton Evans**, remained in NY. Any help appreciated.

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LOKE/DEAR/FARQUHARSON

I am researching **Loke, Dear & Farquharson**. William **Loke** b. mid 1800s in England emigrated to Ontario Province, Canada & md **Mary Dear**, b. Canada. One of their children **William Edward Loke** md **Anna Charlotte Farquharson** in Watertown, New York. They later bought a farm in Oswego County.

Frank Fisher
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KINNEY/BURHANS/TAYLOR

Have been trying to do a bit of genealogical research & am not quite sure where to look. My great grandfather, **Joseph Kinney** came from Champion, NY. He was a bugle boy in the Civil War. I have his bugle & discharge papers but do not know where to look for info. Just wondered if you might be able to give me a bit of guidance on this matter. **Burhans & Taylor** are also family names. Thank you so much!

Jean Quinn
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FOSTER/GOULDBY/SHURTLEFF/SHURTLIEF/SHURLIFF

I am looking for any info on early settlers of Antwerp, NY. **Edward Foster** & **Edward Foster Jr.** Per *Our County & its People. A descriptive Work on Jefferson County* pg. 428, they settled Antwerp in 1806. **Edward Foster** b. Rochester, MA, 3 July 1738 & d. Broome, NY, Jan 1828. **Edward Foster Jr.** b. Hardwich, MA, 6 Apr 1769 & d. 30 Dec 1809 & I believe is buried in Kinne Cemetery. I would like proof of that. My records show he md **Louisa Gouldby**, **Lovisa (Vire) (Vise) Shurtleff/Shurtlief/Shurliff**. I would really like to know his wife's true name & any other info about her. The same book on Jefferson county, page 432 shows the First Congregational church was organized July 1819 & the original members included **Edward Foster** & **Mrs. Foster**. I would like to know if this was **Edward Foster** the first or **Edward Foster** the third as **Edward Foster Jr.** had died by that time. Also, which **Mrs. Foster** does this refer. On 31 May 1807 they had a son **John Chipman Foster** in Antwerp (I am looking for proof of this birth). Thank you for any help you can give me.

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DU BOIS/KEYES

I am looking for information on **Samuel & Nellie DuBois Keyes**. I have them on the 1880, 1900 & 1920 census. In the 1890 Child's Business Directory of Ellisburg, **Samuel & C.G. DuBois** had a general merchants store on the corner of Main & Washington. I hope to find obituary & cemetery infor-

mation. They were married in Watertown about 1875, but it was after the 1875 state census. I have a copy of the 1875 state census - **Nellie DuBois** (18 yrs old) was living in Watertown with her parents, so she was born about 1857. **Samuel Keyes** was listed as living in the city of Watertown, 22 yrs. old, occupation marble cutter. He was born in Waddington ca. 1853. That's about all I have on them. I have not found any children of this marriage. Thank you,
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WILLARD/LEWIS

"Born August 3 1869 of French -Indian parentage, **Albert M. Lewis**, of the state of New York, County of Jefferson, married **Jeanett Willard** of Jefferson County in the state of New York, on December 30, 1901 with Pastor **Cheasman** officiating." This information found in 1921 in an old family bible owned by my grand mother. Information was passed on to me in 1985. **Albert** had a sister **Kattie (Sweet)**. This is all the information I have on my great grand parents before 1907. I do not know their parents etc. Any help to locate birth or marriage records would be greatly appreciated. Thanks,

Penny Jenkins
Rigby, Idaho
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DALLENBACH

I descend from **Jorg Martin Dallenbach**. I have been trying to obtain any family pictures. My gg grandmother was **Jennie Dillenback**, daughter of **Jasper Dillenback**, son of **Henrich Dillenback**. I have been doing extensive research, and only have pictures of **Jennie**, **Dora Dillenback**. Thank you for your help,

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McCONKEY/RUTTAN

I am seeking information on **Elizabeth McConkey** whose marriage to **Matthew Ruttan** (born 1802 in Adolphustown, Co. of Lennox & Addington, Upper Canada, i.e., Ontario, Canada) took place in January 1845 in Cape Vincent, New York. Can anyone identify **Elizabeth's** parents or give any data on the **McConkey** family? **Elizabeth** was listed as born in Ireland in 1818. After the marriage she moved to Canada with her husband **Matthew Ruttan**.

A **McConkey** family (parents: **Richard & Jane (nee Hillock) McConkey**-both born 1781) & their eight children varying in age from 27 to 5 years (**John**- b. 1805, **Charles**- b. 1811, **Jane**- b. 1814, **Elizabeth**- b. 1816, **Maria**- b. 1819, **Richard**- b.1822, **William**- b. 1823 and **Clemina**- b. 1827) emigrated from Co. Monaghan, Ireland, to Orleans County, New York, about 1832. This family moved to Canada in the mid-1830s but there seems no trace of the daughter **Elizabeth**-b. 1816 in the Canadian records. This would suggest that **Elizabeth** did not come with the rest of her family to Canada or returned from there to the U.S. at an early date. I am wondering if the **Elizabeth McConkey**, therefore, who is named above as having been married in Cape Vincent, is the missing **Elizabeth**, daughter of **Richard** and **Jane McConkey**.

Any information on **Elizabeth McConkey**, specifically, or on the **McConkey** family in general would be much appreciated. Thank you,

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Queries Continued

ALLARD/GRANT

I am looking for information regarding my grandmother, Bertha L. Allard Grant. She md Clifford Allard, 1902, Burlington, Iowa; & they moved back to Watertown. Clifford d.1909 & then she remarried, DeWitt C. Grant, I believe in 1910 in Watertown. I do not have specific data. Mr. Grant was killed on May 15, 1915 & from that time forward I have no information about what happened to my Grandmother. I would appreciate any information you might have or ways I might obtain it. Thank you.

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ROGERS

I am seeking information on the Asel Rogers family of Philadelphia, Jefferson County, New York. Asel was b.1 April 1800 & d. Philadelphia on 26 May 1884. Burial Quaker Cemetery. He had 12 siblings including Warren S, Esther, Asel Jr., Samuel S, Elisha, William, Mary Ann, Charles, Betsey, Amelia, Henry, & Cornelia. Most are buried in the Quaker Cemetery or the Sandy Hollow Cemetery in Philadelphia. Would love to hear from anyone associated with this family. Any information would be of value. With Thanks,

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CLARK

I am seeking information on a William Allan Clark, b. in Watertown, NY, in 1844. Unknown parents. G-grandmother's brother who served in the Union Army from Iowa. Any information would be appreciated.

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WILLIAMS/NEVILLE/NEVILLE

I am looking for any information on Williams C. Williams, b July 1825, m. Rachael Neville/Neville about 1847. She was b. 1824. Their first child, Mary, was b. Brownville, 24 Nov 1848. They were still living in Brownville at the 1850 census. He was listed as a stove maker or it might read stone mason. Rachel's brother may have been Sylvanus Neville, also residing in Jefferson. They had moved to Iowa by 1856 & were a pioneer family in the town of Clarksville, Bulter Co. Please contact:

Martys Williams
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CRAMER/BAILEY

I am searching for a descendant of Charles Henry Cramer & wife Olive Jane Bailey of Rutland. Olive Jane was the daughter of Timothy Bailey & wife Sarah Brown. I have framed pictures of Timothy & Sarah to send to a proven descendant, no charge except shipping. Descendant surnames could be Cramer, Atwater, or Twining. I am descended from Sarah Brown's brother Caleb. Research on this family has been done by Nellie M. Beenfield of Watertown, whom I have not been able to reach.

Louanne Barrett
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True W. Williams 1839-1897

(Photo from Jefferson Co. Historical Society)

While the Williams family was from Allegany County where Truman was born, they moved to Burrville and later to Watertown. True's father Asa was a former overseer of the county roads but he went West during the gold rush of 1849 and died in California in a drowning accident. True's mother Louisa and his sister Rhoda were lifelong residents of Watertown. Rhoda married William Sherman, son of a prominent Watertown banker. She later became a director of the local orphanage and a leader in the New York women's suffrage movement.

True married Carrie Heath who died in Illinois with his premature son Truman Paul. True later married Carrie's sister Rose but that marriage ended in divorce. He dedicated his book *Frank Fairweather's Fortunes* to his niece Bertha who was Rhoda Williams Sherman's only surviving daughter and acquaintances around Burrville and Watertown believed some of the characters in the book were based upon people from his old hometown.

True Williams is know best as the illustrator of *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* where he would be the first artist to bring visual life to Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn. True died at age fifty-eight in Chicago on November 23, 1897.

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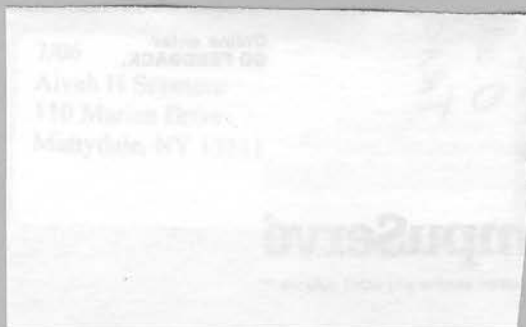
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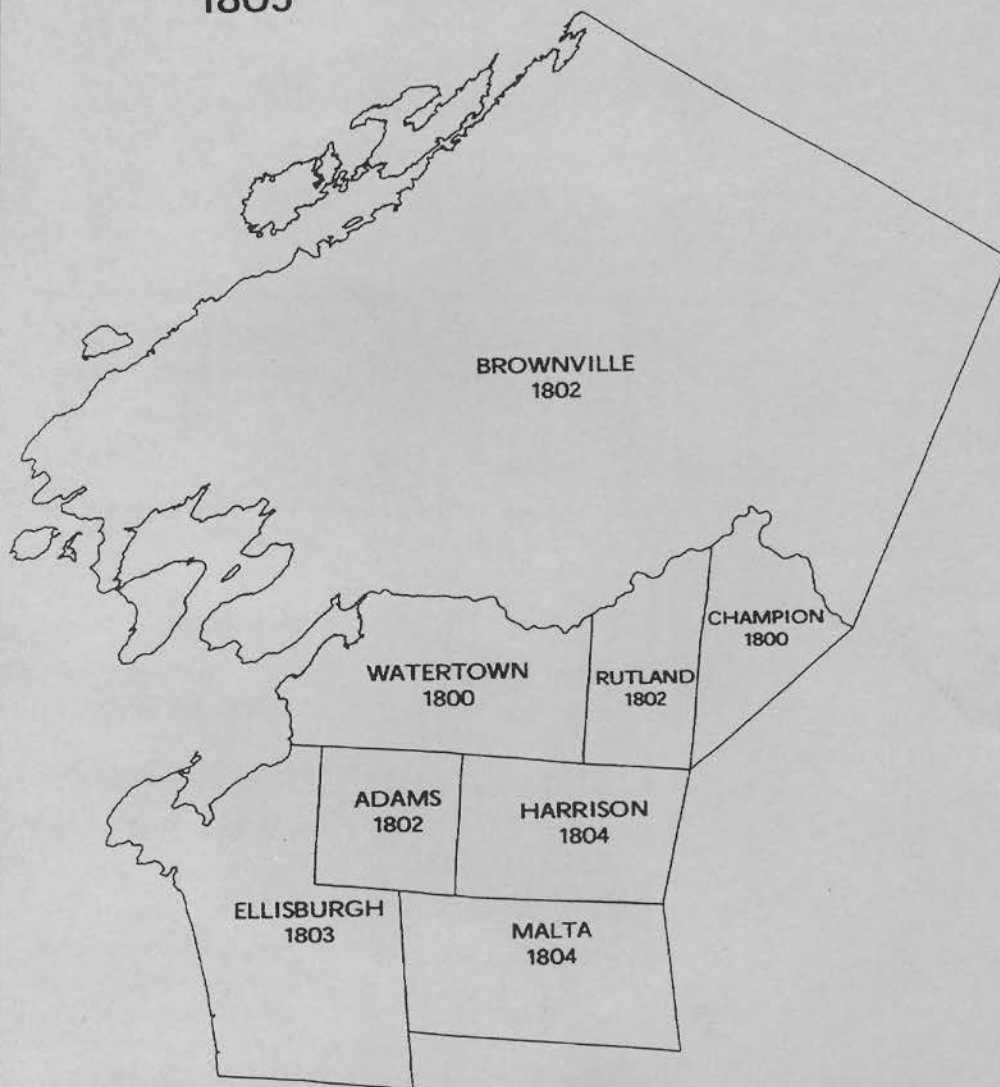
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The articles in this newsletter are written purely to stimulate interest in the genealogical history of Jefferson County. If comments are in any way offensive, this was not the intent. All articles, submissions, etc., are the viewpoints and research of various contributors. As such, they do not necessarily reflect the views of the executive committee or members of the Jefferson County New York Genealogical Society.

Letters.....

Letters to the editor may be directed to nandixon@gisco.net or to Nan Dixon, 15407 Dixon Road, Clayton, NY 13624.



POST OFFICE AND STORE OF E. M. LOTT, THREE MILE BAY, N. Y. 102

Ms. Jackie S. Zimmer of Lake Havasu City, Arizona sent us this post card dated July 1914 from Lottie Bennett of 3 Mile Bay to her parent Mrs. John Milton Bennett in Flint, Michigan. Thanks Jackie

"Gouverneur Bicentennial Kicks Off"

Wednesday, May 18th a benefit "soiree" kicked off the bicentennial celebration for the town of Gouverneur. Look for other events this summer especially during September 9, 10, and 11.

Directory Name Change

Correction: (Name from January *Informer* changes)
 Carol G. Heimberg
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FAMILY REUNIONS

Carter Family Reunion

July 2. Held at Cedar Point. Bring your own beverage, and a dish to share. For further details, call (607) 898-3492

Cheevers-Halladay Reunion

July 10 at noon. Cape Vincent Recreation Park, James Street, Cape Vincent.

Dillenbeck Reunion

August 6-7. This year the entire 2 day event will be held in Fort Plain, NY to take advantage of their celebration of the 1780 "Holding Down the Fort" Days. Please call or write Rose Dillenbeck, Secretary for the Dillenbeck Reunion, 177 Haskins Rd, Johnson City, NY 13790, E-Mail address: dillenbeckreunion@att.net, Phone # (607)748-0001.

Coming in September *Informer*

We will feature the Town of Wilna. Members are encouraged to send in information, stories and photos relating to the Town of Wilna. Contact editor Nan Dixon.

What's Going on with JCNYS

By Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

April Meeting

Julia Gosier is the Town of Lyme Historian and President of the Lyme Heritage Center. Julia has compiled several notebooks of coroner's reports from the Jefferson County Supervisors' books. If, between the years of 1818 and 1954 an individual died violently or without the presence of a doctor, he may have been the subject of one of these coroner's reports. Julia had those books at the meeting and spoke to the society about her work. She also brought her books on Commitments as well. After Julia's talk, members were invited to sit at the tables and go through the books and most everyone stayed to look at the books. Many mentioned that they needed to get some dates and names from home and then come back to the books. Julia mentioned that the books are available at the Lyme Heritage Society and she also had a second set at her home. It was recommended that you call ahead to be sure the Center is open and the books are available to you.



Julia Gosier, Town of Lyme Historian, and JCNYS Phyllis Putnam look at one of Julia's notebooks of coroners reports.

Jefferson County Bicentennial Events Historical Articles

- Several of the Local Government Historians will be writing historical articles and submitting them to various local newspapers in the next couple of months. (TI Sun, Carthage Tribune, and the Jefferson County Journal.)

May Meeting

Introducing herself as a former kindergarten teacher, guest speaker, Martha Grimes of the Alexandria Township Historical Society presented the evening's program with a most interesting account of the life of Andrew Cornwall and the formation of Alexandria Township Historical Society. From Andrew Cornwall V also being the 5th born child in the Cornwall family of Putneyville, NY, to a ship master moving freight and goods from Montreal to Lake Ontario, to work with the Redwood Glass Company and Azariah Walton's General Store in Alexandria Bay, to what was to become the Cornwall Brothers Store, Martha used a variety of photos, books, and visual aids to support her presentation.

The end of the Civil War ushered in a period of prosperity for the store and the 1000 Islands as the playground of the rich and famous with names such as George Pullman, George Boldt, Frederic Remington, President U. S. Grant, Gen. Sherman, Gen. Sheridan, President Chester Arthur, Irving Berlin and many others. With the Stock Market crash in 1929, the Cornwall Brothers Store closed. In 1934 it was taken over by the government and used as a Post Office and the U. S. Customs station until the 1960's. After being neglected and abandoned, the Mayor of the village condemned the building in 1973 but the building was sold for \$1 to the newly formed Alexandria Township Historical Society.

Mrs. Grimes had the Calendar of 2005 Summer Events for the Cornwall Brothers Store and Heritage Arts Museum available for everyone present as well as a new postcard with "Some Thousand Islands Trivia." After several questions members took the opportunity to look over the materials Mrs. Grimes brought to the



Nan Dixon introduced Martha Grimes and here she holds "The Gadget" that Martha brought with her.

JCNYGS MINUTES APRIL 11, 2005

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

President Linda Malinich called the meeting to order with 22 people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Clancy Hopkins and seconded by Pauline Zach.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr reported an April 9th balance of \$6745.98. The complete report was attached. Patti Hopkins moved to approve the report and Dick Kemmis seconded. Passed.

Corresponding Secretary Clancy Hopkins reported keeping current with a few queries with emails but in general things were very quiet.

No repository chairman has been found. Nan Dixon suggested we put sheet protectors on each drawer and anybody who puts something in the repository write it down so that eventually someone can redo the inventory. Phyllis Putnam mentioned that she already has the present inventory on her computer and would update it with any entries put on the file drawers.

President Linda mentioned for the publicity committee that she took care of the email meeting notices and that Phyllis had contacted the newspapers.

Program Committee Coordinator Phyllis Putnam mentioned October's meeting at Lyme Heritage Center and Julia Gosier mentioned Saturday, October 8th at the Town Office at 1:30 and we could walk across the street to the Heritage Center afterwards. Lis Couch will do the June Meeting and Martha Grimes from the Alexandria Bay Historical Society will be our May meeting. The December meeting is still open.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that the May issue is in the hands of the publisher and July's *Informer* is under way.

Clancy Hopkins mentioned for the Surname Committee that there were a few new members and their lists of surnames to add. Clancy also mentioned that our 2004 "Blue Card" will now be a 2005 "Orange Card".

Publications Committee Chairman Bill Dixon turned his report over to Al Seymour who had the all names index to the *Informer* done from 1994 through the first 2 issues of 2005 on CDs and in PDF format. On the disks he has the Adobe Reader for anyone who purchases the disk and doesn't already have the Adobe Reader on their computer. A price has been set for \$7 and \$10 if it is mailed out. He had copies at the meeting for anyone who would like one. There are over 60,000 names. The society gave Al a big round of applause for his work. Bill Dixon mentioned that Al should submit any future expenses to Treasurer Hollis Dorr for reimbursement. Al has donated all the materials to the society so far.

Nan Dixon mentioned for the Resource Committee that their trip to the town of Rutland has resulted in possibly a new member as they found out one of our *Informer* issues was about Rutland.

For the Surrogate Committee, Jean Coyne mentioned that Bob VanBrocklin reported 37 and another one tonight for sales of the Will Book. Jean also mentioned that work will start soon on the next book of abstracts.

President Linda read a letter from Marge Warner of the State of Georgia mentioning how pleased she was with the Wills Book.

Old Business: President Linda reiterated Alice Corbett's request for volunteers in the Genealogy room.

New Business: Nan Dixon mentioned that JCN Y 1850 Cen-

sus on Alice Corbett's web site is a matter of concern for what would happen to it should Alice not be available in the future. Nan also mentioned the Palatine Celebration of the June 12, 1710 Immigration Day is planned for June 12, 2005 at the Herkimer Home just east of Little Falls with a varied program beginning at noon with a church service, food, and speaker Nan Dixon.

Clancy Hopkins moved to adjourn with a second from Hollis Dorr.

JCNYGS MINUTES MAY 9, 2005

President Linda Malinich called the meeting to order with 19 people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Jean Coyne and seconded by Hollis Dorr.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr reported a May 6th balance of \$6244.25. The complete report was attached. Nan Dixon moved to approve the report and Elaine Jobson seconded. Passed.

Corresponding Secretary Clancy Hopkins emailed Vice President Bob VanBrocklin to report keeping current with a few queries by email but in general things were very quiet.

President Linda mentioned for the publicity committee that she took care of the email meeting notices and that Phyllis had contacted the newspapers.

Program Committee Coordinator Phyllis Putnam asked June Program Chairperson Lis Couch to mention June's program. Lis mentioned that Shawn Doyle will present a program on Canadian-Irish research. Al Seymour mentioned for the July meeting that Robert Arnold will present our program on why our ancestors left Connecticut for New York State. Nan Dixon reminded us of our August program by Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke on "Your Right To Know Your Family".

Bill Dixon reported for the newsletter committee that the May issue was mailed on time and the July issue is under way.

Publications Committee Chairman Bill Dixon mentioned that several things were in the discussion stage including a possible update to the Pedigree Book and computerization of the *Informer*. Al Seymour told the society that the first 4 years of the *Informer* have been put on a CD for a cost of \$20.00 or \$23.00 if mailing is required.

Bonnie Borrello mentioned for the resource committee that there is discussion about the possibility of the 3 binders of resource material now in the repository being put on a CD and made available to libraries and individuals. Bonnie also encouraged anyone who would like to visit various villages and town historians to contact her.

For the surrogate committee, Jean Coyne asked Vice President Bob VanBrocklin to update the sales of the Wills Book. Bob has a list of 43 books sold to date.

Old Business: President Linda asked for any ideas on a repository chairman. A short discussion followed but no volunteers.

New Business: Nan Dixon mentioned the possibilities for another pedigree book and the work involved.

Pauline Zach moved to adjourn with a second from Phyllis Putnam.

The following are 2 of our future programs for the JCNYS on Monday nights, 6:30, at Flower Library.

HOW DID THEY HAPPEN TO COME HERE?

Robert W. Arnold III
Jefferson County Genealogy Society
Watertown
11 July 2005

I've learned that family history and local history are pretty close to being the same thing and that neither one occurs in a vacuum. There are reasons that our ancestors did things that cannot be explained entirely by personal quirks or purely local causes. Our most personal histories - those of our families and our communities - often are influenced by events that happened very far away and sometimes very long ago. At their most interesting, infuriating, and romantic, family and community history are sort of like chaos theory in which the flap of a butterfly's wings in an Amazon rainforest may change the world. Why our ancestors came to New York was due to causes way beyond their control and perhaps beyond their - and our - comprehension. The figurative flutter of that Amazonian butterfly's wings may have been manifest as religious ferment, pestilence, poverty, war, or social upheaval as much as it was in some ancestral self-selection for more personal, political, religious or economic freedom.

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"Your Right to Know Your Family"

Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke is Town Historian for the Town of Queensbury, NY. She will present a program for JCNYS on Monday night August 8, at our regular meeting in the Dillenbeck Room at Flower Memorial Library beginning at 6:30 with a short business meeting, then Dr. Van Dyke's program.



Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke

Exhibit At Jefferson County Historical Society

May 12 - The Jefferson County Historical Society opened an exhibit with artifacts from villages and towns all over the county as part of the bicentennial celebration.

The exhibit is a "way for younger people to see history come to life, since most towns don't have museums of their own," said Justin W. Jones, curator of the society's 228 Washington Street museum. "It is a way for rural towns to get their history out on display."

The exhibit will be open to the public 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays through July. It was developed through the collaboration of the Bicentennial Committee and the historical society and coordinated by Mr. Jones and Benjamin J. Cobb, county historian.

Jefferson County Bicentennial Events

Black Granite Bench Project

- Ten benches total.
- One for each of eight, original Towns, and two in front of the County Office Building.
- The Towns' benches will have a short Town history plus the 1805 Jefferson County Map.
- The two County benches will have the bicentennial logo and the 1805 Towns and the 1805 Town Supervisors.
- Benches will be etched and installed by COZZI Monuments.
- We anticipate that the benches will be installed by August through September of this year.

Jefferson County Bicentennial Series Towns



(Compiled by Benjamin J. Cobb,
Jefferson County Historian)

1800 - The Town of Champion was organized on March 14, 1800. It was named in honor of Henry Champion, a soldier in the American Revolution. In 2000, the Town's population was 4,361.

1800 - The Town of Watertown was organized on March 14, 1800. It was named after the waterpower of the Black River. In 2000, the Town's population was 4,482.

1802 - The Town of Adams was organized on April 1, 1802. It was named in honor of President John Adams. In 2000, the Town's population was 4,782.

1802 - The Town of Brownville was organized on April 1, 1802. It was named in honor of Jacob Brown, its first settler. In 2000, the Town's population was 5,843.

1802 - The Town of Rutland was organized on April 1, 1802. It was named after Rutland, Vermont. In 2000, the Town's population was 2,959.

1803 - The Town of Ellisburg was organized on February 22, 1803. It was named in honor of Lyman Ellis, its first settler. Originally the Town was named Ellisburgh, the h was removed in 1891. In 2000, the Town's population was 3,541.

1804 - The Town of Rodman was organized on March 24, 1804. Originally it was named Harrison. In 1808, it was changed to honor Daniel Rodman, who was the clerk of the New York State Assembly at that time. In 2000, the Town's population was 1,147.

1804 - The Town of Lorraine was organized on April 6, 1804. Originally it was called Malta. In 1808, they changed its name to Lorraine. It was named after Lorraine, France. In 2000, the Town's population was 930.

1806 - The Town of Henderson was organized on February 17, 1806. It was named in honor of William Henderson, an early landowner. In 2000, the Town's population was 1,377.

1806 - The Town of Hounsfield was organized on February 17, 1806. It was named in honor of Ezra Hounsfield, an early landowner. In 2000, the Town's population was 3,323.

1806 - The Town of LeRay was organized on February 17, 1806. It was named in honor of James LeRay de Chaumont. In 2000, the Town's population was 19,836.

1810 - The Town of Antwerp was organized on April 5, 1810. It was named after Antwerp, Belgium. In 2000, the Town's population was 1,793.

1813 - The Town of Wilna was organized on April 2, 1813. It was named after Wilna, Russia. In 2000, the Town's population was 6,235.

1818 - The Town of Lyme was organized on March 6, 1818. It was named after Lyme, Connecticut. In 2000, the Town's population was 2,015.

1819 - The Town of Pamela was organized on April 12, 1819. It was named after Jacob Brown's wife, Pamela. In 2000, the Town's population was 2,897.

1821 - The Town of Alexandria was organized on April 3, 1821. It was named after one of James LeRay de Chaumont's son. In 2000, the Town's population was 4,097.

1821 - The Town of Philadelphia was organized on April 3, 1821. It was named after Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In 2000, the Town's population was 2,140.

1821 - The Town of Orleans was organized on April 21, 1821. It was named after New Orleans. In 2000, the Town's population was 2,465.

1833 - The Town of Clayton was organized on April 27, 1833. It was named for Senator John M. Clayton. In 2000, the Town's population was 4,817.

1841 - The Town of Theresa was organized on April 15, 1841. It was named in honor of James LeRay de Chaumont's daughter. In 2000, the Town's population was 2,414.

1848 - The Town of Worth was organized on April 12, 1848. It was named in honor of General Worth. In 2000, the Town's population was 234.

1849 - The Town of Cape Vincent was organized on April 10, 1849. It was named in honor of Vincent LeRay. In 2000, the Town's population was 3,345.

Jefferson County Bicentennial Series Villages & Communities



(Compiled by Benjamin J. Cobb,
Jefferson County Historian)

1814 - The Village of Sackets Harbor was incorporated on April 15, 1814. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,386.

1816 - The Village of Watertown was incorporated on April 5, 1816. Watertown became a city on May 8, 1869. In 2000, the City's population was 26,705.

1828 - The Village of Brownville was incorporated on April 5, 1828. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,022.

1841 - The Village of Carthage was incorporated on May 26, 1841. In 2000, the Village's population was 3,721.

1851 - The Village of Adams was incorporated on November 11, 1851. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,624.

1853 - The Village of Cape Vincent was incorporated on July 8, 1853. In 2000, the Village's population was 760.

1853 - The Village of Antwerp was incorporated on July 30, 1853. In 2000, the Village's population was 716.

1855 - The Village of Dexter was incorporated on May 8, 1855. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,120.

1871 - The Village of Theresa was incorporated on June 29, 1871. In 2000, the Village's population was 812.

1872 - The Village of Philadelphia was incorporated on January 16, 1872. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,519.

1872 - The Village of Clayton was incorporated on April 17, 1872. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,821.

1874 - The Village of Chaumont was incorporated on May 16, 1874. In 2000, the Village's population was 592.

1878 - The Village of Alexandria Bay was incorporated on October 22, 1878. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,088.

1879 - The Village of Mannsville was incorporated on May 16, 1879. In 2000, the Village's population was 400.

1889 - The Village of West Carthage was incorporated on March 18, 1889. In 2000, the Village's population was 2,102.

1891 - The Village of Black River was incorporated on September 24, 1891. In 2000, the Village's population was 1,285.

1893 - The Village of Glen Park was incorporated on December 29, 1893. In 2000, the Village's population was 487.

1895 - The Village of Ellisburg was incorporated on October 23, 1895. In 2000, the Village's population was 269.

1907 - The first recorded military maneuvers in the Fort Drum area were in 1907, when it was called Fort Hughes. In 1951, it was named in honor of Lt. General Hugh A. Drum, who commanded the First Army during World War II. In 2000, the Fort's population was 12,123.

1921 - The Village of Deferiet was incorporated on March 28, 1921. In 2000, the Village's population was 309.

1921 - The Village of Herrings was incorporated on March 29, 1921. In 2000, the Village's population was 129.

1922 - The Village of Evans Mills was incorporated on October 7, 1922. In 2000, the Village's population was 605.

Original 8 Towns

Town of Adams
 Town of Brownville
 Town of Champion
 Town of Ellisburgh
 Town of Harrison (Rodman)
 Town of Malta (Lorraine)
 Town of Rutland
 Town of Watertown



1805 Town Supervisors

Nicholas Salisbury
 John Collins
 Noadiah Hubbard
 Lyman Ellis
 Thomas White
 Asa Brown
 Clift French
 Corlis Hinds

From The Editor:

Ben Cobb, Jefferson County historian, provided the 1805 map for this issue's cover. Notice that the Black River divides the county into nearly equal portions, and the northern part is all the Town of Brownville. The southern area, nearest the civilization of the Mohawk Valley, was settled earliest.

Town of Brownville was carved up into eleven more towns, beginning with LeRay in 1806, making twelve towns north of the river, and ten towns in the south. See the modern map on page 23 for locations. Penet Square, a part of Brownville, was a special case. With the addition of a strip to the St. Lawrence River, separating what is now the rival river towns of Clayton and Alexandria, it became Orleans in 1821.

Other towns in order are Antwerp from LeRay in 1810, Wilna in 1813 from Leyden in Lewis County and LeRay, Lyme in 1818 from Brownville, Pamela from Brownville in 1819, Alexandria, Orleans and Philadelphia in 1821 from Brownville, Clayton in 1833 from Orleans and Lyme, containing two fifths of Penet Square, Theresa in 1841 from Alexandria, and lastly, Cape Vincent in 1849 from Lyme.

The dates of the formation of the towns are particularly important to family researchers, who have ancestors in the town of Lyme, for instance, and can't find Lyme in the 1810 census. To say they were born in Lyme is misleading. Better to admit they were born in that part of the Town of Brownville which later became Town of Lyme.

South of the Black River we see seven older towns. The question immediately comes to mind: if 2005 is the Jefferson County bicentennial, why do we see earlier dates on the map? Both Jefferson and Lewis Counties were formed from Oneida County at that time, and these towns already existed in Oneida County at the dates mentioned. Watertown: please bear in mind that we are referring to the Town of Watertown, not the city, which didn't exist until 1869.

Houndsfield (originally spelled with a d) was formed from Watertown, and Henderson from Ellisburg, both in 1806. Worth was part of Lorraine until 1848. A list of the other towns follows:

Lorraine was originally Malta
 Rodman was originally Harrison
 Worth 1848 from Lorraine
 Alexandria 1821 from LeRay & Brownville
 Antwerp 1810 from LeRay
 Cape Vincent 1849 from Lyme
 Clayton 1833 from Orleans and Lyme (two fifths of Penet Square)
 LeRay 1806 from Brownville
 Lyme 1818 from Brownville
 Orleans 1821 from Penet Square in Brownville, with a strip to the St. Lawrence River
 Pamela 1819 from Brownville
 Philadelphia 1821 from LeRay & Brownville
 Theresa 1841 from Alexandria
 Wilna 1813 from LeRay & Leyden

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Difficulties of Early Mail Carrier Recalled

(From a newspaper clipping)

Dexter, Feb. 1— Forty-five years ago today, John Jumps of Watertown road, Dexter, left on the first run of a rural route out of the Dexter post office. Service on Route 1, covering Pillar Point, was begun Feb. 1, 1905. Mr. Jumps carried the mail by horse and cutter that day. There were 88 families on the route at that time.

Formerly, these residents had to go to the post office at the ferry on Pillar Point to get mail which was brought from Sackets Harbor across Black River Bay by ferry boat. Miss Louella Stone was postmaster of the Pillar Point office at the time it was closed.

Mr. Jumps recalls that on his first run, which was on a Wednesday, he carried six copies of The Watertown Daily Times and 20 copies of the semi-weekly edition of The Watertown Times, which came out on Wednesdays and Saturdays. He soon delivered more of the daily editions, when subscribers found they could get the papers daily, by mail.

Eight times in the winter months during the first four or five years that John Jumps was carrier, he covered the 22 miles of his route on foot, because it was impossible to get through the snow clogged roads with horse and cutter. In those years the carrier was not paid unless he delivered the mail. Later, a more lenient policy was adopted, under which the carrier had to make an effort to get through, but was not deprived of his pay, if he did not deliver the mail.

Mr. Jumps said that there was no plowing of roads in those early years. The farmers would hitch their horses to large iron kettles, in which they would ride, and drag a path through the snow drifts. Four or five farmers driving side by side could do a fair plowing job, he recalls.

He remembers that on one winter Saturday, when he left the Dexter post office at noon because the mail was late, a bad snow storm blew up and it was dark by the time he reached the ferry. He could not complete his route, nor get home that night. The following day, it took him from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. to make the six-mile trip home by horse and cutter.

John Jumps was carrier on Route 1 for eleven years. The late Will Carpenter, who was substitute carrier for Mr. Jumps, then took over the route. Mr. Carpenter retired June 1, 1942, and was honored at a dinner in recognition of his 26 years of service. Irving P. Smith, the present carrier, succeeded Mr. Carpenter, and serves the 180 families now on the route.

Mail Service

(From the JCNYGS Vice President,
Bob VanBrocklin)

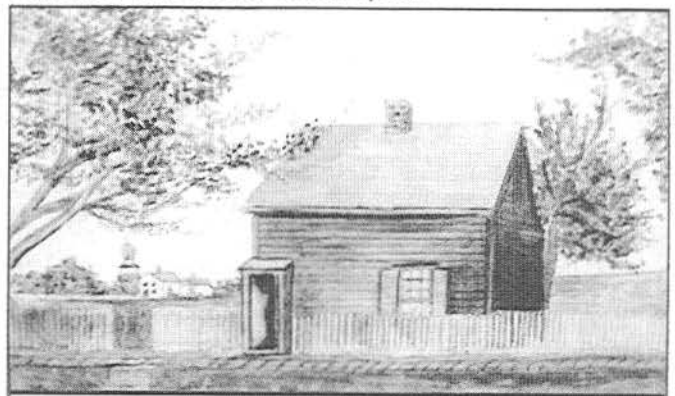
In 1876 Samuel Roat became postmaster of Pillar Point. He was succeeded in 1878 by Adolphus Swartz, and in 1884 Harry Knowlton had the job. Fred Reeves was next in 1886 and in 1888 Miss Luella Stone became the last postmistress, serving until the office was discontinued in 1901.

A rural route was started out of Dexter in 1905 to service the south shore area. John Jumps was the first carrier. He was known as having the best three year old colt in town. He drove him occasionally on the route, & "all the residents on the line sat up & took notice when John drove out." He was succeeded by Will Carpenter who started about 1915 with a horse & buggy or sleigh and continued into the 40's. He experimented unsuccessfully with tracks on his Model T wheels, like a snowmobile. Also he tried a closed-in cab on a sleigh big enough to hold a small stove. Cora Voode delivered the mail for a time after Carpenter retired.

Doris Brown remembers that when she was a child, John Bamford had the mail route out of Limerick that served the north shore residents. Ben Phelps also had that route and later Irving Smith was carrier.

After there was less population, better roads, and snow plows the routes were consolidated into one, then Irving Smith covered the whole Point. Fred Boulton had the route a long time, and was one of the most popular mailmen. The present mailman is Harold Bowman.

Of course, life did not always run smoothly. An item from the Watertown Times dated Jan. 27, 1875 states, "There were two deaths Sat. on Pillar Point during the recent snowstorm, and it was impossible for friends to reach Dexter and secure an undertaker until Tues. Then Men and teams started out through drifts, and made arrangements and got caskets." One was Nettie Douglass, daughter of Hubert and Anna Douglass who had been ill several weeks with typhoid fever. The other was the adopted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Lonsdale who died of consumption.



1805 LeRay Land Office, Cape Vincent

A PIONEER COUPLE

DANIEL AND HANNAH HEWITT FOX

(From JCNYS member Kevin A. Kieff)

Jefferson County is celebrating its Bicentennial in 2005. Two hundred years of North Country history, from 1805 to 2005, is the focus of appropriate reflection and celebration.

As genealogy enthusiasts, it is very interesting and perhaps even a little instructive, to look back at some of our ancestors who arrived in this North Country wilderness 200 years or more ago and established roots in what would become Jefferson County.

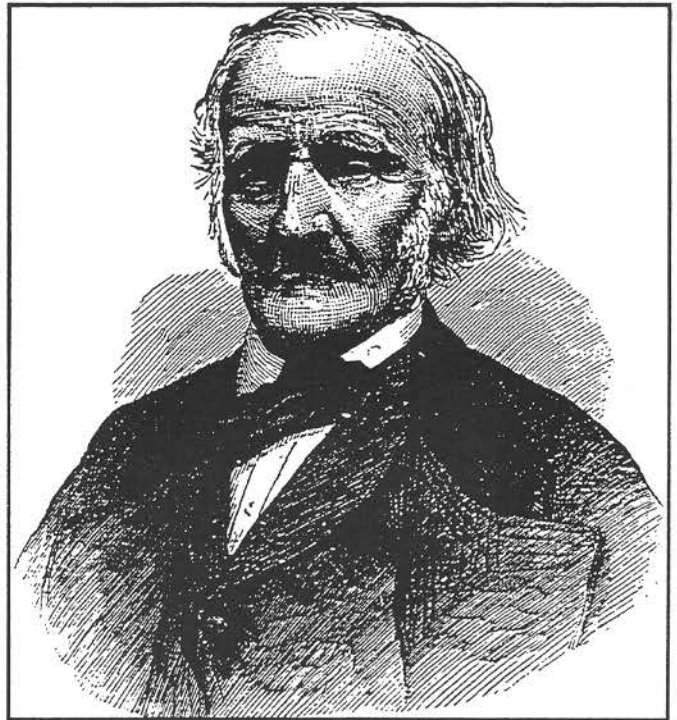
Two such sturdy pioneers were Daniel and Hannah Hewitt Fox. Daniel Fox first walked into the wilds of the Black River Valley in 1799. Historical accounts indicate that Daniel was accompanied on this exploratory journey by Loveland Paddock, an original settler of Watertown. Previously, Daniel had entertained settling in the southern tier but, not satisfied with the "lay of the land", broke off negotiations for the Chenango County tract.

In 1800, Daniel together with his wife Hannah and baby Lydia, returned to settle the land Daniel had selected in the valley of Big Sandy Creek about 2 miles above what is now called the Village of Adams. There, on 500 acres he purchased in partnership with Zachaeus Wallsworth, Daniel and Hannah would raise a family of six children.

Born on March 1, 1771 in Groton, Connecticut Daniel was the son of John and Abigail Packer Fox. His family moved to Norwich, Ct. in 1776 and then to Guilford, Vermont in 1780 where Daniel's parents would remain. Daniel, however, would move on to Galway in Saratoga County and subsequently to Fort Stanwix (now Rome, N.Y.). It is from Fort Stanwix that Daniel would head into the North Country wilderness in 1799.

For seventy-three years, this pioneer couple would mark the passage of time and raise crops on his farm just over Lisk Bridge. Living to the remarkable age of 102, Daniel would become known as "The Centenarian Farmer." He would outlive his beloved Hannah (who died in 1851 at the age of 76) and his two sons Levi and Hiram. His four daughters (Lydia, the twins Almira and Elvira, and Electa) would survive him.

Perhaps Daniel's obituary summarizes, in words contemporary to the man, the life of this Jefferson County Pioneer:



OBITUARY Death of a Centenarian

Daniel Fox died at his residence in Adams, N.Y., June 25th, 1873 aged 102 years, 3 months, 24 days.

Mr. Fox was born at Groton, Ct. March 1st, 1771 from which place, when still a lad, he pushed through the western wilds to Saratoga, and thence still further through the wilderness to Rome (then Fort Stanwix). Soon afterwards he took up his line of march to the "Black River Country" and finally located about two miles from the present village of Adams. From 1799 to 1873 he has, year by year, watched the seed-time and the harvest upon the same farm—the wonders in husbandry, in travel, in mechanics, passing before him like a dream. What changes—would that all were improvements! (They were complaining about progress even in 1873, ed.)

In recent conversation with him, he remembered Little Falls as simply a portage or "carry" in the river, and the entire county upon all sides of us as vast wilderness.

Mr. Fox was a plain, practical farmer, whose long life has been one of noble examples- of contentment, of industry, of charity, of virtue. Generations have passed away before him and he has been spared, a noble monument of a well spent life. Temperate, regular and frugal in all his habits, at peace in mind, "with malice toward none, with charity for all," he seemed a connecting link between the long-gone Past and the Present. Vigorous and robust even in later years, his memory went back to scenes which have long ago passed into history. (end).

Daniel Fox lived a life that spanned from the Revolutionary War to the Civil War (his grandson De Alton Cooper died in the latter conflict. The G.A.R. Post in Adams was named for him). Fully one-third of Jefferson County's 200 year history was observed, and yes, to a small degree shaped by this sturdy pioneer.

In recognition of the contributions Daniel and Hannah Hewitt Fox made to the early history of Jefferson County, in this bicentennial year efforts are underway to identify all of the descendants of this pioneer couple. Readers are encouraged to contact the author should they have information on descendant lines.

CHILDREN OF DANIEL AND HANNAH FOX

- 1. Lydia. b 1798 d. 1878 Unmarried
- 2. Hiram b 1801 d. 1858
m. Eliza Ross dau of Laban Ross
- 3. Almira b 1804 d. 1893
m. Sampson Millard
- 4. Elvira b 1804 d. 1892
m. John Cowles Cooper
- 5. Electa b 1808 d. 1897
m. Capt. John Q. Adams
- 6. Levi b 1812 d 1872
m. Amy Wallsworth

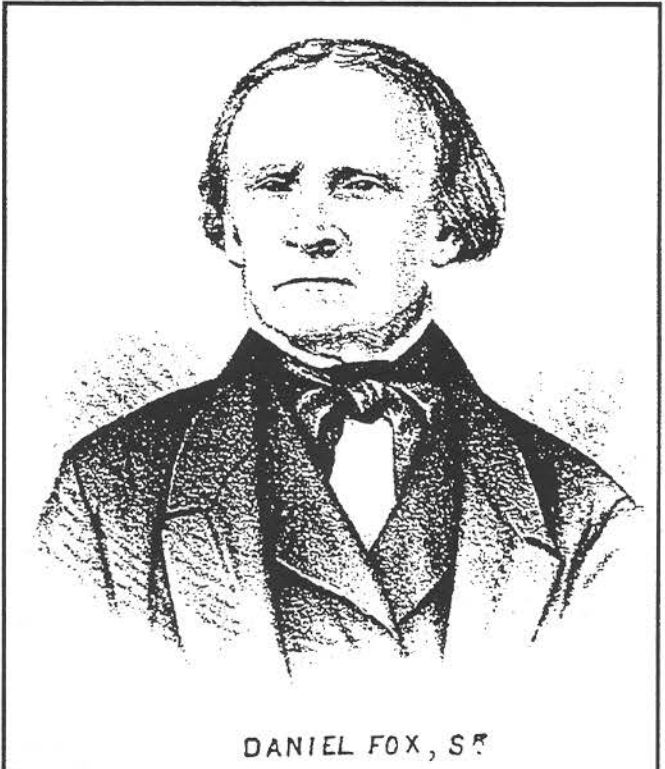
**DESCENDANT SURNAMES
OF DANIEL AND HANNAH FOX**

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Ed. Notes:

It's a small world category. Our Society meets in the Dillenback Room at Flower Memorial Library. The room is named after Pauline Herring Dillenback. Pauline was a great-granddaughter of Daniel and Hannah Fox.

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DANIEL FOX, SR.



MRS. DANIEL FOX.

When Watertown Consisted Of Only Three Log Cabins

Rare Manuscript Recently Presented to the Jefferson County Historical Society Describes a Visit to the Cabin of Henry Coffeen, Watertown Pioneer, in 1880

(From Thursday, October 6, 1932 *Watertown Times*)

The rare narrative presented below is the original account written by Jonathan Baker, one of the first of the Jefferson county pioneers, of his settlement in the "Black River Country." The manuscript has just been presented to the Jefferson County Historical society by the Misses Amelia and Alice Baker, 128 Paddock street, granddaughters of Mr. Baker.

Jonathan Baker was born in 1779, married Miss Dorcas Fellows of Henderson in 1806, and died Nov. 24, 1863, at the age of 84. He was a grandfather of the late Frank L. Baker, who in company with the late DeWitt & Middleton, organized the Watertown Electric Light company.

John Baker, my grandfather, lived at different times at Marblehead, Cape Ann and Old-Andover. Jonathan Baker, my father was born at Cape Ann, resided a while at Topsfield, Mass., but moved about the year 1775 to the town of Keene, N. H., then a comparatively new country, where he resided till the time of his death, having raised in that sterile country a family of 15 children.

I was the third child and was born Aug. 15, 1779, resided at home and assisted in the operation of the farm until the age of 19, when the family becoming too numerous to be maintained at the homestead, some were obliged to seek employment and a home elsewhere.

At this time there was considerable excitement regarding a section of country in lower Canada lying along the St. Francis river, many of the neighbors deeming it a better country than New Hampshire, moved there in the years 97 and 98. To one of these families I hired myself to drive a four-ox-team with a load of furniture about 30 miles to their new home, about half the distance through unbroken forest. On arriving at their destination I hired out to one, Baley, making salts during a part of the winter and putting some crops in the spring; working for a \$1 a month. Even this small recompense was never received, my employer being too poor to pay the farthing.

There being several families located near each other. It was thought advisable to have a school, In the settlement was one Israel Baley, a Vermonter who was employed as a teacher.

My education having been much neglected I concluded to spend part of the winter in attending school. After a time Baley, having some real or pretended business at Quebec concluded to leave his school during his absence in my care. His wardrobe not being very complete he wished to borrow part of mine, namely, a fur hat, a pair of woolen pants, red vest, black handkerchief.

Baley, with his borrowed outfit started for Quebec and was never heard of again. Leaving me to make myself comfortable as I could in my old woolen frock and tow pants.

At this time there were some one or two families living some twelve miles down on the St. Francis river. During the winter word came that they were entirely out of all sorts of provisions and heads of the family sick. I was one of the five who volunteered to back each a bushel of potatoes twelve miles through the deep snow to the sufferers; which we did, and reached home again in 18 hours from the time we started. This was one of the most tiresome tramps that I ever experienced.

Late in the spring I took up a hundred acres of wild land and went to work clearing it up during the summer.

Provisions became very scarce, those having been brought in the fall previous having been mostly used up, they had little to depend on, but such wild game as they chanced to fall in with and even this was not plenty. As a consequence, many of the settlers became disheartened and left. I continued to work on my lot until I had cleared some ten acres, when the hardships to be endured, hunger, being the worst, induced me to return again to New Hampshire.

On the first of January, 1800, I started for the Black River Country, in company with Abram and Nathan Jewett. We came by way of Mount Holly, Vermont, to

Saratoga, from there to Johnstown, struck the Mohawk at Palatine, from there to Utica. At this place the Jewetts left me, they going on to Champion, leaving me to follow with an ox-team load of provisions consisting of two barrels of pork and three barrels of meal.

I arrived at Champion at the end of seven days where I found Abram awaiting my arrival.

Started on foot and alone the same afternoon; the sun about two hours high for Watertown, following a blind sled path, as the ground was then mostly bare. I came down what is now know as the state road as far as Rutland Center. The track there turned to the left, following down the north bank of the creek where it crosses what is known as the Middle road, the track there turned more to the west, came down the hills south-east of Watertown village, crossing the farm subsequently own by Benjamin Woodruff, and so on over the Elm Ridge and not far from the reservoir. By the time I had got down the first hill it was dark, the track too blind to be followed was lost sight of and I found the way along as best I could to a point not far from the Toll Gate on the way to Watertown Center. Feeling weary, I sat down on an old elm log to rest, where I soon fell asleep and woke up only to find the moon well up in the heavens and I surrounded on every side by the forest. A feeling of loneliness came over me to which I had been a stranger before. However, I set out to find the three cabins they told me at Champion were erected near the Black river below the hills. The roar of the waterfalls at this point of the river attracted my attention and after traveling a while in the direction I spied a light which proved to be at the cabin of Henry Coffeen on the site now occupied by Wooster Sherman's bank.

There was at the time, but two other cabins in the place; one of Zachariah Butterfield, some three rods north of Washington Hall, the other that of Daniel Massey, where the Black river is now situated.

Mr. Coffeen had started but a few days before for the Mohawk country for provisions and had not yet returned. Mrs. Coffeen kindly inquired if I had had any supper, at the same time telling me that they had no provisions, she and the children having used the last at their evening meal. I said, "Very well; I can do without," she said that Mr. Butterfield had returned that afternoon with a supply, and his cabin being near she went over and borrowed some meal and pork, baked a cake, fried some pork which I ate, lay down on the floor and went to sleep.

This was my first night in No. 2, now called Watertown; part of the night by the old elm log and the remainder on Henry Coffeen's cabin floor. This was, I think, the 13th of February, 1800.

The first season I was in this country I took a job clearing for Abram Jewett, who had taken up a lot which now forms a part of the Anson Hungerford farm.

During the season there had to be frequent trips made to Stillwater, where Carthage now is, for provisions, the same being rafted down the Black River from the High Falls. If grain, it was taken to what is now Felts Mills to be ground in the small mill of one run of stone, built the fall before by David Coffeen on the small creek which empties into the Black river at that place. The mill was tended by a hunter who lived there alone.

In the fall I assisted in getting out timber for a grist mill at Burrville. The mill was commenced by Silas Stow and sold the next spring to Captain Burr.

During the season of 1800 I purchased the place where I now live. Getting little for the season's labor, I started late in the fall on foot for New Hampshire, to get some clothes. Returned the next spring with six hands. Spent the season of 1801 chopping and clearing land for different persons. The next two seasons, 1802 and 1803, worked in similar manner. The next spring, 1804, I spent clearing up my own farm, with one hired hand; went back to New Hampshire in the fall and returned the next spring, 1805, and cleared a hundred acres for different persons, fencing the same. The next spring, 1807, came to the place where I have since lived.

During the last war with England belonged to Watertown Rifle, C. Company, William Lampson, captain. Was called out first time in September, 1812, also in February and March, and July and August, 1813.

During the whole time I have lived here, have never missed attending town meeting, and but one election.

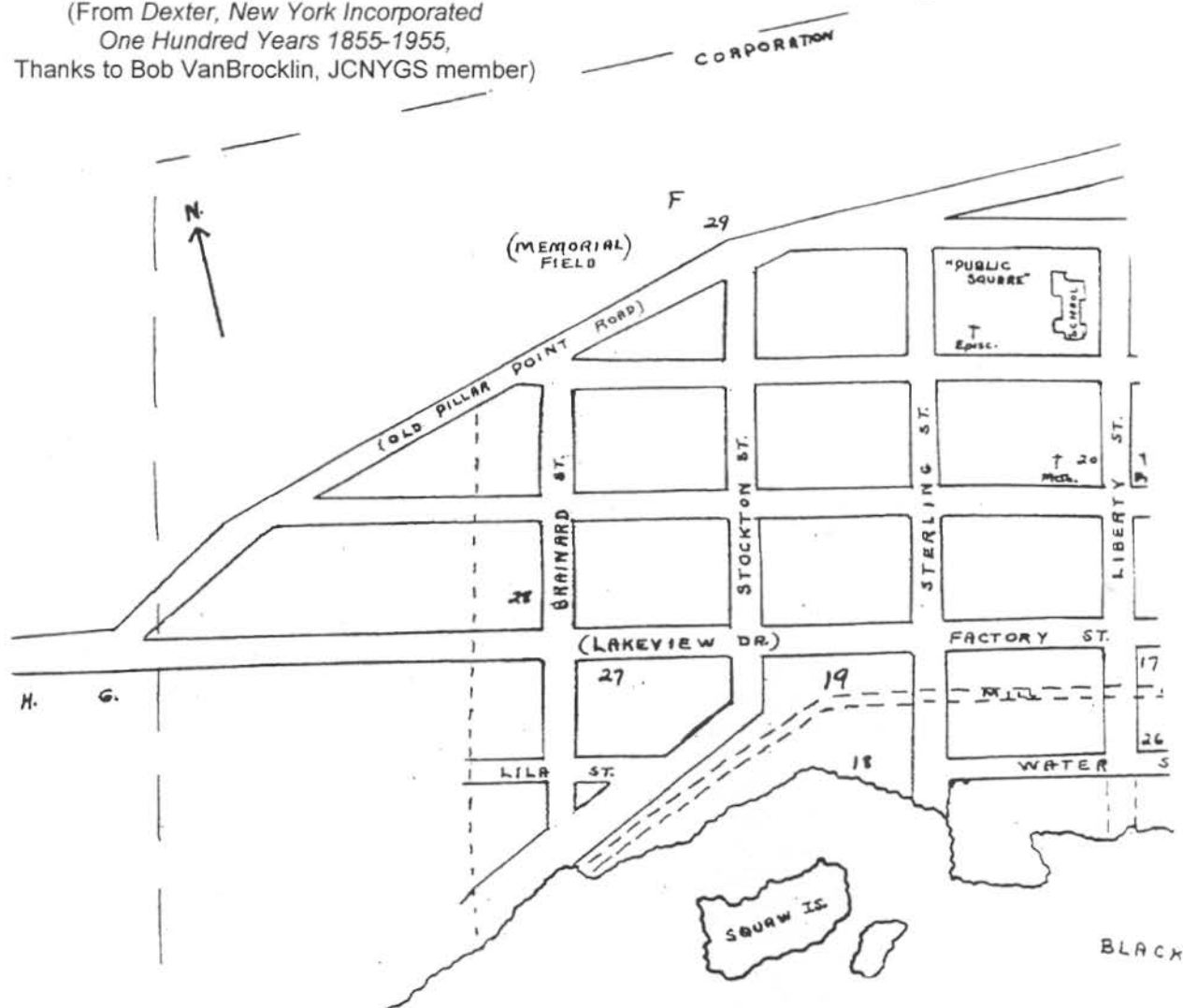
Jefferson County Bicentennial Events

Jefferson County Historical Society Display

- There will be 24 displays—one for each of the 22 Towns, the City of Watertown, and Fort Drum.
- The local government historian for each municipality will be doing an historical display.
- Village historians will work with their Town historians, if they want to add something to the Town's display.
- This will run from the beginning of May through early August.

"What's Where In Dexter"

(From *Dexter, New York Incorporated
One Hundred Years 1855-1955*,
Thanks to Bob VanBrocklin, JCNYS member)

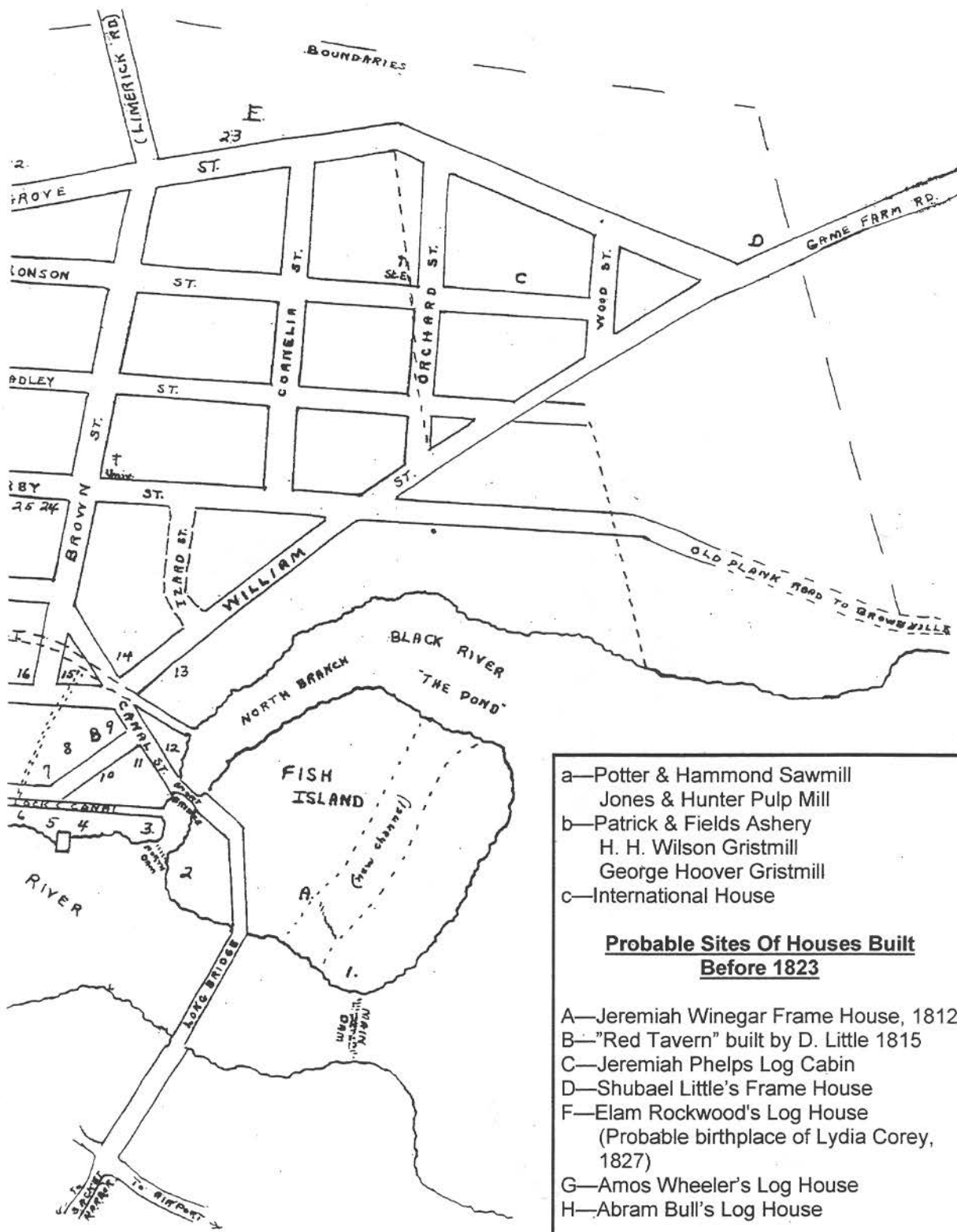


- 1—Sawmill Site, 1813 Frontenac Paper Mill, 1889
- 2—First Gristmill 1823-1860's
Binninger Shingle Mill
St. Lawrence Mill 1889-1898
Warren Parchment 1911-
- 3—Kirby & Loomis Sawmill
Joseph Huntington Factory
E. Leonard; Leonard-Gilmore Power Plant
- 4—Babcock & Peck Grist Mill 1836-1875
Whitney & Francis, 1875-
Schreiner, Burned 1942
- 5—Babcock Plaster Mill
- 6—Frost Sawmill
- 7—Solon Stone Woolen Shop
John Nutting Woolen Shop

- 8—Potter & Hammond Hub Shop
Binninger & Strange Shop
- 9—J. T. Wood; Winn Stores
- 10—Leonard-Gilmore Store
Chidester, Undertaker
- 11—Underwood House Hotel
- 12—Wood's Opera House
Jones' Opera House
- 13—Peleg Mattison Hotel
E. S. Clark Store
- 14—J. A. Bell Store
O. M. & G. W. Wood Store
E. L. Markham Store
- 15—Winn-Kimball Store
Bloom Store & Hall
- 16—Bower's House; Bank
- 17—J. A. Bell early Store
- 18—Bell's Storehouse

- 19—Woolen Mill 1839-1869
Sulphite Hill 1888-
 - 20—School 1845-1869
 - 21—School Before 1845
- Old Houses**
- 22—Terentia Edgerly, 1850
 - 23—Capt. John Bradley, 1839
 - 24—Jesse Babcock, 1832
 - 25—Francis W. Winn, abt. 1840
 - 26—James A. Bell, 1840
 - 27—"The Manson", abt. 1840's
 - 28—George W. Walters, 1848
 - 29—George H. Rounds, 1851

Areas north of Grove St. and E. & W. of broken lines were large farm properties and not included in plotting of village lots in 1857.



- a—Potter & Hammond Sawmill
Jones & Hunter Pulp Mill
 - b—Patrick & Fields Ashery
H. H. Wilson Gristmill
George Hoover Gristmill
 - c—International House
- Probable Sites Of Houses Built Before 1823**
- A—Jeremiah Winegar Frame House, 1812
 - B—"Red Tavern" built by D. Little 1815
 - C—Jeremiah Phelps Log Cabin
 - D—Shubael Little's Frame House
 - F—Elam Rockwood's Log House
(Probable birthplace of Lydia Corey, 1827)
 - G—Amos Wheeler's Log House
 - H—Abram Bull's Log House

*The Village of Dexter
in association with
The Dexter Historical Society
And
The Entire Community*

Cordially Invites You To Attend

*The Village of Dexter's
Sesquicentennial Celebration*

*To Be Held
Saturday, August 13 & Sunday, August 14, 2005*

Events Include

*Saturday, August 13th
Opening Ceremony...10:00 AM...Village Square
Parade...2:30 PM*

Demonstrations, Crafters, Food & Music Throughout The Day

*An Old Fashion Block Dance...7:00PM-11:00 PM
Fireworks: 9:30 PM*

*Sunday, August 14th
Breakfast At The Grange Hall...7:00AM-9:30 AM
Church Services
Old Fashion Cook-Out At The Dexter American Legion...11:30 AM*

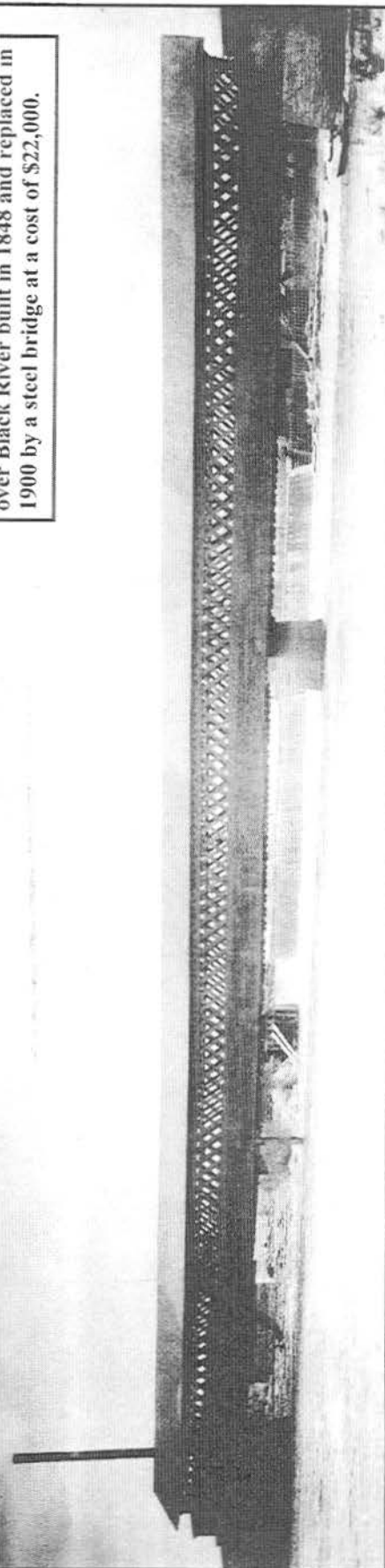
*Music Tribute To The Veterans & The Military...2:00 PM
Closing Ceremony...3:00 PM*

COME AND CELEBRATE WITH US

Dexter Trolley labeled "The open-air trolley of the B.R.T.
on the trestle" and dated 2/23/06
View from "Golden Gate"

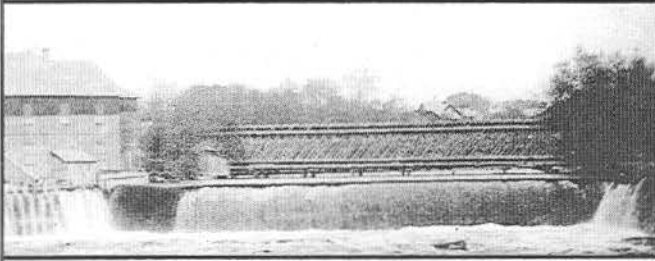


Dexter Long Bridge: Long covered bridge
over Black River built in 1848 and replaced in
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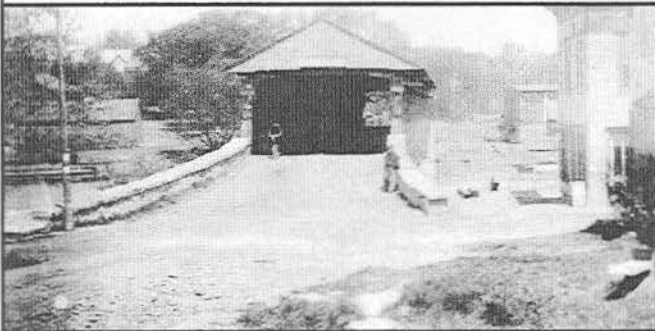




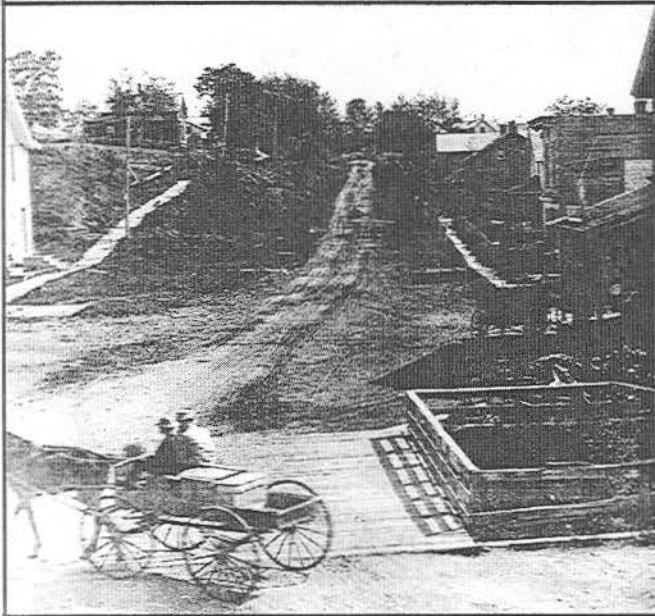
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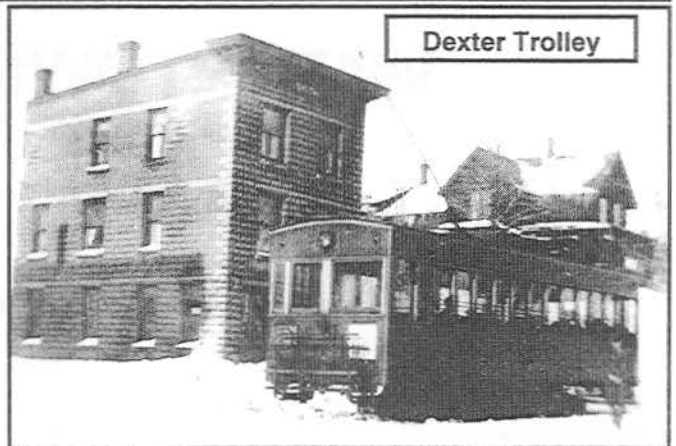
Dexter Short Bridge: Short covered bridge replaced in 1900 at a cost of \$7,000. Leonard, Gilmore Co., Sash, Door and Blind Factory on left.



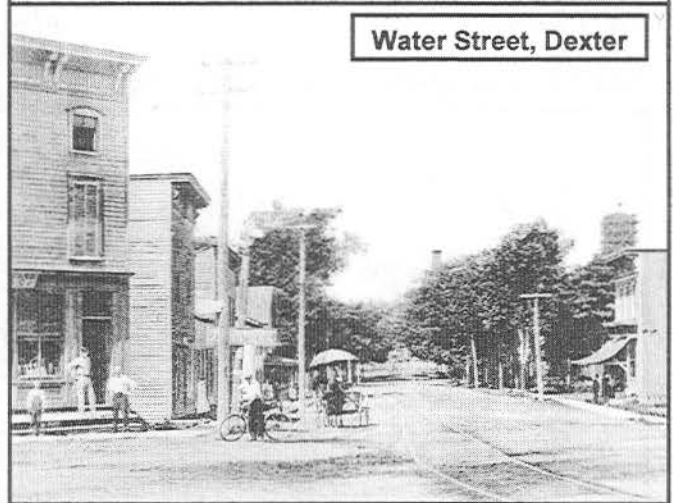
South entrance to long bridge on Hounsfield side



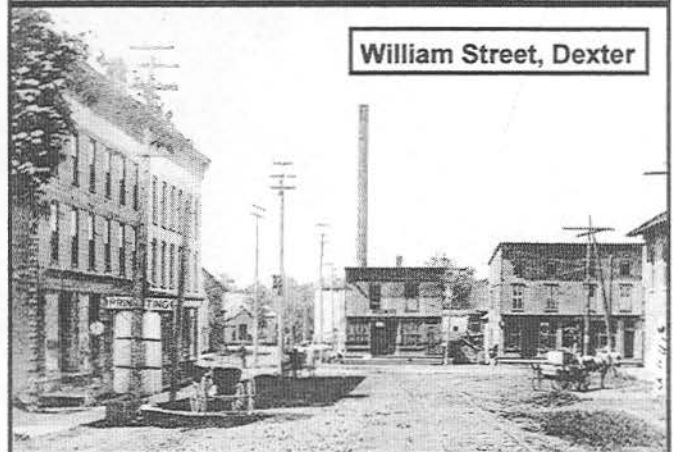
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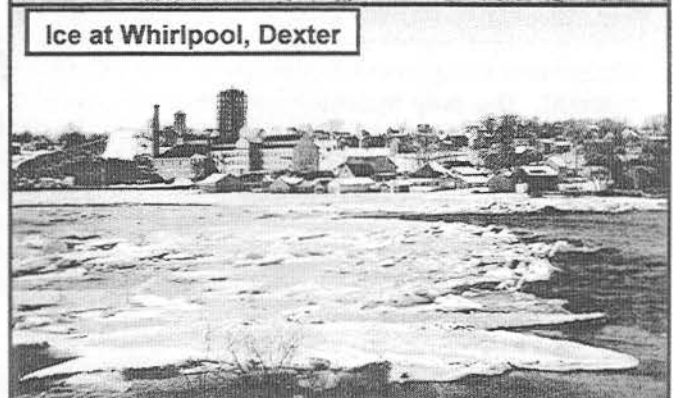
Dexter Trolley



Water Street, Dexter



William Street, Dexter



Ice at Whirlpool, Dexter

WATERTOWN—A HISTORY

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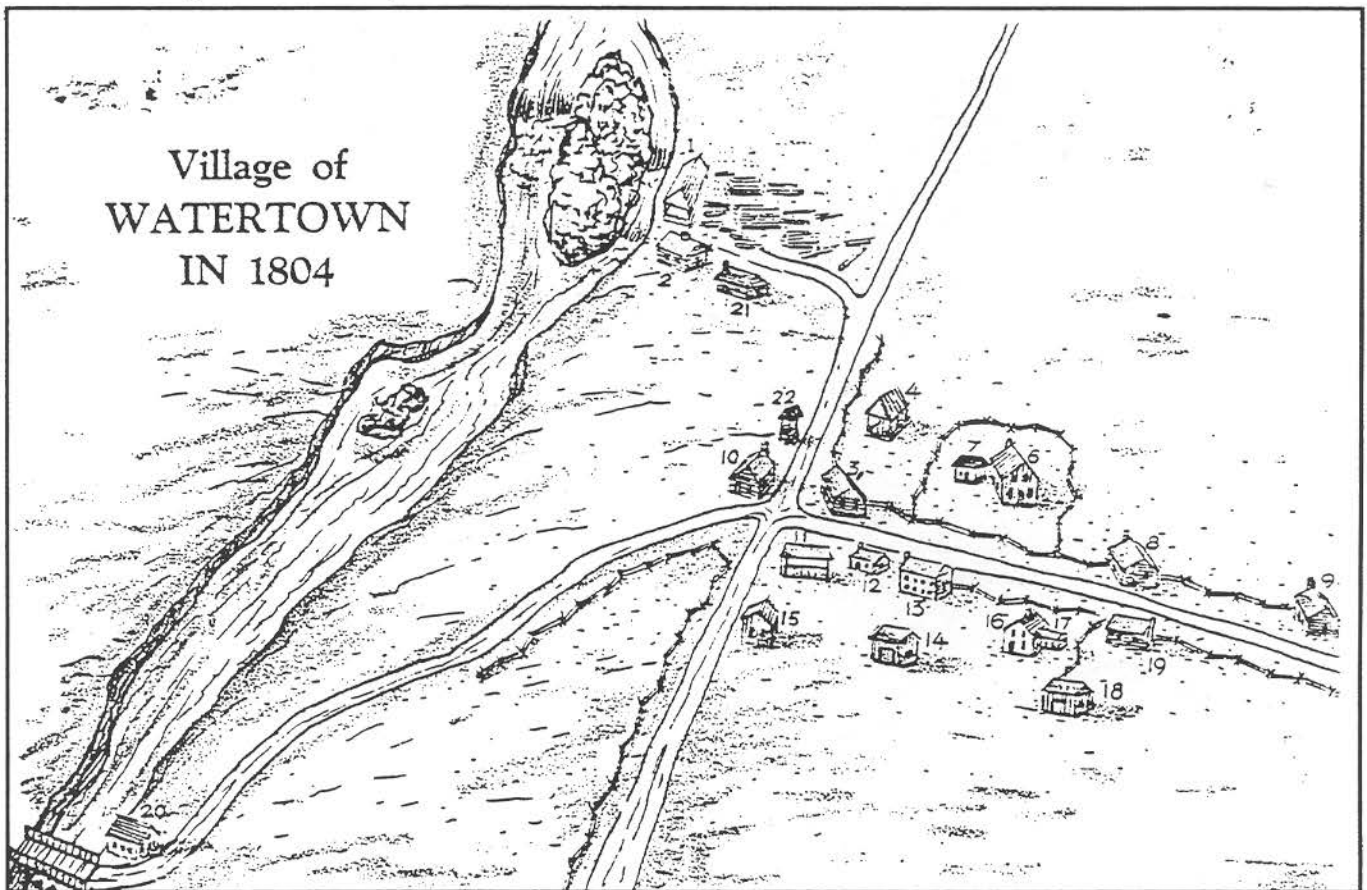
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Watertown village resketched by Gordon Dexter from an original by D. Huntington. 1. Jonathan Cowan's sawmill. The only hydraulic works on the river. 2. Cowan's log dwelling house. 3. Judge Henry Coffeen's log dwelling. 4. A frame, roof covered. Designed for a store by Amosa Fox. 6. Aaron Keye's frame dwelling house. 7. Aaron Keye's Cooper shop. 8. Loghouse occupied by Medad Canfield, shoemaker. 9. Loghouse occupied by Jack Goodall. 10. Loghouse built by Zachariah Butterfield and occupied by Wait. 11. Frame, erected by Aaron Bacon in the fall of 1803—rafters blown off. 12. Doctor Isaiah Massey's Tavern. 13. A frame—rough boarded. No occupant. 14.-15. Two barns. 16. Dwelling house of Hart Massey. 17. Wood house occupied by Nathaniel Haven. 18. Mr. Massey's barn. 19. Loghouse and hat shop of Paoli Wells. 20. Isaac Cutter's distillery. 21. Israel Thornton's log dwelling. 22. Spring furnishing water for the village.

(The next few pages continue this history.)

Town of WATERTOWN

By Mary Colligan, Tina Holt, and Valerie Potter
(Edited by the *Informer* staff)

A land of unbroken wilderness and forest in less than forty years became one of the most fertile lands - and Watertown demonstrated its ability to be number one as a growing city. Surveyed by Benjamin Wright in 1796, the land was divided into 52 great lots of from 400 to 625 acres each. Most of the lots were sold by 1799. Not until 1800 did the first purchasers arrive to live on the land that was to be Watertown. Robert McDonnell, a land agent, sold lots for \$2.50 an acre. Oliver Bartholomew, Benjamin Wright, Simon Woodruff, James Rogers, Thomas Delano, and Elijah Allen made land purchases in 1799. Only three families were here the first winter, but in 1801 more arrived. By 1802 there were fifty families in the town.

There is no real proof, but it is assumed that Watertown was named Watertown because of the water power supplied by the Black River. The people who settled Watertown picked it as an ideal place to start and establish business.

At the age of 42 Deacon Oliver Bartholomew, a Revolutionary soldier from Connecticut, came to Watertown in March of 1800. He trekked through the forests of Oneida County. He was the first settler in the Town of Watertown. He lived in the northwest corner. He was the first to raise a crop in Watertown. Deacon Bartholomew died June 1850 at the age of 92. Hart Massey was 29 when he came to Watertown. His cabin was located near where the entrance of the Arcade is now. The Sunday after Hart Massey's family moved to Watertown in March of 1801 the first religious service in Watertown was held in Hart Massey's cabin. Hart Massey built the first frame house in 1802. It stood where the Jefferson County Historical Museum is now. Hart Massey married Lucy Swaine February 1, 1796. In 1808 he was appointed colonel and inspector of state troops. Hart was a customs inspector. He was founder and an active member of the Jefferson County Agricultural Society. Hart was born in Salem, NH. He had eight brothers and three sisters. Hart Massey was born December 5, 1771. He died March 3, 1853.

Those who settled in the eastern part of the town in 1801-1802 were Rev. Ebenezer LaZelle, William Sampson, Job and Thompson Sawyer, Lewis Drury, Shereluab (Sherebiah?) Fay, John Blevan, Abram Fisk, Aaron Bacon, Jacob Steers, Jonathan E. Mills, Seth Peck, Silas Howk, Henderson Howk, Caleb and Nathaniel Burnham and Job Whitney.

Judge Henry Coffeen was one of the first settlers in Watertown. He came in March of 1800 on an ox sled with his furniture piled on top. There were no roads leading to Watertown then, and most of his furniture broke on the way. This was because the trees caught onto the furniture as they traveled. Coffeen was 39 years old when he came from Vermont to the land to be Watertown. Three other men from the same state came shortly after he did. They were Hart Massey, Hart's brother, Isaiah, and Zachariah Butterfield. Coffeen and the three other men were very important in the growth of Watertown.

Coffeen made a road from the north side of the now American Corner where he lived, across his land to Black River. There, with Andrew Edmunds, he bridged the river where the Court Street Bridge is now. The only other crossing at that time was at Brownville. The new bridge and road were heavily traveled by settlers, and this made it an ideal location for business establishments. Roads were located along Sandy Creek in 1801. The Dry Hill Road to Watertown was also located at an early day; but it was not until 1809 that Sandy Creek was bridged. A road from French Creek to Watertown was, by an act made on April 1, 1824, directed to be under the supervision of Amos Stebbins, Azariah Doane and Henry Coffeen. It was to be opened and worked as a public road by the town it passed through. Coffeen was the first postmaster in Watertown in 1804. He was elected county clerk in 1805. Henry Coffeen wanted the county seat for Watertown, and Jacob Brown wanted it in Brownville. Coffeen went to Albany, a difficult trip in those days, and persuaded the legislature to make Watertown the county seat when Jefferson County was created in March 1805. The importance of it being a county seat cannot be overestimated. Coffeen donated land for the court house and jail. In 1802 his daughter, Sally Coffeen taught the first school in Watertown. It was held in the barn behind Dr. Isaiah Massey's tavern. Judge Coffeen established the first newspaper in Watertown in 1809. It was called the "American Eagle." Coffeen came to such an uncivilized place because he had an adventuresome spirit and didn't like living with too much ease. Watertown became too civilized for him in 1819 so he moved westward to Illinois where a year later he died of pneumonia.

Zachariah Butterfield was 28 when he came to Watertown. He built his cabin near where the Y.M.C.A. is now. He also built a log house that his brother, Walt, lived in. He helped establish Public Square and Butterfield Avenue which was named after him because of his donations of land for Public Square. At the east end of Public Square, Mr. Cowan opened a street leading to Beebee Island. The island was not named at this time. He built a dam and a bridge over the south channel. The street acquired the name of Mill Street. Numerous small mills had been established to utilize the water power created by the dam. After building the dam in 1802, Cowan operated a grist mill and saw mill for several years. This was the first grist mill and saw mill in Watertown. The island was then known as Cowan's Island. In 1808 Gordon Caswell established nearby the first paper mill in the North Country. This mill became the nucleus for the present paper mill located on this site. Knowlton Brothers Paper Company still operates here.

In 1813 a large cotton textile factory was erected on Beebee Island. By 1816 Newell and Factory Streets had been opened. On November 27, 1840 Mr. Cowan died near Evans Mills at the age of 80.

Dr. Isaiah Massey was Hart Massey's brother. He was the first physician in Watertown. He was followed in 1805 by Dr. Daniel Brainard, second physician. Dr. Massey was here five years before he had a patient. Dr. Massey built his cabin where the Y.M.C.A. is now. In 1802 he used his home as an inn for visitors. Dr. Massey came to Watertown in 1800 from Vermont.

Rev. Ebenezer LaZelle was the first minister of the area. He also was the owner of the first distillery situated in Burrville.

Jesse Doolittle was a blacksmith. He also helped establish Public Square. Medad Canfield, a shoemaker, also helped establish Public Square in 1805. Canfield's log house was located on Washington Street. Amasa Fox, early in 1805, completed his frame house on the north side of the square. Here he had the view of the opening of the first store in the village. It was opened by John Paddock and William Smith, and called Smith and Paddock in 1806. A general store, it was located a little east of the Woodruff block.

The White House, built in 1805, was Watertown's second hotel. It was two stories high and located on the corner of Arsenal and Public Square, Jonathan Ives was first to raise wheat in Watertown. The public spirit of Coffeen, Butterfield, and the Massey brothers was shown in 1805 when early in the year they developed their plan for Public Square. They, together with Jonathan Cowan, Jesse Doolittle, Aaron Keyes, and Medad Canfield, all owners of the land counselled together on the matter. They decided to give the village a plot of land 214 and a half feet wide by 3620 feet long; in other words, 71 and a half yards wide by 1206 and two thirds long. Also, at right angles to this, another plot of land extending southward to what later became Clinton Street was given. When the Square was established it was called the mall.

A boulder monument, erected in 1902, containing an identification plaque now stands in the lower park in Public Square to commemorate this farsighted gift. The monument contains the names of Henry Coffeen, Jonathan Cowan, Jesse Doolittle, Medad Canfield, Aaron Keyes, Hart Massey and Dr. Isaiah Massey.

William Smith built the first jail in Watertown. The jail's walls were four feet thick. He also built the first cotton mill in Watertown, located on Factory Street. Smith built the first brick building in Watertown in the summer of 1806. Erected between Public Square and Franklin Street, it was of two stories and had a stone basement. It gave its name to Franklin Street.

The first court house in Watertown was built by William Rose and Joel Mix in 1807. Jason Fairbanks of Massachusetts came to Watertown in 1807. He was a lively and picturesque citizen. He lived in Watertown for nearly 70 years. In 1813 he married Hart Massey's daughter, Mary Massey. He loved to play jokes on his friends. Once Fairbanks was a county sheriff and a good one, too. One time he got together a sheriff's jury composed entirely of fat men of the county. These men were weighed and found to total nearly 6000 pounds, averaging about 250 pounds each! For all his humor, Jason Fairbanks was popular with the people. When he died in 1875, he lacked little of being 90 years old. No resident was more truly honored than he. The first paper mill was built in 1808. Paper is still made in the same building by Knowlton Brothers. The road leading to Beebee Island became known as Mill Street.

Through the years of 1810-1820, Jabez Foster, the first merchant at Burrville, moved his stock of goods to

Watertown and launched another successful store. From this time on, the business section of Watertown built up rapidly, each brief period adding new stores and more diversified lines of goods. Foster also helped establish the Jefferson County Bank. The Black River Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Company was formed December 28, 1813. The building, made of stone, was erected in 1814. It was destroyed by fire in 1869.

The Jefferson County Bank was established in 1816 by John Brown, Roswell Woodruff, Eliphalet Edmunds, David Andrus, Ethel Bronson, Jabez Foster, Egbert TenEyck, Hoel Lawrence, Frederick White, and Abel Cole. Watertown had 38 mechanic shops, 18 stores, seven offices, one bank, one cotton factory, one woolen factory, two sawmills, one furnace, one machine shop, one distillery, four chair factories, one plow factory, one tine shop, six taverns, two churches and three schools on Factory, Sterling, and Arsenal Streets in 1824.

Watertown Cotton Mills Company was formed January 10, 1834. It was replaced by the Watertown Cotton Company. In 1827 Jefferson Cotton Mills was erected on Beebee Island by Levi Beebee. It was made of stone, two hundred and fifty feet by sixty five feet and three stories. On July 7, 1833 it was destroyed by fire.

In 1818, where the Globe Mini Mall is on Court Street today, the first Jefferson County Fair was held. It was different from our present day fairs. It was mainly livestock showings and also homemade clothing and plowing contests. About 2000 people attended the first Jefferson County Fair. DeWitt Clinton, governor of New York State, was guest of honor. It was very successful—an opportunity to see everyone. It is the second oldest county fair in the state, while the first oldest county fair is in Bath, New York.

The efforts of James D. LeRay de Chaumont and the Jefferson County Agricultural Society organized the first Jefferson County Fair. The James D. LeRay organized Agricultural Society October 25, 1817. LeRay was active in the first fairs and was president from 1818-1829. General Jacob Brown was the first vice-president. Later Brown was president 1829-1832.

Picture Watertown in 1800—three or four log cabins seen through the trees, stumps left where trees were felled; a path from cabin to cabin. The paths grew wider; roads were necessary for horses and oxen, a road to the river whose roar was heard through the trees. Roads became streets. The first streets of Watertown were dirt. When it rained, the dirt turned into mud, and the horses and carriages and wagons were mired. Then came stones.

One of the first roads into Watertown was down the present Washington Street. Pioneers went around the hills to the east, around by Burrville to Watertown Center and down. There was once a toll gate on Washington Street on Washington Street near the K-Mart. That later became the city limits, the division between the city and the town. Another early road was the present Watertown-Champion road, which came into Watertown as now, over State Street hill and down State Street. The second was probably the road to

Brownville, which crossed the river at the present Court Street and followed what is now West Main Street.

In 1804 there were five streets: Washington Street, formerly Green Lane; State Street, formerly called State Road; Arsenal Street, formerly called Colombia Street, Court Street, formerly called State Street, and Mill Street, which ended at the bank of Black River.

In 1817 Watertown was a village of something over a thousand residents. The village ordinances just passed prohibited residents from allowing their hogs to wander at will in the streets. But the village was little more than a collection of farms, excepting the immediate vicinity of the mall, now known as Public Square, and a line of zig zag rail fences that lined Arsenal Street, marking the boundary of Hart Massey's farm. Streets were often knee deep in mud, and residents and merchants used the side walks in front of their homes for storage places, fuel, and merchandise.

THE HISTORY OF WATERTOWN SCHOOLS

By Ken Snell, Chris Anderson, Brenda Claremont,
Alan Baker, Lenka Pinkas, Scott Tinney,
Susan Lindhorst

Education began in Watertown in 1802 when Sally Coffeen taught the first school. Since then the needs for education have grown and many more schools have been built to meet those needs. Fields in education have grown, too. There are many more subjects compared to the ones that were taught in the 1800s and early 1900s.

Sally Coffeen opened the first school in 1802 in a barn back of Dr. Isaiah Massey's tavern, near what is now WWNY radio station on Arcade Street. It is said that students sat on wooden benches, wrote on slates with slate pencils and had few books to read. The books that they did have were often ragged and well worn. The teacher had many jobs, such as janitor, school nurse, and general handyman.

The second school of Watertown was built in 1804, again because of the need for education, and an increase in the number of children. It was built of logs, as was the first one. This school, furnished as the first, doubled as a courthouse. In 1811 the Watertown academy was built on Washington Street, where the First Presbyterian Church is now. This building was used as a hospital in the War of 1812. Because of this it was never used as a school. The third schoolhouse was built in 1816 of bricks made at the local brickyard on Arsenal Street.

The population had grown to nearly 900 people by 1816, and at that time the first school districts were set up, dividing in the center of Washington Street, which was at that time Green Lane or Green Alley. Population continued increasing to 1000 in 1820. As the need arose a new school was built on Factory Street in 1823, and again in 1826 another school was built,

this time a Female Academy on Clinton Street. This academy was sold in 1920 to satisfy a debt.

BLACK RIVER

By Kim Tillotson, Karen Morrison, Ted Tarzia,
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Pat Farmer, Rich Nier

The first recorded exploration of Black River was done by Simon Desjardines, who had a reputation as an adventurer, and Pierre Pharoux, a Parisian architect. They explored as far as what is now Carthage in 1793. The river was much easier to travel on in the winter. Many people used "one horse plugs", low box sleighs drawn by one horse. When the water melted a scow, a large flat bottomed boat with square ends, could have been used.

From the "Watertown Daily Times" of April 22, 1961: When Benjamin Wright surveyed the Black River tract for its owners in 1796, he wrote in his field book description of the 11 towns into which the owners had subdivided it. Of the town of Watertown his notes read: "Along the river is some pretty good land that is broken and rocky. The river is amazing rapid and rocky; some falls along the river may be good mill seats; some excellent pine timber along the river...I think this to be an excellent township and scarce any poor land in it. Will settle fast, if laid out and sold to settlers." From Wright's description of the advantages of this locality, settlers were attracted to it. The mill seats were important, for a sawmill and gristmill were necessities for life in any backwoods settlement lacking roads and access to other settlements.

An adventurous river man, Joel Mix, had a near mishap in 1799 on the Black River. He risked his life to save the people on his scow. The party was nearing their destination, Lake Greek, when Mr. Mix noticed a large falls. He thought quickly and grabbed the boat chain in one hand, and as they neared the falls he grabbed an overhanging tree limb, thus holding the boat to the shore.

In 1808 a paper mill above Colwell's Mill was built by Gurdon Caswell from Oneida County. In 1816 it was sold to Holbrook and Fessenden of Brattleboro, Vermont. Other paper mills built up river. In 1824 the firm of Knowlton and Rice began the manufacture of paper and have since continued. Knowlton Brothers is the oldest operating paper mill in America. The company still uses some of the original machinery. They were the first to introduce paper making machinery in Jefferson County in 1832. The mill has had repeated fires.

On October 24, 1979, 7 students participated in a field trip to Knowlton Brothers. The group found out that Knowlton Brothers produces expensive and exotic papers-paper for special jobs like materials for the shield on the Gemini II space capsule, gas detection sheets for the U-2 spy plane, and lithium for nuclear subs, car fresheners, filters for fast food chains, and conductive paper used by the Western Union is produced there.

When the War of 1812 closed the avenue of trade to Europe and cut off importing textiles, the manufacture

of textiles became popular in Watertown. Baled cotton was shipped up the Mississippi River through the Great Lakes to Sackets Harbor. The bales were then taken to Watertown and made into fabric.

The Jefferson Cotton Mill was erected by Levi Beebee of Cooperstown, in Factory Village on Beebee Island. Most of Beebee Island was bought through William Smith, esq., from Mr. Leray for \$1500. The land was 120 acres on the north bank of the river. In early spring the erection of the large substantial stone building began, and completed before December 1827. It was 250 by 65 feet, and three stories high. The company was legally formed on the 14th of April, 1829, under the style of Jefferson Cotton Mill, with the nominal trustees of Levi Beebee, W.T. Beebee, L.S. Beebee, E. Faunda, and Horace Hunt.

The Watertown Woolen Company was formed on the 24th of February, 1834 with a \$100,000 capital. The trustees were J.H. Bronson, John A. Rodgers, S. Newton Dexter, and Hiram Holcomb, D. Lee, and Silas Clark.



Becoming A County

1804

Jonathan Collins of Turin, Walter Martin of Martinsburgh, Jacob Brown of Brownville, and Silas Stow, along with others, for a total of 36 men met in Denmark at Freedom Wright's Inn to decide on a proposal to become a county.

1st Motion – Admit representatives to act

2nd Motion – Determined that voting would be by ayes and nays

3rd Motion – To set off this county from Oneida, carried by 27 to 9

4th Motion – To adjourn for ½ hour unanimously

5th Motion – To appoint a disinterested committee to set boundaries for new county, decide on spot or spots for the courthouse, carried 25 to 11, and moved that southern boundary be established at the SW corner of Ellisburg, to county of Herkimer and St. Lawrence river, to Lake Ontario, carried 20 to 16

6th Motion – Leyden citizens could decide whether to remain with Oneida or not, carried 18 to 18

7th Motion – Split into two counties, carried 20 to 16

8th Motion – Appoint a committee to draft a petition to legislature and carry same petition to legislature, committee of 5 to be selected from delegates at this meeting and chosen by ballot

Adjourned for 15 minutes to prepare ballots. Jonathan Collins, Jacob Brown, Henry Coffeen, Cliff French and Joseph Beals chosen.

Dissolved meeting

1805

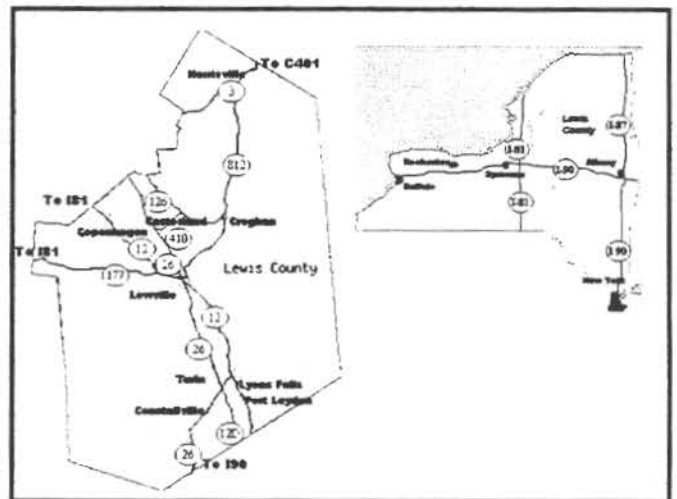
March 4 – Benjamin Wright introduced bill for erection of Jefferson and Lewis counties

March 12 – Passed the House

March 22 – Passed the Senate, amended to locate courthouses, no record of number who voted but it must have passed.

March 28 – Signed by governor

Note: boundary between Lewis and Herkimer Co. never actually surveyed. Directed under laws of 1852 but no funds appropriated and no work was done. 1881 Mr. Colvin found the SE corner and ran line about a mile north and then stopped for lack of funds in 1882 measure was again brought up but did not reach a result.



JEFFERSON COUNTY 2005



(Continued from Page 8 **From The Editor:**)

Watertown—A History was a 1980 SEEK project of the fifth and sixth grade students of H.T. Wiley Elementary School in Watertown. The booklet was over 60 pages, of which the Informer staff selected a few, and then ruthlessly condensed and cut those for the article. We had to omit much which was interesting, but we needed the room for the rest of the county.

County Historian Ben Cobb generously gave us of his time and resources for many of the other county items. And our own Bob VanBrocklin presented us with a great variety of Dexter items, from which we could only glean a few, due to space restrictions. Dexter is celebrating its sesquicentennial this year, along with Jefferson County's bicentennial. Kevin Kieff's A Pioneer Couple, we felt, fit right in with the theme of this issue.

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Letters.....

Letters to the editor may be directed to nandixon@gisco.net or to Nan Dixon, 15407 Dixon Road, Clayton, NY 13624.

Dear Nan,
 It is with sadness that I let you know of the death of Joanne Martin of Centennial, Co. She died July 14 after a valiant 3 yr. struggle with cancer. She was a very dedicated and careful genealogist and volunteered at the Family History Center in Denver. Her family tree was published in a previous issue of the *Informer*. The family names in Jefferson Co. are Barnett, Rhoades, Mills, Collins and Wheeler.

Sincerely,
 Sheila Rogstad

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The "Orange Card" that was
 Included in the July *Informer*
 Should be returned
 By October 1st to be included in the
 December Membership Issue!

Send to:
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JCNYGS To Publish Pedigree Charts Vol. 2

The JCNYGS plans to publish a second volume of pedigree charts. We are asking that those who have a Jefferson County, NY connection and whose pedigrees were not published in Volume 1 submit their most up-to-date pedigree chart for publication in Volume 2. We will give preference to those charts which have been computer generated, but legible hand-written charts will also be accepted. We ask that the pedigrees be limited to 2 pages and that the submitter's name and address should appear on each chart. Submitting the chart implies permission to publish. Only those submissions received before Dec. 31, 2005 can be considered.

JCNYGS To Sponsor Research Trip

Wednesday, September 21
 Genealogical Research Trip to
 Oswego

For details, contact Linda Malinich
 phone: 585-586-9267 (Rochester)
 email: malinich@attglobal.net

What's Going on with JCNYGS

By Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

June Meeting

After being introduced by Lis Couch, Shawn Doyle began his presentation by encouraging anyone with Irish ancestors to not give up on their search for information. He then presented handouts that included some of his own genealogy work. Shawn has some one dozen Irish ancestors that he has been able to find with a variety of sources and gave those in attendance many ideas as to where to find their own information. He used several maps of not just Ireland but also of places his ancestors settled in Canada.

Shawn reviewed his own genealogy beginnings from growing up not knowing very much of his ancestry to living with his grandmother during college to sending many letters to Doyles in Kingston, Canada. From family 'get-togethers' and contacting cousins, information finally began to fill in gaps in Shawn's genealogy work. Copies of old family bible pages, pictures, church records, and finally a computer and the wide variety of genealogy sites on the internet added more and more information. Shawn left a variety of information to be placed into our repository and for that information we thank Shawn.



Shawn Doyle, President of the Half-Shire Historical Society with Phyllis Putnam and Lis Couch the June Program Chairperson.

July Meeting

Robert W. Arnold III is Chief of Government Records Services at the New York State Archives. He began his presentation by stating his Jefferson County connections as his grandmother came from Philadelphia and she was a Mack. Bob suggested that a title for his

presentation might also be "Thinking About Your Family in a Historical Context." Another title might be "Playing With a Full Deck" because if you're missing any of the information, you don't have the full story. He said he'd learned that family history and local history are pretty much the same thing and that neither one of them occurs in a vacuum.

With a sampling of only a few quotes from Mr. Arnold's presentation, and in no particular order, you might be able to get some idea of the wealth of material he covered. With Mr. Arnold's references to various nationalities, mention of several books and authors, and a great deal of humor, we will all go back to our genealogy work with a different perspective.

"Our pedigree is where we start, it shouldn't be where we end."

"Just keep researching, it never ends."

"In addition to your own intelligence, experiences, abilities, and interests you've got to have all the props and tools of your trade, and those tools are documents, records, private diaries, letters, account books, photographs, family trees, local newspapers,....."

"Don't forget Nothin' "

"Tell them you remember us!"

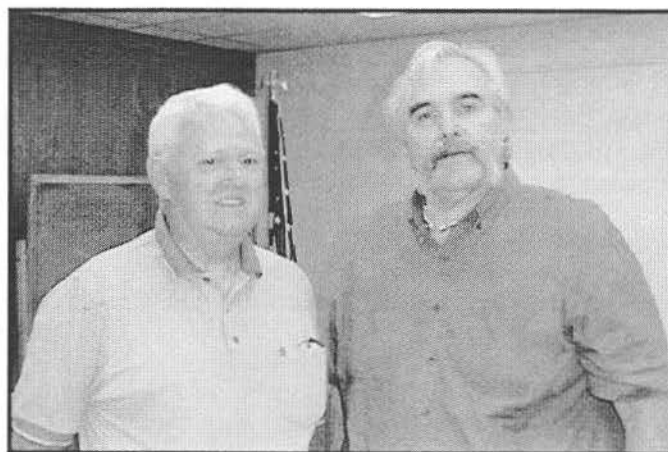
"There are reasons that our ancestors did things that can't be explained."

" They were influenced by events far away and long ago."

"Why they came to NY? Famine, religion, pestilence, war, poverty, social upheaval, self-selecting, or just bold and adventurous."

"If you're going to do genealogy or history, it's a job that requires knowing a lot about a lot."

"History is about change, otherwise it would be current events."



July program chairman Al Seymour with speaker Bob Arnold

JCGS MINUTES JUNE 13, 2005

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

President Linda Malinich called the meeting to order with 18 people in attendance. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Pauline Zach and seconded by Elaine Jobson.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr reported a balance of \$6882.22. Clancy Hopkins moved to approve the report and Bob VanBrocklin seconded. Passed.

Corresponding Secretary Clancy Hopkins reported keeping current with a few queries by email but in general things were very quiet.

The Repository was open before the meeting and Nan Dixon mentioned that they are trying to put labels on each drawer for the contents in each drawer. Clancy showed material he had received to be placed into the repository including a family genealogy given by Florence Secor.

President Linda mentioned for the Publicity Committee that she took care of the email meeting notices having changed computers and that Phyllis had contacted the newspapers.

Program Committee Coordinator Phyllis Putnam mentioned that a program for the December meeting is still open.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that the July issue is in the hands of "Mr. Hopkins" and the September issue is under way. Clancy mentioned that the July issue will be at the printers tomorrow and that the "Orange Card" for member information will be in this issue. The "Orange Card" information will be the basis for the December surnames issue of the Informer.

Nan Dixon mentioned for the Genealogical Collection Committee that there are a couple of things to add this evening.

Clancy Hopkins mentioned for the Membership & Surname Committee that membership remains steady and the "Orange Card" information is going to keep the committee busy.

For the Surrogate Committee, Vice President Bob VanBrocklin mentioned that sales of the Wills Book are up to 44. President Linda asked for a copy to be put into the repository.

New Business: Phyllis Putnam mentioned that there is preliminary work for a book 2 of Pedigrees. Phyllis mentioned that an ad in the September and November *Informers* for pedigree submissions would be helpful. The project is projected to take about a year to complete.

President Linda mentioned that several years ago the society made trips to Canton and Utica. Linda mentioned that she would be willing to try and set up a trip to Lowville. Oswego was also mentioned as a possibility that interested several members. Linda was thinking about a date around the 20th of September.

Clancy Hopkins encouraged everyone to talk to their legislators encouraging them to vote in favor of Library Support in the October vote for the budget.

Vice President Bob VanBrocklin reminded the society that it was time for the second installment of our financial support of Flower Library. Last year we paid \$335 and this year will also be \$335 with next year's final installment payment being \$330.

Phyllis Putnam mentioned that she brought in her Ernest Cook books for anyone who might be interested in them.

Hollis Dorr moved to adjourn with a second from Clancy Hopkins.

Lis Couch introduced Shawn Doyle and his program on Canadian-Irish genealogy.

JCGS MINUTES JULY 11, 2005

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

President Linda Malinich called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Clancy Hopkins and seconded by Bob VanBrocklin.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr reported a balance of \$6924.78. The complete report is attached. Elaine Jobson moved to approve the report and Pauline Zach seconded. Passed.

Corresponding Secretary Clancy Hopkins reported keeping current with a few queries by email but in general things were very quiet.

For the Repository Nan Dixon showed the group two magazine holders, one for \$2 that was a bit on the "flimsy" side and the other for \$4 that was reinforced (Continued on Page 5)

(July Minutes continued)
 and favored by the repository workers. Nan suggested that the *Informers* be put into these holders and placed on top of the file cabinets hopefully freeing some file drawer space and eliminating the boxes on top of the file cabinets. Tracy Robertson moved: **That \$100 be made available for purchase of the holders. Seconded by Phyllis Putnam. Passed.** Nan mentioned that workers have saved 3 copies of every *Informer*. Copy 1 – “Last Resort Issue” for copying when a request comes in and there are no copies available. Copy 2 – “Library Issue” for the Repository. And Copy 3 – “City Historian’s Office Issue” after a request by Clancy Hopkins.

President Linda mentioned for the Publicity Committee that she took care of over 80 email meeting notices and that Phyllis had contacted the newspapers.

Program Committee Coordinator Phyllis Putnam asked Nan Dixon to mention August’s program. Nan will have Dr. Marilyn VanDyke from Queensbury, NY who will speak on why we are not allowed to see our family information at the state level and why we have to spend so much for it. Phyllis mentioned that our September meeting program will now be chaired by Dick Kemmis. The December meeting is still open but Phyllis mentioned the possibility of another round robin discussion on what each of us is doing with our genealogy.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that the September issue has started and that they are waiting for a reply from the Wilna town historian. The 1855 maps are done and waiting on some names from the Dillenbecks. Bill asked that anyone with pictures or stories on the town of Wilna contact him. Editor Nan Dixon mentioned that their computer is down and perhaps we have already received some emails. Publisher Clancy Hopkins mentioned that about 50 of the “Orange Cards” have been returned and that most cards revealed changes in address, phone numbers, email addresses.

Bonnie Borrello mentioned for the Resource Committee that she had contacted Al Seymour about information being put on a CD.

For the Surrogate Committee, Vice President Bob VanBrocklin mentioned that sales of the Wills Book are up to 46 and extra books have been put into the repository.

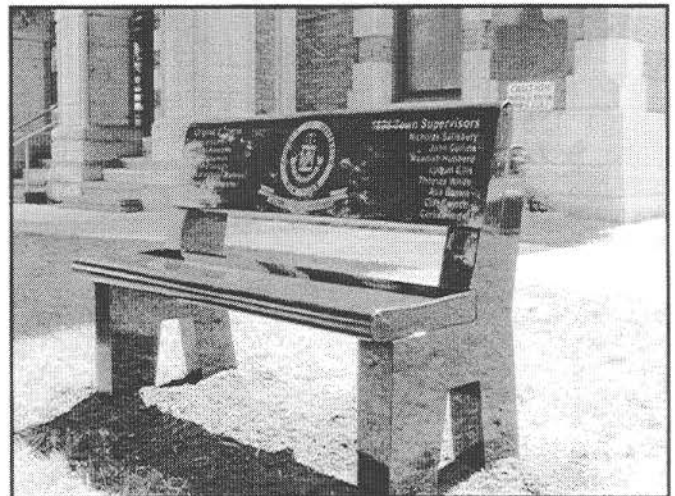
Old Business: President Linda mentioned that Al Seymour has his CDs at the meeting. One is the every name index to the *Informers* through 2004 for \$7, and the second is the 1994 – 1997 *Informers*. Linda mentioned also that the Wills Book is available.

President Linda mentioned that the September day trip will be Wednesday, September 21 at the Oswego Records Center from 1 to 4 and she is getting other information together on the county building where the land records are and some other things for those who would like to make a whole day of the trip. More information will be available as we get closer to the September date.

New Business: Phyllis Putnam mentioned that after the Martha Grimes program, she was impressed with the brochure that Martha brought with her. Phyllis suggested that perhaps our own flyer might be published in a similar format and distributed in libraries and other spots.

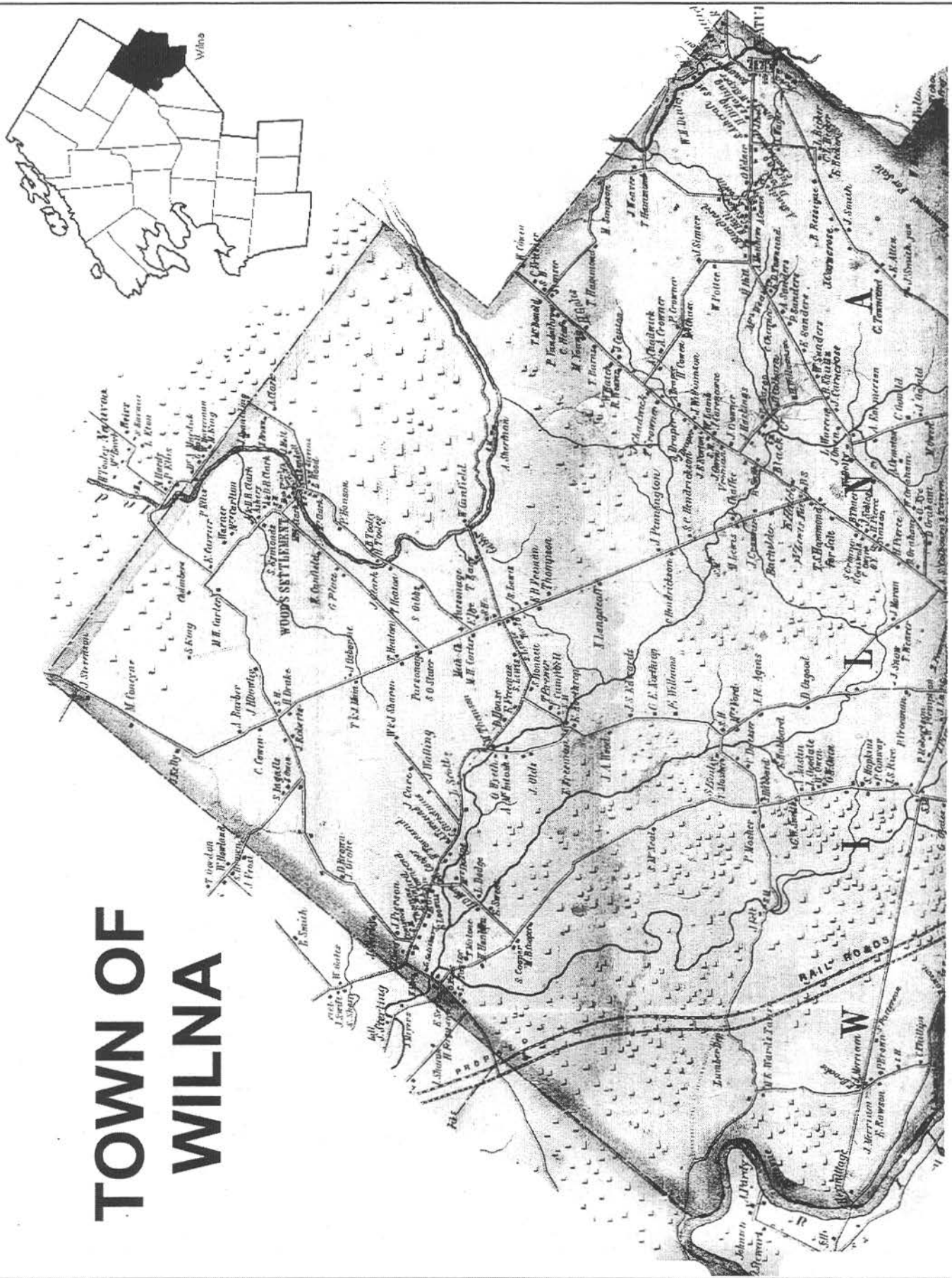
Phyllis Putnam moved to adjourn with a second from Dan Grant.

Al Seymour introduced Bob Arnold and his program on why our ancestors came to Jefferson County.

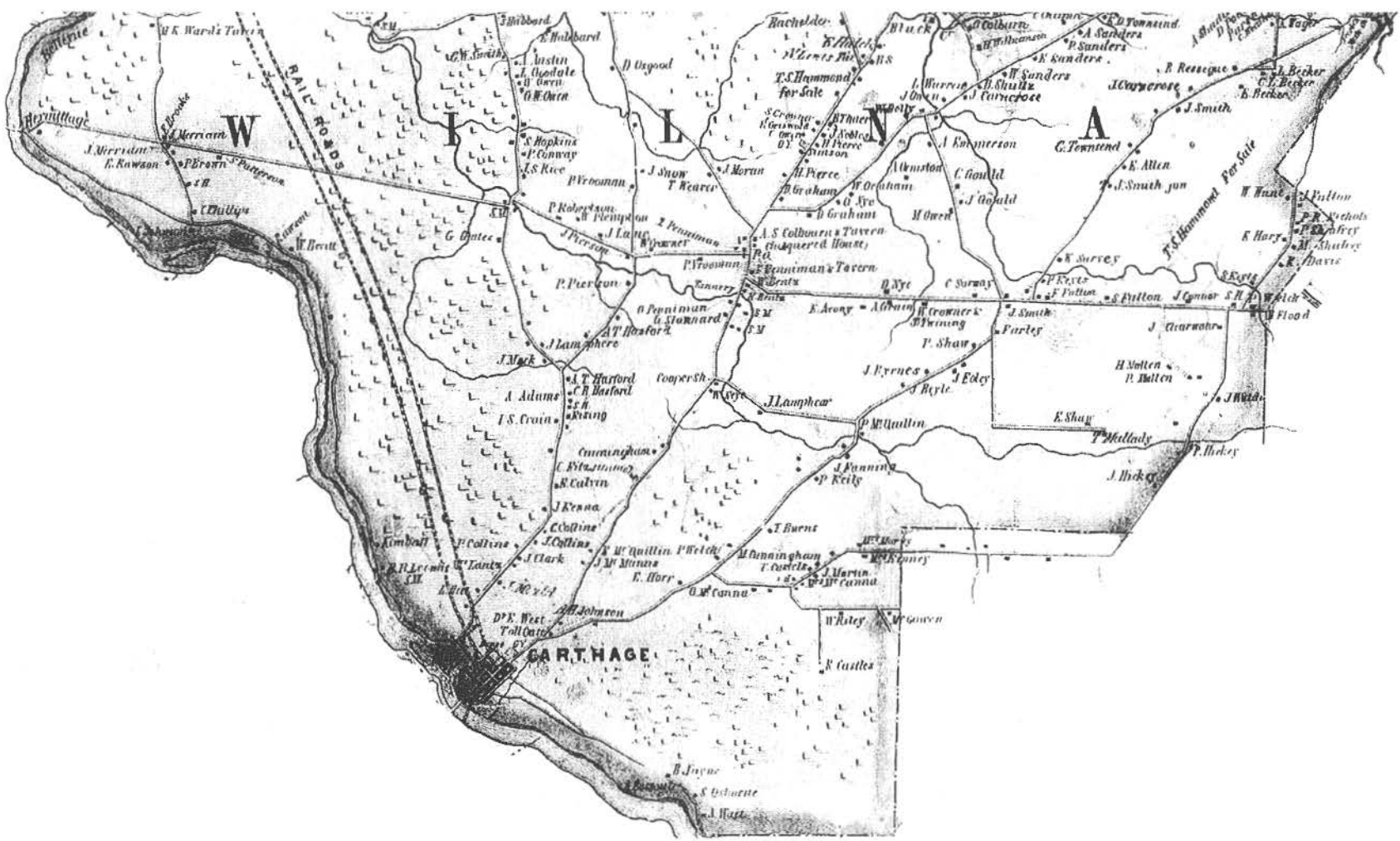


One of the Black Granite Benches Commemorating Jefferson County’s Bicentennial was installed in front of The County Courthouse Tuesday, August 2, 2005

Available On CD
Every Name Index
 to the *Informers* through 2004 for \$7
 Or \$10 if mailing is required
1994-1997 Informers
 \$20 or \$23 if mailing is required
Al Seymour
 110 Marian Drive
 Mattydale, NY 13211
 al@seymour.net
 (If you buy both CDs, only a single \$3 Mail fee!)



TOWN OF WILNA



Little of the original physical Town of Wilna is left to the researcher, most of it having disappeared into the Fort Drum military reservation. The villages bordering the Black River, Deferiet, Herrings and Carthage, have undergone the changes common to communities on the fringes of a military encampment. The settlements in the south east of the township, Kacter Crossing, De Voice Corners, Ormiston Corners and Natural Bridge, share the same fate.

Black Creek and Indian River drain the town. The easternmost tip of Jef-

erson County, Town of Wilna borders Lewis County on the southeast. Clockwise, beginning in the southwest, the towns of Champion, Le Ray, Philadelphia, and Antwerp surround the Town of Wilna. In 1798 Henry Boutin made a clearing at Long Falls, now known as Carthage, so settlement began early here.

Wilna was erected on 2 April 1813 from the towns of Leyden in Lewis County and Le Ray in Jefferson County. Its name remains a mystery, though some have suggested Wilna, in Russia, as a source.

Index to 1855 Map of Wilna Township (page 6 & 7)

By Don Dillenbeck, JCNYS Member

Column 1 consists of initial, column 2 is surname or main entry, column 3 indicates location of residents on the map.
By dividing the town map into 5 parts, Don uses the letters W, I, L, N, A already on the map as locators.

Initial(s)	Surname	Map Letter- -North/ South
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	N-North
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	N-North
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	I-South
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	N-South
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	A-North
Meth.Ch.	(Methodist Church)	A-North
P.O. =	(Post Office)	L-South
Presb.Ch.	(Presbyterian Church)	A-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	W-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	I-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	I-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	I-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	L-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	L-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	L-South
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	N-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	N-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	N-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	N-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	A-North
S.H. =	(School House)	W-South
S.H. =	(School House)	I-North
S.H. =	(School House)	I-South
S.H. =	(School House)	L-North
S.H. =	(School House)	L-North
S.H. =	(School House)	L-North
S.H. =	(School House)	L-North
S.H. =	(School House)	N-North
S.H. =	(School House)	N-North
S.H. =	(School House)	A-North
S.H. =	(School House)	A-South
R.	(sumame off map)	A-North
A.	Adams	I-South
J.R.	Agins	L-North
E.	Allen	A-South
S.	Ashcraft	A-North
	ASHERY	N-North
A.	Austin	I-North
E.	Avany	N-South
	Bachelor	N-North
S.	Bailey	I-North
A.	Barber	L-North
C.L.	Becker	A-North
E.	Becker	A-North
L.	Becker	A-North
N.	Bentz	L-South
W.	Bentz	L-South
W.	Bevitt	W-South
J.	Beyle	N-South
	BLACK CREEK	N-North
	BLACK RIVER	W-South
L.	Blanchard	A-North
	Bonapurl	A-North

S.	Bonnett	L-North
A.	Bossout	L-South
T.	Brewer	L-North
E.	Brooks	W-South
D.	Brown	I-North
N.	Brown	N-North
P.	Brown	W-South
T.	Burns	L-South
T.	Burns	A-North
J.	Bymes	N-South
E.	Calvin	I-South
J.	Campbell	L-North
W.	Canfield	N-North
W.	Canfield	N-North
J.	Care	I-North
J.	Carencorse	N-North
Mrs.	Carlton	N-North
J.	Camecrose	N-North
J.	Camecrose	A-North
E.	Carrier	N-North
M.H.	Carter	L-North
M.H.	Carter	L-North
	CARTHAGE Village	I-South
T.	Cassels	N-South
R.	Castles	N-South
A.	Chadwick	A-North
J.	Chadwick	N-North
I.	Chaffee	N-North
	Chambers	L-North
C.	Chapin	A-North
Mrs.	Chase	A-North
	Chequered House	L-South
C.	Christmas	I-North
A.	Clark	N-North
A. & D.B.	Clark	N-North
A. & D.B.	Clark	N-North
J.	Clark	I-South
Mos.	Clark	N-North
Mrs.	Clark	N-North
J.	Clearwater	A-South
A.S.	Colbourn's Tavern	L-South
O.	Colburn	N-North
C.	Collins	I-South
J.	Collins	I-South
P.	Collins	I-South
D.	Comstock	W-North
M.	Coneyne	L-North
J.	Connor	A-South
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S.	Cooper	W-North

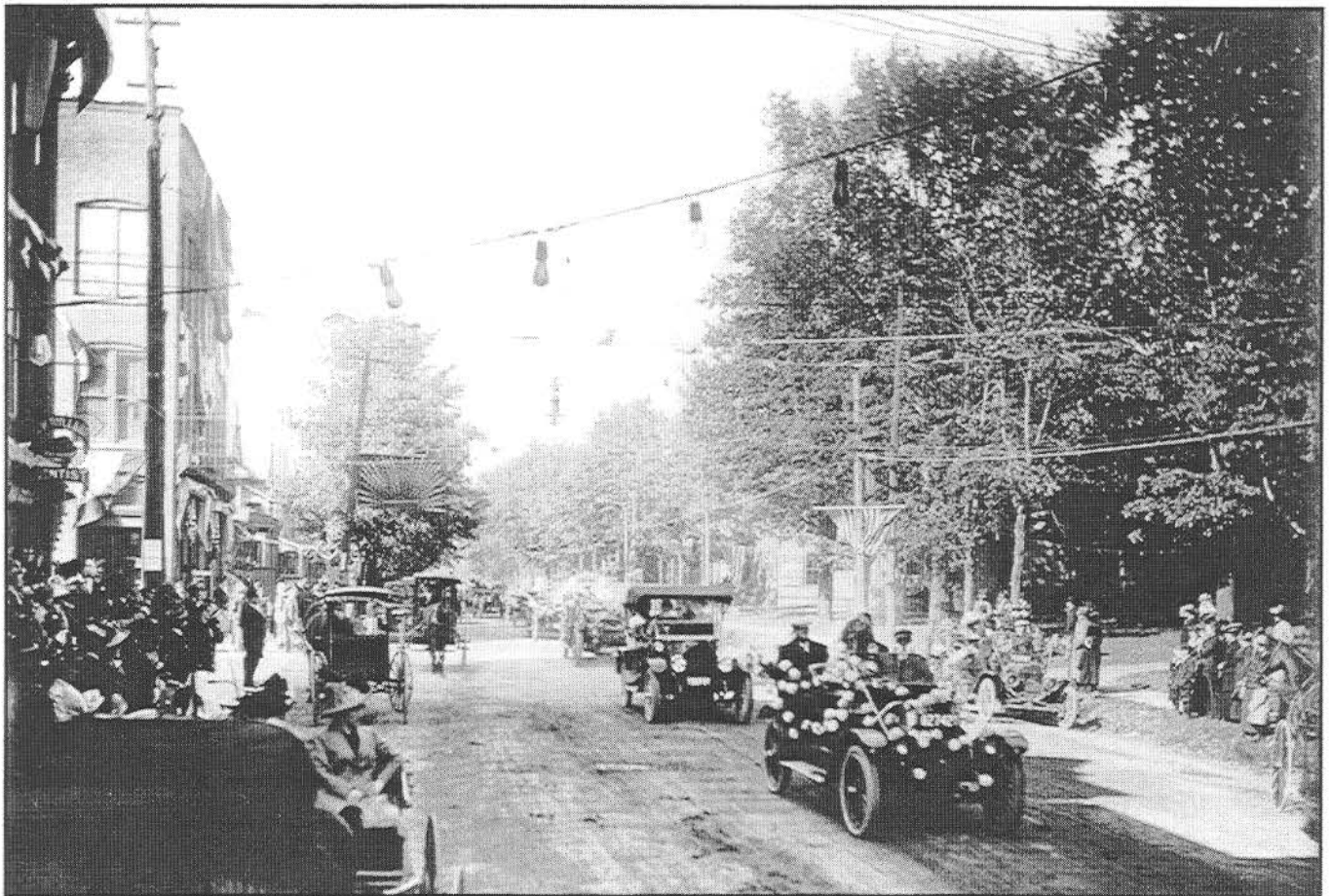
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J.	Cowey	W-North
I.S.	Crain	I-South
J.	Crohe	I-North
J.	Crowner	N-North
J.	Crowner	N-North
P.	Crowner	A-North
S.	Crowner	N-North
T.	Crowner	N-North
T.	Crowner	A-North
W.	Crowner	L-South
W.	Crowner & J. Twining	N-South
M.	Cunningham	N-South
	Cunningham	L-South
R.	Davis	A-South
J.H.	Dawley	L-North
W.H.	Dealey	A-North
	DEPOT	I-South
H.	Ding	A-North
L.	Dodge	I-North
Mrs.	Dodge	I-North
W.	Dolly	N-North
H.	Drake	L-North
A.	Draper	N-North
A.	Draper	N-North
J.	Draper	N-North
C.	Dresser	I-North
E.	Dye	L-North
G.	Edner	A-North
J.S.	Edwards	L-North
P.	Ellis	N-North
A.	Emmerson	N-South
J.	Fanning	N-South
T.	Fargo	N-North
J.	Farley	I-North
	Farley	A-South
J.	Felt	I-North
H.	Ferguson	W-North
C.	Fitzsimmons	I-South
M.	Flood	A-South
J.	Foley	N-South
	for Sale	N-North
Mrs.	Ford	L-North
C.	Frasier	A-North
F.	Freeman	L-North
R.	Freeman	L-North
E.B.	Freman	L-North
J.	Fulton	A-South
S.	Fulton	A-South
G.	Gates	I-South
H.	Gates	A-North
S.	Gibbs	L-North
	Gibbs	N-North
L.	Goodale	I-North
C.	Gould	N-South

J.	Gould	N-South
D.	Graham	N-South
D.	Graham	N-South
W.	Graham	N-South
A.	Grain	N-South
M.	Griffin	I-North
E.	Griswold	N-North
H.	Hall	A-North
J.	Hall	N-North
H.	Hamblin	W-North
T.	Hammond	A-North
T.	Hammond	A-North
T.S.	Hammond	N-North
T.S.	Hammond - For Sale	A-South
P.	Hanson	N-North
E.	Hary	A-South
A.T.	Hasford	I-South
A.T.	Hasford	L-South
C.B.	Hasford	I-South
J.	Hastings	N-North
E.	Hatch	N-North
W.	Hatch	A-North
C.	Heaf	A-North
T.	Heaton	L-North
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C.	Hendrickson	N-North
S.C.	Hendrickson	N-North
	Hermittage	W-South
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P.	Hickey	A-South
H.	Hill	A-North
L.	Hitt	I-South
S.	Hopkins	I-South
A.	Horr	L-South
D.	House	L-North
E.	Hubbard	I-North
S.	Hubbard	I-North
W.	Hunt	A-South
S.	Ingalls	I-North
B.	Jayne	L-South
A.H.	Johnson	L-South
L.	Johnson	W-South
J.	Kelly	L-North
P.	Keyes	A-South
P.	Keyes	A-South
S.	Keyes	A-South
	Kimball	I-South
S.	King	L-North
Mrs.	Kinney	N-South
W.	Lamb	N-North
J.	Lamphear	L-South
J.	Lamphere	I-South
J.	Lane	L-South
N.	Langsteaff	L-North
Mrs.	Lantz	I-South
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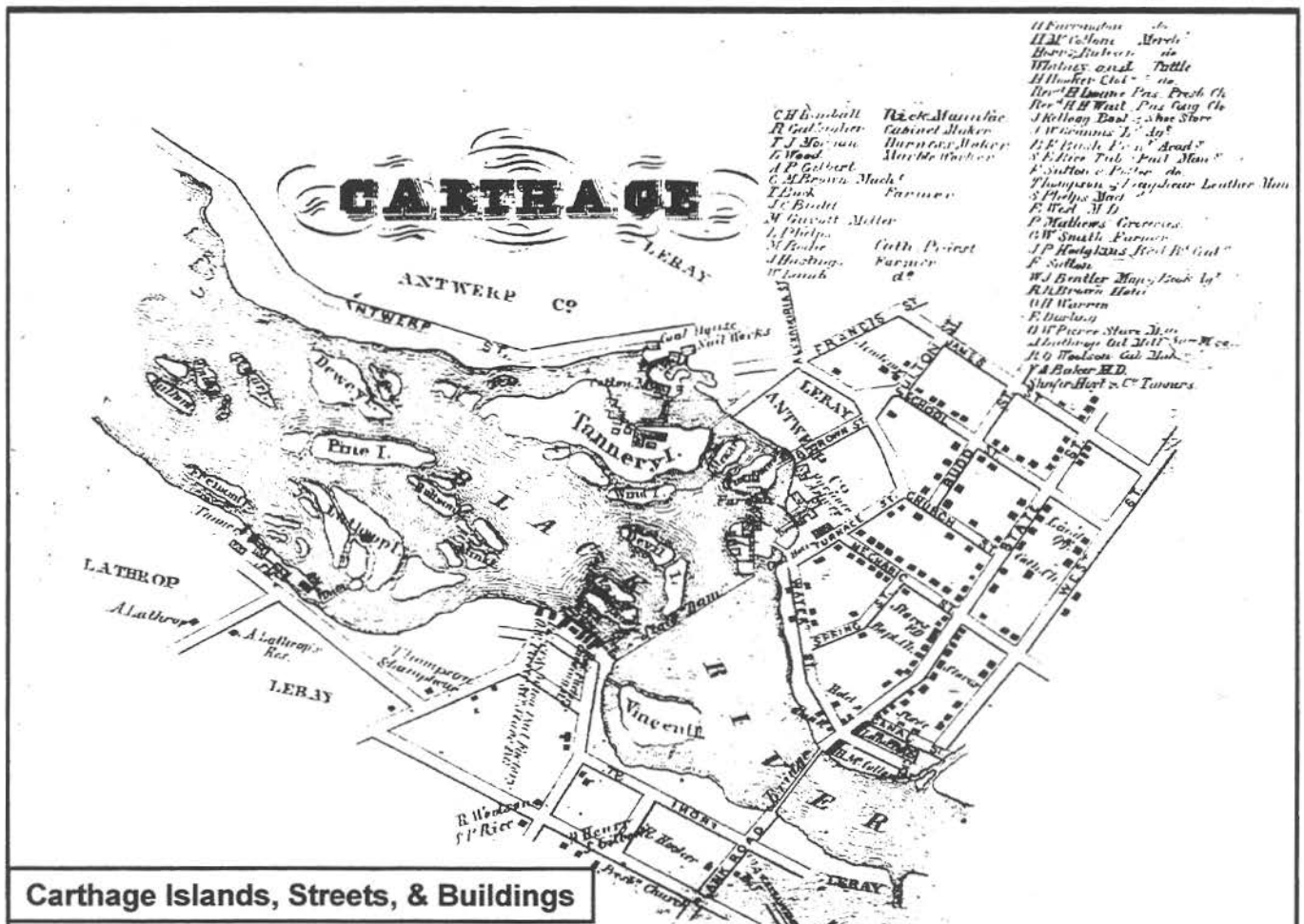
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T & J	Main	L-North	H.	Pierce	N-South
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Mrs.	McCanna	N-South	G.	Place	N-North
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J.	Merriam	W-South	J.	Randall	N-North
Meth.Ch.	Methodist Church	L-North	E.	Rawson	W-South
	Methodist Episcopal Church	N-North	J.	Rawson	W-South
E.	Minard	I-North	P.	Reily	N-South
J.	Moran	L-South	J.	Renna	I-South
Mrs.	Morey	N-South	R.	Ressegue	A-North
L.D.	Morn	I-North	J.S.	Rice	I-South
P.	Mosher	I-North	W.	Riley	N-South
T.	Mosher	I-North		Rising	I-South
A.	Mould	I-South	J.	Roberts	L-North
	Mous/Hous ?	A-North	P.	Robertson	I-South
	Mous/Hous ?	A-North	P.	Robertson	L-South
B.	MsQuillin	L-South	O.	Ross	W-North
W.	Mues	W-North	G.	Salisbury	W-North
T.	Mullady	A-South	M.	Samson	A-North
H.	Mullen	A-South	A.	Sanders	A-North
P.	Mullen	A-South	E.	Sanders	A-North
S.	Natting	A-North	P.	Sanders	A-North
	NATURAL BRIDGE Village	A-North	W.	Sanders	A-North
J.E.	Newton	N-North	C.	Samay	N-South
W.	Neye	L-South	W.	Sarvey	A-South
P.R.	Nichols	A-South	L.	Scott	I-North
J.	Nobles	N-South	E.	Seylex ?	W-North
C.E.	Northrup	L-North	A.	Shaduck	A-North
E.	Northrup	L-North	M.	Shafrey	A-South
A.	Nye	N-South	P.	Shafrey	A-South
D.	Nye	N-South	W & J.	Sharon	L-North
J.	Olds	L-North	J.	Shattick	A-North
A.	Ormston	N-South	E.	Shaw	A-South
J.	Osborne	L-North	P.	Shaw	N-South
S.	Osbourne	L-South	A.	Sherman	N-North
D.	Osgood	L-North	B.	Shultz	N-North
C.	Owen	N-South	C.	Simpson	A-North
G.W.	Owen	I-North	J.	Simser	A-North
J.	Owen	N-North		Simser	A-North
J.	Owen	N-North		Simson	N-South
M.	Owen	N-South	S.G.	Slater	L-North
S.	Owen	I-North	W.	Sloper	A-North
W.	Owen	I-North	B.	Smith	N-North
	Parsno	A-North	G.W.	Smith	I-North
	Parsonage	L-North	J.	Smith	A-North
	Parsonage	L-North	J.	Smith	A-South
S.	Patterson	W-South	T.J.	Smith Jun.	A-South
G.	Penniman	L-South	J.	Snow	L-South

J.	Spaulding	N-North
G.	Stannard	L-South
J.	Stevens	N-North
J.	Stevenson	L-North
E.	Sweet	I-North
S.	Symonds	N-North
	TANNERY	L-South
S.	Taylor	W-North
B.	Thaer	N-North
	Thomas	I-North
W.	Thompson	L-North
	Thompson	L-North
	TOLL GATE	I-South
B.	Tooley	N-North
H.	Tooley	N-North
A.	Townsend	I-North
A.	Townsend	I-North
E.D.	Townsend	A-North
G.	Townsend	A-South
W.	Townsend	I-North
P.	VanAnthrop	A-North
	Vroman	N-North
P.	Vrooman	L-South
A.	Wager	A-North

A.	Wait	L-South
J.	Waldo ?	A-South
J.	Walling	I-North
M.K.	Ward's Tavern	W-North
	Wamer	N-North
L.	Warren	N-North
C.	Weatherhead	A-North
J.	Weaver	A-North
Mrs.	Weaver	A-North
R.	Weaver	A-North
T.	Weaver	L-South
P.	Welch	L-South
P.	Welch	A-South
Dr. E.	West	I-South
E.	Williams	L-North
H.	Williamson	N-North
J.	Williamson	N-North
J.	Wood	N-North
J.A.	Wood	L-North
L./E.?	Wood	N-North
	WOODS SETTLEMENT	N-North
G.	Wyeth	L-North
M.	Young	A-North



1912 Automobile Parade in Carthage



Carthage Islands, Streets, & Buildings

Antwerp Island	Carthage	Alexandria Street	Carthage
Harrison Island	Carthage	Francis Street	Carthage
Smith Island	Carthage	Fulton Street	Carthage
Button Island	Carthage	Brown Street	Carthage
Cedar Island	Carthage	Furnace Street	Carthage
Fremont Island	Carthage	Budd Street	Carthage
Dewey Island	Carthage	Spring Street	Carthage
Saford Island	Carthage	State Street	Carthage
Pine Island	Carthage	West Street	Carthage
Lathrop Island	Carthage	James Street	Carthage
Rulison Island	Carthage	School Street	Carthage
Mink Island	Carthage	Church Street	Carthage
Rock Island	Carthage	Mechanic Street	Carthage
Tannery Island	Carthage	Canal Street	Carthage
Wind Island	Carthage	Academy	Carthage
Stewart Island	Carthage	LERAY	Carthage
Devil Island	Carthage	Land Office	Carthage
Champion Island	Carthage	Cath.Ch. (Catholic Church)	Carthage
STATE DAM	Carthage	Stores	Carthage
Vincent Island	Carthage	P.O. = (Post Office)	Carthage
Cotton Mill ?	Carthage	Bapt.Ch. (Baptist Church)	Carthage
Forge	Carthage	Stores	Carthage
Coal Works	Carthage	Hotel	Carthage
Dam	Carthage	Store	Carthage
Furnace Ashery	Carthage	Land Office	Carthage
Coal House	Carthage	Bank	Carthage
Bridge	Carthage	DOCKS	Carthage
Antwerp Street	Carthage	H.M. Cotton/Colton ?	Carthage

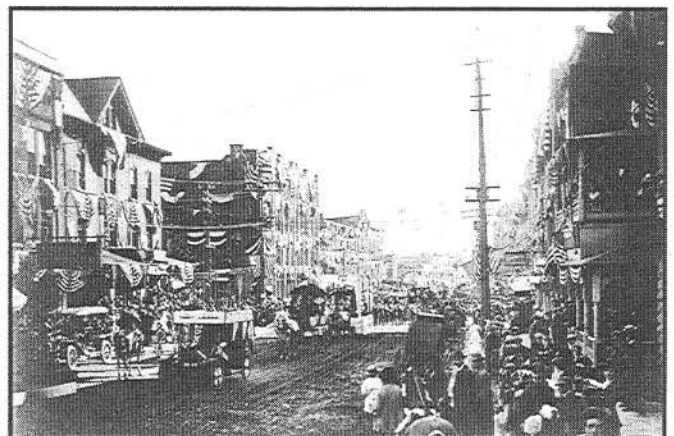
JCNYGS Member Don Dillenbeck has also included the Village of Carthage streets on page 12 and this list of Carthage Subscribers as well as a listing from West Carthage that appears on the page 12 map.

	CARTHAGE SUBSCRIBERS	Carthage
C.H.	Kimball - Brick Manufacturer	Carthage
R.	Gallagher - Cabinet Maker	Carthage
T.J.	Morgan - Harness Maker	Carthage
L.	Wood -Marble Worker	Carthage
A.P.	Gilbert	Carthage
C.M.	Brown - Machinist	Carthage
T.J.	Buck - Farmer	Carthage
J.C.	Budd	Carthage
M.	Guyott - Miller	Carthage
L.	Philips	Carthage
M.	Roche - Catholic Priest	Carthage
J.	Hastings - Farmer	Carthage
W.	Lamb - Farmer	Carthage
H.	Farrington	Carthage
H.M.	Caltone ? - Merchant	Carthage
Harry	Rulison - Merchant	Carthage
	Whitney & Tuttle	Carthage
H.	Hooker - Clothes ?	Carthage
Rev. H.	Doane - Pastor Presbyterian Ch.	Carthage
Rev. H.H.	Wait - Pastor Congregational Ch.	Carthage
J.	Kellogg - Boot & Shoe Store	Carthage
J.W.	Grannis - Land Agent	Carthage
B.F.	Bush - Principle Academy	Carthage
S.E.	Rice - Tub & Pail Manufacturer	Carthage
F.	Sutton & Potter - Tub & Pail Mfg.	Carthage
	Thompson & Lanphear - Leather Mfg.	Carthage
S.	Phelps - Machinist	Carthage
E.	West - M.D.	Carthage
P.	Mathews - Groceries	Carthage
G.W.	Smith - Farmer	Carthage
J.P.	Hodgkins - Rail Road Agent	Carthage
F.	Sutton	Carthage
W.J.	Bentley - Map & Book Agent	Carthage
R.R.	Brown - Hotel	Carthage
O.H.	Warren	Carthage
E.	Darling	Carthage
O.W.	Pierce - Stave Manufacturer	Carthage
A.	Lathrop - Oil Mill, Saw Mfg.	Carthage
R.O.	Woolson - Cabinet Maker	Carthage
Y.A./A. ?	Baker - M.D.	Carthage
	Shafer Hoyt & Co. - Tanners	Carthage

A.	Lathrop	W.Carthage
A.	Lethrop's Residence	W.Carthage
	Thompson	W.Carthage
S.	Lamphear	W.Carthage
R.	Woodson	W.Carthage
S.P.	Rice	W.Carthage
H.	Henry	W.Carthage
S.	Gilbert	W.Carthage
	Presbyterian Church	W.Carthage
R.	Hooker	W.Carthage
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	W.Carthage
	Pail Factory	W.Carthage
	Carding Mill	W.Carthage
	Fulton Pail Factory	W.Carthage
O.W.	Pierce & Co. Stave Factory	W.Carthage
	Front Street	W.Carthage
	Plank Road	W.Carthage



1912 Northern New York Firemen's Parade in Carthage



Another Industrial Parade Picture In Carthage 1912

Hough, Franklin B.

History of Jefferson County

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Wilna

This town was erected from Le Ray and Leyden, April 2d, 1813, by an act which altered the line of the two counties, and annexed a part of Lewis to Jefferson. The first town meeting was directed to be held at the house of Thomas Brayton, Jr., and the poor moneys of the three towns were to be equitably divided by the last tax list. For many years the town meetings have been held at the Checkered House, four miles from Carthage Village. The first town officers elected were: Thomas Brayton, supervisor; Elihu Stewart, clerk; John B. Bassout, Caleb Fulton, and Enoch Griffon, assessors; Robert C. Hastings, collector; Henry Lewis and Alfred Freeman, overseers of the poor; Henry Lewis, Freedom Gates, and Thomas Brayton, commissioners of highways.

Supervisors.—1814-15, Thomas Brayton; 1816, Alfred Freeman; 1817, Francis Lloyd, T. Brayton to fill vacancy; 1818-19, Nathan Brown; 1820-2, Thomas Brayton; 1823-7, Eli West; 1828-9, Thomas Baker; 1830-2, Eli West; 1833, Walter Nimocks; 1834, William Bones; 1835-6, Walter Nimocks; 1837, William Bones; 1838, Oliver Child; 1839, Walter Nimocks; 1840-1, Eli West; 1842, Jonathan Wood; 1843, Walter Nimocks; 1844, Milton H. Carter; 1845, Charles Strong; 1846, Hiram McCollom; 1847-9, Simeon Fulton; 1850-1, William Christian; 1852-3, Hiram Hooker.

In 1815-6-7-9-20-3, a wolf bounty of \$5. In 1827-8, of \$10, with \$5 for wolf whelps. In 1831, the path masters were allowed to lay out three days' labor in destroying noxious weeds. In 1846 strong resolutions were passed in favor of the Black River Canal.

Settlement was commenced in this town in 1798, by Henry Boutin who had purchased 1000 acres of Rodolph Tillier, agent of the French Company, on the east side of the river, at the village of Carthage, and made considerable clearing, with a company of men in this year and the next. Jean Baptiste Bossout [Generally known as Battise. He was a native of Troyes, in France; came to America with Steuben, and died in Champion, July 26th, 1847, aged 93.] from the High Falls, settled at about the same time; and after the abandonment of the clearing, remained the sole inhabitant several years, keeping a ferry and inn for travelers. This ferry he kept up till a bridge was built.

Patrick Somerville Stewart

(from a manuscript by Helen Brownell Walker)

One of the most important figures in the handling of the vast northern New York empire of James D. LeRay de Chaumont and his son Vincent LeRay de Chaumont was Patrick Somerville Stewart. Possessed of

sagacity, sound judgment and trustworthiness he gained the complete confidence of the LeRays. For half a century he was intimately associated with them and for the last 30 years of that time he was attorney and agent with full control, and power to contract, lease or sell anything up to a thousand acres. From the time of the opening of the land office in 1835, he resided in this West Street



home. Vincent LeRay had built it for him on LeRay property at the School Street corner, because at that time there was no suitable house in Carthage for the attorney's family to live. He had married while living in LeRaysville, a native of Brest, France, and was the father of eight children. Mr. Stewart was village president in 1850 and in 1858 was supervisor for the Town of Wilna. He was a Whig in politics until the Republican party was formed, and in religious faith was a sturdy Methodist. The big house standing on high ground faced the Black River Canal to the south and escaped the big fire of 1884. It's outer walls are bricked underneath the clapboards. The original ten large rooms, ten feet high on the first floor contain several fire places, some of which have fine old mantels. The nicely molded interior casings with corner blocks are hand-crafter. All doors, including the front door with tis huge iron box-lock and massive key, are eight-paneled. In the broad hallway is a graceful staircase with tapered drumstick spindles of black walnut. All through the Stewart occupancy Vincent LeRay held title to this house according to county records. Though still living in France on July 4, 1873, desiring to convey the house with other properties in this area to his second wife Cornelia Baroness de Gerdy, he deeded it to Mary Frances Stewart of Carthage, who immediately conveyed it the same day to the Baroness. Lawrence J. Goodale, son-in-law of Mr. Stewart, had succeeded the latter as LeRay's north country attorney and so acted in this transaction, as he did on Jan. 1, 1882 when Cornelia de Gerdy LeRay de Chaumont sold the house to Mrs. Martha Rice of Carthage. Through the years, it has had several different owners until at this time, 1982, it is owned and occupied by Miss Chris Bears, who continues to keep it in excellent condition.

Patrick Somerville Stewart and his wife are buried in the old State Street Cemetery, now Monument Park, Carthage.

COMPUTER CORNER

Northern NY Library Network: www.NNYLN.org
 The following description is mainly from one of Pat James's online publications, the Oswego County Bulletin. We may have covered this site in a previous column, but it has so much information we thought a second mention would do no harm.

This network of eight northern counties, including Jefferson, provides support and services to the researcher in the form of three major indexes: Repository, Subject and Location. These are accessible by clicking the Publications link on the Home Page. At that page, next, click on Archival Directory.

The Repository Index provides the public access to a listing of libraries with document collections. Some libraries (museums, Town historian collections, etc.) have substantial holdings (such as college libraries) whereas others are small town facilities. The total number of libraries in all eight counties is approximately 305.

The Subject Index is divided into 8 pages and covers such subjects as cemetery records, church records, early settlers, genealogical files, newspapers, school records, scrapbooks, vital statistics, and much more. For instance, if you wanted to know more about which libraries had genealogical files, you click on that link and a list of such facilities would appear.

The Location Index contains a brief description of each library, etc. and what it has to offer. A link to this is also provided by the Jefferson County GenWebSite at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/library.htm>



Home of James Outterson

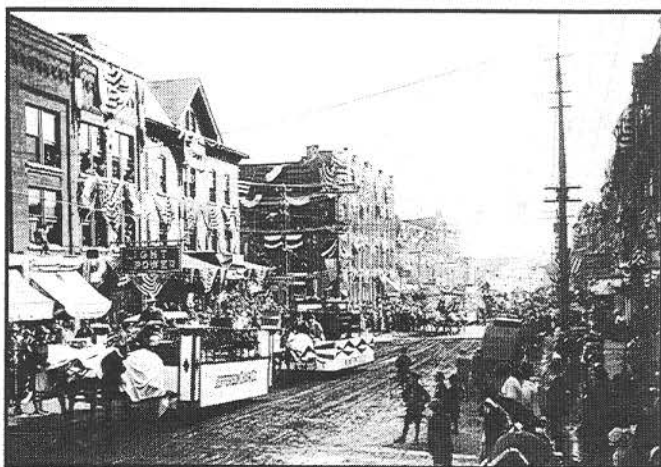
On the corner of State and North James Streets, Carthage. It was purchased by the Knights of Columbus, then was demolished to build the U.S. Post Office.

On the Web: <http://rootsweb.com/~nyjeffer/jeffsoc.htm>

The Outterson family purchased a grand and elegant home on State Street in Carthage in 1900. The home was very large and beautifully appointed with some of the finest furniture. The house was complete with a carriage house and servant quarters. These quarters served as the residence for employees of the house. The grounds were always well maintained and kept attractive by the hired caretaker. Many social functions were held in this beautiful home.



Strickland Building 1912—Corner of State & South Mechanic Streets



1912 Industrial Parade in Carthage

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BLACK RIVER PASSENGER BOATS ONCE ONLY MEANS OF TRAVEL

Old-time Residents of Carthage Recall Rivalry Between River Captains for Trade-Excursion Boats Had Many Races to Secure Patronage-Paper Mills Now Dot River Shores Replacing Landing Wharfs.

Carthage, Oct. 24—People of Carthage living near the Black River on the banks of which the village is located, seldom realize the effect of this stream on the village. Dotted as it now is by the paper mills that have become possible through the water power created, the river was at one time the sole means of travel for the earlier settlers.

There are a few of the older people of the village who recall days before the first railroad, the Utica and Black River line, built in 1872, when all produce coming into Carthage or being sent out went by way of the river to the mouth of the Black River Canal and thence to New York. In those days tugs drew lines of canal barges from the wharves at the village filled with farm produce, tanned hides or lumber to be sold in the city markets. In return boat loads of finished products came in. Families bought salt and sugar by the barrel, clothes, hardware and all means of goods that came through the warehouses at the side of the river.

First travelers came to Long Falls, the former home of Carthage, by boat and established a settlement which grew to be the present village. Through the length of the water way came people to build up a settlement. The first steamboat navigated on the river was the *Cornelia*, built in 1832 by Paul Boynton. Several trips were made during the summer of 1832 and 33, but during the next year it was at the wharf all season due to the low water. In the high water of the spring of 1835, it was carried over the falls and wrecked on the rocks below.

The ill-fated venture caused work to stop and it was not until 1858 that George Sweet, Nicholas Wagoner, and Christopher Rhiner incorporated and put into active service the Carthage, Lowville and New York line. The incorporators maintained six boats. As their office and storehouse, a large building on the river near the corner of West and Canal streets was erected.

The first year boats were towed up the river 44 miles to Lyons Falls by the steamer, *L.R. Lyon*. This craft, surmounted with a huge bronze lion, was of the Mississippi type, flat and unwieldy and in no way suited to the currents of the Black River. She burned in 1878, causing the death of the engineer, George Roberts.

In 1860 Captain Sweet put in operation the *Gallagher*,

better suited to the river. Until 1873 the ship ran successfully. At that time ice disabled her. When the railroad came to Lyons Falls it met competition in Capt. Sweet's new craft, the *F. G. Connell*, running between Carthage and Lyons Falls, taking passengers and freight. The *John L. Norton* followed in 1868, the year before the *Connell* was destroyed by fire.

1870 saw the last important river shipping. The railroad coming shortly after that date took almost all of the river trade which had already lessened due to smaller private ships.

Tug boats along the river were many. The Van Ambers' boat was popular for carrying lumber. This little ship with its two 50 horse-power engines and 100 horse-power boiler did a great deal of trade. Another boat maintained by Capt. Sweet was the *Nellie*, a small craft named after his daughter.

Popular along the river were excursion trips on the steamboats. Every holiday was completed by a ride up the river and the crafts did as much business as a modern aviator at a county fair. An interesting tale concerning one of these trips is told by an old resident of Carthage.

On the Fourth of July of 1861, two boats, one the *L.R. Lyon* and the second a smaller ship, were competing in the holiday trade. Shortly above the village, a point now passed by the state road, a smooth rock shelf juts into the river. A small channel at the side allowed boats to pass, but due to its narrowness, only a single craft dared go through at a time.

During the morning of the Fourth, the two excursion boats were racing up the river, the *Lyon* attempting to pass the smaller. As the large ship came abreast of the other, a twist of the rudder sent the little craft into the *Lyon* driving it on to the sand shore. Business was brisk and all trade went to the small boat for the rest of the morning while the *Lyon* was getting off the sand.

Interest in the excursion continued in the afternoon, both boats carrying many passengers. In the middle of the afternoon they were running neck and neck, both trying to lead when they reached the rock shelf in the river bed. The *Lyon*, on the inside, took the channel, but the little craft kept straight ahead and passed over the rocks without scraping the keel. The high water of the summer prevented a terrible wreck. Crowds on the shore, attracted by the race, cheered the little boat as it came safely to shore after the close shave.

Today railroads have made the river trade a thing of the past. But still the stream lives to give water power to mills and factories below. Its value to the village is greater today, although it has passed into history as a mode of travel.

FOLLOWER OF Von STEUBEN RAN FAMOUS OLD FERRY AT CARTHAGE

(From an early undated newspaper)

Was Only Settler on What Now is Enterprising Village and Operated Inn Near Crossing—Abundance of Power Responsible for Steady Growth of Twin Villages Carthage

On the Banks of the Black River, the villages of Carthage and West Carthage, the sister corporations, are located. Both of them are with their own municipal buildings, lovely homes and industries, but both are interdependent upon each other.

The history of these villages is the same, both of them having originated from the same settlements in the early period. Only in comparatively recent times have the two villages been considered as separate units. In both villages there are beautiful homes, manufacturing plants and village buildings. The iron bridge 500 feet long spans the Black River and unites the two.

Carthage was first settled by those who came up the Black River by boat from High Falls to Long Falls as Carthage was called in the earlier days. The name was well adapted for the river falls 55 feet in distance of about a mile. Settlement was begun about 1798. Henry Boutin purchased from Rudolph Tillier, agent of the French Company, at about that time 1,000 acres of land on the east side of the river. After his death James LeRay was named administrator on July 17, 1815 and the title passed to Vincent LeRay at auction.

Ran Old Ferry

Chief among the earlier settlers was Jean Baptist Bas-sout. A native of France, he came with Baron Von Steuben to America and after Boutin's death was the only settler on the land. For years he kept an inn and ran a ferry across the river. He was the father of six children, one born in the town. The ferry was continued until the first bridge was put in in 1812-13. Bas-sout died in Champion July 26, 1847 at the age of 93. When the post office was established here in 1835 the name of Carthage was given. Formerly post riders carried the mail. When Vincent LeRay established a land office here, it made the new village a center and a certain prestige was won.

The village of Carthage was incorporated May 26, 1841 and the first village trustees were Virgil Brooks, president; Suel Gilbert, Eben Hodgkins, Amos Choate and Walter Nimocks.

The 50 islands that dot the Black River in its course were important in its early development. The one named Cuyot's Island is particularly important as it was the industrial center of infant Carthage. The superior power there made it ideal for a factory location and almost every type of work has been carried on there at some time during the village history.

Blast Furnace in 1819

The nail factory was established in 1828 and a forge that burned in the same year. The greatest impetus was the blast furnace set up in 1819 by LeRay. This later passed into the hands of Budd and Bones.

Tannery Island also is important to industrial life as it was here where the tannery was first established in 1830 by Walter Nimocks and Allen Peck. In 1854 it passed to Major Dickerman. The flood of 1861 did \$50,000 damage and since that time the plant decreased. It burned 30 years ago and was never rebuilt. The important industry now is in paper. Several mills have been set up here and in West Carthage making various paper products. There also is the Braman Manufacturing company and Ryther and Pringle.

Carthage has had its hardships and disasters as well as the good and prosperous years. It has many beautiful buildings and homes for the 5,000 inhabitants and looks toward the future with confidence for where power is ample manufacturing is sure to come.

Success Story

Hi folks,

I just want to share a success story related to immigration records for Jefferson County, as I got different results in one of my searches depending on where I asked....

My grt-grt-grt-grandfather, Michael J. Diepolder, immigrated from Germany to LaFargeville with his parents in 1859. I wrote a couple of years ago to the Flower Memorial Library asking if they had any immigration records on file for him. They indicated that they had no record in the immigration index for him. Then again in March I was at the Jefferson County Clerk's office in Watertown looking up land records, when I walked by a huge (couple of feet in diameter) rolodex, which turned out to be an index of naturalization records for Jefferson County residents on file.

I found Michael Diepolder in the index, and using the info on the card the Archivist on duty was able to pull out two original documents from 1870 from the vault, which turned out to be his Declaration of Intention. Here is a link to the documents, which I assume are probably representative of what can be found for other folks during that period: <http://rockislandlighthouse.org/DIEPOLDER-Michael-intention-1876.gif> and <http://rockislandlighthouse.org/DIEPOLDER-Michael-naturalization-1876.gif>

If you are looking for immigration-related documentation and have had no success with the Library, I would suggest that you try the Clerk's office in Watertown.

Good luck!

Mark Wentling

Grandpa's Story

by Bonnie Morley

The Beginning

This story began in November, 2002, when my son, Scott, told me that Quarriers had scheduled a reunion of the descendants of the British Home Children, and this reunion would be held in Kingston, and that I should try to attend. I had never heard of Quarriers, or the term British Home Children, but my family had known that my grandfather, Garnet Seymour Moore, had been orphaned, and sent to Canada as a young boy. Maybe Grandpa Moore was one of these children. In my box of old family photos I found three documents - a birth certificate showing that Garnet was born on the Isle of Man in 1882, in Ivy Cottage, Village of Kirk Michael, his mother's maiden name, and his father's name; second document - a photo post card of an ivy covered cottage with a note to "My dear Garnet", signed by "Fannie"; and the third document was Garnet's obituary from 1963. Wonderful memories of a loving, gentle Grandfather, a few photographs, a letter he wrote to me when I was seven, my nickname, "Bonny Boy", these were my inheritance from him.

The Search

My son searched the Quarrier's website and found Garnet's name, the date he sailed, 1893, and another name, Alfred Arthur Moore, a name vaguely familiar, as I had been told many years ago, Garnet had a brother. Armed with information on the birth certificate, I began searching the Isle of Man website, through the Mormon website, familysearch.org. I spent days and nights looking through the 1881 census names for Arthur Moore, his father, and Mary Ann Shimmin (Moore), his mother. One night I found them - Arthur, Mary Ann, along with 3 children - Cecilia (4), Ethelreda (2), and Alfred Arthur (4 mos.). This was Garnet's family right there on my computer screen. I stared at the names in amazement, wondering how I could have loved my grandfather so dearly, and had known so little about his family. I searched further, determined to find the reason why these two boys were orphaned, and what became of his two sisters. In my subsequent searches I found Grandpa's grandparents, great grandparents and his genealogy all the way back to 1630, all on the Isle of Man.

My son had also been tracing our genealogy through my Grandmother, Eva Leona Kilgannon Moore. Two years ago he had left his email address in a family folder at the Napanee Historical Society. This July, he got a message from a distant cousin who had found his name and had done extensive research on her Kilgannon family tree. Through Grandma Moore, we were descendants of 4 United Empire Loyalists who had settled in Canada after the Revolutionary War. I

never heard of a United Empire Loyalist, but in my quest for more information, many very helpful folks sent me information I needed to verify this descendency. In our email correspondence I mentioned that I was going to attend a Quarrier's reunion on November 1st. with hopes of finding something about the family of my Grandfather, Eva Kilgannon's husband, and possibly something about an older brother, named Alfred. Many questions surfaced. No trace of Cecilia or Ethelreda or Mary Ann appeared in the subsequent Isle of Man census.

There was, however, an Arthur Moore listed at the same age as Garnet's father, but he was working as a Church groundskeeper, not a lead miner as stated in the 1881 census. Was this the end of the trail?

The Family Found

Once again I went to my old box of photos and reread Grandfather's obituary. It listed among his survivors, a brother, Alfred Arthur Moore, Hartland, New Brunswick. I emailed the information to a researcher, and he promptly emailed an obituary he had found, dated 2001, of a Winnifred (Moore) Adair, daughter of Alfred A. Moore and E. Rachel (Bilbow) Moore. It listed a surviving brother and sister with addresses. I found Winnifred's brother, Alfred's only son, Douglas A. Moore, living in Brampton, Ontario, and I called him.

The Three Orphaned Moore Brothers

Douglas related the story of Alfred, Garnet, and a third brother, Walter Wilford Moore, and how and why they were all three shipped to Canada in 1893. In 1886 their mother, Mary Ann, had died from pneumonia. She was just 35 years old! Their father could not find any work as there was a severe depression on the Isle of Man at the time, and many people were dying of starvation. Arthur Moore's only hope to save his sons from starvation, as he told them, was to place them in the "Home Boys" program, and send them to Canada: Alfred was 13, Garnet, 11, and Walter, 10.

Douglas described Alfred's account of the nightmarish voyage aboard a freighter which had offloaded cattle, the filth and stench they endured, no blankets, no cots, an unforgiving storm at sea, and their arrival in Quebec. The three brothers were taken together to live with the Snider family in Ernestown. They lived with the Sniders for three years, were well treated, and were sent to school. Alfred told Douglas that although the three boys were treated like family, Alfred had become a fatherlike figure to Garnet and Walter. Alfred saved his hard earned money, and at sixteen, rented a house which the three brothers moved into. They managed fairly well for the times, worked at many jobs, on area farms, construction, railroad, and even crossed the border to work at a paper mill in Watertown, NY. All three lived for several more years in Ernestown

where Alfred married Eliza Rachel (Lizzy) Bilbow, later moving to Hartland, New Brunswick. Garnet married Grandma (Eva Leona Kilgannon), in Odessa, later moving to Brockville, Ontario, then settling in Watertown, New York in 1909. Walter went west to Great Falls, Montana, during a "harvesting excursion" and later settled there. He married a woman from Minnesota, Victoria Colby. Through the years, the three brothers (and their sister, Frances) visited each other only occasionally, but each lived happy, fulfilling lives, for which we, their children and grandchildren are most thankful. What a different story I would not be here to tell if my great grandfather, Arthur Moore, had not sent his sons to Canada.

The Postcard

Frances, the little sister they left behind, was the author of the mysterious photo post card. The photo was of a Manx Cottage, and on the back it read: "My dear Garnet, I'm sending you these views as I think you will like them. They make nice little pictures, also the memorium card which I think you will want, Love, Fannie". Douglas told me each brother got a similar postcard and memorium card from Fannie when their father died. Douglas' mother told him years later, (as he was not yet born) that when Alfred received the news from Fannie, he sat at the kitchen table with tears rolling down his face. He never quite understood nor forgave his father for sending his sons away, but Fannie kept the family connected. After their father's death, all three brothers saved their money and sent for Fannie to come to Canada. They put her through nursing school in Gananoque. She later moved to West Mount (Montreal), married Jack Matheson, the police sergeant, and years later moved to Miami, Florida.

The Meeting

In 1952, after Alfred had retired, he read a notice in a Toronto newspaper announcing a meeting of the North American Manx Society, scheduled to be held at the Royal Hotel, Toronto. He told his family he was going to attend although it was a very long journey from his home in Hartland. During that first evening, which was an informal "get acquainted" gathering, he stopped to listen to a conversation one man was relating to a small group of interested listeners. The man was saying that he had come to the United States, settled in Salt Lake City, Utah, and had been searching for his three cousins for 60 years. He told the listeners that he had found two cousins, both living in the United States, but had lost all hope of ever finding the third, his best friend, Alfred Moore. At that moment, Alfred tapped him on the shoulder, and said, "You are looking at him." Time stood still for William R. Moore and Alfred Arthur Moore that night! Sixty-one years had passed since the two boys had played together at Barregarrow, Kirk Michael, IOM. In the next four years, before William R. Moore passed away, each visited the other's home and family. On one such visit, William gave Alfred a genealogy of their Moore family which his son, Douglas, had kept among his father's possessions, and of which I now hold a copy. William R. Moore's father, William Moore, and Alfred, Garnet and Walter Moore's father, Arthur Moore, were brothers.

And Finally

I may never know what became of Cecilia or Ethelreda, or if in fact there may have been another older sister. Douglas told me the name Esther sounded familiar, but the many decades had clouded his memory. Whatever I find in my future efforts to locate these Moore descendants, I now have this wonderful family history to pass on to my children, grandchildren, and those living relatives of Eva (Kilgannon) and Garnet Moore. *Bonnie (Moore) Morley, Granddaughter*

History of Wilna by Laura Prievo

(Laura Prievo is Historian for Town of Wilna and Village of Carthage)

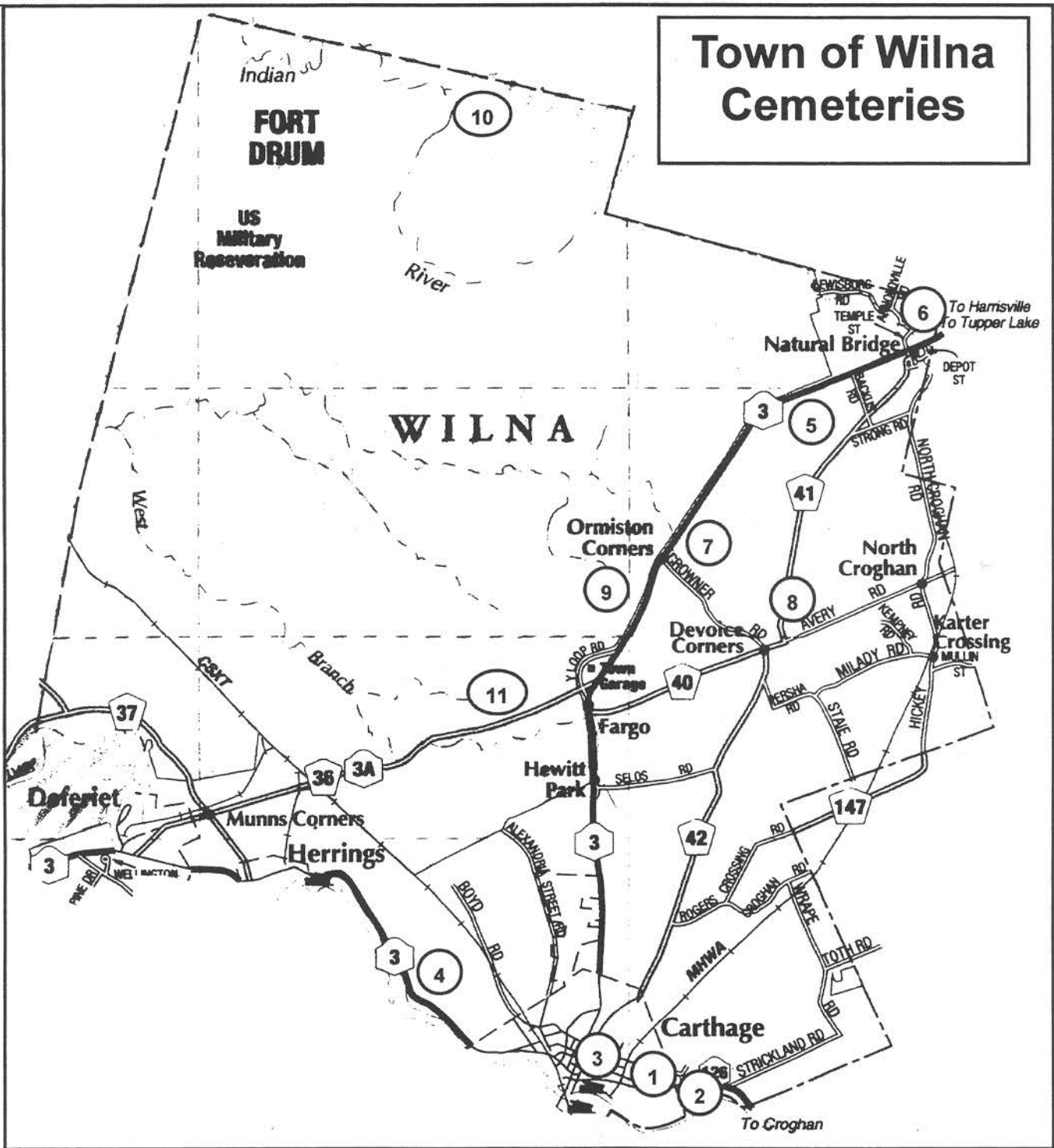
The Town of Wilna was established April 2, 1813, taking land from LeRay in Jefferson County and Leyden in Lewis County, thus altering the boundaries of the two counties. The new town was called Wilna, from Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania. It was in the same year that Napoleon marched his troops into the Lithuanian capital, so we may speculate that the name was chosen to recognize that event.

The Black River separates Wilna from Champion, and it was along this river that early settlement began, with the river offering excellent water power for industries. The Indian River in the northwesterly corner of the town, also provided mill sites.

Wilna has three incorporated villages: Carthage, Deferiet, and Herrings, and one hamlet, Natural Bridge. Prior to the 1941 expansion of Pine Camp, now Fort Drum, there were three other hamlets: Wilna, North Wilna, and Woods Mills (also called Wood Settlement.)

Carthage had its beginnings along the Black River, and first was called Long Falls, a name derived from a feature of the river itself. When the first post office was established, it was given the name of Carthage. In a similar way, Natural Bridge gets its name from a feature of the Indian River. Here the River flows through a subterranean passage under the white limestone, creating a natural bridge.

For many years, Herrings and Deferiet were known as "company towns," the company being the St. Regis Paper Company. William P. Herring built and operated the first mill at Herrings, and for a time the place was called simply "Herring's Mill," later shortened to its present name. When the St. Regis Company built their new paper mill at what is now Deferiet, they also constructed homes for their employees who were mostly Italian and Polish immigrants. They considered naming the new community "Eggleston" after a company official, but the local citizenry insisted that the only appropriate name would be that of Madame Jenika de-Feriet, whose home, "The Hermitage," was the first to be built at that location. Deferiet and Herrings became incorporated villages in March 1921, and properties are now privately owned.



Wilna Cemeteries

An abandoned cemetery is one which no longer accepts burials, and which is under the protection of the town. A destroyed cemetery is one from which all markers have been removed, all records lost, and is known as a general location only. The numbers below refer to the map above. All telephone numbers are in the 315 area code. We have used CR to indicate a

county road number. Starred (*) cemeteries are inactive.

1. **FAIRVIEW**, located between lower South James and South Washington Streets in Carthage, was established in 1869 and accommodated both Catholic and Protestant burials. It is governed by the Fairview Cemetery Association. Michael Liberatos, 493-4983 or 493-2670.
2. **ST. JAMES**, located on outer South James Street (NYS Route 126), also is known as New St. James, to

(Wilna Cemeteries continued)

distinguish it from the older Catholic section of Fairview Cemetery. Administration is by St. James Roman Catholic Church.

*3. **TOWN OF WILNA**, also called the old State Street Cemetery, is located on State Street in Carthage, between North Clinton and North Washington Streets. It was established in 1827 on what then was the St. Lawrence Turnpike. It is now part of Monument Park. Contact the Town of Wilna Highway Department at 493-3330.

*4. **TOWN OF WILNA** (unnamed), on NYS Route 3, just west of the Carthage village limits, is largely forgotten. Its history is obscure. Contact the Town of Wilna Highway Department at 493-3330.

5. **SAND HILL**, on NYS Route 3 near Natural Bridge is listed on some maps as the Natural Bridge Cemetery. Contact Alfrieda Morgan, 493-1418.

6. **HILLSIDE**, on the other side of Natural Bridge, started as a family cemetery and later expanded to lie partly in the Town of Wilna and partly in the Town of Diana in Lewis County. Contact: Helen Ormiston, 493-3265.

*7. **BLACK CREEK** is located off NYS Route 3 between Carthage and Natural Bridge. Contact the Town of Wilna Highway Department at 493-3330.

*8. **FULTON**, a family cemetery, is found at the corner of Avery Road and the Ridge, or Hogsback Road. The cemetery is behind the former Sarvay schoolhouse, with is now a private dwelling. Contact the Town of Wilna Highway Department at 493-3330.

9. **PIERCE**, located on old Route 26 from Carthage to Antwerp, lies just inside the boundaries of the Fort Drum military reservation and is easily accessible just beyond the intersection of Routes 3 and 3A. It is still an active cemetery and is governed by a cemetery association. Contact Cindy Trombley, 644-4708.

*10. **WOODS MILLS** is located near the Indian River in the impact area of Fort Drum.

*11. **LAKE DISTRICT**, sometimes called GATES or GORMLEY, is located off Route 3A near the Fargo corner, and within the boundaries of Fort Drum.

*12. **COOPER** is a small family plot within the Fort Drum boundaries. Location is unknown to the general public.

There may be other cemeteries with the confines of the military reservation. For the safety of the public, the roads are opened only on Memorial Day and Labor Day. For more information or for directions, contact the Fort Drum Public Affairs Office.

Partial listings of burials in the above cemeteries can be found in the Heritage Room at Carthage Free Library. The room is staffed by volunteers and is open from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays and from 2 to 4 p. m. Wednesdays.

ASK AUNTJE JEFF



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Dear Auntje Jeff,

I am trying to find a contact for Hillside cemetery as I would like to visit Isaac, Jennette and Aldbert Tripp's graves. Is there a map or plan of the cemetery that would indicate the location of the graves? If there is a reference on any of the Jefferson history and genealogy website I have missed it.

Mary

Dear Mary,

From page 11 of the January 2003 JCNYS Informer: Hillside is on County Route 47 in the hamlet of Champion. Turn north at the crossroads of County Route 47 and State Route 126. Contact Mrs. Joseph (Helen) Morissette at 34576 NYS Route 12 E, Cape Vincent NY 13518; phone (315) 654-4594. As for a map...good luck. Maps are the exception, not the rule.

Auntje Jeff

Dear Auntje Jeff,

My interest in Champion is in the period 1820 - 1880. Can you recommend any museums or other sites we could visit that would give us a 'feel' for farm life at that time?

Susie

Dear Susie,

For museums: This won't be an exact match, but I strongly recommend the Northern New York Agricultural Museum at Stone Mills, near LaFargeville in northern Jefferson County. See <http://home.usadatanet.net/~agstonemills/> They aim at the complete farm life around the turn of the century, but they certainly have earlier items. Marguerite Rainieri, the director, was brought up on a farm in NYS and is very knowledgeable. She remembers horse drawn equipment in use.

Auntje Jeff

"Sharing what you have is more important than what you have." - Albert M. Wells, Jr.

Queries

Send Queries to: Suzanne L. Howard, POB 24, Chippewa Bay, NY 13623; LemmonMinnie@hotmail.com; Subject: Informer

WICKS/BURNHAM

The key person we are really looking for is Mary **Burnham**. We believe she was born in NY because all the census records say so. We simply haven't been able to find her birth records or parents anywhere in Jefferson County. Perhaps you could help us? Children of Benjamin 2nd were: Benjamin 3rd, William, Philemon, John, Polly, Sarah, Amy, Welthy, Jane, & Renew. Benjamin 2nd & his brothers had moved to western New York near Watertown (Oxbow) about 1800 AD. Of the children of Benjamin 2nd, in which we are directly interested, are Philemon & Renew. Philemon was my father's father & Renew was my mother's mother. So my father & mother were cousins. Philemon **Wicks** was named for Phil **Stacy**, his grandpa. Philemon **Wicks**, born at Oxbow, N.Y. 1-15-1799, was married three times. Last wife, Mary (Jane) **Burnham**, our ancestor & mother of all the kids except Charles who never moved west, lived near Oxbow. Children of our direct family were Henry, John, Philemon, Martin, Elizabeth. The family moved to Princeton, Wisconsin about 1845. Grandfather Philemon died Oct. 11, 1859. Grandmother Mary **Burnham Wicks** was born Dec. 5, 1808 & died of cancer of the breast & I estimate the time as about Sept 15, 1870, Princeton, WI.

Sincerely,

Paul Andrews

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BUGBEE

I am currently researching my ancestors, one of whom is Chauncey **Bugbee**. Records here in Australia show that he came from Jefferson county, NY. He was born around 1818, & was transported to Australia as a political prisoner in 1839 for involvement with the rebellion against British occupation in Canada. He was convicted at Fort Henry, Toronto. My main interest is to establish his ancestry. I hope you may be of some assistance. Yours truly,

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BACON/VALIERE/VALLIER/VALLIERES/COFFEE/COFFEY

My query is of my ancestor, David Gorge **Bacon**, who md Maria Margarette **Valier** & had 15 children. He settled in Cape Vincent, Jefferson County, at the western end of the Thousand Islands, and/or settled on Carlton Island. Would like any records of marriage, births, &

also of David's father, whom we suspect was George David **Bacon**, md Abigail **Coffee/Coffey**. George fathered David & daughter, Betsy with Abigail, but possibly died in the War of 1812. George is our mystery, we cannot get beyond him or his parents & know little of him, can anyone help? Abigail later md John Alam **Perrigo**. David was known is some census to take his stepfather's surname of **Perrigo**. The **Valieres** were from Ontario or Montreal, 3 Rivers area, Canada. Thank you in advance for your kind assistance.

Laura Bacon Partridge

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MULLANLLY/ODELL

My Grandmother was a nurse at St Joachim Hospital, in the 3rd Ward, in the 1900 US census for the City of Watertown, NY. Watertown Public Library & one of their researchers knew nothing about it or that it existed. But on the Census sheet I obtained from the National Archives, the enumerator stated at the top of the page, that this sheet census was taken at that hospital. The nurses lived in a dormitory or similar facility. Many of them were immigrants from Ireland, England, Canada, & Sweden. The majority were born in the US. Unfortunately the physical street address was so badly written that I could not decipher the name, but the first 3 letters look like Ind. My Grandmother, Elizabeth Mary **Mullally (Odell)** lived in Watertown for most of her life until her death in 1961. She immigrated from Carlow, Ireland in 1897, landing in New York City. I have not been able to find my grandmother on a ships list nor could the folks at NARA. I am hoping there are some archives about this hospital that may have some information as to how they recruited the nurses on that long census list. Thank you in advance.

Joan S & Joan Barnes

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YOUNG/AUGSBURY

I am seeking information about my ggg grandmother Hannah **Young**. I believe she was born February 18, 1789 & died June 6, 1856. Her parents may have been John D. **Young** & Peggy. Hannah md David **Augsbury**, 1807. She must have lived in the Pamela, Jefferson County area, for at least at a time, as her daughter Dinah **Augsbury** was born there in 1820. Any information you have about this family & or their ancestors would be greatly appreciated.

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COLE/FOX/HOGUE

I'm looking for Lucy **Cole** from Sackets Harbor. She was said to have been born in 1776, location unknown. She must have md a **Fox** as her daughter was Lucy Jane **Fox** born 1805, New York, probably Jefferson County. I did see an Amasa **Fox** who was one of the early settlers of Sackets Harbor in the 1810 census, seemed to be the right age & had one daughter under the age of 10 listed. Also, Lucy Jane **Fox** was md to a William **Hogue** who d 1829, location unknown. Thank you .

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GRANT/BARRY

I am looking for information regarding my grandmother Louise **Grant Barry**, died Syracuse, NY, March 7, 1932. She md Clifford DeWitt **Grant** in Watertown abt 1910 & he was killed by being gored by a bull May 1915 on dairy farm near Watertown. To the best of my knowledge she left the Watertown area in either 1916 or 1917 & lived in Utica & then in Syracuse. Thank you.

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SPINK/CASTOR

I'm looking for any information on the children of Elijah **Spink**. According to one source, he was born 1768, West Greenwich, Kent, Rhode Island, & died 1812, Sackets Harbor, NY. He might have md Cynthia **Castor**. 1792, Spencertown, NY. I would especially like some evidence that links this Elijah **Spink** to Orsamus **Spink**, b Jefferson County, 1806. Orsamus moved to western Michigan in 1844. Thank you.

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CANELL

I am researching the Ross P **Canell** family for a friend of mine & would like to know what records are available for the Depauville (p. of b.), Evans Mills (p.of d.) area & what library I would contact to request obituaries & other records that may be on microfilm for these areas. Any advice on how to obtain public records, other than ordering court house ones, will certainly be appreciated. Does your organization do research work or have a service (for fee, of course) that would provide someone who will take tombstone pictures, etc.? Thank you in advance for any information you can send me.

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BALDWIN/GRANGER/STARKS/RANDALL

References used: 1850 &1860 Fed Cen Jeff Co, T/o Theresa showing William **George** & in 60 also W **George's** wife, Mary living with Jonas **Baldwin**. Area

map with name inserted. Clinton Co, 1850, 1870 Census of Waupaca, 1890 census of Ashland, WI. Marriage Registration of Wm George **Baldwin** & Mary **Starks** from Waupaca, Death records of Wm **George**. News papers showing birth of my uncle in Ashland & my Dad in Racine. Death record of my Grandfather; Johnson **Baldwin**. Ancestry.com records of Jonas **Baldwin** & Ruth **Granger's** children: Wm, George, Warren & Luther. Information submitted to me from a Wisconsin Researcher.

I am the ggranddaughter of Mary **Starks** & Wm George **Baldwin**. Her parents: Louise **Randall** & Isaac **Starks**. Census & marriage records show Mary b. VT, I have never been able to find where in VT. 1850 she was living in Clinton Co, NY. She md my ggrandfather in Waupaca, WI, 1858. They moved back to Jefferson Co, NY, where Wm **George** was from, around 1860. There they had children: Frank, Nellie, Fred & Samantha. In 1870 they are in the Waupaca census. They had Charles, d. age 2 & my grandfather, Johnson, b.1874. Mary d. 2 wks after my grandfather was born. In 1878, my ggrandfather died. My grandfather was sent to live with his Aunt Cornelia **Starks Tarr** & husband, Johnson **Tarr**. I don't know where the other children were raised. I do know Frank was living in Ashland WI in the 1890 census, a boarder, not md. I was told Mattie md Frank **Kaiser**. I don't have any more information on them. Fred drowned age 10. I think my ggrandfather had a very sad life losing his wife and two of his children. I would almost bet that he died of a broken heart. I don't know who his father was, maybe b England, all census & md record say NY. He lived with Mary at Jonas **Baldwin's** residence in Theresa, Jefferson County NY. I know that Jonas was most likely not his father as two of his sons were named William & George & they were born a lot earlier than my ggrandfather. Am trying to find out if family story is correct & Wm **George** came from England or really was b NY. I would like to find his parents & what his connection was with Jonas **Baldwin**. Jonas b 1798, NH md Ruth **Granger**. Children: Wm -1814, George-1816, Luther- 1832 & Warren- 1827. My William **George** was b 1831, children b Theresa, NY. Wm's listed as NY but not where.

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HAYDEN

I'm looking for information on "The **Hayden** Family", specifically Samuel **Hayden**, b abt 1808. Could you please assist me?

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HALL/PAUL

I am interested in obtaining information regarding the family of Roland **Hall**, b. abt 1757, s/o Peletiah **Hall** & 1st wife Sarah **Paul**, both of Dorchester, Mass. He md Elizabeth **Willard** in Walpole, NH in 1778. They relocated to Cooperstown, NY. Children: 1. Roland, b

1783, md Lydia **Harris**; 2. Peletiah b 1787, md Abula **Crook**; 3. Samuel, b 1799, md Nancy B; 4. Willard, b 1794, md Mary **Todd**; 5. Sylvanus, b 1789, md Eliza **Matthews**. A source indicates there were 3 or 4 daughters also, but no names mentioned; does anyone have them? Roland & Peletiah relocated to Champion, NY & were War of 1812 veterans. Samuel, Willard & Sylvanus relocated to t/o Antwerp, Jefferson Co. The families of Roland & Peletiah are well detailed, both bur. Champion Cemetery. Samuel is buried in the Antwerp Cemetery- we don't have bur. location of Sylvanus or Willard. We can determine no details of children of Sylvanus, Willard & Samuel **Hall**. Thank you.

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COVEY/LANPHEAR

I'm looking for the name of the cemetery & town for the following: Info from Jefferson County Cemeteries: **COVEY, JONATHAN** died 9 May 1850 76Y 10M 4D Lake Dist. Jonathan **Covey**, b.5 July 1774, Bristol, Hartford, CT, md Roxanna **Lanphear**. Old family group sheet has recorded Jonathan & son Cyrenius & 1st wife, Abigail d.1 Aug 1846, are bur. in Jefferson County in Lake Dist Cemetery. The above burial information was given to me & I've tried to find a cemetery by that name in Jefferson County but no luck. Jonathan - 1810 US Census, Rutland, Jefferson, NY; son-Cyrenius b. abt 1803, Rutland, Jefferson, NY; son. Phillip, b. abt 1804, Rutland, Jefferson, NY. 48 y/o Cyrenius in 1850 US census Wilna, Jefferson, NY. 76 y/o Cyrenius in 1880 US census for Rutland, Jefferson, NY. Thanks for any help you can give me!

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McCARTHY

I am trying to gather information on my paternal grandfather James A **McCarthy** Naturalized in Watertown, NY 10 Oct 1894 & I believe he was a resident He was bricklayer/stonemason by trade. I also believe he had a family while living in NY. I am not sure if he was married while he was in Watertown. I suspect he had a family while in NYS between 1890 & 1910. I think those dates are pretty accurate. He died in 1933 however my father said he thought he had a half sister in NYS. I also believe he immigrated to the US with two brothers, I don't know their names but I always thought one of them was named Andrew because my father was named William Andrew. I am trying to get a copy of my grandfathers naturalization declaration. If I lived closer it would be easier to track these records down. I would be very interested in any information your readers could provide. Thank you very much for your attention.

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HOWARD

My grandfather was John Freeman **Howard** from Akron, Iowa; trying to track down our history since he passed away in 2000. I'm now searching for Parker **Howard** b. 3 Aug 1794, Dover, Dutchess, NY & d. 1 Feb 1882, Lena, IL. Parker had children in NY: Newcomb, b. 12 Jul 1834, Jefferson Co, NY, d. 14 Nov 1905 Ireton, Iowa; Murray b.1821 Jefferson Co NY; Edwin b.1830,same county; Richard b.3 Oct. 1837, d. 14 Aug 1871, Lena, IL, Gilbert **Livingston**, b. 11 Oct 1822, Henderson, Jefferson, NY, d. 19 Jan 1899, Lena, IL & Adelia, b.1828. Parker came to Illinois abt 1850 or earlier, found in 1850 census for Illinois. I would like to find out Parker's parents, grandparents, etc. & where from. Any help you could help is greatly appreciated. Thank you again for any help,

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TRIPP/LAWSON

I will be visiting Jefferson County in September for 2 or 3 days. I am researching the family of Isaac **Tripp** (1792? - 1870) & Jennette **Lawson Tripp** (1803 - 1883). They lived in Champion from 1830 until about the time of Isaac's death. Isaac **Tripp** fought in the War of 1812 & was wounded in the Battle of Fort Erie. Some of his family moved to Ohio and his bible and family photographs are in the Rutherford B Hayes Presidential Center library. I would be interested in establishing contact with anyone researching this family or anyone who might have information about them. Many thanks

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PRICE

I am looking for any information about the birth of Sylvester **Price** which was to have occurred in 1828 in Jefferson County, New York. I would love to know his parents & anything else I can learn about him. He later married Esther **Moyer** and finally died in Ontario, Canada.

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BOYLE/DRAPER

Looking for information on John **Boyle**, b. abt 1797, Ireland, d. 22 Dec 1869, Mt. Clemens, Macomb, Michigan. He md Lucretia **Draper**, 8 Feb 1823, Gravelly Point, Jefferson, NY. They moved to Loughborough, Ontario, Canada where their 6 children were born, names are: Nancy Louisa, Mary E., George Pemroy, Lydia Ann, William, and John Zemira. Then they moved to Ohio in 1839 & finally to Michigan where many of their descendants are located. Thank you,

Debbie Morgan

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PARKER/HUNTER

I am looking for information about my great grandparents Leander **Parker** & Margaret **Hunter Parker**. They were both from Watertown, NY abt 1860. They had at least 1 child, my grandmother, Adelia Adeline **Parker**. My grandmother was an orphan so there is a good chance they are buried somewhere near Watertown. Any information would be very helpful. Thank You,

Earl Kehr

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NASH

I have gotten back as far as William Wallace **Nash**. I have his death certificate & pictures I took of his tombstone in Pillar Point. Have been unable to get obit. He died Jan.1904. I remember my grandmother Adelia Helen **Nash**, d/o Frank W. & Roseanna **Shaffrey Nash**, md Clark **Dawley**. I need to find Wallace **Nash's** father & mother as well as his wife Louisa's maiden name. His dc. says his father was John **Nash**, b Vt, moved to Mass. & from there to Pillar Point, Jefferson Co., N.Y. He is mentioned in the business directory of Natural Bridge (north Croghan) as being a farmer there. His mother was listed as Harriet **Hawley Nash**, b. Wilna Co., N.Y. My grandmother mentioned being related to the family of Sir Francis **Drake** on one side of the family & to William of Orange on another. My line remained, for the most part, in northwestern N.Y. state. Others removed to Michigan, Wisconsin, Kansas and Oklahoma. Can anybody help? Thanks in advance,

Marilyn

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CHURCHILL/BRODWAY

My past family originated in Jefferson CO, NY & I'm trying to find information on them. Here is my lineage back there:

Asahel **Churchill**, b 21 Jun 1783, Conn., d. Aug 1849, Ellisburg, Jeff Co, NY. His wife was Amy **Brodway** from Mass. They had 6 children. 1) Charles H., b 20 Jun 1812, Jeff Co, NY. 2) Lydia b Abt.1818, Jeff Co, NY; 3) Richard B, b Abt.1825, Jeff Co, NY; 4) Francis A. b 30 Aug 1831, Jeff Co, NY; 5) Kelsey, b Abt.1830, Jeff Co, NY; & 6) William Martin, b Feb 1834, Jeff Co, NY. I have an old written note that they are listed Microfische page 166, New York No. 7 and on Film 0017719, item 1. However, I have no idea what or where these are located.

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MAXAM/TIFFANY

I'm trying to join DAR with Samuel **Maxam** the Patriot & need info. Need a marriage record for William

Maxam & Martha Tiffany, who is to have married in 1810. Their son, James **Maxham's**, birth record is needed & was born in Jefferson County in 1819. I appreciate any help you can regarding these records. These are my last two records to get. Thanks for your help.

Rhonda Kren

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BROOKS/MCKEE/MARSH/FRASER

Interested in making contact with anyone researching the following families: George M. **Brooks**, b 24 Dec 1796, Yorkshire, England; d 24 Jul 1862, Madoc, Hastings, Ontario, Canada; md 12 Aug 1823, Jefferson County, Nancy **McKee** b 8 Apr 1799, Ellisburg, Jefferson, NY; d 12 Oct 1866, Madoc, Hastings, Ontario, Canada. Nancy d/o Joseph **McKee**, Jr, b 20 Sep 1758, Hartford, CT; d 20 Nov 1829, Ellisburg, Jefferson, NY & Irene **Marsh** b 20 Mar 1765, East Hartford, Hartford, CT; d 25 Aug 1828. Nancy & 1st husband, Daniel **Fraser**, md 1817, had daughter, Jane b 22 Aug 1819. George & Nancy had the following children b Jefferson Co, NY: Anson **McClellan**, 27 Dec 1824; Richard **Harrison**, 4 May 1827; Emma I., 19 Dec 1828; Harriet Elizabeth, 1 Apr 1831. These children born Fredericksburg, Ontario, Canada: Mary Caroline, 10 Jul 1833; Hanna A, 4 Nov 1835; George M, 21 Aug 1837.

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CHEESEMAN/CHEESMAN/TRUVILLA/KELLOGG

I am a descendent of Jeremiah **Cheeseman/Cheesman**, b 25 May 1791, Middlefield, Hampshire, MA; from Alexandria & possibly Theresa, Jefferson Co, NY. Jeremiah was brother of Anson **Cheeseman**, a 1st settler of T/o Theresa. Looking for info on Jeremiah **Cheeseman** & his family. I believe Jeremiah's wife was Sallie **Truvilla**. They had at least 6 children. Jeremiah's son, Francis, was my ggggggrandfather. Francis lived in Theresa with family in 1850 census. In 1860 census his wife Sarah/Sallie? **Kellogg**, widow, had moved to Williamstown, Oswego Co, NY with 6 children. Youngest child was 5 yo, so Francis d 1855- 1860, Theresa. Don't exactly know when or where he is buried; or when Jeremiah & wife died & where they are buried. I would also be interested to know exactly where their farm was in Alexandria. Any help you could provide would be greatly appreciated. Sincerely,

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Letters.....

Letters to the editor may be directed to nandixon@gisco.net or to Nan Dixon, 15407 Dixon Road, Clayton, NY 13624.

Dear Informer Committee and Editorial Members,

I just received two past issues of the Informer that I ordered from Bill Dixon. I was so impressed with the work that all of you did that I had to write to each one of you. The information you included in the March 2005 issue and the May 2002 issue was invaluable to me as a family researcher. Due to the fact I am not from Jefferson County I am not able to visit your libraries and gather certain information that I would if I lived there. Your Informer is not only full of important historical and family information but also provides the family researcher with suggestions of resources to consider and locate. I would just like to thank you so much for all of your hard work. It is truly appreciated. I found the Informer so interesting that I am going to join your society and I look forward to reading future issues of the Informer. Also, if I can be of help transcribing information from home I would be happy to do that for you.

If you are ever in need of information on the following families I would be happy to provide it. I am still researching all of these families of mine but I would love to make the information available to current and future generations. I am tied to Jefferson County primarily on my father's side:

Cheeseman - Jeremiah Cheeseman (brother of Anson Cheeseman), Town of Theresa. His son, Francis, was my great, great, great, great grandfather. I be-

lieve Jeremiah and a son, Alonzo, may have been converted to the Mormon faith while living in Theresa.

Gardner - Francis/Frank Gardner and Susan Bellair Gardner of Ellisburg. Their son, Henry Gardner, was a Civil War soldier in the 26th NY Infantry. He died in Wayne County, NY

Simmons - Sackets Harbor and Adams.

*My great great grandfather was Schuyler Simmons, the last lighthouse keeper of Horse Island. I have some photos, newspaper clippings and family stories of the family and their time on Horse Island. The island is privately owned by Carl Martin (last I knew he lived in Henderson) and he was gracious enough to take my husband and I to the island about 5 years ago.

Keep up the great work!
 Kindest Regards,

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Dear Editor,

I recently purchased a copy of the *Jefferson County, New York Will Abstracts 1830-1850*. This is a truly outstanding volume and should be a mainstay of anyone's library who researches families in early Jefferson County.

My thanks to the generosity of the members of the Society who put this excellent piece together. I look forward to the next volume.

Jon Holcombe
 JCNYS member

What's Going on with JCNYS

By Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

August Meeting

Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke began by mentioning events of interest going on in the "Eastern Foothills of the Adirondacks" and reviewed some of the programs in her own North Eastern New York Genealogy Society formed in 1980 and their newsletter the *Patent*. Their September meeting will be on "African Americans in Washington County" while their year end meeting will be at the local high school with a hands on computer workshop. She continued with a sketch of her own genealogical background and some of her own family genealogy. Dr. Van Dyke passed out papers that included "Research Sources Checklist" and a "Relationship Calculator Chart".

In referring to barriers or obstacles to genealogy work, Dr. Van Dyke mentioned time to do it, protective clerks, government bureaucracy, historians who say "I don't do genealogy," incorrect information, hours that repositories are open, new privacy issues, and finally cost. She used a short article in Johnathan Shepard's book "500 Brickwall Solutions to Genealogy Work" which introduced many of us to this new book. Pursuing the cost issue, she encouraged our support of NY-SCOGO's resolution on the "Right To Know Your Family" law. If you are a member of a genealogy society, you would be able to get records at half price as well as get to look at the record before you purchase it. Dr. Van Dyke presented the paper that listed the rationale for support of the resolution. It contained statements such as "genealogy makes for stronger families." Interesting also was her statement that the number one hobby or avocation in America is now genealogy.



JCNYS Vice President Bob VanBrocklin speaks with Dr. Marilyn VanDyke at the August meeting.

September Meeting

Al Seymour presented a program on French-Canadian genealogy and internet web sites that will help anyone working on their French-Canadian connections. While the hotel was not able to make an internet connection available to the society, Al presented a most interesting program on his own research and what he has found on some of the internet sites. He handed out a list of 20 internet addresses that might be helpful to fellow genealogists.

In the picture Al Seymour and Margaret O'Dell discuss some things of interest after Al's presentation.



Upcoming JCNYS Meetings

NOVEMBER MEETING

Date: Saturday, November 12th
 Time: 1:30 p.m. (an afternoon meeting)
 Place: Museum in Henderson
 Speaker: Eric Anderson, Henderson Town Historian & Night City Editor for the *Watertown Daily Times*

DECEMBER MEETING

Date: Monday, December 12th
 Time: 6:30 p.m.
 Place: Jefferson County Historical Society, Washington Street, Watertown
 Speaker: Dr. Timothy Abel, Director of the Museum

ALSO,

There will be no meetings in either JANUARY or FEBRUARY 2006.

JCGS MINUTES AUGUST 8, 2005

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

President Linda Malinich called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Bob VanBrocklin and seconded by Janet Butler.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr reported a balance of \$8,069.51. The complete report is attached. Lis Couch moved to approve the report and Elaine Jobson seconded. Passed.

For the Repository Nan Dixon reported still trying to get "order out of chaos."

President Linda mentioned for the Publicity Committee that she took care of over 80 email meeting notices and that Phyllis mentioned some problems in contacting the newspapers.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that they met last Thursday to do some proof reading and will meet this coming Thursday to wrap up this September issue. It looks like we will be ready by the 15th. Editor Nan Dixon asked for articles and pictures related to the Town of Worth, which will be the featured town for the November *Informer*. That issue will also include the list of Town Historians and Town Clerks.

Hollis Dorr conveyed a very brief message from Clancy Hopkins and the Membership Committee: "Orange Cards and Membership Dues."

For the Surrogate Committee, Vice President Bob VanBrocklin mentioned that sales of the Wills Book are up to 50 and he estimated that sales are up to about \$820.

Sue Grant mentioned that the audit is done and will report next month.

Nominating Committee would like members interested in being a society officer to see any member of the committee.

A short discussion followed on our constitution and mention was made that the November *Informer* might include a copy of our bylaws.

Nan Dixon moved to adjourn with a second from Hollis Dorr.

Bob VanBrocklin mentioned the 150th Dexter Anniversary this week end and we will have a table at the event. We need volunteers to be at the table with society things for sale.

Phyllis Putnam introduced Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke and her program "Your Right To Know Your Family."

JCGS MINUTES SEPTEMBER 12, 2005

Jerry W. Davis, Recording Secretary

President Linda Malinich called the meeting to order in the Carriage Room of the Best Western. The minutes were read and approved by motion of Clancy Hopkins and seconded by Phyllis Putnam.

Treasurer Hollis Dorr reported a balance of \$8,316.30. The complete report is attached. Sue Grant moved to approve the report and Bonnie Borello seconded. Passed.

Corresponding Secretary Clancy Hopkins mentioned that he was able to keep up by emails. He mentioned also that when it comes to letter correspondence he would very much like help.

Sue Grant presented the audit report. Clancy Hopkins moved and Lis Couch seconded approval of the report. Passed. Complete report attached.

For the Repository Nan Dixon emphasized that there are a number of newsletters from other societies with which we have reciprocal agreements. Discussion included advertising in the *Informer* which newsletters we have and putting them in perhaps a binder to have them available at society meetings.

President Linda mentioned for the Publicity Committee that she took care of over 80 email meeting notices and Oswego trip notices. Phyllis Putnam presented a list of the newspapers she contacts and asked if there are others we should be contacting.

Phyllis Putnam reported that our October meeting will be on Saturday, October 8 at 1:30 at the Lyme Town Office with Julie Gosier. November's meeting will also be other than our regular meeting time at Henderson with Eric Anderson but exact time and place will be coming at a later date.

Bill Dixon reported for the Newsletter Committee that the September issue got out in a timely manner and that he has begun getting contacts for the town of Worth and our November issue. The list of town historians will be included in the November issue. Three towns were missed in the 1855 maps published in the *Informer* and we will try to feature them in the January (Town of Henderson), March (Town of Hounsfield), and May (Town of LeRay) issues.

Editor Nan Dixon mentioned that years ago there was donated to the society a roll of maps of New York State that was kept at that time at the Brookside Cemetery Office. Nan would like information on where those maps are now as she has need for one of them. She also called for pictures and articles on the Town of Worth.

Publisher Clancy Hopkins reminded all about the "Orange Cards" and this year's dues.

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Phyllis Putnam brought us up to date on efforts to improve our society's information sheet. Quantities, prices, double-sided, printing, and other items were included in the discussion. An effort will be made to get the information sheets presently in stock distributed in the area.

Clancy Hopkins mentioned for the Membership and Surnames Committee that memberships were coming in pretty well and we even have a couple of new ones.

For the Publications Committee, Bob VanBrocklin mentioned that sales of the Wills Book are up to 52.

Bob VanBrocklin reported for the Nominating Committee. After some discussion and a call for some new people to step forward a take a leadership roll in the society, the slate was presented. It was also mentioned that Bonnie Morley would be willing to substitute for Jean Coyne as secretary when Jean was not available. Clancy Hopkins moved that the secretary cast one vote for Linda Malinich as President, for Jerry Davis as Vice President, for Lis Couch as 2nd Vice President, for Jean Coyne as Secretary, and for Hollis Dorr as Treasurer. Bill Dixon moved that the secretary cast one vote for Clancy Hopkins as Correspondence Secretary.

Under Old Business President Linda presented the Oswego trip information.

Discussion was held as to where our meetings would be held while the Library is under construction. October will be held in Chaumont, November will be in Henderson, December may be at the Jefferson County Historical Society with Tim Abel, January and February will be no meetings and possibly March could be back in the Library. Bill Dixon mentioned a possibility of meeting at the North Side Improvement League but not on Monday nights. He also mentioned the possibility of the Democratic Party Headquarters on State Street. Clancy also suggested the possibility of churches.

Bill Dixon moved that we not have meetings in January or February again this year. Dan Grant seconded. Passed.

President Linda had copies of the hand outs that Marilyn VanDyke had at the August meeting regarding "Right To Know Your Family", Need For Legislation to Assure the Right to Know Your Family, and Status of the TRKYF Law.

The passing of John Bartlett was brought to the attention of the society. John was one of our early members being also our second president. He and his wife Ellen started our newsletter.

Bob VanBrocklin mentioned the stand at the Dexter celebration and collecting \$113 and 3 new members.

Everyone thanked President Linda for the coffee and cookies.

Clancy Hopkins moved to adjourn with a second from Bob VanBrocklin.

Phyllis Putnam mentioned that Gerald Desormeau was originally considering a program for this evening but he has sent notice that he is no longer able to be active in the society. Gerald did send some hand outs, an index on the Theresa Historian's File and also a surnames list of the genealogy file at the Theresa Library. Phyllis also asked for programs for the coming year. She then introduced Al Seymour with our program for the evening.

More Letters to the Editor

Dear Nan - I continue to think that the Jefferson County "Informer" ranks among the best of the Genealogy Society publications. Not only is it attractive, but its format gives us something to work with even if we do not, in the end, find our families mentioned. So much better than taking the easy way out just printing old articles or letters from 1903 that are only of casual interest unless you are the family mentioned in the article and we see too many of these publications for our subscription dollar.

I would like to ask you if you would consider printing a sample Pedigree Chart online to help those of us preparing our Charts for the upcoming Vol. 2. It would be of immense help to those of us who work under the handicap of age, health and vision to have a sample to follow.

Thanks for all your help. Present and future.
Pat Maher

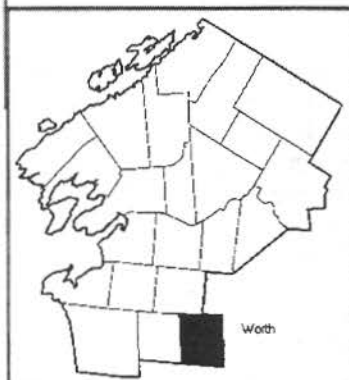
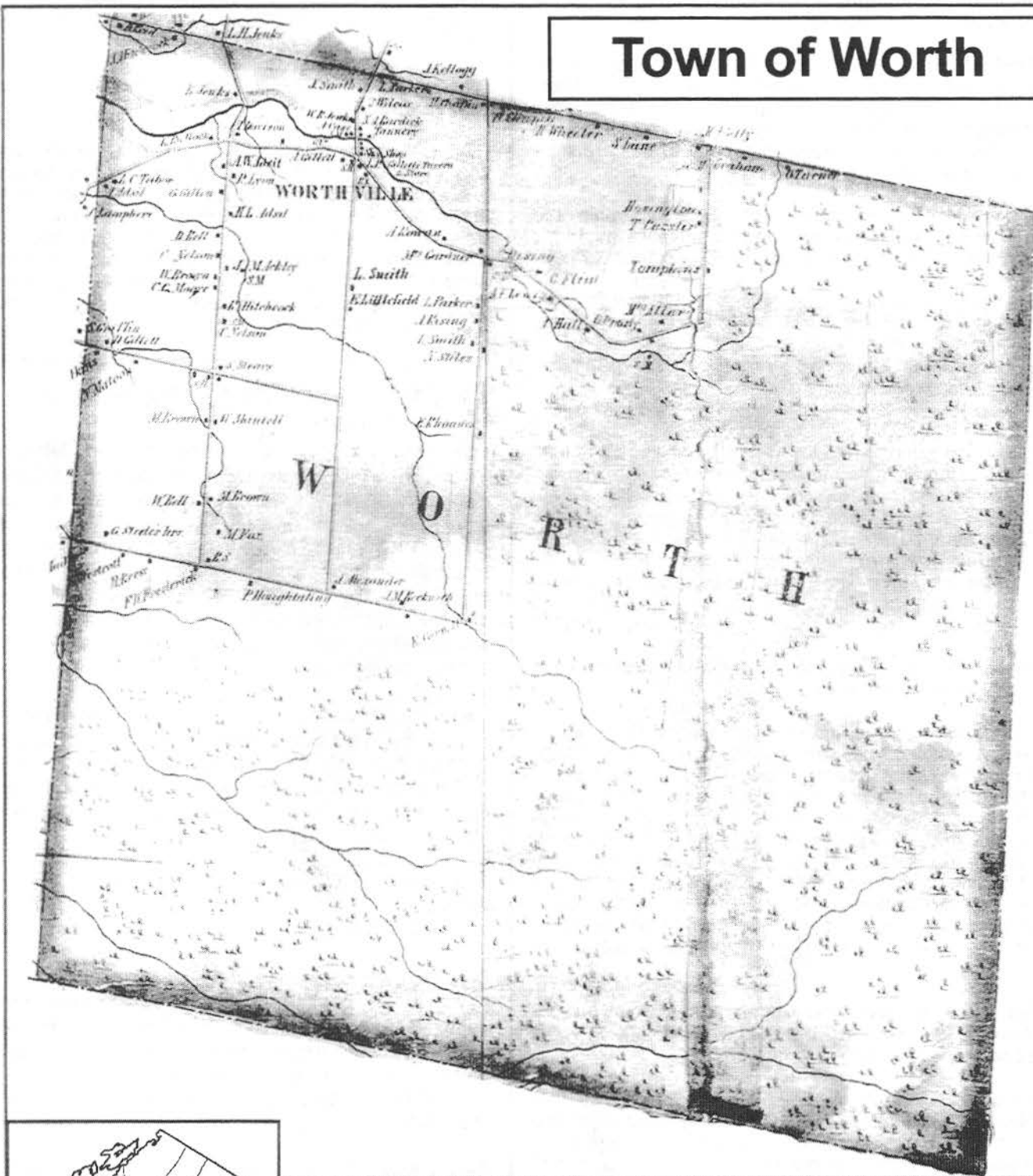
Dear Nan,

I was wondering where I could get better copies of the 1855 maps of Theresa, NY (both Town map and Village map). The maps provided in the Informer have provided me with family information I may not have been able to acquire without. For that, I thank you and your staff for including the maps in your publication.

Also, I saw that the JCNYS is publishing a second volume of Pedigree Charts. I would like to submit my family pedigrees and wondered if you are looking for a particular layout? I can print pedigree charts from my ancestral quest software and wondered if that would be acceptable. I did note that you prefer it to be typed and only two pages in length.

Thank you for your help!
Christine (Cheesman) White

Town of Worth



The Town of Worth, the smallest town in the county, is also the most elevated area in the county, being from 1200 to 1500 above sea level. It occupies the southeasternmost corner of Jefferson County, with Lorraine to the west, and Rodman on part of its northern boundary. Its southern boundary is Oswego County. All its remaining border is with Lewis County. Of the named communities in the township, Wilcox Corners became Worthville, Worth Center is a small hamlet, and Diamond and Fredericks Corners make up the original names. A recent map also shows Bullocks Corners, and Seven by Nine Corners.

Index to 1855 Map of Worth Township (page 6)

By Don Dillenbeck, JCNYS Member

Column 1 consists of initial, column 2 is surname or main entry, column 3 indicates location of residents on the map.
By dividing the town map into 5 parts, Don uses the letters W, O, R, T, H already on the map as locators.

Initial(s)	Surname	Map Letter- -North/ South
A.	Case	Worthville
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	Worthville
B.S. =	(Blacksmith Shop)	W-South
G.Yd.	(Grave Yard)	Worthville
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	Worthville
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	W-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	W-North
S.M. =	(Saw Mill)	T-North
S.H. =	(School House)	Worthville
S.H. =	(School House)	W-North
S.H. =	(School House)	O-North
J.M.	Ackley	W-North
A.	Adsit	W-North
A.W.	Adsit	W-North
H.L.	Adsit	W-North
J.	Alexander	W-South
Mrs.	Allan	T-North
J.M.	Beckwith	O-South
D.	Bell	W-North
W.	Bell	W-South
M.	Brown	W-North
M.	Brown	W-South
W.	Brown	W-North
L.	Bullock	W-North
N.A.	Burdick	Worthville
W.	Calkins	W-North
T.	Cassler	T-North
H.	Chapin	R-North
H.	Chaplin	O-North
H.	Chaplin	O-North
K.	Cornell	O-South
L.	Davison	W-North
C.	Flint	R-North
M.	Fox	W-South
Mrs.	Gardner	O-North
G.	Gillen	W-North
A.	Gillett	Worthville
D.	Gillett	W-North
A.P.	Gillett's Tavern & Store	Worthville

M.	Graham	T-North
H.	Hadger	W-South
I.	Hall	R-North
J.	Hitchcock	W-North
R.	Hitchcock	W-North
	Hosington	T-North
P.	Houghtaling	W-South
B.	Jenks	W-North
W.R.	Jenks	Worthville
M.	Kelly	T-North
S.	Lane	T-North
A.F.	Lewis	R-North
E.	Littlefield	W-North
R.	Lyon	W-North
W.	Mantell	W-North
N.	Matoon	W-North
A.	Meswing	O-North
C.C.	Moore	W-North
C.	Nelson	W-North
C.	Nelson	W-North
L.	Parker	O-North
L.	Parker	O-North
G.	Prosty	T-North
D.	Reed	W-North
H.	Reese	W-South
E.	Rhoades	O-North
A.	Rising	O-North
A.	Rowan	O-North
Shoe Shop		Worthville
J.	Smith	W-North
L.	Smith	W-North
L.	Smith	O-North
S.	Stears	W-North
G.	Steeles' heirs	W-South
N.	Stiles	O-North
L.C.	Tabor	W-North
	TANNERY	Worthville
	Tompkins	T-North
G.	Turner	H-North
G.	Westcott	W-South
H.	Wheeler	R-North
J.	Wilcox	Worthville

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Pastor, 87, Recalls Days Lost in Forest

(From Lyme Heritage Center scrapbook)

Rev. Nicholas Van Brocklin To Note Birthday Thursday—Object of Search as Boy.

Pierrepont Manor, Feb. 22, 1955—Rev. Nicholas VanBrocklin, retired Methodist minister, will quietly observe his 82nd birthday at his home in this village Thursday. No special observance has been planned, other than a family birthday dinner.

He is in fair health, is active about his home, and during the summer he has a large garden.

He was born Feb. 24, 1873, at Neenah, Wis., son of the late Benjamin and Bertha A. Butler Van Brocklin. His mother died when he was 14 months old, and following her death, his father, with his three sons, Nicholas, Ira and Fred, moved east and located at Diamond in the town of Worth where he purchased a 100-acre farm and operated it for a number of years, later moving to the Ridge road in the town of Adams after which he moved to Lorraine.

Rev. Mr. Van Brocklin's father remarried, and six children were born to the couple, Jared (Jed), Byron, Bertha, Kate, Jesse and Frank.

Rev. Mr. Van Brocklin attended the Adams Collegiate institute and the old Northern Business college, Watertown. He followed the teaching profession for 33½ years and taught at Smithville, Burrville, Wilson Hills, the Jefferson County Farm school, Watertown, Worth Center, the Brown district, town of Lorraine, O'Neil school near Diamond, Diamond, Austin Hill in Chemung county and Barkertown in Livingston county.

He married Miss Iona C. Carpenter, daughter of the late John and Susan Lanfear Carpenter, Diamond, May 10, 1901. A daughter, Susan Rosanna, died in infancy. Two sons are Ivan of Syracuse and Leland of Watertown. He has a half-sister, Mrs. Bertha A. Ripley, Watertown; two half-brothers, Frank, Central Square, and Jesse, Dexter.



Rev. Nicholas VanBrocklin

Rev. Mr. Van Brocklin was ordained as a Methodist minister in 1913 and served charges at Dugway in Oswego county, Central in Oswego county, Nunda in southern Livingston county and Austin Hill in Chemung county. He retired in 1935.

Rev. Mr. Van Brocklin remembers clearly his experiences when as a nine year old boy he and his three year old brother were lost in the woods for three days. Following is the story as he tells it.

On a Tuesday morning at 10 in May, 1882, his father sent his two boys, Nicholas, better known as "Locca" and "Jed," on an errand to get a setting of eggs for which they were to give butter as payment at a neighbor's home, a distance of three-quarters of a mile through the woods. The father's home at this time was located in the southern part of the town of Worth.



FEARED DEAD IN WOODS— Rev. Nicholas VanBrocklin and his younger brother, Jared, looked like this in 1882 when they were lost in the wild woods of the town of Worth.

The boys' father was away from home all day and on his arrival home at night was informed the boys had not returned. The alarm was sounded throughout the neighborhood, and everybody's sympathy was aroused for the lost children. Men and boys turned out in large numbers to aid in finding them.

The search was kept up all the greater part of Tuesday night. By Wednesday morning, the news about the lost children had gone out and more than 100 men from the surrounding country came in to try and save the children from death. The search continued all day Wednesday and still the children were not found.

Thursday morning, nearly 400 men were on the grounds and determined to find the children. The search was kept up during the day and at night hundreds returned to their homes with sad hearts.

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This piece of woods contains thousands of acres and comprises a portion of Jefferson, Lewis and Oswego counties. At that time it was a home for bear and panther.

Fresh bear tracks were often seen in the woods, and some thought the boys had been devoured. The boys were traced in damp places during the night by lanterns.

During all this experience, Rev. Mr. Van Brocklin said, he was barefooted and at night he and his younger brother would try to sleep under large logs.

After days of worry, the news was received about 7 Friday morning that the boys were safely out of the woods. They came out in the town of Redfield after wandering more than 25 miles. They stayed in the woods two nights and slept under brush and logs almost 60 hours without wholesome food. They did eat the butter they were taking in exchange for the setting of eggs.

They were kindly treated at the home of John Brown in Redfield. Mrs. Brown gave them presents and among them were two paintings entitled, "The Lost and Found" and "The Ascension of Our Savior."

All the way from Redfield to their home the boys received greetings and upon arriving at their father's house, a large crowd was there to greet them. It was one of the most touching and tender sights ever seen and one of the grandest of family reunions, Rev. Mr. Van Brocklin remarked, and an event that has been long remembered.

JCNYGS To Publish Pedigree Charts Vol. 2

The JCNYGS plans to publish a second volume of pedigree charts. We are asking that those who have a Jefferson County, NY connection and whose pedigrees were not published in Volume 1 submit their most up-to-date pedigree chart for publication in Volume 2. We will give preference to those charts which have been computer generated, but legible handwritten charts will also be accepted. We ask that the pedigrees be limited to 2 pages and that the submitter's name and address should appear on each chart. Submitting the chart implies permission to publish. Only those submissions received before Dec. 31, 2005 can be considered.

Remembering John Bartlett

It is with a great deal of sadness for all of us who knew and liked him, that we report the death of the founder of this newsletter, John Bartlett, on September 8. Nearly all of our readers will recognize him as the computer member of the Gravestone Scribe team, the three that put together the cemetery books of 17 of the towns of Jefferson.

John always had a pleasant answer to all of us who peppered him with questions concerning the society, or the cemetery books, or specific genealogy, or genealogy in general. He and his wife Ellen, the research member of the team, and Ellen's father, Gus Rogers, who recorded the epitaphs from the cemeteries, made up the Gravestone Scribes. They worked about ten years on that project, before moving on to other things. John was a founding member of Jefferson County New York Genealogy Society, was one of the group choosing its name, helped with the constitution, and was its second president, at a time when the infant society was finding its feet. John worked very closely with the first president, Gus Rogers. Besides initiating the *Informer*, John had many ideas for the society. One which has borne fruit is the transcription of the 1850 Jefferson County census, which has been nursed to fruition by Alice Corbett.

John and Ellen were the *Informer* for its first issues. They chose the name, and were the entire newsletter staff, doing everything from collecting information, editing, entering the data and printing the paper. John experimented with photos for the newsletter at a time when getting digitized pictures into a piece of text was a fairly new process.

He was always ready to manipulate his huge data base to produce just the list one asked for. Most recently, just a couple of months before his death, he prepared a list of just the names in the Plessis Cemetery (Brookside) for the cemetery association to work with. Research was a pleasure for him, and he willingly shared his results, as in the *Grooms and Brides of Jefferson County*, the Coroners' Reports and other publications. He started the *Watchman*, a newsletter similar to the *Informer*, for Oswego County.

Genealogy in general, and especially in Jefferson and Oswego counties, has lost a hard-working friend.

Vital Records in NYS

Compiled by Jean Coyne, JCNYS Member

At our August meeting, Dr. Marilyn Van Dyke spoke on a topic of interest and concern to everyone who does genealogical research in New York State: the difficulty of accessing NYS vital records. Dr. Van Dyke mentioned the high cost of obtaining birth, death, and marriage records, the long wait for a response from the state department of health for the records, and the questionable thoroughness of searches done at the state level.

The following information is from the NYS Department of Health website:

"The standard fee for a genealogy copy is \$22.00. This includes a copy of the certificate, a three-year search of the index, the retrieval and re-filing of the microfilm/microfiche and either a copy of the record or a no record report. When more than a three-year search is requested, the fee is higher.

<u>Period Searched</u>	<u>Fee</u>
1 to 3 years	\$22.00
4 to 10 years	\$42.00
11 to 20 years	\$62.00
21 to 30 years	\$82.00
31 to 40 years	\$102.00
41 to 50 years	\$122.00
51 to 60 years	\$142.00
61 to 70 years	\$162.00
71 to 80 years	\$182.00
81 to 90 years	\$202.00

"The fee applies separately to each record requested. For example, the fee for a request consisting of one birth record (1-year search for \$22.00), plus one death record (24-year search for \$82.00), plus one marriage record (11-year search for \$62.00) is a total of \$166.00."

To obtain a certified record from New York State the fees are higher: \$30 for the certificate, plus \$15 if ordered by mail, fax, internet, or telephone, plus a vendor processing fee of \$11.95 (per transaction, not per copy).

According to Dr. Van Dyke other states charge significantly less. She cited Nebraska, which charges \$8 for a death certificate. An internet search showed the following examples: OH, \$15; VT, \$9.50; FL, \$9-\$14; CA, \$13-\$15; TX, \$9-\$11.

A request for a record from New York State can result in a wait of over a year before a response is received. Some people have found, after a long wait, that the

response was not what they expected: sometimes it was a statement that no record could be found, sometimes it was a record, but not for the person they were researching.

There are other obstacles to obtaining documents relating to our families. These include clerks' offices which refuse to provide access to records people are legally entitled to see, requiring a person to pay for a record without seeing it first, and clerks' offices which have not inventoried their holdings so that people know what records are available.

In response to these problems, NYSCOGO and other interested groups are advocating a 'right to know your family' law. Such a law, if passed by the NYS legislature, would help all of us. George R. Krahl, chairman of New York State Council of Genealogical Organizations, has prepared a rationale in support of the 'right to know your family' law. Included in his rationale are the following points:

1. Maintaining and providing access to authentic vital records is important to the government, to society, and to individuals.
2. The fiscal impact of reducing the cost of copies of vital records in NYS would be to increase, rather than decrease, revenues.
3. Genealogy makes stronger families, and access to authentic vital records is essential to genealogical research.
4. Genealogy can be effective in tracing family health patterns. The U. S. Surgeon General is quoted as saying, "Tracing illnesses suffered by parents, grandparents, and other blood relatives can help a doctor predict the disorders which may be at risk and take action to keep members of a family healthy."

Vital records are the backbone of genealogy. The rising cost of these records is keeping many genealogists from pursuing further research into their family heritage. What is needed, according to Mr. Krahl, is "legislation which will establish a reduced fee for copies of vital records to be used for genealogical purposes and also address other issues which are thwarting genealogists in their pursuit of information about their ancestors."

At a time when genealogy is the number one hobby in the U. S., when concern over genetic diseases is high, when the President of the United States is stressing family values, it is unfortunate that NYS has made records relating to our family histories unavailable to many. Mr. Krahl and NYSCOGO ask all those interested in family history to contact their NYS legislators in support of the "right to know your family law."

Dollinger Hotel Register

The *Informer* staff has decided to print more of the 1887-88 Register of the Dollinger House which was in Redwood, NY. This work by Linda Malinich, our JCNYS President, was first featured in the July and September 2004 issues of the *Informer* and the following two pages continue after those pages. There is also a summary of Linda's work on page 20 in the November 2004 *Informer* that will be of interest to readers.

Chapman, B.W.	Rochester	Clark, W.O.	Boston
Nov 5, Nov 7		Mar 26	
Byron W. Chapman (1889 Rochester Directory, W.D. Chapman, Son & Co., manufacturers & importers of fishing tackle & sporting goods, sole agent for Flower City Reels & Bain & Co.'s St. Lawrence skiffs, 121 State Street, dir pg 981)		Clink, Frank G. (16 lb bass)	Redwood
Chapman, Henry A.	Morristown	Aug 23	
Aug 9		Frank Clink (1880 Census – Redwood, M.D. student, age 19, son of Robert)	
Henry Augustus Chapman (1850 – 1916) (Pine Hill Cemetery, Section 1 – Morristown)		Cobb, Geo. H.	Hammond, NY
Chapman, W.G.	New York	Oct 1	
Mar 22		Coe, D.L.	Theresa
Chase, C.J.	Buffalo	Dec 26	
June 21		David L. Coe, (Child's – Theresa, dental surgeon)	
Chase, L.	Mohawk	Coe, Geo. A.	Theresa
Aug 25, Mar 29		Nov 1, Apr 17	
Chatfield, Henry	Troy, NY	George A. Coe (Child's – Theresa, dentist)	
Feb 6		George A. Coe (1853 – 1935, Oakwood Cemetery)	
Henry Chatfield (1890 Troy Dir, machinist)		Coe, I.L.	Theresa
Cheeseman, _?	Theresa	June 13	
June 8		Coe, A.	Yates, NY
Cheney, Henry	Mallorytown	Sept 2	
Feb 15	(Ontario, Canada)	Cole, Dr. J.D.	Alex Bay
Chickering?, F.N?	Syracuse	Jan 11	
Mar 1		Dr. John D. Cole (Child's – Alexandria, (physician & surgeon))	
Church, H.	Theresa	Collins, E.B.	Collins Landing
Jan 18		May 23, Oct 11	
Rev. Hiram M. Church (1829-1907, Oakwood Cem)		Elbridge B. Collins, 1910 Orleans Census, age 58)	
Claire, Edna		Elbridge Collins (1851-1932, Highland Cem-Alex)	
July 15		Comstock, C.	Albany
Clark, _____	Rochester	Mar 21	
May 29		Comstock, Sam	Clayton
Clark, C.A.	Syracuse	Jan 26	
Nov 16		Comstock, Thom.	Ogdensburg
Clark, C.P.	Ogdensburg	Mar 5	
Jun 30 (cigars), Sept 13, Nov 14, Apr 12		Connors, T.	Oswego
Chancy P. Clark (1880 Census, Ogdensburg) (pg 219C, Occupation: tobacconist, age 62)		June 6	
Clark, Chas. V.	Syracuse	Thomas Connors (1892 Oswego Dir, laborer)	
Dec 15, Jan 12, Feb 7		Cook, Chas. D.	Utica
Charles V. Clark (1888 Syracuse Dir, com. trav)		Jun 27, Oct 13, Nov 28, Jan 18, Mar 1	
Clark, Geo. F.	Boston	Charles D. Cook (1887 Utica Directory)	
Jun 7, Aug 3, Sept 7, Nov 30, Feb 8, Feb 15		Cooker, E.S.	Syracuse
Clark, M.	Carthage	Mar 22	
Jun 8, Jun 17		Edward S. Cooker (1888 Syracuse Dir, com. trav)	
Michael E. Clark (1855-1930)		Cooper, A.	N.Y.
(St James Old Cemetery – Wilna)		Mar 21	
		Cooper, G.D.	Adams
		May 23	
		G.D. Cooper (Child's – Adams, farmer)	
		George Duxtater Cooper (1838 – 1925)	
		(Rural Cemetery, Adams)	
		Cooper, Victor	Hammond
		Dec 27	
		Victor Cooper (Child's – Theresa, prop. Tannery, capacity 16,000 skins & 1,000 hides annually, farm)	
		Victor (1828-1914); Victor A. (1863-1926)	
		(Oakwood Cemetery, Theresa)	
		Corbin, C.J.	New York
		Dec 5	
		Corcoran, J.W.	Philadelphia
		Sept 5, Mar 20	
		James Corcoran (Child's – Phila., com. trav, farm)	
		James W. Corcoran (1862-1913)	
		(Sandy Hollow Cemetery – Philadelphia)	
		Corning/Coring, E.	
		Aug 29, Aug 30	(continued on page 12)

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- Cornwall, A.C.** **Alex Bay**
Jan 11
Andrew C. Cornwall (Child's – Alexandria, Cornwall Brothers)
- Andrew C. Cornwall (1844 – 1918)
(Walton Street Cemetery, Alexandria)
- Cornwall, Harvey** **Alex Bay**
Dec 7, Jan 11
Harvey A. Cornwall (Child's – Alexandria, Cornwall Brothers)
- Cornwall, Jno I.** **Alexandria Bay**
Nov 10
John I. Cornwall (Child's – Alexandria, Cornwall Brothers)
- Cosgrove, Delos**
Dec 10
Delos Cosgrove (1880 Census – Redwood, age 5, father: G.H. Cosgrove (1842-1887), Redwood Cemetery)
Delos Cosgrove (1933 Watertown Dir, lawyer)
Delos M. Cosgrove (1875-1934, Brookside Cem)
- Cosgrove, Charles J.** **Utica**
Sept 12
- Cosgrove?, Wm? _?** **Richland**
Jan 12 (Oswego County)
- Cosgrove, Wm. J.** **Troy**
Mar 7
William J. Cosgrove (1890 Troy Dir, salesman, D.E. Paris & Co, located – Utica)
- Cotter, Miss Carrie C.** **Utica**
Nov 26, Nov 30, Dec 1
- Cotton, Sam** **Plantation Minstrels, Alabama**
Oct 31, Dec 9, Jan 19
- Cottsell, A.J.** **Alexandria Bay**
June 21
- Countryman, F.W. (James B.)** **Philadelphia**
May 14
- Cox, Charles** **Boonville**
Mar 5 (Oneida County)
- Coyer, A.** **Redwood**
Aug 30
Alexander Coyer (Child's – Theresa – hotel clerk)
- C__ran, Geo. P.** **Syracuse**
May 23
- Cozzins, M.A.** **Cleveland**
June 7
- Crabb, Charles C.** **Theresa**
Oct 1
(Child's – Theresa, dealer - house furnishing goods, tinware, crockery & glassware, five & ten cent goods a specialty)
- Cramer, John** **Camden**
Feb 27 (Oneida County)
- Crossman, Charles** **Alex Bay**
Mar 17
Charles Crossman (Child's – Alexandria, Crossman & Son)
Charles Crossman (1818-1892, Church St. Cem.)
Charles W. Crossman (1849-1915, Church St. Cem.)
- Cummings, Jas** **Gouverneur**
Oct 17
- Curtis, John** **LaFargeville**
Oct 15 (Steam Drill Foreman)
- Cushman, W. _? & wife**
May 23
- Cusick, M.J.** **Oneida**
Aug 27, Nov 3, Jan 12 (Madison County)
M.J. Cusick (1888 Oneida Dir, salesman, boards Hotel Brunswick)
- Cuthbert, W.S.** **Hammond**
Sept 1, Nov 26
William S. Cuthbert (1854-1927)
(Old Hamond Cemetery – Hammond)

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- Dallory, F.L.** **Watertown**
June 17
- Daniels, C.A.** **Waterville**
Dec 23
- Daniels, W.H.** **Ogdensburg**
Feb 8
- Darling, E.G.** **Burlington, VT**
May 18, Oct 4
- Davies, T.A.** **Ogdensburg**
Aug 30, Oct 21, Jan 2, Mar 5
Thomas A. Davies (1864–1945, Ogdensburg Cem.)
- Davis, B.M.**
Nov 28 (dinner)
Bruce M. Davis (1830-1894)
(Walton Street Cemetery – Alexandria)
- Davis, Daniel T.** **Menominie, Wis.**
Nov 12
- Davis, Delos** **Alex Bay**
Jun 27, Nov 28 (dinner)
Delos Davis (1832-1901)
(Walton Street Cemetery – Alexandria)
- Davis, Hiram P.**
Nov 28 (dinner), Nov 29
- Davis, J.A.** **Alex Bay**
Nov 29
John A. Davis (1848 – 1906)
(Walton Street Cemetery – Alexandria)
- Davis, Luther G.**
Nov 28 (dinner)
- Davis, Truman** **Fowler**
Aug 17
Truman Davis (1880 Census – Little York, St. Lawrence Co., farmer & hotel manager, age 44)
Truman Davis (1835 – 1924, Section F)
(Riverside Cemetery, Gouverneur)

To give readers an idea of a pedigree chart that would be acceptable for the upcoming Volume Two of the JCNYS Pedigrees book, this pedigree was randomly selected from our Volume One Pedigrees book. See our ad on page 9 for more details in our request for pedigrees.

Elmer Lewis Haas

Born 19 June 1889 #2
Clayton, Jefferson, NY
Marr 14 June 1913
Died 20 March 1956
Clayton, Jefferson, NY

Evelyn Viletta Haas

Born 30 May 1916 #1
Clayton, Jefferson, NY
Marr 15 August 1936
Clayton, Jefferson, NY
Spouse: Earl Edward Chariebois

Iva Dean Burgen

Born 14 June 1891 #3
Alexandria, Jefferson, NY
Died 10 July 1961
Clayton, Jefferson, NY

Evelyn H. Charlebois
51 Shady Lane
Oswego, NY 13126

William Haas

Born 29 January 1863 #4
Clayton, Jefferson, NY
Marr 22 Dec 1886
Died 4 May 1928

Viletta A. Schnauber

Born 15 January 1864 #5
Clayton, Jefferson, NY
Died 26 January 1941
Orleans, Jefferson, NY

William Duane Bergen

Born 12 May 1856 #6
Orleans, Jefferson, NY
Marr 25 Dec. 1883
Died 28 Dec. 1923
Brownville, Jefferson, NY

Martha Harriet Buskirk

Born 26 Sept. 1863 #7
Grindstone Is., Clayton, NY
Died 8 July 1944
Watertown, Jefferson, NY

Lewis (Ludwig) Haas

Born 29 Sep 1814 #8
H. Darmstadt, Germany
Died 12 January 1888
Clayton, Jefferson, NY

Katherine Lehr

Born 9 Sep 1819 #9
Germany
Died 28 Sep 1894
Alexandria, Jefferson, NY

Lewis Schnauber

Born 29 June 1835 #10
Hesse-Darm., Germany
Marr 11 Feb 1863
Died 28 January 1907
Clayton, Jefferson, NY

Angeine Halladay

Born 16 March 1839 #11
Clayton, Jefferson, NY
Died 24 April 1892
Clayton, Jefferson, NY

Oliver Smith Bergen

Born 24 Sept. 1827 #12
Orleans, Jefferson, NY
Marr ca. 1849
Died 21 July 1908
Orleans, Jefferson, NY

Matilda Denninger

Born 14 Feb. 1833 #13
Evans Mills, LeRay, Jefferson, NY
Died 1898
Orleans, Jefferson, NY

Joel Laurens Buskirk

Born 28 August 1834 #14
Clayton, Jefferson, NY
Marr 20 March 1860
Died 10 October 1877
Clayton, Jefferson, NY

Amy Lydia Fults

Born 20 March 1837 #15
Pamelia, Jefferson, NY
Died 3 April 1914
Brownville, Jefferson, NY

George Haas

#16

Christina Beerman

#17

George Lehr

Marr

#18

Jacob Wm. Schnauber

Born 1798 #20
Died 13 Mar 1863

C.E. Rothenhauser

#21

Joel Allen Halladay

Born 26 Apr 1802 #22
Marr 28 Feb 1826
Died 6 August 1880

Thankful Bachelor

Born 22 Jul 1805 #23
Died 6 October 1878

Eli Burgin

Born 1800-03 #24
Marr ca. 1824-5
Died 1850-1855

Theodocia Goodrich

Born 11 Feb. 1802 #25
Died 13 August 1894

Rev. Charles E. Denninger

Marr 1831 (?) #26

Hannah Christine Goid

Born 1813 #27
Died 1878

Almarin Buskirk

Born 21 August 1811 #28
Marr September 1831
Died 30 May 1880

Lucinda Noyes

Born 24 July 1812 #29
Died 18 July 1895

John Folts (War 1812)

Born 3 October 1785 #30
Marr 10 May 1812
Died 4 October 1860
Katherine Edick
Born 11 January 1795 #31
Died 8 June 1859

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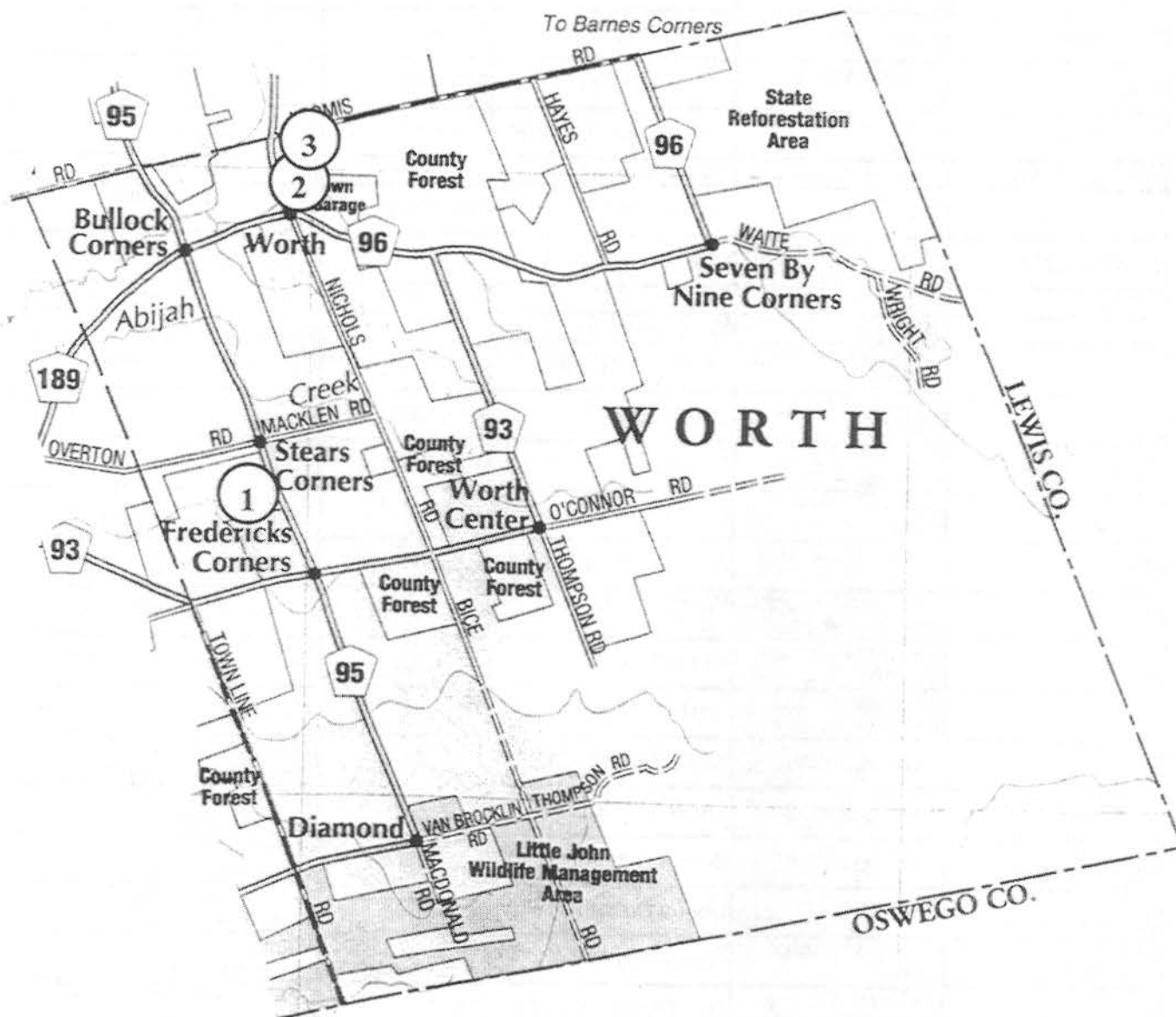
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ADAMS	Town Historian	SUE HERSE	232-2232	11911 US Rt 11, Adams Center 13606
ADAMS	Town Clerk	JOHN E. KNAPP	583-5701	11911 US Rt 11, Adams Center 13606
ADAMS	Village Clerk	DARLENE REXFORD	232-2632	2 North Main St, Adams 13605
ADAMS	Adams Free Library	BONNIE TOWLES	232-2265	2 North Main St, Adams 13605
ADAMS	Jeff Co. Journal (weekly nsp)	KARL FOWLER	232-2141, or 232-4586	7 Main St, Adams 13605
ADAMS	Historical Assn So Jeff	DEBBIE QUICK	232-2616	9 East Church St, Adams 13605
ADAMS	Adams Center Free Library	FRANCES SHOEMAKER	583-5501	18267 State Rt 177, Adams Center 13606
ALEXANDRIA	Town Historian	GRETA SLATE	482-9519	46372 Old Goose Bay Road, Alexandria Bay 13607
ALEXANDRIA	Town Clerk	ELLEN PECK	482-9519	46372 Old Goose Bay Road, Alexandria Bay 13607
ALEXANDRIA	Village Clerk	MARY LOU WILLIAMS	482-9902	110 Walton St, Alexandria Bay 13607
ALEXANDRIA	MacSherry Library	CEIL CUNNINGHAM	B 482-2241	112 Walton St, Alexandria Bay 13607
ALEXANDRIA	T. I. Sun (weekly nsp)	JEANNE SNOW	482-2581	Route 12, Alexandria Bay 13607
ALEXANDRIA	Alexandria Town- ship Hist Society	MARTHA GRIMES	B 482-4586	Cornwall Brothers Bldg, Alexandria Bay 13607
ANTWERP	Town Historian	NANCY RAYMON	287-2293	34542 County Rt 22, Theresa, NY 13691
ANTWERP	Town Clerk	MARJORIE SANDS	B 659-2419	Main St, PO Box 858, Antwerp 13608
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ANTWERP	Village Clerk	NORA GEER	B 659-8661	Village Office, PO Box 292, Antwerp 13608
ANTWERP	Crosby Public Library	CHERIE CANFIELD	B 659-8564	Main St, Antwerp 13608
ANTWERP	Oxbow Historical Society	NANCY RAYMON	287-2293	34542 County Rt 22, Theresa NY 13691
BROWNVILLE	Town Historian	JUNE McCARTIN	639-6266	Star School Road (Limerick), PO Box 89, Dexter 13634
BROWNVILLE	Town Clerk	JUNE McCARTIN	639-6266	Star School Road (Limerick), PO Box 89, Dexter 13634
BROWNVILLE	Brownville Village Historian	GERARD HOARD	782-4508	116 E Main St, Brownville 13615
BROWNVILLE	Brownville Village Clerk	MICHELE C. DAILEY	782-7650	Village Office, 216 Brown Blvd, Brownville 13615
BROWNVILLE	Brownville- Glen Park Library	CANDY WILBE	788-7889	216 Brown Blvd, Brownville 13615
BROWNVILLE	Dexter Village Historian	PAMELA KOSTYK	639-6977	417 Liberty St, Dexter 13634
BROWNVILLE	Dexter Village Clerk	PATRICIA LAMON	639-6260	Village Office, PO Box 62, Dexter 13634
BROWNVILLE	Dexter Free Library	SUZETTE CUMMOLLETTI	639-6785	120 East Kirby, Dexter 13634
BROWNVILLE	Glen Park Village Clerk	CONSTANCE HOARD	782-4508	116 East Main St, Brownville 13615
CAPE VINCENT	Town Historian	PETER MARGREY	654-2898	31564 Burnt Rock Road, Cape Vincent 13618
CAPE VINCENT	Town Clerk	ARLENE INGERSON	654-3795	Market St, PO Box 680, Cape Vincent 13618

CAPE VINCENT	Village Historian	JEANNE THOMPSON	654-4400	175 North James St, Cape Vincent 13618
CAPE VINCENT	Village Clerk	NANCY KNAPP	654-2533	Village Office, PO Box 337, Cape Vincent 13618
CAPE VINCENT	Cape Vincent Historical Museum	JEANNE THOMPSON	654-4400	175 North James St, Cape Vincent 13618
CAPE VINCENT	Cape Vincent Community Library	LINDA VOORHEES	654-2132	157 North Real, Cape Vincent 13618
CHAMPION	Town Historian	SUZANNE WILEY	493-3675	10 N Broad St, Carthage 13619
CHAMPION	Town Clerk	CHRISTINA VARGULICK	B 493-3240	7 North Main St, Carthage 13619
CHAMPION	West Carthage Village Historian	HAROLD SANDERSON	482-5707	23898 NY Rt 26, Alexandria Bay 13607
CHAMPION	West Carthage Village Clerk	RENEE PLANTY	493-2552	Village Office, 61 High St, Carthage 13619
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CLAYTON	Town Clerk	BONNIE ROSE	686-3512	405 Riverside Drive, Clayton 13624
CLAYTON	Village Clerk	JUDITH CORNICK	686-5552	Mary St. Clayton 13624
CLAYTON	Historical Society	NORMAN WAGNER	686-5794	33950 County Rt 4, Cape Vincent 13618
CLAYTON	Antique Boat Museum	JOHN SUMMERS	686-4104	750 Mary St, Clayton 13624
CLAYTON	Hawn Library	ALICE BARTON	686-3762	John St, Clayton 13624
CLAYTON	Hawn Library	P. TRITTON, genealogy	686-3762	John St, Clayton 13624
CLAYTON	Thousand Islands Museum	LINDA SCHLEHER	686-5794	312 James St., Clayton 13624
CLAYTON	Depauville Library	CONNIE HAVER	686-3299	Caroline St, Depauville 13632
ELLISBURG	Town Historian	MARLENE M. HUNTER		PO Box 82, Belleville 13611
ELLISBURG	Town Clerk	DEBBIE PAYNE	846-5138	Town Hall, PO Box 113, Ellisburg 13636
ELLISBURG	Ellisburg Free Library	SHEILA BETTINGER	846-5087	Ellisburg, 13636
ELLISBURG	Philomathean Free Library	LYDIA MILLER		Belleville 13611
ELLISBURG	Ellisburg Village Clerk	DEBBIE PAYNE	846-5161	Village Office, PO Box 116, Ellisburg 13636
ELLISBURG	Mannsville Village Historian	ELLEN MILLER	465-4191	
ELLISBURG	Mannsville Free Library	MARY SNYDER	465-4049	PO Box 156, Mannsville 13661
ELLISBURG	Mannsville Village Clerk	CYNTHIA WOOD	465-5515	Village Office, PO Box 153, Mannsville 13661
HENDERSON	Town Historian	ERIC ANDERSON	(315)938-5183	PO Box 40, Henderson 13650
HENDERSON	Town Clerk	CHARLOTTE RICHMOND	938-5542	11120 NYS Rt 178, PO Box 259, Henderson 13650
HENDERSON	Henderson Free Library	CHERYL SHUTTS	938-7169	8939 NYS Rt 178, Henderson 13650
HENDERSON	Henderson Historical Society	ERIC ANDERSON	938-7163	PO Box 322, Henderson 13650
HOUNSFIELD	Town Historian	none at present	-	-
HOUNSFIELD	Town Clerk	DIANE M. NIER	(B)782-6380 (H)646-2073	14202 Co Rt 75, Sackets Harbor 13685
HOUNSFIELD	E. Hounsfeld Free Library	MARY FARRINGTON	788-0637	Arsenal St Road, Watertown 13601
HOUNSFIELD	Sackets Harbor Village Clerk	LISA GREGORY	646-3548	Village Office, PO Box 335, Sackets Harbor 13685

HOUNSFIELD	Sackets Harbor Village Historian	BOB & JEANNIE BRENNAN	646-3663	106 Hounsfeld, Sackets Harbor 13685
HOUNSFIELD	Hay Memorial Library	TONI ELLINGER	646-2228	101 South Broad St, Sackets Harbor 13685
HOUNSFIELD	Pickering Beach Museum	JEANNIE BRENNAN	646-2815	501 West Main St, Sackets Harbor 13685
HOUNSFIELD	Sackets Harbor Historical Society	MARY JO DEANS	(B)646-1708 (H)646-2757	100 West Main St, Sackets Harbor 13685
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LE RAY	Black River Village Clerk	KATHIE MONTIGELLI	773-5721	Village Office, PO Box 266, Black River 13612
LE RAY	Black River Free Library	SANDRA LAMB	773-5163	102 Maple St, Black River 13612
LE RAY	Evans Mills Public Library	HELEN TOOLEY	629-4483	Noble St, Evans Mills 13637
LE RAY	Evans Mills Village Clerk	MARILYN HANSON	629-4753	PO Box 356, Evans Mills 13637
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LORRAINE	Town Historian	ARLENE MOORE	232-2707	PO Box 66, County Rte 93, Lorraine 13659
LYME	Town Historian	JULIA GOSIER	649-5452	28589 Empie Rd, Three Mile Bay 13693
LYME	Town Clerk	TRINA COMINS	649-2788	Main St, PO Box 66, Chaumont 13622
LYME	Chaumont Village Clerk	PAULA RADLEY	649-2900	Village Office, PO Box 297, Chaumont 13622
LYME	Lyme Free Library	PATTI HUGHES	649-5454	Main St, PO Box 369, Chaumont 13622
LYME	Lyme Heritage Center	JULIA GOSIER	649-5454	Main St, Chaumont 13622
ORLEANS	Town Historian	JOHN MARRIAM	658-9950	Municipal Bldg; Sunrise Ave, LaFargeville 13656
ORLEANS	Town Clerk	TAMMY DONNELLEY	658-9950	Municipal Bldg; Sunrise Ave, LaFargeville 13656
ORLEANS	Town of Orleans Library	KELLY ORVIS	658-2271	Sunrise Ave, LaFargeville 13656
ORLEANS	Northern NY Agriculture & Hist Mus.	MARGUERITE RAINERI	658-2353	Stone Mills, PO Box 108, LaFargeville NY 13656
ORLEANS	Thousand Island Park Library	MABEL HEATH	482-9098	42743 St Lawrence Ave, T. I. Park, 13692
PAMELIA	Town Historian	DORI KALEPROTH	629-0511	32272 Co Rt 15, Evans Mills 13637
PAMELIA	Town Clerk	PAULA SCHELL	785-9793	25859 NYS Rt 37, Watertown 13601
PHILADELPHIA	Town & Village Historian	GWEN ACHESON	642-5502	5 Aldrich St, PO Box 46, Philadelphia 13673
PHILADELPHIA	Town Clerk	MARY DIMOCK	642-3421	33019 US Rt 11, PO Box 297, Philadelphia 13673
PHILADELPHIA	Village Clerk	SANDRA A. INGERSON	642-3452	Village Office, PO Box 70, Philadelphia 13673
PHILADELPHIA	Rodman Memorial Library	BARBARA DINGLE	642-3323	8 Aldrich St, Philadelphia 13673
RODMAN	Town Clerk	KRISTIN A. BENNER	(B)232-2522, (H)232-2475	Main St, PO Box 523, Rodman 13682
RODMAN	Town Historian	REBECCA STONE	(H)232-2486	21355 Co Rd 69, Rodman 13682
RUTLAND	Town Historian	WILLIAM REICHARD	773-5179	28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612

RUTLAND	Town Clerk	LIZ BERGHORN	788-3440	28411 NYS Rt 126, Black River 13612
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THERESA	Town Clerk	KIM A. DELLES	628-5046	103 Main St, PO Box 692, Theresa 13691
THERESA	Theresa Village Clerk	SYLVIA BUSH	628-4425	Municipal Office, PO Box 299, Theresa 13691
THERESA	Theresa Free Library	CHRISTINE RAJNER	628-5972	Main & Pine Sts, Theresa 13691
WATERTOWN	Town Historian	none at present	-	-
WATERTOWN	Town Clerk	CATHERINE RICH	782-8248	6873 Brookside Dr, Watertown 13601
WATERTOWN	Town of Watertown Historical Society	BONNIE SHAFER	658-4774	22867 County Rt 67, Watertown 13601
WILNA	Town Historian	LAURA PRIEVO	493-2620	412 Budd St, Carthage 13619
WILNA	Town Clerk	MARY McMAHON	493-2771	307 Brown St, Carthage 13619
WILNA	Carthage Village Historian	LAURA PRIEVO	493-2620	412 Budd St, Carthage 13619
WILNA	Carthage Village Clerk	LINDA M. WIER	493-1060	Village Office, 120 Mechanic St, Carthage 13619
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WILNA	Deferiet Village Clerk	GAIL LAPIERE	493-2707	PO Box 206, Deferiet 13628
WILNA	Herrings Village Clerk	ELIZABETH M. SLYE	493-2982	24539 First St, Carthage 13619
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JEFFERSON COUNTY	Jefferson Community College	ELLEN CHILDS	786-2225	Melvil Dewey Library; Coffeen St, Watertown 13601
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JEFFERSON COUNTY	Family History Center (LDS)		788-4161	Ives Street, Watertown 13601

Town of Worth Cemeteries



Worth Cemeteries

An abandoned cemetery is one which no longer accepts burials, and which is under the protection of the town. A destroyed cemetery is one from which all markers have been removed, all records lost, and is known as a general location only. The numbers below refer to the map above. All telephone numbers are in the 315 area code. We have used CR to indicate a county road number. Starred (*) cemeteries are inactive.

1. ***Stears Corners Cemetery, Worth, NY** - located midway between Stears Corners and Fredericks Corners on County Route 95

2. *An inactive cemetery for which we have found no information as we go to press.

3. ***Rising Cemetery, Worth, NY** - located on Loomis Road, about one half mile east of County Route 189 (inactive)

From Everts *History of Jefferson County 1878—*
Cemeteries

There are several cemeteries in Worth, all controlled by the town board. One of the oldest is on lot No. 9. Elisha Sweet was one of the first interred in the town. The old cemetery having poor drainage, a more favorable spot was selected on lot No. 8. This has been well kept, and contains some fine tablets and headstones.



Charles W. Van Brocklin 1868-1944

Belleville Man, 75, Retired Merchant, Also Held Numerous Other Offices

(Special to the Times)

Belleville, Jan. 20, 1944—Charles W. Van Brocklin, 75, former supervisor and retired store keeper, died in Mercy hospital, Watertown, at 3:45 this morning of peritonitis after an illness of approximately twelve hours. He had been in failing health for the past two years and became suddenly ill at his home yesterday afternoon. He was admitted to the hospital at 6:25 p.m.

Mr. Van Brocklin was born in the town of Denmark, March 14, 1868, son of Grant and Miranda Moore Van Brocklin. He married Miss Bessie Carpenter of Barnes Corners March 19, 1899.

He had been a resident of this village for the past 22 years, retiring from business as a shoe store owner

three years ago. He had spent most of his life in the town of Worth where he served as town clerk, postmaster, justice of the peace and a member of the board of supervisors for 17 years. He served as superintendent of the document room in the state capital at Albany for six years.

While a member of the board of supervisors, he urged and was given credit for the adoption of a salary basis for the offices of county clerk, county treasurer and sheriff. He offered the resolution on Nov. 16, 1911, and after being referred to a committee was finally adopted Dec. 16 of that year. The county clerk's office was placed on salary Jan. 1, 1913, and the others were taken from the fee system in 1915. A letter which appeared in the Letters From the People column of the *Watertown Daily Times* issue of Feb. 2, 1926, signed a "Reader of The Times," stated that the saving to Jefferson county for the year, 1925, from the county treasurer's office alone, by abolishing the fee system and placing the treasurer on salary, was \$15,500.

RESOLUTION NO. 116

MEMORIAL PAGE—CHARLES W. VAN BROCKLIN

By Supervisor Dempster C. Flaherty:

RESOLVED. That a Memorial Page suitably inscribed to be set apart in the Journal of Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors for the year 1944 in memory of the late Charles W. Van Brocklin, who died at his home in the Town of Ellisburg on January 20, 1944, a former member of this Board representing the Town of Worth, for the years 1896, 1900, 1904, 1905, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1916 and 1917.

Seconded by Supervisor K. A. Overton and adopted by a rising vote.

How to Keep Poor

(From Christian Advocate, 19 Oct 1859)

Buy two glasses of ale every day at five cents each, amounting in a year to thirty six dollars and forty cents; smoke three cigars, one after each meal, counting up in the course of a year to fifty four dollars and forty five cents. Keep a big dog, which will consume, in a year at least fifteen dollars' worth of provisions, a cat five more. Altogether it amounts to the snug sum of one hundred ten dollars and twenty five cents, sufficient to buy several barrels of flour, one hundred bushels of coal, one barrel of sugar, one sack of coffee, a good coat, a respectable dress, besides a frock for the baby and half a dozen pairs of shoes.

WORTH

History of the Town from Child's Jefferson County, N. Y. Gazetteer (1890)

WORTH, named in honor of Gen. William J. Worth, was formed from Lorraine, April 12, 1848. It is located in the southeastern corner of the county, and is bounded on the north by Rodman and Pinckney in Lewis County, on the east by Montague in Lewis County, on the south by Redfield in Oswego County, and on the west by the town Lorraine. It has an area of 25,816½ acres. It is designated in the old records as town No. 2, of the Boylston tract. Upon the division of the Black River tract the eastern portion of this town was divided up among the proprietors to make their proportions equal. Reckoning from north to south these tracts were **Harrison** and **Hoffman**, 1,283 acres; **Henderson**, 649; **Low**, 1,576; **William Constable**, 947; the remainder to **Harrison** and **Hoffman**. In the northwestern part of the town **Daniel McCormick** and **Charles Smith** made purchases, which afterwards became the center of the first settlement. **Abel French**, the agent of **McCormick** and **Smith**, employed **Joseph Cray** to make the first surveys in November, 1801, and May, 1802. The town was only partly surveyed, and subsequently was lotted in such a way that several duplicate numbers occurred, which occasioned much trouble. **Mr. Franch**, while journeying through Herkimer County, from his home in Denmark, induced a company of citizens of Litchfield to purchase a large tract here. This company appointed **Timothy Greely**, **Joseph Wilcox**, and **Elihu Gillet** a committee to visit this tract and report upon the advisability of making a purchase upon the proper basis. Their report being favorable a contract was concluded by which they agreed to pay \$7,622 for the northwest quarter, of the town. Afterwards a deed was executed to them, in trust, for themselves and their associates, and a mortgage given. The tract was divided into lots (it comprised the nine great lots in the northwestern corner), and was drawn by ballot by the company, who paid over money as they might be able to their committee, and received bonds for the delivery of deeds when the purchase money should have enabled them to produce a clear title. Besides the committee mentioned the company consisted of **Asaph Case**, **Leonard Bullock**, **W. Flower**, **Eli Gillet**, **Lodwick Edwards**, **John Griswold**, **Ezekiel Chever**, **Phineas Rose**, **Joel Caulkins**, **Abram Ford**, **Nathan Matson**, **Asa Sweet**, **John Pinear**, **Phineas Stevens**, **Elijah and David Richmond**, **John and William Sagas**, **John Houghtaling**, and perhaps a few others, all from Herkimer County.

The general surface of the town is undulating and very elevated, the altitude of its territory being probably greater than any other part of the county. In the east-

ern part of the town is the height of land between Black River and Sandy Creek, in this county, and Salmon River in Lewis County. The south branch of Sandy Creek flows through the town in a general westerly direction. It has numerous tributaries, the principal ones being Chloe and Abijah creeks. These streams afford water-power at certain seasons of the year, and drain the town thoroughly. The soil, being underlaid by a shale rock, is less liable to drouth than the lower portion of the county, and is finely adapted to grazing. The surface was originally covered with a fine growth of timber, chiefly beech, maple, hemlock, and pine, and large forests are yet found in the southern and eastern parts of the town. These forests have been the source of considerable revenue, furnishing the material for numerous mills and tanneries. Gathering these products and dairying are the principal industries of the town.

Since the organization of the town the supervisors have been **A. S. Gillet**, 1848-49; **R. W. Green**, 1850; **J. M. Ackley**, 1851; **R. W. Green**, 1852; **J. M. Ackley**, 1853-54; **D. Gillet**, 1855-56; **L. P. Gillet**, 1857; **C. C. Moore**, 1858-62; **S. P. Stearns**, 1863; **C. C. Moore**, 1864-69; **S. W. Kellogg**, 1870; **H. V. Jenks**, 1871-72; **J. M. Ackley**, 1873-74; **H. V. Jenks**, 1875-76; **H. L. Grimshaw**, **S. B. Kellogg**, 1887-89; **Philip Brennan**, 1890.

In 1880 Worth had a population of 951. The town is located in the first school district of Jefferson County, and in 1888 had eight school districts, of which one was joint, in which seven teachers were employed 28 weeks or more. There were 254 scholars attending school, and the aggregate days attendance during the year was 17,754. The total value of school buildings and sites was \$3,795, while the assessed valuation of all the districts was \$206,177. The whole amount raised for school purposes was \$1,417.17, \$552.38 of which was received by local tax. **S. Whitford Maxson** was school commissioner.

WORTHVILLE (p. o.) village, formerly known as Wilcox's Corners, is pleasantly located on both banks of the south branch of Sandy Creek, near the northwest corner of the town. It was the center of early settlements, **Joseph Wilcox** having made the beginning at this place. It has a church (Methodist Episcopal), hotel, two stores, two blacksmith shops, a wagon shop, one furniture factory, two saw-mills, a steam shingle-mill, grist-mill, a restaurant, cheese factory, cooper shop, and about 30 dwellings.

WORTH CENTER (p. o.) is a hamlet near the center of the town on Abijah Creek. It has a saw mill, blacksmith shop, store, and about 20 dwellings. This place owes its existence to **Edward Cornell**, who made the

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first settlement here in 1850, and is now extensively engaged in lumbering. The place is supplied with a telephone.

Worthville furniture factory, built by **W. A. Cornwell** in 1880, is located on Mill street in Worthville village. It is engaged in the manufacture of chamber suits, etc., and also sleighs, coasters, and matched and dressed lumber and moldings, making a specialty of prepared supplies for contractors and builders.

Cornell's mills, at Worth Center, on Abijah Creek, were built by **Edward Cornell** in 1851, as saw and shingle-mills, and rebuilt and enlarged by him in 1866. The size of the building is 60 by 60 feet, and the mills turn out 600,000 feet of lumber annually, one-half of which is planed and matched.

S. B. Kellogg's saw and lumber-mills, at Worthville, built in 1861, do a profitable business in planing and matched lumber and moldings.

William H. Prouty's saw and shingle mills, on the south branch of Sandy Creek, about two and a half miles east of Worthville, were built by **H. A. Prouty** in 1868. They have the capacity for turning out about 350,000 feet of lumber and 300,000 shingles annually.

William Spies's saw-mill, located about three miles east of Worthville, on the south branch of Sandy Creek, does a profitable business.

Samuel B. Kellogg's grist-mill, at Worthville, built in 1861, does a thriving custom business.

Asaph Case and **Leonard Bullock**, from Herkimer County, came to this town in the fall of 1802, settling on lots 7 and 8, and were among the first to locate in the territory now comprised within the limits of Worth. They were both members of the company's committee, as was also **Eli Gillet**, who came in with his family soon after. **Mr. Bullock's** first house was built entirely of logs, without floor, door, or windows. The roof was made of hollow basswood logs, split, and so laid that every alternate one formed a trough to carry away water. A blanket hung up served as a door, and the earth, smoothed down and covered with leaves, served as the floor. In March of the following year **Joseph Wilcox** came in with an ox-team hitched to a sled. There were no roads nor bridges, and their only guides were blazed trees. **Mr. Wilcox** erected a log house, which had a puncheon floor, bark roof, and for a window a sheet of paper oiled so as to admit the light. It had a chamber floor, too, but, as it was made of elm bark, the utmost caution was required in movements of the occupants. The wintry winds, too, would sometimes take away a portion of the roof, admitting the snow to

the depth of several inches, so that it was not uncommon to be obliged to shovel away the snow before those in bed could descend to the room below.

Nearly all the others of the Litchfield company came in 1803, and were subjected to the many hardships incident to pioneer life. The settlements had attained but mediocre proportions when the War of 1812 was declared. This so alarmed and frightened the settlers that many of them deserted their homes and returned to their native places. The cold seasons which followed caused others to forsake their possessions here, which nearly depopulated the settlements. Then the mortgages were foreclosed, bringing extra hardships upon those who remained; for all had, by the terms of the contract, made themselves liable for the failure of one, and much of the land reverted to the proprietors. After these discouragements the settlement of the town progressed very slowly, and in 1830 the list of residents of Worth was as follows: **Joseph Wilcox** and son **Sterling**, **Daniel Wilcox**, **Asaph**, **Able**, and **John Case**, **E. West**, **John Russell**, **Chester Bushnell**, **Andrew W. Craig**, **John Wilson**, **Paul Pryor**, **Peter Wakefield**, **Joseph H.** and **Venus C. Rising**, **Joseph Totten**, **James Potter**, **Zadoc Hale**, **Henry**, **Erastus**, and **Richard Lyon**, **Leonard** and **Alanson Bullock**, **Joel Overton**, **Boomer K.**, **Charles**, and **Lyman Jenks**, **William**, **Simeon**, and **James Houghtaling**, **Eli**, **Elihu**, **David**, and **George Gillet**, **Leonard Parker**, **Daniel** and **Joseph Caulkins**, and **Nathan Mattoon**. **Albert S. Gillet** came in this year and became a prominent man in the town, as did also his brother, **Lorenzo P.**

In 1808 **Leonard Bullock** commenced the erection of a saw-mill on Sandy Creek, on lot 7, but it was never completed. In 1810 **Joshua Miles** built a saw and grist-mill under one roof, on Sandy Creek, east of the Corners. He operated the mills five or six years, then sold to **Timothy Greenly**, who, in turn, sold to **Abner Rising**. These were the first mills in the town, and for a long time the grist-mill was the only one of the kind. Previous to its erection the settlers carried their grain to Adams or Whitesville. In 1816 a second saw-mill was built, by **Joseph Wilcox** and **Green Kellogg**, near the Corners, on the site of the present grist-mill. To erect the latter a company was formed in 1856, composed of **A. S. Gillet**, **L. P. Gillet**, **Abel Case**, **Sterling Wilcox**, **Leonard Parker**, **Horace R. Chafin**, and **Boomer K. Jenks**, who bought the mill site of **John Henderson**, and gave it, together with a cash bounty, to **Pealer and Fox**, who erected the mill in 1861, now the property of **Samuel B. Kellogg**. In 1857 **Abel Case** built a saw-mill just below the first mill, which afterwards became the property of **A. S. Gillet**.

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The first district school in Worth was taught in **Asaph Case's** barn by a **Mrs. Nobles**, about 1807. Ten or twelve pupils attended. In 1808 **Ruel Canfield** taught a school in part of **Timothy Greenly's** house, in Rodman, near the "Corners." **Miss Betsey Bugbee** taught a school in a log house, a few years latter [sic], in what is known as district No. 2. About this time a log school-house was erected at the "Corners," which, in 1830, gave place to other small log and frame houses, in which **A. S. Gillet** taught for a number of years.

CHURCHES.

The Union Church at Worthville, a neat and commodious wooden building, was erected in 1875, at a cost of about \$2,600. Although the church is free to other denominations it has been occupied principally by the Methodists, who have held regular services for several years. The pulpit has been occupied by **Revs. Fulford, Le Clair, Crofut, and Earnest**. The trustees of the church are **L. D. Monroe, L. D. Spalsbury, Levi Wilcox, Oren Greenly, George Kellogg, and W. P. Ackley**.

Biographical Sketch

Levi Wilcox

From *History Of Jefferson County, NY* by L. H. Everts
1878

In the year 1805, while yet Jefferson County was an almost unbroken wilderness, Joseph Wilcox, a native of Connecticut, emigrated to the present town of Worth. At that time there was but one other family in the town. He purchased 150 acres of wild land, built a house, and moved into it with his family, which at that

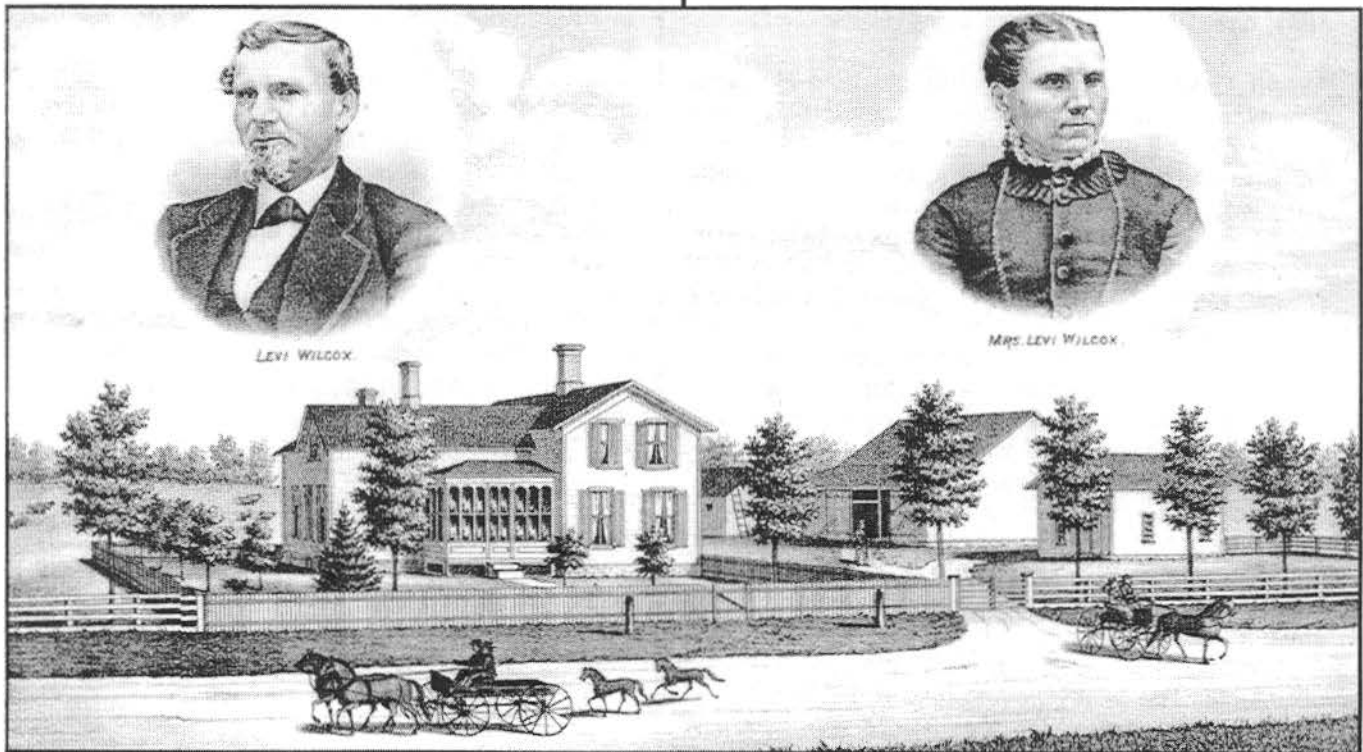
time consisted of his wife and six children. The old pioneer couple lived to advanced ages—the wife dying at the age of 76, and the old gentleman at the age of 88.

Sterling Wilcox, the son who succeeded to the old home, was born in 1791, and has lived in Worth since 1805, on the same spot, and now, at the advanced age of 86, is a hale old gentleman, in possession of all the faculties and intelligence of his earlier years. He was married in 1818 to Miss Sarah Smith, of Lorraine, by whom he became the father of six children, - Lydia, Philura Levi, Caroline, Gilbert, and Charles, - all of whom are living and have families except the last-named two. Mrs. Sarah Wilcox died March 22, 1867, aged 67 years.

Levi Wilcox, the present owner of the old Wilcox estate, was born Nov. 26, 1825, and was united in marriage with Miss Mary Fox, of the same town, in 1847. Two children have been born to them, Emma G. and Gilbert H.; the daughter is deceased. Gilbert H. is married to Miss Eva M. Brown, of the same town, and resides at home with his parents.

Thus can be seen three generations of this old pioneer family all living together in one family to-day, on the same spot selected by the great-grandfather of the younger members of this family.

The farm consists of 220 acres, and is one of the finest in the county. Mr. Levi Wilcox has recently erected a very fine and commodious house near the old home, which adds much to the beauty and comforts of this old landmark of Jefferson County. Elsewhere in these pages may be found a fine view of this old home, with portraits of Levi Wilcox and his excellent wife.



Queries

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BLACKMER/BLACKMORE/BLACKMAR

Looking for info regarding the Hazard **Blackmer/Blackmore/Blackmar** family. Hazard md Polly **Pratt**, parents unknown, abt 1844, Jefferson County, (? Clayton, ?Orleans or ?Brownsville). William, their son, is my direct ancestor. There is an online listing of his birth record: 10 Jan 1847, Clayton. If anyone has any info or knows of descendants of this family, I would like to connect. Thank you.

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YOUNGS/RYAN

I am a member of IBRO, Internat'l Boxing Research Org. I am researching Joseph **Youngs**, b Redwood, NY, 1870, later became legendary as the World Welterweight & Middleweight boxing champion, Tommy **Ryan**. Any info you might have on his early life would be GREATLY appreciated! Thanks!

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MONTGOMERY/STILLWEL

I am seeking the names of the parents of John H. **Montgomery**, according to family bible b. Ellisburg, 1815. I have found a Hugh **Montgomery** & wife Rachel **Rose** in Ellisburg in 1810 census & Rachel **Montgomery** in 1830 census. I have also found that Alexander **Montgomery** moved to Ellisburg in 1790's with son, Hugh, to be near daughter, Susannah, Mrs. Wm **Stillwell**. But I cannot find any evidence that Hugh & Rachel were John's parents. I would appreciate any assistance. Sincerely,

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HOWARD/BEDFORD/POWERS

Parker **Howard**, b. Dover, Dutchess, NY, 8/3/1794, d. 2/1/1882, Lena, IL; md Lavica Louisa **Boomer**, b. 8/8/1803, Ellisburg, Jefferson, NY, d. 9/16/1879, Lena, IL. Children all b. supposedly in Henderson, Jefferson, NY, before they homesteaded to IL around 1840: Neucomb, 7/12/1834, d.11/14/1905, Ireton, IA; Murray L, 3/19/1821, d. 7/26/1901, Lena, IL; Edwin Franklin, 3/23/1831, d.11/2/1907, Lena, IL; Richard C, 10/3/1837, d. 8/14/1871; Elizabeth M, 4/12/1826; Mary C, 3/21/1825, md Ezra T. **Perry**, b. Lyme, Jefferson,

NY; Gilbert **Livingston**, 10/11/1822, d 1/19/1899, Lena, IL, md Harriet E. **Bedford**, b. 2/27/1829, Jefferson County, NY, d. 1/13/1899, Lena, IL. her father, Stephen **Bedford**, mother Christina **Powers**; Adelia **Editha**, 4/11/1829. Need any mention/record of Parker **Howard's** parents. Thank you in advance for any help,
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Joseph Wilcox 1762—1849

Joseph Wilcox was born on 20 Jan 1762 in Norfolk, CT./Simsbury, CT. He died in 1849. Joseph served in the Revolution. Joseph and his family were among the early settlers of the town of Worth, Jefferson Co., NY.

From Haddock's "History of Jefferson County" the following account of Joseph Wilcox appears:

"In 1803 he came by way of Redfield (to Worth, NY) making the journey in the month of March with an ox team hitched to a sled. There were no roads or bridges and they were guided only by blazed trees. Reaching the sandy creek then swollen by a recent freshet they were at a loss to cross it. But the strong native sense of the pioneer is equal to any emergency. A tree was felled across the stream so as to form a footbridge over which the load was carried piece by piece. The oxen were then urged into the stream and swam across, carrying the sled with them and then a cord was fastened around the necks of their three hogs and these were safely piloted over. Upon reaching the spot selected for his home, Mister Wilcox erected a log house which had a puncheon floor, bark roof and for a window a sheet of paper oiled so as to admit the light. The winter winds would sometimes take away a portion of the roof admitting the snow to a depth of several inches."

This same account mentions that Joseph and his son Sterling, built the first sawmill in Jefferson County. This was in the year 1816.

He was married to Hannah Banning in Dec 1784 in Barkhamstead, Litchfield Co., CT. Hannah Banning died on 15 Mar 1839. They had 7 children: Chloe, Samuel, Luman, Sterling, Daniel, Lucy and Clarissa.

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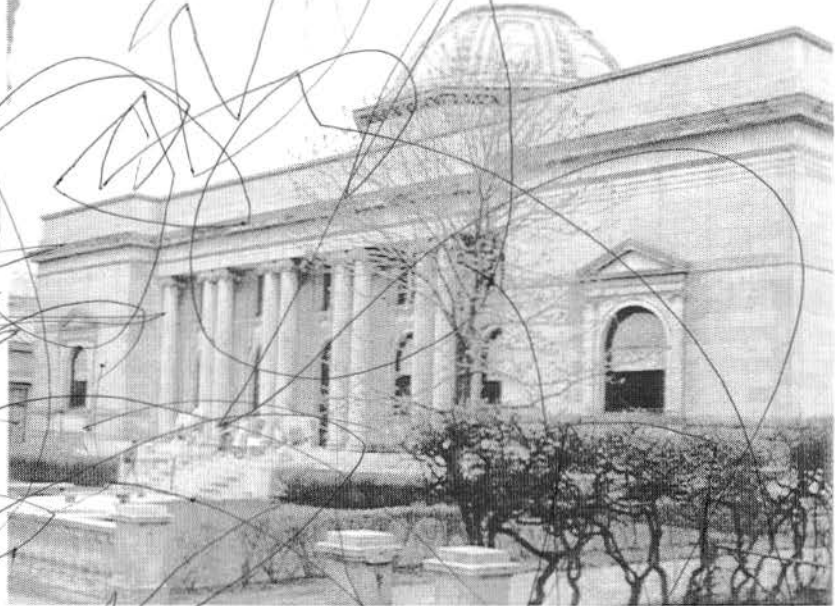
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4	Ainsworth	D10					Bartholomew	M14	S19			
5	Albertson	J4					Bartlett	C10				
6	Allen	C12	C26	D18	M9	V3	Barton	W14				
7	Aman	P6					Bass	W3				
8	Amo	P1					Bassett	S16				
9	Anderson	B23					Bastian	L6				
10	Angel/Angell	A5	G4	M3	S2		Bates	F7	H10			
11	Angel/Angell	A5	G4	M3			Battles	L18				
12	Archbald/bold	B1					Bauch	C5				
13	Arnold	S10					Bauder	Z2				
14	Arthur	C1					Baxter	C21				
15	Atwood	F11					Beal/Beals	L17	S1			
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17	Auffret	V1					Bearup	H21				
18	Austin	L18					Beauregard	M17				
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27	Bailey	R1					Bemis	M27				
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30	Balduff	D16					Benore	H21				
31	Baltoff	D16					Benton	W18				
32	Baltz	D16	N4				Berow	W7				
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37	Barnett	R14					Bingham	M12				
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45	Bogenschutz	B13					Butler	B14	B29	L18		
46	Bolton	F1	H5				Butterfield	C12	S21	W20		
47	Bongard	V4					C					
48	Boomer	S27					Cain	D2				
49	Bosworth	R1					Calarco	S6				
50	Bovee	D3					Company	C1	P1			
51	Bowles	B25					Campbell	S4	V1			
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53	Boyle	F5					Canell	S4				
54	Bracy	S11					Capp	R10				
55	Branson	B6					Carpenter	B25	C24	L1	L18	R2
56	Brenon	B19					Carson	M1				
57	Brewer	F10					Carter	G17	M22	R5	S2	
58	Brewster	K2					Case	M17				
59	Briggs	W7					Case	M6	M17	T5		
60	Britt	S22					Case	T5				
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63	Brodeur	M16					Caswell	N6				
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65	Brooks	W9					Chaffee	D13				
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68	Broughham	D13					Chapin	L17				
69	Brown	D3	D5	M4	S13	T5	Chapman	L18	R10			
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71	Bryan	G14					Chase	C5	M9	S1		
72	Bucklin	G14					Cheesman	W12				
73	Buker	M4					Cheever	C11				
74	Bullis	F1					Childs	H23				
75	Bunce	M1					Chittenden	S11				
76	Burch	D4					Church	C13	F11			
77	Burdick	G2					Churchill	Z2				
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85	Colburn	D10					Crowner	H24	M25	R5		
86	Cole	C16	C17				Crumb	D5				
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89	Comins	M25					Cutting	L8				
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125	Dibble	C16					Ellis	D10	G11			
126	Dickinson	B6	M27				Ellison	L10				
127	Dief(v)endorf	D12					Ellsworth	W14				
128	Diefendorf	H17					Emerson	H13	S7			
129	Dillenback	K4	Z1				Emmons	P6				
130	Dillenbeck	D13					Empie	F4				
131	Dillin	W7					Enders	Q1				
132	Dingman	S7					Esselstyn	S11				
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134	Dixon	D14	M27				Evans	E2	G11			
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137	Docteur	F1	H5				F					
138	Dodge	H2	H12	H13			Fa(l)ling	L16				
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146	Driscoll	S19					Farr	F3	F7	P6	R5	
147	Dugan	C6					Farrell	B29	J5			
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150	Dunlay	L3					Feeter	C14				
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152	Durham	B26					Ferhle/Fortin	W18				
153	Dye	C24					Ferris	S21				
154	E						Fertile	D2				
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156	Easterly	F6					Fields	W22				
157	Eastman	H18					Fife	M23				
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159	Eddy	N6					Finch	G2				
160	Edmonds	B19					Fisher	F6	L7			

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161	Fisk	F7	S15				Garside	L4				
162	Fisk	S15					Gates	B5	B13			
163	Fitzgerald	S6					Gaworecki	F1				
164	Fitzpatrick	Z2					Gellet	D16				
165	Flanders	S22					Getman	W14				
166	Flannery	C16					Geywitz	H13				
167	Fleming	B26	O1				Ghastin	P7				
168	Flint	W2					Gibbons	G17	H19	M22		
169	Folts	J4					Gibbs	B5	C11	R12		
170	Foot/Foote	B6					Gibeau	P7				
171	Ford	B5	H9				Giddings	P5				
172	Fortin	D2					Gilbert	Q1				
173	Fowles	L2					Giles	V4				
174	Fox	F4	F5	G12	K4	N6	Gillson/Jillson	L17				
175	Fraley	H22					Giltz	G17				
176	Fralick	L10					Glass	S13				
177	Frame	D12	L18				Gleason	S21				
178	Fraser/Frazier	W9	B17				Gloyd	P5				
179	Frasier	B17					Gloyd	T1				
180	Fredenborg	C4	R13				Godfrey	R1				
181	Freeman	H13					Golden	G14				
182	Freeman	M13	R5	W23			Golding	R10				
183	Frink	S26					Gonia	S4				
184	Frizzell	B17					Goodale	B27				
185	Frost	L17					Gooddale	Z2				
186	Fry/Frye	V3	D12				Goodell	B27				
187	Fuller	G14	G17	M22			Goodrich	L8				
188	Furgison	H20					Goonan	G4				
189	G						Gormley	B13				
190	Gage	E2					Gosier	P9	V4			
191	Gagnon	S4					Goss	B25				
192	Gaige	E2					Goudiere	L4				
193	Gaines	C7					Gould	R4				
194	Galloway	C26					Goulding	S19				
195	Galt/Gault	P1					Gove	W3				
196	Gardner	B9 C11	G2 H6	L17	S1	W12	Graham	R10				
197	Gardner	W12					Granger	H22	T5			
198	Garlock	C14					Granger	T5				
199	Garnham	G3					Grant	G17	M22	W20		
200	Garnsey	B13					Grappotte	G18	H22			

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202	Graver	L8					Hawn	C24	N6			
203	Graves	G17	M9				Haws	M20				
204	Green	W20					Hayes	L16				
205	Greene	C16	M20	R1	S11		Haywood	P5	S26			
206	Greenman	R1					Hebert	H23				
207	Gregory	C11	L1	L18			Heinrich	W23				
208	Gregory	L18					Helmer	F4	Q1	W7		
209	Griffin	L1					Hemple	F1				
210	Groat	S3					Hengge	C10				
211	Guernsey	H4					Hentze	P9				
212	Guiwits	H13					Herkimer	C14				
213	Guyre	W11					Herman	C10				
214	H						Herrick	D9	D10	H12		
215	Ha(o)lliday	M27					Hess	F9	H24	L4		
216	Haas	Heyl					Hibbard	H23				
217	Hadlock	C5					Hicks	Y1				
218	Hagen	H20					Highmoor	M23				
219	Hague	H3					Hildreth	L4	S2			
220	Hale	H4					Hildreth	S2				
221	Hall	G11	H5	M5			Hill	C21	Q1			
222	Hallett	B19					Hillman	R1				
223	Halloway	H18					Hills	D12				
224	Hammond	O1					Hine	D5				
225	Hand	B26	N6				Hitchcock	W18				
226	Hanes	F4					Hoar	G11				
227	Happ	N4					Hofer	C1				
228	Harrigan	S6					Holkins	K1				
229	Harrington	L8					Hollingsheal	H3				
230	Harris	M7					Holmes	G14				
231	Hart	B9	C12	L10			Hoover	F6	H10	L4		
232	Hartman	G3	V4				Hopf	W22				
233	Hartman	V4					Hopkins	H19				
234	Hartwig	F5					Horton	L7				
235	Harvey	S19					Hoselton	L16				
236	Harwood	R4					Hotchkins	G17	M22			
237	Hastings	H23	R12				Hotchkiss	G17				
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242	Howarth	D2	F3				Ka(e)mpnich	P1				
243	Howarth	F3					Kane	P6				
244	Howland	C21					Kasson	B25				
245	Hrachovina	W22					Kast	F9				
246	Hubbard	C5	H21	L8	R5		Keim	K1				
247	Huck	W3					Kelle(a)r	P1				
248	Huffstater	F7					Keller	F5	F7			
249	Humphrey	W18					Keller	F7				
250	Hunt	A4					Kelleson	B26				
251	Hunter	H13	H25	L3	L10		Kellison	B26				
252	Hunter	M4					Kellogg	S22	S26			
253	Hurlbut	F10					Kelsey	G2				
254	Husted	H17					Kemmerer	K2				
255	Hyde	S1					Kempney	C1				
256	I						Kennico(u)t	L17				
257	Ingalls	W19					Kenyon/Kinyon	S10				
258	Ingersoll	G2					Kes(s)ler	L16				
259	Ingerson	G2					Keyes	M22				
260	Ingraham	M25					Killenbeck	C16				
261	Ireland	P9					Kilts	C14				
262	Irvine	M3					Kimmes	K3				
263	J						Kingsbury	B5	D11	G4		
264	Jackman	J6					Kingsley	D11				
265	Jackson	H6					Kirby	V3				
266	James	R1					Klock	C14	F4	K6	S22	Z2
267	Jarvis	D11					Knapp	B1	K3	R2	S6	
268	Jenkins	H13	K4	W9	Z1		Knight	G4				
269	Jenne	S16					Kraemer	S6				
270	Jennings	C24					L					
271	Jerome	G17					La(o)ughlin	M3				
272	Jewett	W19					LaDue	G18				
273	Joels	N4					LaGraves	S10				
274	Johnson	B23	C12	D12	K3	R12	LaJuett	D11				
275	Johnston	C12					Lake	G11				
276	Johnston(e)	R12					Lallier	P1				
277	Joles/Jolls	M3	M12				Lamb	W18				
278	Jones	B26 H13	J6 S3	W11	W14	Z2	Lambert	W3				
279	Joslin	W5					Lance	H12	V3			
280							Lane	F3				

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282	Larkin	B19	P1				Manning	M4				
283	LaRose	T5					Manson	B13				
284	LaRue	S4					Manville	H2				
285	Law	L1					Marcellus	B26				
286	Lawrence	W18					Marcott	B13				
287	Lawton	C11	F3	S1			Marsh	S11	W9			
288	Leary	L3					Marshall	C24				
289	Leddy	C7					Martin	D5	F10	M7		
290	LeDoux	G18					Marvin	W14				
291	Lee	C16	D5	S11	V3		Matthews	M5				
292	Lefebvre	S4					Maxon/Maxson	C16	M20			
293	Lehman	D5					McCann	K6				
294	Lehr	H2	H13				McCarthy	F5				
295	Lenway	P5					McCarty	S19				
296	LePointe	M17					McCollum	H17				
297	Leroux	S4					McCombs	Q1				
298	Lewis	L16					McConnel	H8				
299	Lieninger	H18					McCready	F1	H5			
300	Linton	M3					McCumber	P7	S26			
301	Littlefield	G11	M6	N6			McCumber	S26				
302	Livermore	C4					McCune	B27				
303	Livingston	B13	F7				McDaniels	C12	R13			
304	Lockrow	S26					McGrann	J4				
305	Locy	D4					McGraw	R8				
306	Loehr	H2					McHale	L10				
307	Longtin	W2					McIntosh	M6				
308	Longway	M3					McIntyre	W20				
309	Lonsway	M3					McKee	W9				
310	Lord	R10					McKenna	M16				
311	Losee/Losie	L17					McNitt	L10				
312	Losen	T5					McPhail	C7				
313	Loveland	M22					McRobbie	O1				
314	Lucas	Z2					Melichar	W22				
315	Lynch	C26	P6				Mentry	M13				
316	Lyon/Lyons	C5	C11				Merriam	M14				
317	M						Merrill	F11	H25			
318	Mack	M7	Y1				Mesis/Misar	W22				
319	Macomber	M6					Meyers	L18				
320	Majo	A5					Mick	M8				

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322	Miller	D4					O'Dell	O1	W22			
323	Mills	R14					O'Keefe	G4				
324	Miner/Minor	M1	R10				Orchard	M7				
325	Minthorn	W7					Ostrander	M9				
326	Moffatt	D18					Ouderkirk	S16				
327	Monroe	B19					Overocker	S3				
328	Monteith	K3					Overton	S26				
329	Montgomery	M3					P					
330	Monty	G18					Packard	C4				
331	Moore	A4	B14				Papaw	G18				
332	Moran	S6					Parish	H22				
333	Morehouse	S7					Parker	C26	H25	M6	W3	
334	Morgan	S13					Parmenter	L17				
335	Morkin	H9					Parmly	R1				
336	Morrill	C6					Parnham	L4				
337	Morrison	K9					Parsnow	B13				
338	Morse	W7					Parsons	G2				
339	Mosher	G2	G14	W19			Patch	D18	P5	Z1		
340	Mott	L16					Patrick	B23	C5			
341	Moyer	H10					Patrick	C5				
342	Mullen	P5					Patterson	C7	F5	S7		
343	Mullin	M25					Payne	C25	G18			
344	Murray	O1					Payne	G18				
345	Myrick	B14					Pease	B19				
346	N						Peaslee	F10				
347	Nail	C25					Peck	D18				
348	Negus	D4					Pedrick	C5				
349	Nellis	D13	F9				Peebles	C1				
350	Nelson	B23					Pelletier	K4				
351	Nemier	M6					Pender	C7				
352	Neuroth	C16					Pepin	G18				
353	Norton	Z1					Pepper	W18				
354	Nutting	C5					Percy	W7				
355	O						Perigo	R4				
356	Obey	M4					Perkins	S9				
357	O'Brien	S12					Perrigo	R12				
358	O'Connell	C21					Perry	S27				
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362	Phelps	B14	D12	H23	P1	S7	Riley	C7				
363	Phillips	L1	Q1	W2			Ripley	L1				
364	Philo	M3					Roark/Ruark	N6				
365	Pickard	S13					Roberts	L18	W13			
366	Pierce	C10	R5				Robie/Roby	M16				
367	Pitcher	S21					Robinson	O1	W1			
368	Place	M6					Roby	O1				
369	Plato	D14					Rockett	R10				
370	Poole	F6					Rockwell	J5	L6			
371	Porter	B23	M12				Rockwood	L8				
372	Post	H17					Rodenhurst	S15				
373	Potter	B14	D18				Rodgers/Rogers	M23				
374	Potts	W23					Rogers	A4 M12	R12	R13	S1	S10
375	Powers	S27					Rooksby	W9				
376	Prentis(Ice)	T1					Root	B6	F11			
377	Prior/Pryor	S16					Rose	H20				
378	Proven	H20	K4				Ross	G2	M26	M27		
379	Putn(m)am	M3					Roubie/Rouby	M16				
380	Putnam	P9					Ruger	G4				
381	Q						Rundlet	H25				
382	Quackenbush	O1					Russell	F10	S19			
383	Quail/Quayle	W23					Ryan	K3				
384	Quencer	Q1					S					
385	Quian	C25					Sackett	D4				
386	R						Salladin	L16				
387	Radley	V4					Saltsman	F9				
388	Randall	R5					Sancomb	W20				
389	Ransear	T5					Sanders	L2				
390	Read	H18					Sanford	B9	H20			
391	Reed	C12	G4	H9	H18		Sargent	H17				
392	Rehrig	L6					Saunders	C16	G14	L2		
393	Reinagle	H21	P9	V4			Saunders	G14				
394	Rexford/Rixford	R12					Saunders	L2				
395	Rhoades	R14					Sawyer	F6				
396	Rhodes	L1	W14				Sayer	P5				
397	Richmond	S22					Schermerhorn	B9	S26			
398	Rickard	W14					Schneider	G12	H19	W3		
399	Ricket(t)	S1					Schram	Q1				
400	Rider	M7					Schulz	M25				

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443	Tanner	N4					Vanderburgh	H25				
444	Tassey	G18					VanderVoort	L17				
445	Tassey	H22					Vanderwerker	D13				
446	Taylor	B25	C11				VanDeusen	F3				
447	Teachout	B25	S10				Vandewalker	W11				
448	Terry	B9					VanEtta	L4				
449	Thibault	H22					VanFredenburg	F3				
450	Thomas	C4	H2				VanSchrick	W1				
451	Thomas	H2					Vatterly	G17				
452	Thompson	B6 D4	H8	M4	R5	W12	Vautrin	H21	L3			
453	Thum/Thumb	S20					Verbeck	W18				
454	Thurber	C12					Versailles	B26				
455	Thurston	S16					Vice	C21				
456	Tietsoort	S10					Vinaca	R10				
457	Tilson	F11					Vincent	M27				
458	Timmerman	C14	D14	S13			Virkler	C1				
459	Tink	D3					Vodra	L6				
460	Todd	A4					W					
461	Tomsu	W22					Waful	H23				
462	Towne	H4	S19				Wafvl	G2				
463	Townsend	W20					Wager	C21				
464	Tracy	C5					Wagner	D16				
465	Tremper	L7					Wagoner	A4	D14	H17		
466	Trepanier	W23					Walker	K6				
467	Trombley	G18					Wallis	W23				
468	Trowbridge	C11	P1				Walradt	H10				
469	Tucker	D11	Z1				Walsh	P6				
470	Turck	T5					Walton	D18				
471	Tuttle	B6	N4	S15	W5		Walts	G12	W3			
472	Twite	M1					Waltz	G12				
473	Tyler	W2					Ward	W23				
474	U						Wardell	T1				
475	Underwood	H13					Warner	D5	W5			
476	V						Warren	H2	V1			
477	Vabas	K2					Washburn	M7				
478	Valliese	W3					Waters	P1				
479	VanBrocklin	V1					Watkins	W7				

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