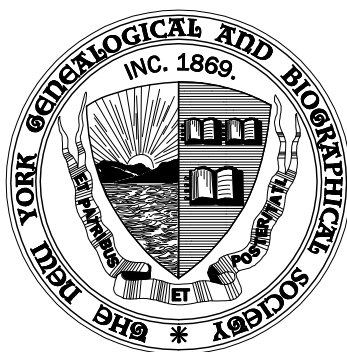


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Builders know that sturdy, sound foundations are vital to structural integrity. In a project involving renovation, expansion, repair, or remodeling, usually a foundation already exists, and the builder must determine whether it is adequate for the proposed work. The analysis and decision-making process involves measuring, calculating, and inspecting for cracks and other flaws. The existing basis might be suitable to use without modification, it might require some repair and improvement, or it might be abandoned entirely.

Just as builders examine, inspect, and analyze existing foundations before deciding whether or how to use them, genealogists who locate books, articles, family trees, and other compilations must assess their foundational value. This issue of THE RECORD includes examples of such analysis and decision-making processes in two different genealogical contexts.

In her goal to identify the parents of Peter Fauconnier Valleau of Dutchess County, New York, author Gayla Nieminen discovered a Fauconnier family genealogy that includes extensive information on the Valleaus. Although the book does not meet today's standards for documentation, Gayla knew better than to hastily dismiss its contents. She analyzed the information provided by the book's compiler, comparing his statements to evidence she found in original sources. She evaluated the compiler's description of his work in various repositories and record collections. As Gayla writes in her article, "While some of his assertions are questionable, on the whole [his] conclusions withstand scrutiny."

Author Sharon Hoyt ran into a similar situation as she researched the family of William and Eliza (Blunt) Hooker. A privately published book documenting the couple's descendants offered a starting point, but as Sharon delved into original records she discovered that the compiler had overlooked several children. Using the book as a springboard for further exploration, Sharon expanded coverage of the family and added crucial documentation.

Builders look for cracks and weaknesses in existing foundations before beginning new work. Genealogists like Gayla Nieminen and Sharon Hoyt know that newly established conclusions are more likely to crumble if they rest on wobbly foundations. Studying compiled sources for potential flaws is essential to understanding their value as foundations for further research.

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**PETER F. VALLEAU (ABOUT 1735–AFTER 1790)  
OF DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK:  
FROM “UNPLACED ITEM” TO AN IDENTITY**

BY GAYLA NIEMINEN, CG\*

For years the origin of Peter F. Valleau, who married in Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York, in the mid-eighteenth century, has been a mystery. The only previous treatment of the Valleau family relegates Peter to a section labeled “Unplaced Items.”<sup>1</sup> But evidence regarding Peter’s middle name, occupation, approximate year of birth, and associates, along with a systematic study of candidates, links him to his likely parents.<sup>2</sup>

PETER F. VALLEAU OF DUTCHESS COUNTY

Petrus Vallow, *j.m.* (young man, meaning not previously married), born in Hackensack, Bergen County, New Jersey, residing in Poughkeepsie, married Tryntje Rynders, *j.d.* (young daughter, a woman not previously married), born and residing in Poughkeepsie, on 3 April 1765 at the Reformed Dutch Church in Poughkeepsie, following banns registered on 17 March.<sup>3</sup>

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\* Peter F. Valleau is the author’s five-times-great-grandfather through her mother, Rhea (Valleau) Smith. Ms. Nieminen may be reached at GSNieminen@gmail.com. The author thanks Harry Macy Jr., FASG, FGBS, for his thorough and helpful corrections and additions.

<sup>1</sup> Abraham E. Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants, With Some Account of the Allied Valleanx* (Philadelphia: privately published, 1911), 234.

<sup>2</sup> Many of the sources used in this study are church records, the largest number from the Dutch Reformed churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh, Bergen Co., N.J. The Hackensack church still exists and holds its original records, while the Schraalenburgh church (called Schraalenburgh South after 1801) is now the South Presbyterian Church of Bergenfield and its earliest original records have been deposited at Rutgers University Library. They were microfilmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah in 1971 and cataloged as “Church records, 1724–1942, of the former Reformed Dutch Church of Schraalenburgh and Hackensack, N.J.” (Family History Library [FHL] films 852,849–51, 852852 [items 1 and 2], and 854,130), but “Hackensack” in the title refers only to some Hackensack records that happened to be found in the Schraalenburgh books. In 1891 the Holland Society of New York published *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh*, Collections of The Holland Society of New York, Vol. 1, Part 1 (Hackensack, 1686–1801) and Part 2 (Schraalenburgh, 1724–1800). The records in these two books were based on manuscript transcriptions by Dingman Versteeg, who was born in the Netherlands and employed by the Holland Society to transcribe and translate the early Dutch church records. See his biographical note in Peter R. Christoph, Kenneth Scott, and Kenn Stryker-Rodda, eds., *Kingston Papers, Volume I, Kingston Court Records, 1661–1667*, New York Historical Manuscripts: Dutch, Vol. 6, Part 1 (Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1976), xvi–xvii. The *Ancestry* database “U.S., Dutch Reformed Church Records in Selected States, 1639–1989” (<https://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=6961>) includes Holland Society Church Records Collection book 62, which contains most of Versteeg’s Hackensack transcription, and books 73, 74, and 75, which contain transcriptions of some of the later Schraalenburgh records in another hand; Versteeg’s Schraalenburgh transcription has not been located. The present author compared the 1891 version of the Schraalenburgh records with the originals and found them to be accurate. As the original records for Hackensack were not available to the present author, the 1891 publication has been used.

<sup>3</sup> Petrus Vallow–Tryntje Rynders registration of banns and marriage, in Dingman Versteeg, transcriber, “Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Poughkeepsie,” Holland Society of New York Church Record Collection, vol. 39, p. 158 (married after banns), 168 (banns registered) (FHL film 1,016,871). For an explanation of *j.m.* and *j.d.*, Rosalie Fellows Bailey, *Dutch Systems in Family Naming: New York—New Jersey* (Washington, D.C.: National Genealogical Society, 1954), 1–2. Original records of the Reformed Church of Poughkeepsie were not available to the present author. Transcriptions by Versteeg and Arthur C. M. Kelly (*Baptism Records of First Reformed Church, Poughkeepsie, Dutchess County, New York, 1716–1913* [Rhinebeck,

Six months after their marriage, on 28 October 1765, “Petter Value” of Poughkeepsie gave a bond to acknowledge a debt of £10 10s. to Myndert Van Kleeck. Signing as Peter F. Valleau, he agreed to pay £21 2d. if the debt was not satisfied by 1 February 1766. One year later, Van Kleeck entered a complaint that “Peter F. Valleau otherwise called Peter Value” had failed to pay on time.<sup>4</sup>

In 1769 Peter was imprisoned for other debts. A legal notice in a New York City newspaper reported that “Peter Fauconier Valleau of Dutchess County, blacksmith,” was released from prison upon declaring bankruptcy. His creditors were asked to show cause why Peter’s estate should not be assigned to Lucas Lazier of Dutchess County.<sup>5</sup> The proposed assignment implies that Lazier had loaned Peter a significant sum or had paid his debts. Lucas Lazier’s wife was Anne Valleau,<sup>6</sup> who was baptized in Hackensack 13 June 1714, the daughter of Peter Valleau and his wife Magdalene Fauconnier.<sup>7</sup> The legal notice does not hint at a relationship between Lucas and Peter F. Valleau.

Peter’s occupation of blacksmith potentially links him to Peter Vallou, blacksmith, who was on a muster roll of Captain John P. Smith’s militia company, which was raised in Orange County, New York. This soldier was age 22 when he enlisted 23 April 1758,<sup>8</sup> therefore born about 1735–1736. At the time of the enlistment, Orange County was adjacent to Bergen County, New Jersey,<sup>9</sup> where Peter F. Valleau was born.

Peter is listed in Poughkeepsie Precinct tax records, 1765–1766, 1775, and 1777.<sup>10</sup> No other person with his surname is listed in Dutchess County tax

N.Y.: Kinship Books, 2016]), were used. Versteeg and Kelly worked from the original records. Kelly’s transcriptions generally agree with Versteeg. For a discussion of these Poughkeepsie church records, see Harry Macy Jr., “Focus on New Netherland,” *The New York Researcher* 22 (2011): 53, in which he discusses Stefani Evans’s article, “From Sitcher to Fitchet and Other Oddities: Constructing a Genealogy of Error,” published in *Crossroads* (the quarterly journal of the Utah Genealogical Association) in 2010.

<sup>4</sup> Myndert Van Kleeck from Petter Value, Bond, Dutchess County, N.Y., Ancient Document no. 1435 (FHL film 925,798). A note on the cover states, “Judgment Obtained Oct: 9: 1766.”

<sup>5</sup> Legal notice regarding bankruptcy, *The New-York Journal; or, the General Advertiser* [New York City], 22 June 1769, p. 3, col. 2; 29 June 1769, p. 4, col. 1; 27 July 1769, p. 3, col. 3; 3 Aug. 1769, p. 4, col. 2.

<sup>6</sup> Lucas Lusier–Anna Fallo marriage, in *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh* (note 2), part 1, p. 52 (Lucas Lusier, y.m., and Anna Fallo, y.d., married 24 Feb. 1734 with license, both born and living in Hackensack). “Luke Lazier” appears in tax records for Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess Co., N.Y., in 1765, 1767–1771, 1773–1775, 1777–1779 (Dutchess Co., N.Y., Supervisors Records [Tax Lists], 1765–1770, Charlotte Precinct, p. 144 [1765], p. 299 [1767], p. 407 [1768], p. 508 [1769], p. 583 [1770] [FHL film 925,055, item 1]; Dutchess Co., N.Y., Supervisors Records [Tax Lists], 1771–1779, Charlotte Precinct, p. 49 [1771], p. 206 [1773], p. 263 [1774], p. 362 [1775], p. 412 [1777], p. 472 [1778], p. 550 [1779] [FHL film 952,055, item 2]).

<sup>7</sup> Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh* (note 2), part 1, p. 106, baptism of Annatie Magdaleen, daughter of Pieter Valoo and Magdaleen Vockonice, witness Annetie Kaey.

<sup>8</sup> “A Muster Roll of Captain John Peter Smith’s Company in the New York Troops under the Command of Col. DeLancey Esq.,” in *Muster Rolls of New York Provincial Troops, 1755–1764*, Collections of the New-York Historical Society for the Year 1891 (New York: privately published, 1892), 86. “A Size Roll of Captain John Peter Smith’s (Orange County) Company in the New York Troops under the command of Colonel (James) De Lancey Esq’r (1758),” in *Second Annual Report of the State Historian of the State of New York* (Albany: New York State, 1897), 867, which adds Peter’s height (5 feet, 6 inches) and description of his hair (short and black).

<sup>9</sup> The Newberry Library, *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries* (<http://publications.newberry.org/ahcbp>).

<sup>10</sup> Dutchess Co., N.Y., Supervisors Records (note 6), Poughkeepsie Precinct, p. 135 (1765), p. 218 (1766), p. 356 (1775), p. 424 (1777). The 1776 list is missing. Peter was consistently taxed the smallest amount, which varied slightly from year to year.



rolls between 1718 and 1780.<sup>11</sup> Peter was not found as a buyer or seller of land in Dutchess County, but in November 1768 he witnessed several deeds and mortgages there involving other members of the Vallean family:

- Peter witnessed two deeds made by “John Bard of New York City practitioner in Physick and Susannah his wife,” who were selling land in Dutchess County.<sup>12</sup> Peter also witnessed mortgages by the purchasers to John Bard.<sup>13</sup> Tax rolls for Charlotte Precinct, Dutchess County, 1762–1763 and 1773–1779, include “Dr. Bard.”<sup>14</sup> John Bard’s wife was Suzanne Vallean,<sup>15</sup> born 14 October 1720 and baptized in New York 19 July 1721, the daughter of Peter Vallean and his wife Magdalene [Fauconnier],<sup>16</sup> and sister of Lucas Lazier’s wife, Anne.
- Peter testified to a mortgage on land sold by John Bard to Lucas Laziere [*sic*];<sup>17</sup> the Bard-to-Lazier deed apparently was not recorded. As stated above, Lazier’s wife was Anne Vallean.<sup>18</sup>

In 1775 Peter F. Vallean was among the signers in Poughkeepsie of the Oath of Association,<sup>19</sup> meaning he was in support of the New York Provincial Congress, and Peter Vallean’s name appears on an undated list of Dutchess County militia.<sup>20</sup> If he initially supported independence, there is indication that his allegiance shifted. By 1781 a Peter Vallean was a private in the Loyal American Regiment, based in New York City; in late December 1781 the soldier petitioned to be discharged, as he had become “sick by a consumption” and was unable to support his wife and children. The private’s occupation of blacksmith (which matches the occupation mentioned in the 1769 legal notice) and Dutchess County origins, both stated in the petition, suggest he was Peter F. Vallean of Poughkeepsie. His [unnamed] brother took his

<sup>11</sup> Dutchess Co., N.Y., Supervisors Records (note 6), 1764–1770 and 1771–1779. Dutchess Co., N.Y., Supervisors Records (Tax Lists), 1757–1764 (FHL film 925,902). All lists for Poughkeepsie and Charlotte precincts, 1757–1779, were examined. For other precincts and other years, Buck’s abstracts were consulted (Clifford M. Buck, comp., *Dutchess County, N.Y., Tax Lists, 1718–1787*, Arthur and Nancy Kelly, eds. [Rhinebeck, N.Y.: Kinship, 1990]).

<sup>12</sup> John Bard and Susannah, his wife, to George Rim, Dutchess Co., N.Y., dated 10 Nov. 1768, Deeds 7:241–44, and John Bard and Susannah, his wife, to Thomas Banker, dated 10 Nov. 1768, Dutchess Co., N.Y., Deeds 7:245–48 (FHL film 565,013).

<sup>13</sup> George Rim and Barbary, his wife, to John Bard, dated 15 Nov. 1768, proven 21 Nov. 1768, Dutchess Co., N.Y., Mortgages 2:180, and Thomas Banker and Ann, his wife, to John Bard, dated 15 Nov. 1768, proven 24 Nov. 1768, Dutchess Co., N.Y., Mortgages 2:182 (FHL film 565,177).

<sup>14</sup> Dutchess Co., N.Y., Supervisors Records [Tax Lists], 1762–1763, Charlotte Precinct, p. 312 (June 1762, for Doct. Beard [*sic*]), p. 358 (Feb. 1763, for Doctor Beard’s [*sic*] farm) (FHL film 925,902, item 2), and p. 550 (1779, for Doctor John Bard) (FHL film 925,055, item 2). Also Dutchess Co., N.Y., Supervisors Records (note 6), 1771–1779, Charlotte Precinct, p. 206 (1773), p. 263 (1774), p. 362 (1775), p. 412 (1777), p. 472 (1778), p. 550 (1779). The 1776 list is missing.

<sup>15</sup> Docter [*sic*] John Bard and Susannah Valeau, residences unrecorded, marriage license, 5 Feb. 1741, New Jersey Marriage Licenses 1727–1734 [*sic*], p. 79½, 6th item on page, and John Bard of Phil<sup>a</sup>, Doctor in Physick, and Susanna Vallean of same, marriage license, 29 May 1741, New Jersey Marriage Licenses 1727–1734 [*sic*], p. 65½, 4th item on page (FHL film 888,710). For abstracts, Charles Carroll Gardner, “New Jersey Marriage Licenses, 1727–34 (With Additions to 1751),” *The Genealogical Magazine of New Jersey* 19 (1944): 47 and 20 (1945): 23.

<sup>16</sup> Rev. Alfred V. Wittmeyer, ed., *Registers of the Births, Marriages, and Deaths, of the “Eglise Française de la Nouvelle York,” from 1688 to 1804* (New York: Huguenot Society of America, 1886), 161, baptism of Susanne Valeau, daughter of Mr. Pierre Valeau and Miss Magdalaine [his wife], with witnesses Mr. Paul Colins and Miss Elizabeth Peletreau.

<sup>17</sup> Lucas Laziere and Ann, his wife, to John Bard, dated 15 Nov. 1768, sworn 21 Nov. 1768, Dutchess Co., N.Y., Mortgages 2:181 (FHL film 565,177).

<sup>18</sup> Lusier-Fallo marriage (note 6).

<sup>19</sup> Philip H. Smith, *General History of Dutchess [sic] County from 1609 to 1876, Inclusive* (Pawling, N.Y.: privately published, 1877), 488.

<sup>20</sup> *New York in the Revolution as Colony and State*, 2nd ed., 2 vols. (Albany: New York State, 1904), 1:245, for Dutchess County Militia (Land Bounty Rights)—Fourth Regiment.

place in the regiment.<sup>21</sup> Nothing further has been found about Peter's military activities.

Peter's wife Tryntje was probably the daughter of Johannes Rynders and Helena/Lena Van der Bogard, who were in Dutchess County from at least 1725.<sup>22</sup> Peter and Tryntje had three known children:<sup>23</sup>

- Johannis [John], born 3 February 1770, baptized in Poughkeepsie 4 March 1770, with no witnesses listed<sup>24</sup>
- Magdalene, baptized in Poughkeepsie 19 February 1775, with no witnesses listed<sup>25</sup>
- Theodore, born in New York City 21 August 1777,<sup>26</sup> whose baptismal record has not been found, but whose parents' names (Peter and Catherine) were recorded when Theodore married Lyda Loveless in Dutchess County in 1808<sup>27</sup>

If Peter and Tryntje followed the naming traditions of Tryntje's Dutch community, the first four children would usually be named for their grandparents.<sup>28</sup> Their son John bore the name of his maternal grandfather, and

<sup>21</sup> Petition of Peter Valleau, 29 Dec. 1781, British Headquarters Papers (Carleton Papers or American Manuscripts), Doc. 3998, pp. 1–2, microfilm reel M-353, Library and Archives Canada, Ottawa, Ont.

<sup>22</sup> Johannes Rynders and Helena Van der Bogard had a daughter Tryntje, baptized 5 Apr. 1735 and named for her paternal grandmother, but she would have been 30 years old at the time of the marriage to Peter F. Valleau, a very late age for a young woman's first marriage in this community and time period. It is probable that Tryntje, baptized in 1735, died, and that a later child was given the same name. Because of gaps in baptismal records, identifying Tryntje's parents requires an extensive proof argument that is beyond the scope of this article. For residence in Dutchess Co., Buck and Kelly, *Dutchess County, N.Y., Tax Lists 1718–1787* (note 11), 159 (Poughkeepsie Precinct, Johannis/John Rynders is listed for the first time in 1725/6). For 1735 baptism, Dingman Versteeg, transcriber, "Records of Reformed Dutch Church at Fishkill [Dutchess County, New York], 1730–1755," The Holland Society of New York Church Record Collection, vol. 14 (FHL film 1,016,561, item 3), with witnesses Harmanus Rynerse and Tryntje Ostrum. Except for three baptisms in Oct. 1731, Poughkeepsie baptismal records are missing from July 1725 to May 1738. Another gap exists between Mar. 1745 and Sept. 1764 (Kelly, *Baptism Records of First Reformed Church, Poughkeepsie* (note 3), 7–8 [1725, followed by 1731, then 1738], 16 [1745, followed by 1764]). Fishkill baptisms have no obvious gaps between 1731 and July 1746, but July 1746–Nov. 1758 records are missing (Mrs. Jean D. Worden, trans., *First Reformed Church, Fishkill, Dutchess County, New York* [Franklin, Ohio: the transcriber, 1981], 71).

<sup>23</sup> Their first-known child was born nearly five years after the marriage, and there is another five-year gap before the birth of the second-known child. It is possible there were additional children.

<sup>24</sup> Johannis Fellow baptism, son of Pieter Fellow and Catriena Reynerse, in Versteeg, "Records of the Reformed Dutch Church of Poughkeepsie" (note 3), 48. The name Tryntje is a diminutive of Catriena or Catherine ("Dutch Baptismal Names and their Equivalents in English," in Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh* [note 2], part 1, p. xxiii).

<sup>25</sup> Magdalene Valloe baptism, daughter of Peter and Catherine Valloe, in Helen W. Reynolds, ed., *The Records of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, New York*, 2 vols. (1916; reprint Zephyrhills, Fla.: J. D. Worden, 1994), 2:130.

<sup>26</sup> Shirley (Valleau) Nation (late of Essexville, Mich.) to Gayla Nieminen, letter, 24 Oct. 1973, citing a family record that Mrs. Nation had copied about 1963 from Mrs. Owen of Painsville, Ohio, a Valleau descendant. The family record gave exact birth dates and places for Theodore, his two wives, and his fifteen children, as well as death dates for the parents and eight of the children. Where church baptism records have been found, they corroborate the dates given in this source. Efforts during 2010–2012 by Mrs. Nation to further identify and locate the owner of the original document, at the request of this writer, were not successful. Theodore's 1850 census entry supports a birth date in late 1777 (Theodore Vallou household, 1850 U.S. census, Mentor Twp., Lake Co., Ohio, p. 274 [stamped, verso], dw. 235, fam. 241 [National Archives and Records Administration microfilm publication (NARA) M432, roll 701], in which Theodore was listed as age 72, a farmer, born in N.Y.).

<sup>27</sup> Theodore Vallou–Lyda Loveless marriage, Pleasant Valley [N.Y.] Presbyterian Church, "Pleasant Valley Church Book Feb. 10th 1794," marriage section, unnumbered page labeled 1808, in Church Records Collection, SC17568, Box 23, Vol. 2, Manuscripts and Special Collections, New York State Library, Albany. The record states that "Theodore Vallou son of Peter–Catherine of Fishkill was married to Lyda Loveless of Jerehmiah [and] Permelia of Poughkeepsie Aug. 11th 1808—\$1."

<sup>28</sup> Bailey, *Dutch Systems in Family Naming: New York—New Jersey* (note 3), 14, 16.

their daughter Magdalene was likely named for Tryntje's mother.<sup>29</sup> The next son, Theodore, would have been named for Peter's father.

Peter Valleau was enumerated in the Town of Poughkeepsie in 1790 as head of a household consisting of two free white males age 16 years and upwards (likely Peter and his son John, who would have been 20 years old) and two free white females (perhaps Peter's wife Tryntje and his daughter, Magdalene, who would have been about 15 years old).<sup>30</sup> Theodore, who would have been almost 13 years of age, was either not in the household or omitted in error. Peter F. Valleau has not been found in subsequent records in Dutchess County or elsewhere in New York State.

Several clues are available to help identify Peter F. Valleau's origins:

- He was born in Hackensack,<sup>31</sup> probably about 1735–1736.<sup>32</sup>
- He was a blacksmith.<sup>33</sup>
- He married a woman from a Dutch family, and therefore would likely have followed Dutch naming practices, where the first four children were usually named for their grandparents.<sup>34</sup> His second-born son, Theodore, may have been named for Peter's father.
- His middle name was Fauconier [*sic*],<sup>35</sup> suggesting he was a descendant of Pierre Fauconier, whose daughter Madelaine/Magdalena married Peter Valleau.<sup>36</sup>
- He associated with Lucas Lazier and John Bard, whose wives were sisters, both of them daughters of Peter Valleau and Madelaine/Magdalena Fauconier.<sup>37</sup>

#### THE VALLEAU FAMILY IN AMERICA

Only a few candidates are available to consider as Peter F. Valleau's parents, as only a small number of people of the Valleau surname were in the British American colonies at that time. The single published work on the American Valleau family of this period is *Pierre Fauconier and His Descendants, With Some Account of the Allied Valleaux*.<sup>38</sup> Written by A. E. Helffenstein, the book centers on Pierre Fauconier, a Huguenot (French Protestant) who came to New York from London in 1702 with Lord Cornbury, governor of the colonies of

<sup>29</sup> Tryntje's mother's name is recorded variously as Lena and Helena, but her actual name could have been Magdalena. Kenn Stryker-Rodda explained in "New Netherland Naming Systems and Customs," RECORD 126 (1995): 37, that "Magdalena, Helena, and Elenora all became Lena, or its diminutive Leentje, with the real trouble coming when people tried to work backward to the original name. Many a girl baptized as Magdalena but called Lena was married as Elenora and appeared in baptismal records as Helena." Harry Macy Jr., "The Verschuer Family of Bushwick . . .," RECORD 125 (1994): 172–73, discusses one such case and includes citations to other examples.

<sup>30</sup> Peter Valleau household, 1790 U.S. census, Town of Poughkeepsie, Dutchess Co., N.Y., p. 99 (penned) (NARA M637, roll 6).

<sup>31</sup> Petrus Vallow–Tryntje Rynders registration of banns and marriage (note 3).

<sup>32</sup> "A Muster Roll of Captain John Peter Smith's Company" (note 8). "A Size Roll of Captain John Peter Smith's (Orange County) Company" (note 8).

<sup>33</sup> Legal notice regarding bankruptcy (note 5). "A Muster Roll of Captain John Peter Smith's Company" (note 8). "A Size Roll of Captain John Peter Smith's (Orange County) Company" (note 8).

<sup>34</sup> Bailey, *Dutch Systems in Family Naming: New York—New Jersey* (note 3), 14, 16.

<sup>35</sup> Legal notice regarding bankruptcy (note 5).

<sup>36</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconier and His Descendants* (note 1), 29–33.

<sup>37</sup> Legal notice regarding bankruptcy (note 5). John Bard and Susannah, his wife, to George Rim, and John Bard and Susannah, his wife, to Thomas Banker, deeds (note 12). George Rim and Barbary, his wife, to John Bard, and Thomas Banker and Ann, his wife, to John Bard, mortgages (note 13). Lucas Laziere and Ann, his wife, to John Bard, mortgage (note 17).

<sup>38</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconier and His Descendants* (note 1).

New York and New Jersey, 1702–1708. Fauconnier served as commissioner of customs in New York and as receiver general in New Jersey.<sup>39</sup> He later engaged in trade and land speculation in both colonies.<sup>40</sup> Fauconnier's only known descendants were through his daughter Madelaine /Magdalena, who married Peter Valleau, so Helffenstein devoted more than 80 percent of his book to the Valleaus, tracing many of the lines to the 1890s.

Helffenstein depended in part on the work of Charles Baird, whose two-volume *History of the Huguenot Emigration to America* describes the French origins of many refugee Huguenots who later resided in New York, including the Valleaus,<sup>41</sup> but Helffenstein also consulted many original sources. He obtained records from as many relevant New York and New Jersey churches as possible, although not all churches he contacted possessed records for the periods in which he was interested.<sup>42</sup> He used marriage bonds, deeds, wills, land patents, and naturalization records, but his citations lack detail. Helffenstein's research was conducted before the fire that destroyed many records held at the New York State Library; he had access to and made transcriptions of some materials that no longer exist. Also, he interviewed a large number of Valleau descendants in the United States and Canada, including some who inherited family papers dating from the mid-eighteenth century. While some of his assertions are questionable, on the whole, Helffenstein's conclusions withstand scrutiny.

Helffenstein studied a Huguenot immigrant family comprised of Esaie<sup>1</sup> Valleau, his wife Suzanne, and three of their children (Isaiah, Peter, and Suzanne), who were probably adults at the time of immigration. The immigration date is unknown, but the family was in New York before 29 September 1689, when daughter Suzanne married Aman Bonnin.<sup>43</sup> Census and town records document the Valleau family's residence in the French-speaking community of New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York, from 1698 through 1710.<sup>44</sup>

<sup>39</sup> E. B. O'Callaghan, ed., *Calendar of Historical Manuscripts, in the Office of the Secretary of State, Albany, N.Y., Part II* [English Manuscripts, 1664–1776] (Albany: New York State, 1866), 316, 317, 335. Also, Patricia U. Bonomi, *The Lord Cornbury Scandal: The Politics of Reputation in British America* (Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 1998), 117. A receiver general is a public official in charge of a treasury.

<sup>40</sup> Fauconnier's long list of investments in land as a member of various investment groups is detailed in Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 14–23. Some are referenced in deeds (for example, in Bergen Co., N.J., deeds, John Barberie, Peter Fauconnier, and Andrew Fresneau to John Verway, dated 24 Apr. 1724, B:37–41, and John Barberie, Andrew Fresneau, and Peter Fauconnier to Johann Van Zeil, dated 18 Mar. 1712, C:5–8 [both on FHL film 893,980], and in Westchester Co., N.Y., deeds, Anne de Lancey, Lewis Johnston, and others to Benja Smith and others, dated 7 June 1763, H:276–305 [FHL film 562,371]).

<sup>41</sup> Charles W. Baird, *History of the Huguenot Emigration to America*, 2 vols. (New York: Dodd, Mead, and Co., 1885).

<sup>42</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), vii–viii.

<sup>43</sup> For the marriage, Wittmeyer, *Registers . . . of the "Eglise Française de la Nouvelle York"* (note 16), 6. Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 225, gives the immigration year as about 1685, but without a source. Helffenstein (p. 209) states that Esaie and Suzanne had seven children, four of whom remained in France.

<sup>44</sup> Howard S. F. Randolph, transcriber, with A. J. F. van Laer, "The Census of 1698 for Mamaroneck, Morrisania, and New Rochelle, Westchester County, New York." RECORD 59 (1928): 106. E. B. O'Callaghan, *The Documentary History of the State of New-York*, vol. 3 (New York: New York State, 1850), 946–47, "The List of the Towne of New Rochelle . . . 1710." Esaie<sup>1</sup> was named a townsman in 1701, a townsman and supervisor in 1702, and supervisor in 1703–1704 (Jeanne A. Forbes, transcriber and translator, *Records of the Town of New Rochelle 1699–1828* [New Rochelle, N.Y.: City of New Rochelle, 1916], 9 [1701], 45 [1702], 51–52 [1703–1704]).

Esaie<sup>1</sup> Vallean was born about 1637–1639<sup>45</sup> in France, likely on the Île de Ré, where he appears in records 1668–1672,<sup>46</sup> and died in late 1712 or early 1713,<sup>47</sup> probably in New Rochelle. His wife Suzanne, likely the daughter of Jean Descard/Descartes and Marie Dumas,<sup>48</sup> was born about 1635–1636<sup>49</sup> in France and died probably in Westchester County before December 1710.<sup>50</sup> By his 1712 will, Esaie divided his estate among his son Peter, children of his daughter Bonnin, and the son of his eldest son (neither of whom he named).<sup>51</sup> Peter F. Vallean could be a descendant of either of Esaie's sons.

One other Vallean family is found in colonial New York records: that of Etienne<sup>1</sup> Vallean, also from the Île de Ré, and said to be a brother of immigrant Esaie.<sup>52</sup> Etienne was naturalized in New York City on 27 September 1687 along with his wife Marie and children Etienne/Stephen, Arnaud, Sarah, and Marie.<sup>53</sup> The family lived in Kingston, Ulster County, New York, where a Stephen Vallean was mentioned in court records, 1693–1695, and served as constable.<sup>54</sup> Each of Etienne's sons can be ruled out as Peter F. Vallean's ancestor. Arnaud<sup>2</sup> has not been found after 1702.<sup>55</sup> Stephen<sup>2</sup>, a cooper, married by license dated 19 November 1692 Marie Gallais, was in New York City's East Ward by 1701, and was made a freeman of the city in 1702.<sup>56</sup> He and Marie had only one child, a daughter, Marie, born 1694,<sup>57</sup> who married by 30 June 1717.<sup>58</sup>

<sup>45</sup> His birth year is estimated from his age as reported on two censuses: "Isack vallou ag 59," in Randolph and Van Laer, "The Census of 1698 for Mamaroneck, Morrisania, and New Rochelle" (note 44), 106, and "Isaiah Vallow Senr, 72," in O'Callaghan, *Documentary History of the State of New-York*, vol. 3 (note 44), 946 [Dec. 1710].

<sup>46</sup> Baird, *History of the Huguenot Emigration to America* (note 41), 1:305n2, which states that he was from the Isle of Ré. Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 208–9, 225.

<sup>47</sup> Esaiah Vallean original will, Series J0038-92, file 398, New York State Archives, Albany. It was signed 24 Dec. 1712 and proved 13 May 1713. For the recorded copy, New York Co., N.Y., Wills 8:246–48 (FHL film 497,593, item 3).

<sup>48</sup> Her given name is listed in the 1698 census of New Rochelle ("susan vallou [Isack's] wiff ag 62," in Randolph and Van Laer, "The Census of 1698 for Mamaroneck, Morrisania, and New Rochelle" [note 44], 106). For her name and parents, Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 208. Helffenstein's researcher in France located baptisms for four of Esaie and Suzanne's children (p. 209, referring to Jean, Marie, Etienne, and Paul, listing St. Martin as the baptismal location for Jean and Marie, but offering no place of baptism for Etienne and Paul), as well as the burial of Suzanne's mother, Marie (p. 208). For the burial record, which identifies Marie's deceased husband, Jean Descardt, as well as her son-in-law, Esaye Vallean, see Marie Dumas burial record, 19 July 1671, Death, Saint-Martin-de-Ré, Charente-Maritime, Poitou-Charentes, France, Société de l'Histoire du Protestantisme Français, Paris, digital image, "France, registres protestants, 1536–1897," *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:QGCK-71K8>), from FHL film 4,470,451. Vallean's signature on the burial record resembles that on Esaie's will (note 47). A French woman generally continued to be recorded in French-related records by her birth or maiden name after marriage. But in English-related or -influenced records, she may be found under either her or her husband's surname.

<sup>49</sup> Her birth year is estimated from her age as reported in 1698: "susan vallou [Isack's] wiff ag 62," in Randolph and Van Laer, "The Census of 1698 for Mamaroneck, Morrisania, and New Rochelle" (note 44), 106.

<sup>50</sup> She is not listed in the 1710 census (O'Callaghan, *Documentary History of the State of New-York*, vol. 3 [note 44], 946–47) and is not mentioned in her husband's 1712 will (note 47).

<sup>51</sup> Esaiah Vallean will (note 47). Son Peter was to be the sole executor.

<sup>52</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 208–9, 222.

<sup>53</sup> Baird, *History of the Huguenot Emigration* (note 41), 1:305n2, citing "Act. [Act of Naturalization]."

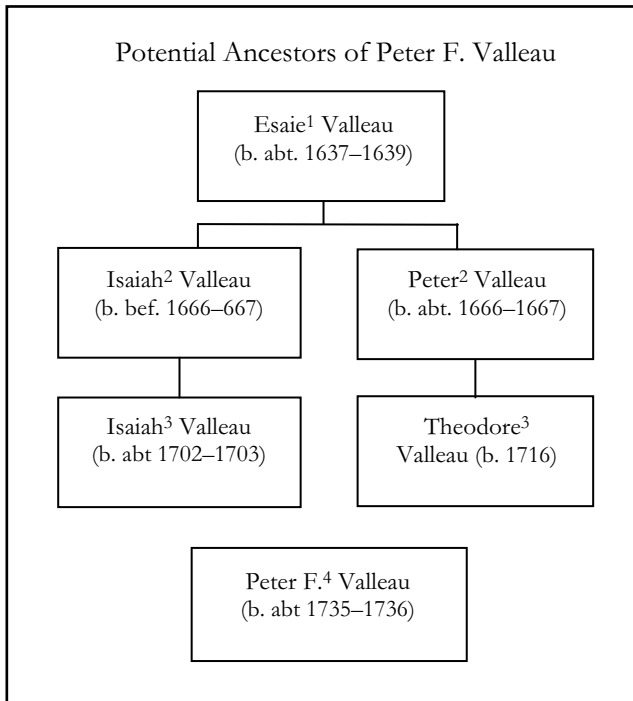
<sup>54</sup> Kenneth Scott, "Ulster County, New York, Court Records, 1693–1775," *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* 60 (1972): 276–77.

<sup>55</sup> Wittmeyer, *Registers . . . of the "Église Française de la Nouvelle York"* (note 16), 89, "Izaac chardauoine," baptized 9 Aug. 1702, witnesses Arnaud Vallean and Sarah Vallean (probably Arnaud's sister).

<sup>56</sup> For the marriage, Kenneth Scott, "New York Marriage Licenses, 1639–1706," *RECORD* 98 (1967): 5 (Stephen Vallean of Kingston, Ulster Co., cooper, and Mary "Gallaes (or Gallais?)" of New York City, widow, citing liber 3–4:374). For the 1701 residence, *Minutes of the Common Council of the City of New York*,

Eliminating Etienne's progeny from consideration leaves only Esaie's American descendants for closer study. Esaie's son Peter<sup>2</sup> married Madelaine /Magdalena Fauconnier. Peter Fauconnier Valleau's middle name as well as his association with Lucas Lazier and John Bard, each of whom married a daughter of Peter<sup>2</sup> Valleau and Madelaine/Magdalena Fauconnier, point strongly to the likelihood that Peter F. Valleau belongs in this line. But, as will be shown, Peter<sup>2</sup> and his wife had a close relationship with his nephew, the son of his deceased brother; records refer to that nephew as the "son" and "son-in-law" of Peter<sup>2</sup>'s wife. It is quite possible that this nephew named a child to honor his aunt. Offspring of both of Esaie's sons must therefore be considered as potential parents for Peter F. Valleau. As discussed below, two candidates exist:

- Isaiah<sup>3</sup>, son of Esaie's eldest son, and
- Theodore<sup>3</sup>, son of Esaie's son Peter



1675–1776, 8 vols. (New York: City of New York, 1905), 2:173. For freeman status, *The Burgbers of New Amsterdam and the Freeman of New York, 1675–1866*, Collections of the New-York Historical Society for the Year 1885 (New York: New-York Historical Society, 1886), 82.

<sup>57</sup> Marie Valleau baptism, 10 Oct. 1694, born 30 Sept. 1694, daughter of Etienne Valleau and Marie Galais, in Wittmeyer, *Registers . . . of the "Eglise Française de la Nouvelle York"* (note 16), 39.

<sup>58</sup> Anne Ruleau baptism, 30 June 1717, Wittmeyer, *Registers . . . of the "Eglise Française de la Nouvelle York"* (note 16), 142, with parents listed as Guillaume Ruleau and Marie Valeau.

ISAIAH<sup>3</sup> VALLEAU (ISAIAH<sup>2</sup>, ESAIE<sup>1</sup>)

Esaie<sup>1</sup>'s eldest son was named Isaiah. Although referred to only as "my eldest son" in Esaie<sup>1</sup>'s will, his name is indicated in a 1723 petition made by his own son, also named Isaiah [both referred to as Jesaias in the document]:

Petition of Jesaias Valleau. New York. 9th of September 1723.

Jesaias Valleau merchant of New York, only son of Jesaias Valleau late of the Island of St. Thomas, merchant, deceased,—son of another Jesaias Valleau of New York also deceased.

That Jesaias Valleau father to yor Petitionr in his lifetime left to the care of his father also called Jesaias Valleau Sundry Summes of Money and other wares and merchandises of great value and after dyed Intestate. That the last mentioned Jesayas Valleau grandfather to the Petitioner soon after also died and by his Last Will and Testament bequeathed one Third part of his Estate Reall and Personal to yor Petitionr and of the said Will appointed Peter Valleau the Petitionrs Uncle Executor.

That the said Peter Valleau by virtue of the said Will has gotten into his Possession as well the Estate of his the Petitionrs grandfather as of his father so left with the grandfather as aforesaid And refuses to Accompt for the same to yor Petitionr or allow him any part or share thereof And the Petitionr being yet under the age of Twenty one years and there by unable in his own name to commence a suit against the said Peter Valleau. To Governor Burnet. Jesaias Valleau asks that Capt. Joseph Robbinson may be made his Guardian and press his suit against Peter Valleau.<sup>59</sup>

Esaie<sup>1</sup>'s oldest son, Isaiah<sup>2</sup> Valleau, died probably in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, West Indies, where he was a merchant,<sup>60</sup> likely before 24 December 1712, when Esaie<sup>1</sup> made his will. Isaiah<sup>2</sup> may have been living in New Rochelle in 1701, when his father was called "Isaye Vallau Seinior," but was apparently gone by 1702, when that suffix was not used with his father's name.<sup>61</sup> The name of Isaiah<sup>3</sup>'s mother is unknown.

Isaiah<sup>3</sup> was evidently his father's only child. The 1723 petition identifies him as the only son, and Esaie<sup>1</sup>'s will goes further, referring to that son as his "Eldest son[s] Child," who was to receive "one third and five pounds More" of Esaie<sup>1</sup>'s estate.<sup>62</sup> Isaiah<sup>3</sup> was born probably about 1702–1703,<sup>63</sup>

<sup>59</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 227, who stated that the document was "on record in the State Library at Albany, N.Y." The original is no longer extant ("Custodial History" of Series A1894 [New York Colony Council Papers], *New York State Archives* [<http://archives.nysed.gov/xtf/view?docId=ead/findingaids/A1894.xml;query=>]). O'Callaghan, *Calendar of Historical Manuscripts . . . Part II* (note 39), 480 (citing vol. 65:125), includes only a brief portion: "9 Sept 1723. Petition. Jesaias Valleau, of the city of New York, merchant, only son of Jesaias Valleau, late of the island of St. Thomas, son of another Jesaias Valleau, of New York for relief against Peter Valleau, executor, &c."

<sup>60</sup> Isaiah<sup>2</sup>'s occupation, residence, and the fact that he died before Esaie were stated in his son's 1723 petition (Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* [note 1], 227).

<sup>61</sup> Forbes, *Records of the Town of New Rochelle 1699–1828* (note 44), 9 (1701), 45 (1702).

<sup>62</sup> For the will, note 47. The temporal estate was to be divided in three parts, and "after five [pounds] is first set out for my Eldest son Child, that is to say, one third to my Eldest Son's son." He later stated that "it is well that my Estate shall be sold Lands Houses Chattel Real and personal and produce thereof . . . Divided as above, that is to say one third and five pounds More to my Eldest Son's Child."

<sup>63</sup> When he made his petition in 1723, he stated that he was not yet 21, but evidently he was an adult, as he said he was a merchant in New York (Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* [note 1], 227). Estimating his age as about 20 years yields an approximate birth year of 1702–1703. The summary of the petition in O'Callaghan, *Calendar of Historical Manuscripts . . . Part II* (note 39), 480, refers to him as a merchant but does not mention anything about his age.

likely on the island of St. Thomas,<sup>64</sup> which was then under Danish colonial rule. After his father's death, Isaiah<sup>3</sup> may have lived with his grandfather in New Rochelle. He may be the otherwise-unidentified "Peter [sic] Vallow [aged] 10" who was enumerated there in December 1710 with "Isaiah Vallow Senr [aged] 72."<sup>65</sup> After his grandfather died in late 1712 or early 1713, Isaiah<sup>3</sup> may have then joined the household of his father's brother, Peter<sup>2</sup> Valleau, who was married to Madelaine Fauconnier. Isaiah<sup>3</sup> may have remained in their household when they moved from New Rochelle to Bergen County.

By 1723 Isaiah<sup>3</sup> was living in New York City, where he was naturalized on 6 July.<sup>66</sup> On 21 August 1723 he was accepted as a member of the Reformed Dutch Church in the City of New York upon confession of faith.<sup>67</sup> On 9 September 1723, still under age, he petitioned for a guardian to sue his uncle Peter<sup>2</sup> Valleau. Isaiah requested that Capt. Joseph Robbinson act as his guardian.<sup>68</sup> No other connection was found between Isaiah<sup>3</sup> Valleau and Capt. Joseph Robbinson.

In 1728 Isaiah<sup>3</sup>, a baker of New York City, and [his uncle] Peter<sup>2</sup> Valleau together sold forty-two acres in New Rochelle.<sup>69</sup> By 1733 Isaiah was married to Lea Hartje, mother of his first-known child, Pieter, who was baptized in Hackensack 14 May 1733 with witnesses Peter<sup>2</sup> Valeau and Magdalena Fauconnier.<sup>70</sup> Lea was likely the daughter of Reyer Harte and Sara Helder who was baptized in Tappan, Orange (now Rockland) County, New York, 17 October 1711.<sup>71</sup>

Isaiah<sup>3</sup> later was deeply involved in land claims involving his uncle Peter's family in Bergen County, New Jersey, where Isaiah was recorded as Josias and Sias. Madelaine/Magdalena (Fauconnier) Valleau, after having obtained her

<sup>64</sup> "An Act for Naturalizing Cornelius Van Santwoord . . . Iesaias Valleau . . ." *Journal of the Legislative Council of the Colony of New-York*, 2 vols. (Albany: New York State, 1861), 1:501–2, 506. If Isaiah had been born in the Colony of New York, he would not have had to be naturalized.

<sup>65</sup> O'Callaghan, *Documentary History of the State of New-York*, vol. 3 (note 44), 946. No other Isaiah Valleau appears on this list, and it is unclear why "Senr" was used. There are many name errors on this census, as Henry David Gray pointed out in his article, "Early History of the Sicard-Secor Family," *RECORD* 68 (1937): 315. Gray's research showed that in the families for which he had independent information, all of the adult females' names were incorrect, and the children's names were transposed or substituted. According to his study, the ages of adults and children were mostly correct. Helffenstein (note 1), 29, incorrectly states there were two censuses of New Rochelle in 1710, one taken in Oct. and the other in Dec. He evidently misinterpreted the census month listed as "XBr" in O'Callaghan, *Documentary History of the State of New-York*, vol. 3 (note 44), 946–47, as meaning Oct. When Helffenstein found an extracted list of males taken from the 9 Dec. 1710 census of New Rochelle (I. Daniel Rupp, *A Collection of Upwards of Thirty Thousand Names of German, Swiss, Dutch, French and Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania From 1727 to 1776* . . . 2nd. ed., rev. [Philadelphia: Leary, Stuart and Co., 1898], 463–64 [Appendix XIII, Names of Males at New Rochelle in 1710]), he mistakenly thought there was a second census taken that year. Some of Helffenstein's conclusions are based on his misinterpretation of the census dates and Rupp's partial list.

<sup>66</sup> "An Act for Naturalizing . . . Iesaias Valleau" (note 64).

<sup>67</sup> Dutch Reformed Church (New York City), *Ledemaaten [Members]*, p. 503 ("Den 21 August 1723. Op de Belydenisse des Geloofs," Jesaias Vallauw) (FHL film 1,927,968, item 4). Also, "Records of the Reformed Dutch Church in the City of New York—Church Membership List," *RECORD* 60 (1929): 78.

<sup>68</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 227. The summary in O'Callaghan, *Calendar of Historical Manuscripts* . . . Part II (note 39), 480, does not mention anything about Robbinson.

<sup>69</sup> Peter Vallou of the "Township of New Rochelle . . . yeoman," and Isaiah Vallau "of the City of New York, Baycor [baker]," to Rachell Neuffille, dated 22 July 1728, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds F:332 (FHL film 562,370 [typed copy of the original liber]).

<sup>70</sup> Pieter Valeau baptism, in Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh* (note 2), part 1, p. 164.

<sup>71</sup> David Cole, *History of Rockland County, New York, With Biographical Sketches of Its Prominent Men* (New York: J. J. Beers & Co., 1884), "Appendix: Baptisms at Tappan and Clarkstown," p. 5, no. 172. Witnesses were Jakob Harte and Trijntje Stratemakers.



husband Peter's power of attorney in 1738,<sup>72</sup> submitted a series of petitions to the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey in which she claimed rights through her father for herself and her children to large tracts of land, in opposition to tenants currently residing there.<sup>73</sup> She and the board negotiated for several years and Isaiah<sup>3</sup> was arrested a number of times between 1740 and 1742 for "trespass, assault, battery and taking and carrying away of goods" as well as for threatening tenants on land that Madelaine claimed. Arrested with him were Theodore "Teddie" Valleau (Isaiah's cousin, son of Peter<sup>2</sup>), and Lucas "Lezier"/"Leizure" (husband of Theodore's sister Anne).<sup>74</sup>

Isaiah<sup>3</sup> was called variously Madelaine's "son" and "son-in-law," a term that was used at that time to refer to a stepson, an adopted son, or a man married to one's daughter. As Isaiah's wife Lea was not Madelaine's daughter, one of the former meanings—stepson or adopted son—is likely what was intended. The minutes of the Board of Proprietors, 25 March 1742, includes a report of a treaty offered to Madelaine 18 September 1741. The board was prepared to "give to her nine hundred acres, and to each of her children, 300 acres a piece, which is in all 3,000,"<sup>75</sup> implying that Madelaine had seven children. Not satisfied with their offer, Madelaine continued to negotiate. On 7 December 1741 "she insisted on 100 acres more for herself, and said that she had eight children, so that there should be 3,400 acres in all."<sup>76</sup> Presumably Isaiah<sup>3</sup>, who was not her biological son but may have grown up in her household, was considered one of those eight children.<sup>77</sup>

It does seem that Madelaine promised Isaiah<sup>3</sup> part of the land she was seeking. At one time Isaiah owned 220 acres in Bergen County, as he was noted in the chain of title when the land was sold 10 September 1762;<sup>78</sup> neither his purchase nor sale was recorded in Bergen County land records. His land ownership is confirmed in the notes of the board's surveyor.<sup>79</sup>

<sup>72</sup> Peter Valleau to Magdalen Valleau, power of attorney, 19 July 1738, New York Co., N.Y., Deeds 32:110 (FHL film 888,340 [nineteenth-century copy of the original liber]).

<sup>73</sup> Brendan McConville, *These Daring Disturbers of the Public Peace: The Struggle for Property and Power in Early New Jersey* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1999), 124–29, a section called "Gender, Ethnicity, and Popular Power: The Rise of Magdalena Valleau, Land Rioter."

<sup>74</sup> *The Minutes of the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey from 1725 to 1744*, 4 vols. (Perth Amboy, N.J.: The General Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey, 1949–1985), 2:115 (writs issued against Isaac Valleau, Teddie Valleau, and Luycas Leizure, 27 May 1740), 2:159 (proceedings dropped, 25 Mar. 1742); 2:198–99 (writ issued before 4 Aug. 1742 against Josias/Sias Valleau, Lucas Lezier, and Teddie Valleau), 2:216 (on 20 Aug. 1742, Josias Valleau agreed to give bond to give the costs of the suits against him). Pieter Theodorus Valleau baptism, 27 Sept. 1716, born 28 Apr. 1716, son of Pieter Valleau and Magdaleene Fauconnier, in Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh* (note 2), part 1, p. 113. Lusier-Fallo marriage (note 6).

<sup>75</sup> *Minutes of the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey* (note 74), 2:157–58.

<sup>76</sup> *Minutes of the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey* (note 74), 2:159.

<sup>77</sup> *Minutes of the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey* (note 74), 2:173 (for reference to Sias "pretending" to hold land of his grandfather), 198–99 (for Josias/Sias referred to as the son of Mrs. Vallou), 288 (for Magdalena referred to as Josias's mother-in-law), 294–95 (for Isaiah Valleau as son-in-law of Mrs. Valleau), and 3:48–49 (for Josiah Valleau referred to as Magdalena's son). Seven of Magdalena's children can be documented through baptismal records (see the genealogical summary). One child (Jean/John) probably died young.

<sup>78</sup> Joseph Fitch to Jacobus Peck, dated 10 Sept. 1762, Bergen Co., N.J., Deeds C:346–47 (FHL film 893,980).

<sup>79</sup> A property of unknown acreage was "delivered" to "Josias" Valleau on 28 May 1742, and 500 more acres at Saddle River for £20 per hundred on 31 May, approved by the Board 25 June 1742 (*Minutes of the Board of Proprietors of the Eastern Division of New Jersey* [note 74], 2:174–75, 181).

Isaiah<sup>3</sup> and his wife Lea moved back to New York City by 21 May 1750, when Lea Hartje was accepted into membership of the New York Reformed Dutch Church.<sup>80</sup> Isaiah continued his trade as baker: on 1 April 1751, as a resident of the city's North Ward, he registered his brand mark for flour casks.<sup>81</sup> On 10 May 1752 the couple witnessed the baptism of Lea's nephew Samuel Brouwer in New York City.<sup>82</sup> This is Isaiah's last known record.

Isaiah<sup>3</sup> died before 5 March 1759, when an advertisement in *The New-York Mercury* offered for sale his house and lot, including a bake house, oven, and storehouse. Inquiries were to be directed to "Lea Valleau (living on the Premisses) Executrix of the last Will and Testament of Isaiah Valleau, deceased."<sup>83</sup>

Although the advertisement mentions a will, none has been found. It may be that no will existed and that the newspaper account was erroneous. Lea Valleau, widow of Isaiah<sup>3</sup> Valleau, and Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Valleau, "son and heir of Isaiah Valleau," sold the house and lot on 6 April 1760.<sup>84</sup> If Isaiah<sup>3</sup> died intestate, the sale indicates Isaiah<sup>4</sup> was the eldest surviving son, thus his father's heir-at-law. Colonial New York intestate succession followed the English practice of primogeniture.<sup>85</sup>

The absence of a will is supported by what happened after Lea's death on 1 November 1760.<sup>86</sup> On 2 May 1761 Isaiah<sup>4</sup> Valleau, feltmaker of New York City, was appointed administrator of the estate of his father, Isaiah<sup>3</sup> Valleau, late of New York City, baker, deceased, who "lately died Intestate." Bondsmen were John Bard [husband of Isaiah<sup>3</sup>'s cousin Suzanne<sup>3</sup> Valleau], gentleman, and Fauconnier<sup>3</sup> Valleau [Isaiah<sup>3</sup>'s cousin], sadler, both of New York City.<sup>87</sup>

Isaiah<sup>3</sup> Valleau and Lea Hartje had a son Peter<sup>4</sup> who was baptized in 1733,<sup>88</sup> but he evidently died before 1760, when Peter's younger sibling,

<sup>80</sup> Dutch Reformed Church (New York City), Ledemaaten [Members] (note 67), unpaginated, 21 May 1750, Lea Hertje ("Den 21 May [1750]. *Met Attestatie* [letter attesting to her previous membership at Schraalenburgh]," Lea Hertje, *b.v.v.* [wife of] Jesaias Valleau, van Schraalenburgh). Also, "Records of the Reformed Dutch Church in the City of New York—Church Membership," RECORD 61 (1930): 75.

<sup>81</sup> Kenneth Scott, comp., *New York City Court Records, 1684–1760; Genealogical Data from the Court of Quarter Sessions* (Washington, D.C.: National Genealogical Society, 1982), 68.

<sup>82</sup> Samuel Brower baptism, 10 May 1752, child of Samuel Brouwer and Maria Hartje, in Tobias Alexander Wright, ed., *Baptisms from 1731 to 1800 in the Reformed Dutch Church, New York*, Collections of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, vol. 3 (New York: The Society, 1902), 176, witnesses Jesaja Vallow, Lea Hartje, *z.b.v.* (his wife).

<sup>83</sup> Ad for sale of dwelling house and property, *The New-York Mercury*, 5 Mar. 1759, 3rd page, col. 2, and 12 Mar. 1759, 5th page, col. 1. The house was located on Crown [now Liberty] St. near the North [Hudson] River.

<sup>84</sup> Isaiah Valleau of the city of New York, feltmaker, son and heir of Isaiah Valleau, late of the same place, baker, and Lea Valleau, widow of the said Isaiah Valleau, to Alexander Davidson, New York Co., N.Y., Deeds, 35:307–9 (FHL film 888,341 [nineteenth-century copy of original liber]).

<sup>85</sup> David Evan Narrett, *Inheritance and Family Life in Colonial New York City* (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 1992), 128, in cases of intestacy, "the eldest male alone inherited [real estate] if there were two or more males related in the same degree to the deceased."

<sup>86</sup> "Burial Record of the Collegiate Reformed Dutch Church of New York City [1726–1802]," typescript, Records of The Holland Society of New York, p. 85, digital image, "U.S., Dutch Reformed Church Records in Selected States, 1639–1989," *Ancestry*, which indicates "The W. of Josia Vallo" died 1 Nov. 1760 and was buried 2 Nov. 1760.

<sup>87</sup> Letters of administration in the estate of Isaiah Valleau, New York Co., N.Y., Letters of Administration B:482 (FHL film 902,205). Administration bond in the estate of Isaiah Valleau, New York Co., N.Y., Administration Bonds C:97 (FHL film 907,917).

<sup>88</sup> Pieter Valeau baptism (note 70).

Isaiah<sup>4</sup>, born about 1737,<sup>89</sup> was the eldest living son. Helffenstein, asserting that this Peter died young,<sup>90</sup> assigned another Peter Vallean to the parents. A child named Peter, with no surname recorded, was baptized in Schraalenburgh 2 February 1752, with witnesses Teodorus Valeau and his wife Elizabeth.<sup>91</sup> The witnesses were probably not the child's parents, as the witnesses had a child of their own baptized less than a month earlier.<sup>92</sup>

This Peter baptized in 1752 carried the surname Vallean, as Helffenstein confirmed when he interviewed some of the man's descendants. Peter married in New Jersey about 1773 Jannetie Lozier, widow of Andries Zabriskie.<sup>93</sup> Jannetie was born 26 January 1751, and baptized 3 February in Schraalenburgh, the daughter of Hillebrant Lozier and Christina De Baen.<sup>94</sup> Peter and Jannetie's first two children, sons Hildebrand and Cornelius, were baptized in Schraalenburgh in 1775 and 1777 respectively.<sup>95</sup>

Peter, husband of Jannetie Lozier, reportedly served in the British army<sup>96</sup> and his name appears on a list of discharged soldiers and Loyalists in Nova Scotia on 29 May 1784.<sup>97</sup> He and Jannetie ultimately moved to the Bay of Quinte area in Ontario; the Valleaus were among the early settlers given the honorific United Empire (U.E.) Loyalist.<sup>98</sup> Helffenstein found many of the

<sup>89</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 164, lists 1737 as his year of birth, but provides no source. According to Isaiah's burial record, he was aged 42 when buried 27 Dec. 1779, therefore born about 1736–1737. For the burial record, Isaiah Vallean burial record extract, 2016, from Register of Burials in the Parish of Trinity Church in the City of New York, 1:77, provided by Trinity Church Archives staff. Trinity Church Archives does not provide copies of their original records. Instead, staff extract "all the information" and prepare a signed copy pressed with a seal (Joseph Lapinski, Assistant Archivist, to the author, email). The Trinity Church Archives website provides searchable databases of baptism, marriage, and burial registers ("Genealogy: Digital Churchyards & Registers," *Trinity Church Wall Street* [https://www.trinitywallstreet.org/about/archives/churchyards-registers]).

<sup>90</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 164.

<sup>91</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 177. Church records of the former Reformed Dutch Church of Schraalenburgh and Hackensack (note 2), specifically FHL film 852,850 (1724–1854), unpaginated, baptism of Petrus, no surname or parents listed, witnesses Teodorus Valeau and Elizabeth *syn vrou* [his wife]. The child's missing surname hints at an irregularity of some sort surrounding the child and his birth—perhaps a child born out of wedlock, a founding whose parents were unknown, or a case in which one or both parents refused to acknowledge the child. While the specific details are not stated, the surname later used by the child suggests the father was known.

<sup>92</sup> Theodorus Valeau baptism, 19 Jan. 1752, son of Theodorus Valeou and Elizabeth Anthony, in Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraaenburgh* (note 2), part 2, p. 119, witnesses Simon Demarest and Vrouwtie, his wife. Although his birth date is not given, he was likely born shortly before the baptism, as the parents' previous child was born less than 18 months earlier (Magdalene Vallean baptism, 19 Aug. 1750, born 12 Aug. 1750, parents Theodorus Vallean and Elizabeth Antone, in Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraaenburgh* [note 2], part 2, p. 115, witnesses Fauconnier Vallean and Annatie Antone).

<sup>93</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 177. George Olin Zabriskie, *The Zabriskie Family: A Three Hundred and One Year History of the Descendants of Albrecht Zaborowskij (ca 1638–1711) of Bergen County, New Jersey*, 2 vols. (n.p.: privately published, 1963), 1:42. Andreas Zabriski-Jane Lazear marriage bond, 4 Aug. 1769, New Jersey, Y–Z (1741–1793): 39 (FHL film 888,709).

<sup>94</sup> Jannetie and Antie Lizier baptisms (twins), in Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraaenburgh* (note 2), part 2, p. 116. Parents were Hillebrant Lizier and Cristina De Baen; witnesses were Rinier Wortendijk and Margreit Durie, and Lucas Lizier and wife.

<sup>95</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 179. Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraaenburgh* (note 2), part 2, pp. 259, 263.

<sup>96</sup> Zabriskie, *The Zabriskie Family* (note 93), 1:42.

<sup>97</sup> A. W. Savary, "Roll of Disbanded Officers, Discharged and Disbanded Soldiers and Loyalists Mustered at Digby the 29th Day of May 1784," RECORD 34 (1903): 196.

<sup>98</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 177–79. Peter Vallean entry, "Loyalist Directory," database, *United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada* (http://www.uelac.org/Loyalist-Info/detail.php?letter=v&line=12). In 1791 Peter petitioned for land, referencing 900 acres he already had and mentioning his wife and two children (Peter Vallean petition, 25 Jan. 1791, Kingston, Ontario, Upper Canada Land Petitions, 1763–1865, bundle U–V Miscellaneous 1784–1794, no. 13, RG1 L3, vol. 513, film C-

couple's descendants in Ontario as he was compiling his book. His interviews with Peter's descendants would have taken place less than fifty years after Peter's 15 May 1845 death, and most likely included family members who knew Peter personally. Descendants reported that Peter died within a few days of his 94th birthday, resulting in a calculated birth date of about May 1751,<sup>99</sup> a few months before the baptism in Schraalenburgh of the parentless Peter. The descendants, however, had no knowledge of Peter's forebears; a family sketch published in Canada in 1904 states that Peter immigrated from France in 1775.<sup>100</sup>

The U.E. Loyalist Peter could fit chronologically as a child of Isaiah<sup>3</sup> and Lea. Lea would have been 39 or 40 years old at his birth, a reasonable age to have a child, and their last-known child was born 28 November 1749.<sup>101</sup> Lea was admitted to membership in the Reformed Dutch Church in the City of New York on 21 May 1750, a year before this Peter's birth;<sup>102</sup> the couple would have had to make a special trip to New Jersey to have the child baptized in the Schraalenburgh church. Perhaps the trip was made so Isaiah's cousin Theodore and his wife could witness the baptism, or the circumstances surrounding the birth made a baptism in New York City difficult. Distance or difficulties may help explain why the baptism took place when the child was about 9 months old.

Given the fact that Isaiah<sup>3</sup> does not appear to have had a son Peter born about 1735–1736 who lived to adulthood, it is necessary to look elsewhere for Peter F. Valleau's origins. The remaining possibilities are offspring of Peter<sup>2</sup> Valleau.

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2842, digital image, *Library and Archives Canada* [<http://www.bac-lac-gc.ca/>]. By 1797 Peter and his family were in Sophiasburg, Ontario. His petition that year states he had come to "this province" in 1784 with a wife and four children [there were two from his wife's first marriage], and references an order for 200 acres dated 2 June 1787 (Peter Valleau petition, 20 July 1797, Sophiasburg, Ontario, Upper Canada Land Petitions, 1763–1865, bundle U–V 3 1797, no. 24, RG1 L3, vol. 514, film C-2947, digital image, *Library and Archives Canada*). A third petition, dated 4 June 1800, mentions his lots numbered 13, 14, and 15 (Peter Valleau petition, 4 June 1800, Sophiasburg, Ontario, Upper Canada Land Petitions, 1763–1865, bundle V Leases 1800–1819, no. 1, RG1 L3, vol. 521, film C-2950, digital image, *Library and Archives Canada*).

<sup>99</sup> Helffenstein, *Pierre Fauconnier and His Descendants* (note 1), 177.

<sup>100</sup> *Pioneer Life on the Bay of Quinte, Including Genealogies of Old Families and Biographical Sketches of Representative Citizens* (Toronto: Rolph and Clark, Ltd., 1904), 822–26.

<sup>101</sup> Susanna Valleau baptism, 14 Jan. 1750, born 28 Nov. 1749, daughter of Jozias Valleou and Lea Hartie, in Versteeg, *Records of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Hackensack and Schraalenburgh* (note 2), part 2, p. 115, witnesses Mourris Goetius and Elsie Mackenelt.

<sup>102</sup> Lea Hertje church membership (note 80).

## REUNITING THE FAMILY OF WILLIAM AND ELIZA (BLUNT) HOOKER OF NINETEENTH-CENTURY NEW YORK CITY

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Since its publication in 1972, Stanley Hale Abbott's privately-published book *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* has been an important resource for those researching the children of William Hooker (1782–1856) and Eliza Carlton Blunt (1797–1850).<sup>1</sup> The content of online Hooker family trees demonstrates that many researchers have used Abbott's book as their primary source.<sup>2</sup>

Abbott focused on documenting all of William and Eliza's descendants. Using information provided by descendants as the basis for his research, he identified the couple's children as "Eliza II" (born 1817), Edmond M. B. (born 1822), Sarah (born 1824), Rachel (born 1826), Martha (born 1830), Augusta (born 1837), and Joseph Blunt Hooker (born 1840). He conducted research in newspaper, census, land, military, and probate records. Although he refers to many sources, none are cited, making it difficult to determine which records were consulted, sought, or omitted. Abbott reviewed many records personally, but some were obtained for him by other researchers, who apparently provided only abstracts or summaries. As the Hooker children moved from their birth state of New York, descendants lost touch; the information they provided about the family was incomplete. Sadly, clues that indicate William and Eliza had more children were missed or left unresolved:

- Several long gaps between her children's births suggest Eliza may have had other children.
- Nine children, all likely William's, were in his household in 1840.<sup>3</sup>
- William Hooker's household in Hanover, Morris County, New Jersey, in 1850 included likely children "Marcia" [Martha] G., Henry, and Joseph B.<sup>4</sup> Abbott included Martha and Joseph, but did not mention Henry, suggesting he did not review the 1850 census.

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<sup>1</sup> Stanley Hale Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (Hastings, Neb.: privately published, 1972). Abbott stated (p. 6) that "various searches" show "up to eight children" of William and Eliza (Blunt) Hooker, but (p. 82) revised the number to seven after correctly concluding that Mrs. Augusta Pettit and Mrs. Fred Rowe were the same person.

<sup>2</sup> For example, "Gary M Peck Tree," *Ancestry* (<http://person.ancestry.com/tree/11866360/person/300050985274/facts>); "Wright Family Tree\_2015-3-23," *Ancestry* (<http://person.ancestry.com/tree/78669107/person/44390227007/facts>); and William Hooker entry, "Pedigree Resource File," *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/2:2:9SNF-CRH>).

<sup>3</sup> William Hooker household, 1840 U.S. census, Brooklyn, Ward 4, Kings Co., N.Y., pp. 496–97 (National Archives and Records Administration microfilm [NARA] M704, roll 289).

- A March 1863 letter written by Ezra Abbott, husband of William and Eliza's daughter Sarah, states, "Sarah has had four brothers in the army—2 have left discharged."<sup>5</sup> Stanley Abbott identified only two sons for William and Eliza, and did not account for the evidence that Sarah had at least four brothers who reached young adulthood.
- In an 1889 deposition, Sarah (Hooker) Abbott stated she had nine siblings, including "William J., who is now an engraver & lives in Boston, Mass."<sup>6</sup> Abbott quoted an abstract of this deposition. Although he provided no citation for it, he apparently received it from a researcher hired to examine a pension file, meaning Abbott did not see the deposition personally.<sup>7</sup> The abstract neither mentions the number of Sarah's siblings nor identifies her brother William J. Hooker, who is not included in Abbott's book.

After working for four years to document William and Eliza's descendants, Abbott wrote in 1971 that "the record is quite complete except for four lost grandchildren (children of Martha [Hooker] Hubbard) and several who refuse to supply data and others who don't reply to mail."<sup>8</sup> He was unaware that his research had not accounted for all of William and Eliza's children. The incomplete data in his study demonstrates the genealogical peril of relying on any single source, particularly one that lacks citations.

A Hooker family Bible that was held by a descendant of William and Eliza's son George William Hooker provides additional information about the family. The Bible's present location is unknown, but the family pages it contained in 1943 were transcribed in New Brunswick, New Jersey, by the Jersey Blue Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The family record begins with William and Eliza's births, and identifies eleven children with the notation, "These are all the children of William and Eliza."<sup>9</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> William Hooker household, 1850 U.S. census, Hanover Twp., Morris Co., N.J., p. 346 (penned), p. 172 (stamped, verso), dw. 571, fam. 655 (NARA M432, roll 458).

<sup>5</sup> Stanley Hale Abbott, *The Family Tree of Ezra Abbott* ([Hastings, Neb.?: privately published, 1961], unpaginated, citing letter from Ezra Abbott to "My Dear Brother," Owatonna [Minn.], 10 Mar. 1863. This compiled genealogical study of descendants of Ezra Abbot of Wilton, N.H. (1772–1847) credits and extensively excerpts information from three sources. Stanley Abbott only partially identified the titles and omitted compiler names, but the sources appear to include the following: (1) Abiel Abbot and Ephraim Abbot, "The Genealogical Register of the Descendants of George Abbot, of Andover," in *A Genealogical Register of the Descendants of George Abbot, of Andover* . . . (Boston: James Munroe and Co., 1847); (2) Abiel Abbot Livermore and Sewell Putnam, *History of the Town of Wilton, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire, with a Genealogical Register* (Lowell, Mass.: privately published, 1888); and (3) Lemuel Abijah Abbott, *Descendants of George Abbott, of Rowley, Mass.*, . . . Vol 1. (n.p.: privately published, 1906). Stanley Abbott supplemented those works with an updated genealogical compilation of Abbott family descendants. In addition to sections on history and genealogy, he devoted a significant section to transcriptions of long letters written by Ezra Abbott (husband of William and Eliza's daughter Sarah) to Ezra's brother Joseph Hale Abbott. The location of the original letters, which date from 1826 to 1870, is not specified. Stanley Abbott, the likely transcriber of his grandfather's letters, said only that "a number of letters came to light which tell much about life on Abbot Hill as well as the times in which the letters were written." The letters offer a rich narrative about Ezra's life and travels, and are the likely basis for much of the writings on Ezra and Sarah (Hooker) Abbott in *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1).

<sup>6</sup> Sarah H. Abbot deposition, 26 Apr. 1889, in Sarah E. Hooker widow's pension app. no. 911.682, cert. no. W680,872, combined with Joseph B. Hooker (Pvt., Co. K, 2nd Minn. Vol. Inf, Civil War), Case Files of Approved Pension Applications . . . , 1861–1934, Civil War and Later Pension Files, Record Group (RG) 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs, National Archives, Washington, D.C.

<sup>7</sup> Abbott hired a researcher in Washington, D.C., who located Joseph Blunt Hooker's pension file and probably provided the abstract of Sarah's deposition quoted in Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), 5.

<sup>8</sup> Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), 1.

<sup>9</sup> "Hooker Bible Record," *New Jersey DAR Genealogical Records Committee Report*, Series 1, vol. 604 (1945): 19–21, which is a typewritten transcription of family pages from a Bible held in 1943 by Miss Virginia Hooker of 13 Morris St., New Brunswick, N.J., a granddaughter of William and Eliza (Blunt) Hooker. The transcription provides the Bible's publication date, and includes marginal notations made on the original pages.

The Bible's birth, death, and marriage entries, which date from 1782 to 1927, include William and Eliza (Blunt) Hooker, their children, and several descendants of George William Hooker. Many pre-date the Bible's 1833 publication date, indicating that at least some entries were made years after the events they document. However, the Bible includes information not found elsewhere, including dates and times of birth, middle names, and spouses' maiden names. The level of detail and consistency with other records indicates that the Bible record is likely to be credible. The Bible's publication date and the detailed family information it contains suggest it may have been owned by William and Eliza Hooker, and passed to their son George after William died in New Brunswick in 1856, likely at George's home.<sup>10</sup>

Stanley Abbott died in 1971, before his work could be published. His son-in-law Carl R. Jolliff completed and published the Hooker family research under Abbott's name, describing it as "the finalization of [Abbott's] dream."<sup>11</sup> As the basis for the current study, their work provided clues that made it possible to trace several descendants who might otherwise not have been identified.

Abbott was a diligent and tenacious researcher who wanted his reader to "not only trace his ancestors but also live with them mentally for a while."<sup>12</sup> Much of his work achieves his goal to accurately document the information he published, but sources reviewed for this study identify both discrepancies and new findings.<sup>13</sup> Abbott clearly intended his work to be a living compilation, writing that "if some of the lost data shows up later, we will add it to the record under Corrections and Additions."<sup>14</sup> To honor his wishes, the current study amends and builds on *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* and adds information for the four sons who are not identified in Abbott's original work: William Jarvis Hooker (born 1819), George William Blunt Hooker (born 1828), George William Hooker (born 1832), and Henry Hooker (born 1834).

## GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

1. **WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> HOOKER** (Samuel<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2</sup>, Henry<sup>1</sup>), the son of Samuel and Rachel (Hinds/Hine) Hooker,<sup>15</sup> was born in Conway, Hampshire County,

<sup>10</sup> "Died," *New-York Daily Times*, 30 Dec. 1856, p. 8, col. 3, which states that William died at his son's home in New Brunswick, N.J. Although his son is not identified, the only one of William's sons known to have lived in New Brunswick was George (Geo W. Hooker household, 1860 U.S. census, New Brunswick, Middlesex Co., N.J., p. 111, dw. 788, fam. 837 [NARA M653, roll 700]). The 1855 New Jersey census does not include Middlesex Co., and no relevant Hooker records were found in "New Jersey, State Census, 1855," index and digital images, *Ancestry* (<https://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=61553>).

<sup>11</sup> Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), v.

<sup>12</sup> Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 5), unpaginated.

<sup>13</sup> For his goal of accuracy, Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 5), unpaginated.

<sup>14</sup> Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), 9.

<sup>15</sup> M. M. Bagg, *The Pioneers of Utica: Being Sketches of its Inhabitants and its Institutions . . .* (Utica, N.Y.: Curtiss and Childs, 1877), 75–77. Edward W. Root, *Philip Hooker: A Contribution to the Study of the Renaissance in America* (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1929), 216, Genealogical Tables: "II: The Eighteenth Century Descendants of Henry & Elizabeth (Hilliard) Hocker [*sic*], of Medfield, Mass."

Massachusetts, 28 September 1782,<sup>16</sup> and died in New Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey, 26 December 1856, “in the 75th year of his age.”<sup>17</sup> He married at the home of his bride’s father, 202 Water Street, New York City, 2 April 1816, **ELIZA CARLTON BLUNT**.<sup>18</sup> She was born in Newburyport, Essex County, Massachusetts, 26 August 1797,<sup>19</sup> and died at 269 10th Street, New York City, 18 July 1850, aged 52 years.<sup>20</sup> Eliza was the daughter of Edmund March and Sarah “Sally” (Ross) Blunt.<sup>21</sup> William and Eliza (Blunt) Hooker were buried in Sparta Presbyterian Cemetery, Town of Ossining, Westchester County, New York.<sup>22</sup>

William Hooker came to New York State at a young age, when his father Samuel brought their family from Massachusetts to Albany.<sup>23</sup> Hooker family researcher Edward W. Root states Samuel came to Albany from Rutland, Worcester County, Massachusetts, after his daughter Susannah’s birth there in April 1772, but vital and town records place Samuel and Rachel Hooker in Conway from 1774 to 1782.<sup>24</sup> Samuel reportedly arrived in Albany by 1787 and was enumerated there in 1790.<sup>25</sup>

<sup>16</sup> “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 19. The state and year are consistent with William’s 1850 census household (note 4). The Hooker surname does not appear in a transcript of Conway town birth records (*Vital Records of Conway, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850* [Boston: New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1943]), or in Conway, Mass., Vital Records, Births 1750–1849 (Family History Library [FHL] film 766,944). No birth records were found for Hooker or similar surnames in Conway, Mass., Town Records, in “Massachusetts Town and Vital Records, 1620–1988,” database, *Ancestry* (<https://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=2495>).

<sup>17</sup> No death record was found. “Died” (note 10). “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 20, for the death date. Henry Wyckoff Belknap, *Artists and Craftsmen of Essex County, Massachusetts* (Salem, Mass.: The Essex Institute, 1927), 4, incorrectly places William’s death in 1846 in New York.

<sup>18</sup> “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 19. “Married,” *Commercial Advertiser* [New York City], 4 Apr. 1816, 2nd page, col. 4.

<sup>19</sup> Eliza Carlton Blunt birth record, 26 Aug. 1797, *Vital Records of Newburyport, Massachusetts, to the end of the Year 1849, Vol. 1: Births* (Salem, Mass.: Essex Institute, 1911), 40. “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 19, which gives the same date, but places her birth in Newbury.

<sup>20</sup> Eliza Hooker death record, 18 July 1850, New York City Register of Deaths, Liber 17, unpaginated, arranged in rough chronological order and by first initial of surname (FHL film 447,553). “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 20, for the date and place of burial. Mrs. Eliza C. Hooker death notice, *New-York Commercial Advertiser*, 19 July 1850, 3rd page, col. 2. Her death “at Brooklyn [*sic*], July 1850,” estimated age 53, is noted in First Presbyterian Church of Morristown, N.J., *History of the First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, N.J., Part 2: The Combined Registers from 1742 to 1885* (Morristown: privately published, 1885), 109.

<sup>21</sup> “Married” (note 18), which names the bride’s father. Edmund March Blunt–Sarah Ross marriage, 22 May 1794, in “Records of Trinity Parish Church, New York City,” RECORD 76 (1945): 83. Edmund M. Blunt–Sarah Ross marriage notice, *The Morning Star* [Newburyport, Mass.], 3 June 1794, 3rd page, col. 4.

<sup>22</sup> Elliott Baldwin Hunt, “Ladew Plot Most Interesting, Oldest in Sparta Cemetery,” *Citizen-Register* [Ossining, N.Y.], 30 Aug. 1934, p. 10, cols. 2–7, at col. 4, which notes their burials. “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 20, which indicates that Eliza was buried in her father’s family plot near Sing Sing [now Ossining] but does not mention William’s place of burial.

<sup>23</sup> Bagg, *Pioneers of Utica* (note 15), 75–77.

<sup>24</sup> Root, *Philip Hooker* (note 15), 219. Susannah Hooker birth record, 19 Apr. 1772, *Vital Records of Rutland, Massachusetts, to the end of the Year 1849* (Worcester, Mass: Franklin P. Rice, 1905), 54; also Rutland, Mass., Vital Records 1:69 (FHL film 859,332). Conway, Mass., Town Records, 1752–1834, p. 45 (FHL film 886,878), for the meeting of Mar. 1774, when the town allocated one-third of funds for schooling “to be kept at the House of Mr. Sam<sup>l</sup> Hooker.” Susanna Hooker death record, 2 Sep. 1777, *Vital Records of Conway, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850* (note 16), 242. Susan (Hooker) Dwight [daughter of Samuel and Rachel] death record, 8 June 1861, Massachusetts Vital Records 149:73, no. 1604, which indicates Susan was aged 81 years, 9 months, 11 days [therefore born about 28 Aug. 1779], and was born in Conway. For William’s birth in Conway and lack of a record there, see note 16.

<sup>25</sup> Root, *Philip Hooker* (note 15), 219, which states that Samuel Hooker’s name “appears in the minutes of the Albany Common Council meeting as early as Nov. 2, 1787.” Samuel Hooker entry, 1788 Tax Assessment, City of Albany, Ward 1, Albany Co., N.Y., Box 1, Folder 19, Tax Lists and Assessment Rolls, 1779–1788, Series A1201, State Treasurer Records, New York State Archives, Albany. [Sa<sup>m</sup>]uel Hooker household, 1790 U.S. census, Albany, Ward 2, Albany Co., N.Y., p. 127 (NARA M637, roll 6); the name is partially obscured by a torn page. The nine-member household is consistent with Samuel’s known residence and family members given in Bagg, *Pioneers of Utica* (note 15), 75–77.



William's father and brother John worked as builders. By 1797 they moved to Utica, then a hamlet in Herkimer (later Oneida) County. There they constructed Trinity Church, based perhaps on a design by Samuel's oldest son, Philip, a renowned architect and builder.<sup>26</sup> In 1800 Samuel Hooker's household near Utica did not include a male of William Hooker's age.<sup>27</sup> It is unclear whether William moved to Utica with his parents, remained in Albany, or struck out on his own.<sup>28</sup>

Unlike his father and brothers, William did not follow the building trade. Although a biographical sketch of his family states that he "went early to New York [City]," William was working as an engraver in Philadelphia in 1804.<sup>29</sup> The following year, he established a copperplate engraving business in Newburyport, Massachusetts, where he advertised in 1807 as "the first artist in his profession in New-England."<sup>30</sup>

At Newburyport, William created maps and nautical charts for well-known publisher and his future father-in-law, Edmund M. Blunt.<sup>31</sup> Some of William's charts were used in Blunt's book *The American Coast Pilot*, which was first published in 1796. As the first U.S.-created work focused on navigating American waters, it quickly became an essential handbook for mariners.<sup>32</sup> In addition to his map work, William established a partnership with engraver Gideon Fairman before April 1808, when the two filed a notice with the District Clerk of Massachusetts for publication of a school book.<sup>33</sup>

William's business fortunes may have begun to change in late 1807, when Congress issued an embargo forbidding U.S. ships from sailing to foreign ports in response to an English attack on the U.S. frigate *Chesapeake*. The ban

<sup>26</sup> Root, *Philip Hooker* (note 15), 95; according to Root, "Bagg states that the erection of the building was undertaken by Samuel and John Hooker 'agreeably to the plan presented by Philip Hooker of Albany,' but the Manuscript Record of the Church merely states that 'the plan presented by Messrs Samuel and John Hooker' was 'adopted.'" *Who Was Who in America, Historical Volume 1607–1896* (Chicago: Marquis-Who's Who, 1963), 258 (Philip Hooker sketch).

<sup>27</sup> Samuel Hooker household, 1800 U.S. census, Town of Whitestown, Oneida Co., N.Y., p. 96 (penned, top center), p. 192 (grease penned, right margin) [NARA M32, roll 23].

<sup>28</sup> He may have remained in Albany with his brother Philip, whose household included two males in William's age category (Philip Hooker household, 1800 U.S. census, Albany, Ward 2, Albany Co., N.Y., p. 287 [penned, bottom right] [NARA M32, roll 22]).

<sup>29</sup> For the move to New York, Bagg, *Pioneers of Utica* (note 15), 76–77. For Philadelphia residence, "Plans to Prevent Counterfeiting Bank Notes," *The Enquirer* [Richmond, Va.], 12 May 1804, 3rd page, col. 2, where William was one of several Philadelphia engravers to endorse a new printing method. "William Hooker," in Dumas Malone, ed., *Dictionary of American Biography*, 20 vols. (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1928–1936), 5:200–201, which notes that William Hooker was one of the artists hired at Philadelphia to make maps for John Pinkerton's 1806 edition of *Modern Geography*.

<sup>30</sup> "An Engraver Wanted," *Newburyport* [Mass.] *Herald*, 6 Dec. 1805, p. 1, col. 1. William may have been working in Newburyport as early as May 1805, when Ebenezer Stedman placed an ad regarding a stolen pocketbook with the name William Hooker lettered in gold leaf ("Take Notice," *Newburyport Herald*, 28 May 1805, p. 3, col. 3). "Printing, Engraving, Bookbinding," *Newburyport Herald*, 24 Feb. 1807, 4th page, col. 3. "To Merchants and Seamen," *Newburyport Herald*, 12 June 1807, 1st page, col. 4.

<sup>31</sup> "To Merchants and Seamen" (note 30). "Printing, Engraving, Bookbinding" (note 30). John J. Currier, *History of Newburyport, Mass., 1764–1905*, 2 vols. (Newburyport: privately published, 1906–1909), 2:377–79, which states incorrectly that William Hooker died probably in New York City about 1846.

<sup>32</sup> Twenty-one editions were published before the U.S. government took over publication in 1867. It continues to be updated and published today by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) under the title of the *United States Coast Pilot* (NOAA, "The United States Coast Pilot, with one of the Nation's longest publishing records, gets better with age," *NOAA Coast Survey* [blog], 1 Oct. 2012, <https://noaa.coastsurvey.wordpress.com/2012/10/01/the-united-states-coast-pilot/>). James Grant Wilson and John Fiske, ed., *Appleton's Cyclopaedia of American Biography, 1600–1889*, 7 vols. (New York: D. Appleton & Co., 1888), 1:297 (Edmund March Blunt entry).

<sup>33</sup> "Be it remembered . . ." *Newburyport Herald*, 17 May 1808, p. 3, col. 3.

significantly slowed ship traffic in busy Newburyport, which was still suffering in the fall of 1809, when Hooker and Fairman dissolved their partnership.<sup>34</sup> The following year, Edmund M. Blunt moved his map and chart store to New York City,<sup>35</sup> and *Newburyport Herald* noted that “Mr. W. Hooker” planned to set up a copperplate printing office in Philadelphia.<sup>36</sup>

William lived from 1810 to 1815 in Philadelphia, where he was a founding member of the Columbian Society of Artists, a collective formed to protect the rights and works of artists. Other founding members included such luminaries as Thomas Jefferson and well-known artist John W. Jarvis, who painted portraits of Edmund M. Blunt, his wife Sarah, and their daughter Eliza.<sup>37</sup>

In 1815 William moved to New York City,<sup>38</sup> where he created a range of engravings, charts, and maps that were sold in Edmund M. Blunt’s chart and quadrant store.<sup>39</sup> The following year, William married Blunt’s daughter Eliza, who was fifteen years his junior. The couple was married by Reverend Ralph Williston, first rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Zion, at Edmund M. Blunt’s home at 202 Water Street,<sup>40</sup> which was also the address of Blunt’s chart and quadrant store. In 1817 William became the owner of Blunt’s store when his father-in-law signed the failing business over to him, but William was forced to assign the business to creditors when he became insolvent in 1823.<sup>41</sup>

<sup>34</sup> For William at Newburyport in 1807, “Engraving and Copperplate Printing,” *Newburyport Herald*, 5 May 1807, p. 4, col. 3. For embargo, Currier, *History of Newburyport* (note 31), 1:648–49. “Dissolution; the Co-Partnership of Hooker & Fairman,” *Newburyport Herald*, 7 Nov. 1809, p. 4, col. 1.

<sup>35</sup> Edmund M. Blunt advertisement, *Newburyport Herald*, 4 May 1810, p. 1, col. 1, which states “The Subscriber having left town, for N. York, tenders his thanks to those who have favored him with their patronage in his professional pursuits.”

<sup>36</sup> “Communication,” *Newburyport Herald*, 9 Nov. 1810, p. 3 col. 2. His move to Philadelphia conflicts with Carrier’s assertion that William “probably remained in Newburyport until 1815 or later” (Currier, *History of Newburyport* [note 31], 2:379).

<sup>37</sup> Wm. Hooker entry in John A. Paxton, comp., *The Philadelphia Directory and Register, for 1813 . . .* (Philadelphia: B. & T. Kite, 1813), unpaginated. Also, H. Glenn Brown and Maude O. Brown, “A Directory of the Book-Arts and Book Trade in Philadelphia to 1820 including Painters and Engravers, Part VI,” *Bulletin of the New York Public Library, Astor, Lenox, and Tilden Foundations* 53 (1949): 492–93. For William Hooker as founder of Society of Artists, “An Act to Incorporate ‘The Society of Artists of the United States . . .,’” *Acts of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania . . .* [begun 1 Dec. 1812] (Philadelphia: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1813), chap. 55, p. 74. For Blunt family portraits, Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), iii, 3. John Thomas Lee, ed., “New-Found Letters of Josiah Gregg, Santa Fé Trader and Historian . . .,” *Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society* 40 (1930): 64, PDF, *American Antiquarian Society* (<http://www.americanantiquarian.org/aasproceedings?page=58>); in a footnote discussing Gregg’s reference to Edmund March Blunt, Lee notes “By a strange coincidence, in the room in which I am writing this note there hangs over the matelpeece [*sic*] a charming portrait of Blunt’s daughter, Eliza (Blunt) Hooker, painted by the gifted and picturesque John Wesley Jarvis.”

<sup>38</sup> William Hooker entry, *Kite’s Philadelphia Directory for 1814* (Philadelphia: B. & T. Kite, 1814), unpaginated. *Longworth’s American Almanac, New-York Register, and City Directory for the Fortieth Year of American Independence* (New York: David Longworth, 1815), 452 (William Hooker listed in “Additional Names and Corrections”).

<sup>39</sup> Dave Bosse, “The World of Maps,” *The American Magazine and Historical Chronicle* 2 (Autumn–Winter 1986–1987): 64–67.

<sup>40</sup> “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 19. For Rev. Williston’s church affiliation, David Clarkson, *History of the Church of Zion and St. Timothy of New York 1797–1894* (New York: privately published, 1894), 21.

<sup>41</sup> Robert Desty, *Reports of Cases Adjudged and Determined in the Court of Chancery of the State of New York [1814–1850]*, 7 vols. (New York: The Lawyers’ Co-operative Publishing Co., 1888–1889), 3:607–12, for “D. and J. Ames v. Blunt et al.,” originally published as Alonzo C. Paige, *Reports of Cases Adjudged in the Court of Chancery of New York*, vol. 5 (New York: Banks & Brothers, 1836), 12–25. Notice of insolvent debtor William Hooker of New York City, *The Albany [N.Y.] Argus*, 20 May 1823, p. 3, col. 5, in which Judge John T. Irving, first judge of the Court of Common Pleas for New York City and County, notified William Hooker’s creditors to appear in his office, New York City Hall, 1 Aug. 1823. No records for William

Although he was not found in the 1820 census, other records place William in the New York City area through about 1831.<sup>42</sup> Several editions of *Hooker's New Pocket Plan of the City of New York*, one of his best-known maps, give his business location as "William Hooker's Nautical Store 202 Water." In addition to identifying himself on his maps as a hydrographer (a mapper of bodies of water), engraver, and instrument maker and chart seller to the U.S. Navy, William also used the postnominal *A.C.S.A.*, indicating he was an Academician of the Columbian Society of Artists.<sup>43</sup>

William's detailed *New Pocket Plan* identifies locations of schools, markets, and public buildings, including St. Stephen's Episcopal Church at Broome and Christie streets, where William and Eliza interred their week-old son George William Blunt Hooker in August 1828. He was the only one of their eleven children who did not live to adulthood.<sup>44</sup>

Sometime after 1830, the family seems to have moved from New York City. Eliza gave birth to the couple's ninth child, Henry, in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, 24 August 1834.<sup>45</sup> Their tenth child, Augusta, was born at 13 Tillary Street, Brooklyn, in August 1836.<sup>46</sup> Two years later, William lived on Willoughby Street, Brooklyn,<sup>47</sup> probably between Jay and Lawrence streets, where their eleventh child, Joseph, was born in July 1840.<sup>48</sup> The family was presumably at the same address when they were enumerated in 1840. The ages of the children in William's 1840 household are generally consistent with the birth entries in the Hooker Bible: one male under 5 (Henry); one male 5–10 (George W.); one male 15–20 (Edmund); one male 20–30 (William J.); one female under 5 (Augusta); one female 5–10 (Martha); two females 15–20 (Sarah, Rachel); and one female 20–30 (Eliza C.). Eliza (Blunt) Hooker was likely the female age 40–50 in the household. William

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Hooker's insolvent-debtor case were found in New York Co., N.Y., Court of Common Pleas index (FHL film 1,205,010).

<sup>42</sup> *Mercein's City Directory, New-York Register, and Almanac* (New York: William A. Mercein, 1820), 250. *Longworth's American Almanac, New-York Register, and City Directory . . .* (New York: published for Jona. Olmstead, 1817), 245; and other years with similar titles: [1819] 208, [1820] 233, [1821] 231, [1822] 241, [1823] 243, [1824] 230, [1825] 228, [1826] 252, [1827] 258, [1828] 319, [1829] 297, [1830] 332 and 659 (for "Additional names, removals, and corrections"), [1831] 350. William Hooker household, 1830 U.S. census, New York City, Ward 8, New York Co., N.Y., p. 145 (NARA M19, roll 97), enumerated on Hammersly St. "Warranted: Day & Martin," *Mercantile Advertiser* [New York City], 2 Mar. 1818, 4th page, col. 6.

<sup>43</sup> For definition of initials, *Catalogue of the Seventh Annual Exhibition of the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts* (Philadelphia: privately published, 1818), 5. He used the postnominal *A.C.S.A.* from 1824 to 1829, but was called simply "Engraver" in 1833 (William Hooker, *Hooker's New Pocket Plan of the City of New York* [New York: William Hooker, 1824 and 1828], digital images, *New York Public Library Digital Collections* [https://digitalcollections.nypl.org]; same title for 1826, digital image, *Huntington Digital Library* [http://hdl.huntington.org/cdm/ref/collection/p15150coll4/id/3705]; same title for 1829 and 1833, digital image, *David Rumsey Map Collection* [http://www.davidrumsey.com]).

<sup>44</sup> "Hooker Bible Record" (note 9), 20, George William Blunt Hooker, interred in vault "s. end 5 ch Lo (?) St. Stephen Ch. Christie St. N. York."

<sup>45</sup> "Hooker Bible Record" (note 9), 19.

<sup>46</sup> "Hooker Bible Record" (note 9), 19. *Longworth's American Almanac, New-York Register, and City Directory for the Sixty-Second Year of American Independence . . .* (New York: Thomas Longworth, 1837), 321 (entry for William Hooker, engraver, Brooklyn).

<sup>47</sup> Hooker, *Hooker's New Pocket Plan of the City of New York* [1838] (note 43), digital image, *New York Public Library Digital Collections*. This map reads "Compiled & surveyed by William Hooker, engraver, No. 179 Water Street, New York, house, Willoughby St., Brooklyn." Also, Henry L. Ogden, comp., *Brooklyn City Directory for the Years 1839–40* (New York: Arnold and Van Anden, 1839), 64 (entry for Wm. Hooker, engraver, Willoughby n[ear] Jay).

<sup>48</sup> "Hooker Bible Record" (note 9), 20.

Hooker should have been age 58 in 1840, but the head of the household was age 60–70.<sup>49</sup>

The Willoughby Street address appears on the last edition of William's map, published in 1842.<sup>50</sup> In 1850 William and Eliza were enumerated in Hanover, Morris County, New Jersey, with [their children] "Marcia" [Martha] G., Henry, and Joseph.<sup>51</sup> After his wife's death on 18 July 1850, 68-year-old William may have been unable to care for his young children. His 10-year-old son, Joseph, moved to the Fauquier County, Virginia, home of his sister Sarah (Hooker) Abbott, who was already caring for their 13-year-old sister, Augusta.<sup>52</sup>

William Hooker died at the home of his son in New Brunswick, New Jersey, 26 December 1856.<sup>53</sup> He left no will, and no letters of administration or estate records were found for him in Middlesex County.<sup>54</sup>

Children of William<sup>4</sup> and Eliza Carlton (Blunt) Hooker, all except William, Henry, Augusta, and Joseph born in New York City:<sup>55</sup>

- i. ELIZA CARLTON<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born 5 May 1817;<sup>56</sup> died, aged 85, at "Gilbert House," Village of Ossining, Westchester County, 4 February 1903, and was buried in Sparta Presbyterian Cemetery.<sup>57</sup> Described as "a very talented performer," Eliza taught piano. An 1841 city directory entry for "the misses Hooker, professors of music," suggests Eliza and her sister Sarah, both trained musicians, may have worked together before Eliza moved to Westchester County.<sup>58</sup> She lived in the Village of Sing Sing with her grandfather Edmund March Blunt in 1850 and

<sup>49</sup> William Hooker household, 1840 U.S. census (note 3). "Hooker Bible Record" (note 9), 19–20.

<sup>50</sup> Hooker, *Hooker's New Pocket Plan of the City of New York* [1842] (note 43), digital image, *Getty Images* (<https://www.gettyimages.com/detail/529321999>).

<sup>51</sup> William Hooker household, 1850 U.S. census (note 4). Eliza (Blunt) Hooker had died of stomach cancer in New York City on 18 July (Eliza Hooker death record [note 20] and Mrs. Eliza C. Hooker death notice [note 20], identifying her as "the wife of Mr. Wm Hooker, of Morristown, New Jersey"), but census-takers were instructed to record the names of household members who were living on 1 June (*Measuring America: The Decennial Censuses from 1790 to 2000* [Washington, D.C.: U.S. Census Bureau, 2002], 9–10).

<sup>52</sup> In 1889 Sarah Abbott stated of her brother Joseph B. Hooker (born 1840) that "From the time he was ten years of age he lived with me in Fauquier Co., Va., & other places" (Sarah H. Abbot deposition, 26 Apr. 1889 [note 6]). Augusta W. Hooker in the Ezra Abbott household, 1850 U.S. census, Ashby's District, Fauquier Co., Va., p. 213 (stamped verso), dw. 204, fam. 205 (NARA M432, roll 943).

<sup>53</sup> "Died" (note 10).

<sup>54</sup> Middlesex Co., N.J., Surrogate's Court Index to Wills, vol. 1, unpaginated (FHL film 1,293,457, item 1), for surnames beginning with *H*, 1822–1860; Letters of Administration, C:218–46 (FHL film 862,879), for Dec. 1856–Feb. 1858; and Estate Index, H:171–210 (FHL film 864,141) for surnames beginning with *H*, and first names beginning with *W*.

<sup>55</sup> "Hooker Bible Record" (note 9), 19–20, which lists the children under "Births" and includes the note "(Along margin of page was written) These are all the children of William and Eliza."

<sup>56</sup> "Hooker Bible Record" (note 9), 19. Her birth month and year are listed as May 1817 in Eliza C. Hooker, boarder, in the Louisa A. Gilbert household, 1900 U.S. census, Village of Sing Sing, Town of Ossining, Westchester Co., N.Y., Enumeration District (ED) 105, sh. 10A, dw. 191, fam. 226 (NARA T623, roll 1176). Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), 9, citing Eliza's marker at Ossining, as read by the Ossining Historical Society.

<sup>57</sup> Eliza Carlton Hooker death cert., 1903, Village of Ossining, N.Y., no. 96, Ossining Register of Vital Statistics, which lists her parents' names as "unknown." The original death cert. at the Department of Health in Albany has not been examined. Eliza Carlton Hooker death notice, *The New York Times*, 5 Feb. 1903, p. 9, col. 5. Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), 5, 9.

<sup>58</sup> *Longworth's American Almanac, New York Register, and City Directory . . .* [1841] (New York: Thomas Longworth, 1841), 363 ("Hooker the misses, professors of music &c. 190 Laurens"). For Sing Sing, "Complimentary," *The Westchester Herald* [Ossining, N.Y.], 5 Oct. 1852, 2nd page, col. 5, citing "The Musical World and Times," notes that "Miss Hooker, a very talented performer, is now professor of the piano in Mr. C[hurchill]'s institution," a Sing Sing boys' school. In 1860 Eliza's attorney James B. Williams (husband of her first cousin Fanny L. Miller) established a bank account on her behalf, noting that "E. C. Hooker is a musician, res[ides] at Sing Sing" (Eliza C. Hooker account, no. 24,420, 30 Jan. 1860, Emigrant Savings Bank Test Book 2, digital image, *Ancestry* [<https://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=8760>]). For Sarah Hooker as a music teacher, "Died; Abbott," *Mower County* [Austinn, Minn.] *Transcript*, 15 Feb. 1905, p. 2, cols. 1–2.

1860, then boarded with others in the village after his death in 1862.<sup>59</sup> Abbott noted of Eliza that “from somewhere came the information that she was an invalid and spent much of her life in a wheel chair;”<sup>60</sup> however, the 1880 census does not indicate a disability.<sup>61</sup> Eliza’s will, dated 8 May 1880, was never probated. Her carefully detailed bequests provide evidence of her education and love of the arts, and name many cousins:

- “to my cousin Fanny (wife of James Bogert Williams), now living in Stamford, Connecticut, the miniature of my beloved Grandpapa (Edmund March Blunt), my camels hair Shawl, all my china pieces, cups, saucers, Tea Pots, sugar dish & milk pitchers: also a new japanned [*sic*, japanned]<sup>62</sup> tea tray with grecian border in gilt, with dark blue tea set and one glass tumbler with grecian pattern.”
- “to my cousin Louise (wife of Henry E. Howland), now living in New York City, my french copy of ‘Picciola illustrated[!]’ twelve volumes of ‘Queens of England,’ fifteen volumes of ‘Mrs Sherwood’s works’ and any other books she (my cousin Louise) may select from my Library except ~~‘Poets of the Nineteenth Century’ and ‘Half hours with the best authors,’~~ which I give and bequeath to my cousin Charles Edmund Miller of New York City. Also to my cousin Louise . . . one engraving framed of ‘Morning in the tropics’ also one small picture of a castle, on tinted paper. ~~Also, the writing desk once belonging to my Aunt, Mrs. J. Miller.”~~
- “the Beethoven head and ‘Matinée by Listz’ to Cha<sup>s</sup> Fred. Williams, son of James B. Williams.”
- “to Mr. James B. Williams of Stamford, Conn., eight volumes of Washington Irving’s [*sic*] works now in my Library and my bronze inkstand, given me by Mr. John I. Doyle in Oct. 1856 [month and year underscored; the last digit apparently was written first as 8, then overwritten as 6].”
- “to my sister Sarah Abbott of Minnesota, Steele County, Owatonna, my fur cloak and the Red tin dressing box (once belonging to my mother) with its contents. If my sister is not living, these things, the cloak and dressing box, I give and bequeath to her daughter, Mrs. Claudia Marshall Birkett, now living in Owatonna, Minnesota. Also, to my sister Sarah Abbott, I give and bequeath my breast pin, containing the hair of our dear Mother, with small chain attached, the small picture of ~~my~~ our dear Father and any one of my small Japanese trays that my cousins, Mrs. J. B. Williams or Mrs. H. E. Howland may select for my sister, Mrs. Sarah Abbott. Also, a small white silk shawl, embroidered with flowers.”

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<sup>59</sup> All in the Town of Ossining, Westchester Co., N.Y.: Edmund M. Blunt household, 1850 U.S. census, p. 13 (stamped, verso), dw. 145, fam. 166 (NARA M432, roll 614); Edmond M. Blunt household, 1860 U.S. census, Sing Sing Village, p. 68 (penned), dw. 369, fam. 536 (NARA M653, roll 880); Eliza Hooker, boarder, in the David Reed household, 1880 U.S. census, Sing Sing Village, ED 118, p. 22B, dw. 180, fam. 215 (NARA T9, roll 946); Eliza C. Hooker, boarder, in the Louisa A. Gilbert household, 1900 U.S. census (note 56). No census entry was found for Eliza in 1870. For Edmund M. Blunt death, “Personal,” *New-York Observer*, 9 Jan. 1862, 6th page, col. 3. No letters of administration or will were found for Edmund in Westchester Co. Edmund M. Blunt lived in Sing Sing as early as 1838 (Alexander Young, *The Varieties of Human Greatness: A Discourse on the Life and Character of Hon. Nathaniel Bowditch* . . . [Boston: Charles Little and James Brown, 1838], 34).

<sup>60</sup> Abbott, *The Family Tree of Eliza Blunt Hooker* (note 1), 9, entry for “Eliza II.”

<sup>61</sup> David Reed household, 1880 U.S. census (note 59). An adjacent line for 16-year old servant Maggie Kelly contains markers in the “disabled” and “insane” columns. Eliza’s will, written one month after the census was taken, is articulate and reflects a well-read woman, making it unlikely that the “Insane” column marking was intended for her entry and was inadvertently entered on the wrong line.

<sup>62</sup> “Japanned” refers to an item covered with a hard, black varnish or lacquer.

- “to my niece Eliza Carlton Hooker, daughter of my brother Joseph Blunt Hooker, living at San Diego, California, all my silver spoons, fork, napkin rings, sugar spoon, and a satin-wood box, painted on the two covers, with the contents. Also, a porte monnaie, marked E. C. H.”<sup>63</sup>
  - “to my second cousin, Sarah Elizabeth Williams, my work table with two drawers, a sandal wood box with small relics within and my gold ring with motto ‘Dieu vous garde,’ [and] a small metal vase for flowers.”
  - “to my cousins[,] daughters of the late Jonathan Miller, to wit, Fanny (wife of James B. Williams), Louise (wife of Henry E. Howland), and Charles E. Miller, all [*all underlined*] my money and property, of whatever kind, requesting that twenty-five dollars may be sent to D<sup>r</sup>. G. J. Fisher of Sing Sing, in payment for his services rendered to my dear Grandfather, in the spring of 1860, after a painful operation on his head.”
  - “my drapes, ~~and any nice under garments~~ [to] be sent to my friend, Miss Mary Dusenberry . . . that my cousins may select as suitable. Also, one of my breast pins.”
  - “To Mrs. Oliver O. P. C. Billings of New York, my chuddah shawl, given me by her beloved sister Caroline E. Miller.<sup>64</sup> Also my walnut table, with shaft.”<sup>65</sup>
2. ii. WILLIAM JARVIS<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York, 16 August 1819; died in Malden, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, 17 January 1893; married first in New York City 1 January 1847 ELLEN E. MORRIS; married second between 16 February and 15 March 1876, perhaps in Everett, Middlesex County, ELLEN H. KIELY; married third in New York City 4 October 1880 JULIA FRANKLIN/FRANKLAND (CALDER) GIFFORD.
  3. iii. EDMUND MARCH BLUNT<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born 15 March 1822; died in Milwaukee, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin, 17 October 1891; married first in Marion County, Indiana, 20 November 1856 ELMIRA MARY (BLAUVELT) DURYEA; married second in Indianapolis, Marion County, 26 April 1864 MARTHA E. “MATTIE” FRIZZELL.
  4. iv. SARAH<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born 7 August 1824; died in Austin, Mower County, Minnesota, 13 February 1905; married in Leeds, Fauquier County, Virginia, 29 April 1846 EZRA ABBOTT.
  5. v. RACHEL<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born 4 June 1826; died in Watseka, Iroquois County, Illinois, 30 June 1902; married in New York City 14 November 1847 WILLIAM W. HALSEY.
  - vi. GEORGE WILLIAM BLUNT<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born 1 August 1828;<sup>66</sup> died in New York City 7 August 1828, aged 8 [*sic*] days, from “Infl<sup>m</sup> [Inflammation] of the bowels.” George was interred in a vault at St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church on “Christie”

<sup>63</sup> A porte monnaie was a wallet or purse.

<sup>64</sup> Caroline Eliza Lane, daughter of David and Caroline E. ([-?-]) Lane, married Eliza’s first cousin Charles Edmund Miller, son of Jonathan and Sarah Ross (Blunt) Miller (Massachusetts Vital Records 181:180 [Marriages, Weston, 1865] [FHL film 1,433,022]). Caroline’s sister Charlotte Lane was the wife of Oliver Phelps Chandler Billings (Billings-Lane marriage cert., New York City, 1868, no. 6086, which identifies Charlotte as daughter of David and Caroline E. [Lamson] Lane).

<sup>65</sup> Eliza Carlton Hooker original, unprobated will, dated 8 May 1880, Westchester Co., N.Y., Wills, 1787–1941, Series 132, A-0154(86) F, folder 6, Westchester County Archives, Elmsford. A handwritten note on the cover sheet reads, “Never probated. 1903.” The will is handwritten on lined paper bearing small, imprinted triangular marks at the top of each page. It is bound together by a ribbon that is held on the signature page by an imprinted wax seal containing the letter *E*. The ribbon and seal partially obscure the signature, leaving only “Eliza C H” visible. The readable portion of the signature appears to be in the same handwriting as the rest of the will, which differs from the signatures of witnesses Mary E. McCann and Alfred C. Howland, both of whom resided at 14 W. 9th St., New York City. There is no associated probate or administration file in Westchester Co.

<sup>66</sup> “Hooker Bible Record” (note 9), 19.

[Christie] Street.<sup>67</sup> When the church was sold in 1867, remains of those buried in the church yard were re-interred in Cypress Hills Cemetery, which straddles the line between Kings and Queens counties, New York. George's name does not appear on a list of those removed from St. Stephen's, and Cypress Hills cemetery holds no records of his burial there.<sup>68</sup> He was likely among the 2,000 unnamed people who were interred in a common grave.<sup>69</sup>

6. vii. MARTHA GARSED<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born 9 October 1830; died near Macon, Macon County, Missouri, 15 March 1905; married in Whippany, Morris County, New Jersey, 9 October 1850 JAMES GERMAN HUBBARD.
7. viii. GEORGE WILLIAM<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born 24 June 1832; died near Fredericksburg (then Spotsylvania County), Virginia, 14 May 1864; married in Plainfield, Essex County, New Jersey, 22 July 1854 HANNAH WHITENACK/WHITNACK.
8. ix. HENRY<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, 24 August 1834; died after 27 August 1859, perhaps in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky, 27 October 1866.
9. x. AUGUSTA WENDELL<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born in Brooklyn 13 August 1836; died in Whittier, Los Angeles County, California, 13 October 1916; married first in Owatonna, Steele County, Minnesota, 13 February 1858 WILLIAM F. PETTIT; married second in San Bernardino County, California, 25 May 1874 FREDERICK AUGUSTUS ROWE.
10. xi. JOSEPH BLUNT<sup>5</sup> HOOKER, born in Brooklyn 2 July 1840; died in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California, 22 December 1908; married in Owatonna 4 May 1862 SARAH ELIZABETH WOLLEAT/WALLEAT.

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<sup>67</sup> For death date and burial location, note 44. For cause of death and age, George Hooker death record, 8 Aug. 1828 [likely the date of interment], New York City Register of Deaths, Liber 6, arranged in rough chronological order and by first letter of the surname (FHL film 447,546), indicating burial at "St. Stephens" cemetery. For church location and history, "St. Stephen's Get First Cornerstone," *The New York Times*, 6 Dec. 1914, p. C2, col. 8.

<sup>68</sup> Carolina Padin (Admin. Asst., Cypress Hills Cemetery Office), Brooklyn, N.Y., to author, email, 14 Oct. 2015, "New Message From Cypress Hills Cemetery."

<sup>69</sup> Joshua Newton Perkins, *History of St. Stephen's Parish in the City of New York, 1805-1905* (New York: Edward S. Gorham, 1906), 54-55, and Appendix B, "Names of the Recognized Dead Buried in the St. Stephen's Church Plot, Cypress Hills Cemetery," which does not include George.

## ISAAC REYNOLDS (1773–1850) OF BEDFORD, WESTCHESTER COUNTY, NEW YORK

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(continued from THE RECORD 149:99)

Very few traces remain of the Chestnut Ridge neighborhood in Westchester County, New York, that was so important to this Reynolds family. Chestnut Ridge Road still exists, running north from State Route 22 near the former homestead of Captain Roger Lyon in the Town of North Castle for about half a mile, and then continuing due north in the Town of Bedford for another two miles to the present Route 172. The neighborhood included parts of three different towns.

Chestnut Ridge's community nature remained intact throughout the nineteenth century, with its economy based primarily on shoemaking. In the 1850 federal census, twenty men in the Chestnut Ridge neighborhood near Isaac Reynolds had occupations listed. Fourteen, including Isaac, were shoemakers, five were farmers, and one was a cooper.<sup>98</sup>

Isaac's children were all born in the Chestnut Ridge area in the early 1800s. He was one of five men named trustees for the purpose of building a Methodist chapel on the Bedford portion of the road in 1828, and he signed the Bedford petition to form a joint school district with neighbors in North Castle in 1833.<sup>99</sup> Several of his children married schoolmates from other neighborhood families and, during the latter half of the nineteenth century, dozens of his grandchildren still lived along Chestnut Ridge Road.

The neighborhood began to disappear after the turn of the twentieth century, through various acquisitions by outsiders. Arthur W. Butler, a prominent banker, scientist, and amateur astronomer, purchased a large tract on the west side of Chestnut Ridge Road in Bedford, 365 acres of which are now known as the Arthur W. Butler Memorial Sanctuary, part of the Nature Con-

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<sup>98</sup> 1850 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., pp. 185–87 (penned), pp. 93–94 (stamped) (National Archives and Records Administration microfilm publication [NARA] M432, roll 614).

<sup>99</sup> Glenette Smith Forgea, *The History of Mount Kisco Including the Lost Hamlet of Chestnut Ridge*, ed. by Madeline Bourque Kearin (Mount Kisco, N.Y.: The Mount Kisco Historical Society, 2014), 108, 110.



servancy.<sup>100</sup> The 640-acre Westmoreland Sanctuary, another popular nature area, is across the road, on the east side.<sup>101</sup> Zar Cemetery, in which Isaac, Prudence, and many of their family members were buried, is also on the east side of the road; it has been preserved adjacent to Westmoreland's headquarters.<sup>102</sup> The interesting modern history of another large acquisition west of Byram Lake, now also partially a nature area, is discussed below.

#### GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

1. **JOHN<sup>5</sup> REYNOLDS** (John<sup>4</sup>, Joshua<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2-1</sup>), number 281 in Reynolds and Rippier's genealogy of the Reynolds family but not carried forward,<sup>103</sup> was born in Greenwich, Fairfield County, Connecticut, 29 October 1750, the son of John and Joanna (Winans) Reynolds, who were married there 16 February 1740.<sup>104</sup> John<sup>5</sup> died probably in Westchester County, New York, sometime after 1810, when he was last found listed in the census, living in the Town of North Castle.<sup>105</sup> No will, administration records, or place of burial have been found for him. He married say 1771 (first-known child) perhaps **ANNA [-?-]**, with whom he mortgaged land in North Castle (as husband and wife) to Jonathan Lyon on 6 April 1807.<sup>106</sup> She is probably the woman in John's 1810 census household, born in 1765 or earlier.<sup>107</sup> Although Anna's family name is unknown, she was probably from another Greenwich or Bedford-area family, possibly related to the Lyon family that had owned so much of the neighborhood in which John and Anna lived and raised their family. The name of John's son Isaac may be a clue to Anna's identity, as there are no Isaacs among John's parents' or paternal grandparents' families.<sup>108</sup>

John moved from Greenwich with his father and family as a teen, sometime between 1764 and 1769. He served as a private in Capt. Daniel Mills's company of the Westchester County militia in 1775, listed as a carpenter.<sup>109</sup> As discussed earlier, property and census records demonstrate that he lived in the general area of Byram Lake on the Bedford/North Castle town line and at times owned property in each of those towns in the Chestnut Ridge Road neighborhood.<sup>110</sup>

<sup>100</sup> "New York: Arthur W. Butler Memorial Sanctuary," *The Nature Conservancy* (<https://www.nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/northamerica/unitedstates/newyork/places-preserves/arthur-w-butler-memorial-sanctuary.xml>).

<sup>101</sup> *Westmoreland Sanctuary, Nature Center & Wildlife Preserve* (<http://www.westmorelandsanctuary.org>).

<sup>102</sup> Patrick Raftery, "Westchester County Cemetery Index," PDF, *Westchester County Archives* (<http://archives.westchestergov.com/images/stories/contentdm/WestchesterCountyCemeteryIndex.pdf>).

<sup>103</sup> Marion H. Reynolds and Anna C. Rippier, *The History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds [1630?-1923] of Watertown, Mass., and Wethersfield, Stamford, and Greenwich, Conn.* (Brooklyn, N.Y.: The Reynolds Family Association, 1924), 75.

<sup>104</sup> Greenwich, Conn., Town Clerk, Town Records, 1700-1848, also called Common Place Book, also called Vol. 1 of Town Records, 119 (both events) (Family History Library [FHL] film 185,372).

<sup>105</sup> John Reynolds household, 1810 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 1175 (NARA M252, roll 37).

<sup>106</sup> John and Anna Reynolds to Jonathan Lyon, Westchester Co., N.Y., Mortgages I:220-21 (FHL film 581,603). The only Jonathan Lyon in the vicinity at the time was the son of Roger Lyon Jr., and therefore Captain Roger Lyon's grandson.

<sup>107</sup> John Reynolds household, 1810 U.S. census (note 105).

<sup>108</sup> Reynolds and Rippier, *History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds* (note 103), 53, 75.

<sup>109</sup> See first part of this article, RECORD 149 (2018): 86-89.

<sup>110</sup> See first part of this article, RECORD 149 (2018): 95-97.

The family was enumerated in Bedford in 1790 with two males age 16 and over, two males under 16, and three females.<sup>111</sup> The enumeration of John Reynolds's family in Bedford in 1800 is possibly defective.<sup>112</sup> He was taxed in Bedford for the years 1799 through 1803 for real estate valued at £120 and for a varying amount of personal estate valued from £12 to £60.<sup>113</sup> His household listing for 1810, then in North Castle, includes him and his presumed wife both age 45 and over (therefore born in 1765 or earlier), plus two young children, a boy under 10 years and a girl age 10–15, who may have been grandchildren.<sup>114</sup>

Children of John<sup>5</sup> Reynolds, presumably with his wife Anna [–?–], as no evidence of another wife has been found, all born probably in Bedford (although no birth records have been found), order uncertain:<sup>115</sup>

2. i. ISAAC<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, born between 6 June 1772 and 5 June 1773; died 5 June 1850, probably in Bedford; married first say 1797 PRUDENCE ANN SEELEY; married second in Bedford 30 June 1833 RHEUHAMA (AVERY) SNIFFIN.
- ii. JOHN<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, born about 1774–1775,<sup>116</sup> died after 7 August 1820<sup>117</sup> and probably before 1 June 1830 (absent from the census); married by 18 March 1814, and perhaps by 1810, SUSAN [–?–].<sup>118</sup> John was named probably for his father and paternal grandfather. He was taxed in Bedford in 1799 as John Reynolds Junr.,<sup>119</sup> and in North Castle in 1801 and 1802 as John Reynolds<sup>120</sup> (since he was in a different town from his father at that time). He sold land in North Castle with his wife, Susan, 18 March 1814 to James Banks.<sup>121</sup> John was enumerated in North Castle in 1810 as a head of family, age 26–44,<sup>122</sup> and was still there as John “Raynolds,” age 45 and over, in 1820, living next to Samuel

<sup>111</sup> John Reynolds household, 1790 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 187 (NARA M637, roll 6).

<sup>112</sup> John Reynolds household, 1800 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 55 (penned), p. 138 (stamped) (NARA M32, roll 27). As discussed earlier, the two oldest members of this household (probably husband and wife) were both age 26–44, which is too young for this John. The household also included five girls and two boys, all under 16, which is almost exactly opposite the two girls and five boys suggested by the list in William A. Nicholson of Bayonne, N.J., “Information Wanted” section, *Reynolds Family Association Twenty-Fifth Annual Report*, Marion H. Reynolds, comp. [Boston: Reynolds Family Association, 1916], 16–17.

<sup>113</sup> John Reynolds entries, Tax Assessment Rolls of Real and Personal Estates, 1799–1804, Series B0950, for Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., Box 56: folder 1, 7th page (1799), folder 22, 2nd page (1800); Box 57: folder 1, 2nd page (1801), folder 22, 2nd page (1802); Box 58: folder 1, 1st page of names (1803), New York State Archives, Albany.

<sup>114</sup> John Reynolds household, 1810 U.S. census (note 105).

<sup>115</sup> In the absence of birth or baptismal records, the names are loosely based on Nicholson, “Information Wanted” (note 112), 16–17, in which children were listed as “Isaac, Alpheus, James, John, Lewis, Sally, John, Jr. m. Ruth Townsend; and Sally m. a Fields.” The probable place of birth is based on the parents’ residential history.

<sup>116</sup> John Reynolds [*sic*] household, 1820 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 434 (penned) (NARA M33, roll 75), in which he was listed as age 45 and older (so born 1775 or earlier). He is presumably one of the males under the age of 16 listed in his father’s household in 1790 (John Reynolds household, 1790 U.S. census [note 111]), so born 1774 or later.

<sup>117</sup> John Reynolds [*sic*] household, 1820 U.S. census (note 116).

<sup>118</sup> John and Susan Reynolds to James Banks, dated 18 March 1814, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds R:250–51 (FHL film 562,375 [a typed copy of the original liber]). John Reynolds [Jr.] household, 1810 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 1175 (penned), p. 265 (stamped) (NARA M252, roll 37), which included one female age 16–25, and one female age 45 or older. His father, John Reynolds, is shown as a head of family in North Castle on this same page.

<sup>119</sup> John Reynolds Junr. entry, Tax Assessment Rolls of Real and Personal Estates, 1799–1804 (note 113), Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., Box 56, folder 1, 3rd page (1799).

<sup>120</sup> John Reynolds entries, Tax Assessment Rolls of Real and Personal Estates, 1799–1804 (note 113), Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., Box 57: folder 10, 5th page (1801), and folder 31, 2nd page (1802).

<sup>121</sup> John and Susan Reynolds to James Banks (note 118).

<sup>122</sup> John Reynolds [Jr.] household, 1810 U.S. census (note 118).

Lyon.<sup>123</sup> Nicholson claimed that this John Reynolds married a Ruth Townsend,<sup>124</sup> but that cannot have been the case. One John Reynolds did marry 15 September 1796 Ruth Townsend (born 17 May 1779, daughter of Isaac and Hannah [Wixon] Townsend). That John, husband of Ruth, died 18 August 1817, aged 49 years, and was buried in Townsend Cemetery, Town of Southeast (in what is now the Village of Brewster), Putnam County, New York.<sup>125</sup> There is no evidence of any connection between this Townsend family and the Bedford/North Castle area. The present John Reynolds had a wife Susan, not Ruth, in North Castle in 1814 and was still living there in 1820.

- iii. (*probably*) ALPHEUS<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, born say 1776–1777 (under age 16 in 1790,<sup>126</sup> and presumably younger than his brother John, who carried their father’s name), likely the Alpheus Reynolds, age 60–69, in the 1840 census of Batavia, Branch County, Michigan,<sup>127</sup> who died there 9 June 1843, leaving a widow, SOPHIA [–?–],<sup>128</sup> both named in the death record of their son John Reynolds (born in “Renserville,” New York, about 20 September 1810 [calculated], died in Batavia, Michigan, 9 March 1879, aged 68 years, 5 months, 17 days).<sup>129</sup> Alpheus is considered a probable child because the given name is distinctive, the father had a younger brother with the same given name, and the age of the man who died in Michigan is what would be expected.<sup>130</sup> Alpheus Reynolds was a pioneer of the Town of Batavia, Genesee County, New York, in 1814,<sup>131</sup> and became one of the first settlers of Batavia, Michigan, in August 1834.<sup>132</sup> “Alphus” Reynolds and his twelve-person household were enumerated in Batavia, New York, in 1820.<sup>133</sup> He was still there in 1830, age 50–59, along with his presumed wife, age 40–49, six boys, and four girls.<sup>134</sup>
- iv. (*probably*) JOSHUA<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, died before 7 February 1827, when his widow, SARAH [–?–], sold forty acres on Chestnut Ridge Road in North Castle at the Bedford line to Charles Danels for \$98.25.<sup>135</sup> Sarah was still living in the Chestnut Ridge area in early 1849, when Isaac’s daughter-in-law wrote about

<sup>123</sup> John Reynolds [*sic*] household, 1820 U.S. census (note 116).

<sup>124</sup> Nicholson, “Information Wanted” (note 112), 16–17.

<sup>125</sup> Hannah Townsend pension application, WC 18,148, on service of Isaac Townsend of New York, *Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files* (NARA M804, roll 2405), which includes a family record from a Bible. That record lists the date of Ruth’s marriage, but does not identify her spouse. That her spouse was John Reynolds is inferred from the large marker in Townsend Cemetery (John Reynolds marker, Townsend Cemetery, Brewster, N.Y., memorial no. 50,663,698, digital image, *Find A Grave* [https://www.findagrave.com]), which includes the names of John Reynolds, Ruth, “his wife,” Isaac and Hannah Townsend, and others.

<sup>126</sup> John Reynolds household, 1790 U.S. census (note 111).

<sup>127</sup> Alpheus Reynolds household, 1840 U.S. census, Batavia, Branch Co., Mich., p. 95 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 203).

<sup>128</sup> Sophia Reynolds, widow, application and statement, 5 Aug. 1844, Alpheus Reynolds estate, Branch Co., Mich., Probate Court Case File 60 (FHL film 931,742).

<sup>129</sup> John Reynolds death record, Mich., 1879, Branch Co., p. 90, no. 12 (FHL film 2,363,667).

<sup>130</sup> For the father’s younger brother Alpheus, born in Greenwich 11 May 1760, Greenwich Town Records (note 104), 119.

<sup>131</sup> F. W. Beers, ed., *Gazetteer and Biographical Record of Genesee County, N.Y., 1788–1890* (Syracuse, N.Y.: J. W. Vose and Co., 1890), 168.

<sup>132</sup> *History of Branch County, Michigan . . .* (Philadelphia: Everts and Abbott, 1879), 268, which adds that “the party was made up of Alpheus Reynolds and his wife, his son John and his wife, and his other children Alpheus, Jr., William, Lewis, Mary, Phoebe and Betsey. . . . Jacob, another son of Alpheus, came on with his family a few years later.”

<sup>133</sup> Alpheus Reynolds household, 1820 U.S. census, Town of Batavia, Genesee Co., N.Y., p. 27 (penned) (NARA M33, roll 72).

<sup>134</sup> Alpheus Reynolds household, 1830 U.S. census, Town of Batavia, Genesee Co., N.Y., p. 341 (NARA M19, roll 90).

<sup>135</sup> Sarah Reynolds, widow of Joshua Reynolds, late of North Castle, deceased, to Charles Danels, dated 7 Feb. 1827, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 28:418 (FHL film 562,379). The first installment of this article (RECORD 149 [2018]: 90n40 and associated text) includes speculation that this Sarah was the widow of Joshua Reynolds born 1743. It appears, however, that there were two Joshua Reynolds: Joshua, born 1743, was the brother of John<sup>5</sup>, while this Joshua was John’s son.

visiting “aunt Sarah Reynolds.”<sup>136</sup> A household headed by Sarah Reynolds, age 53, was enumerated in 1850 in close proximity to the Isaac Reynolds family. In addition to Sarah, the dwelling included her presumed son Joshua Reynolds, age 25, and a young family headed by shoemaker Walter T. Baker, age 29. Baker’s family consisted of his apparent wife, Deborah A. Baker, age 27, the Bakers’ presumed child, Sands Baker, age 5, and Edward Healy, age 12, not yet identified.<sup>137</sup> A “Deborah A. Reynolds, wife of Walter A. Baker, Dec. 27, 1823–Jan. 24, 1903,”<sup>138</sup> was buried with persons removed in 1909 from the Sands/Banks Cemetery on Chestnut Ridge Road to plot 768 of Oakwood Cemetery in the Village of Mount Kisco. Others removed include Joshua Reynolds (probably Deborah’s father), Isaac Reynolds Junior, and Isaac Junior’s wife, Elizabeth.<sup>139</sup> These facts certainly suggest that Deborah A. Baker was the daughter of Joshua and Sarah ([–?–]) Reynolds.

- v. (*possibly*) JAMES<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, named by Nicholson,<sup>140</sup> but no further information.
- vi. (*possibly*) LEWIS<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, named by Nicholson,<sup>141</sup> but no further information.
- vii. (*possibly*) SALLY<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, named by Nicholson, who also reported that she married [–?–] FIELDS.<sup>142</sup> She is perhaps one of the three females in John Reynolds’s 1790 household,<sup>143</sup> but no further information.
- viii. (*possibly*) DAUGHTER<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS, one of three females in John Reynolds’s 1790 household.<sup>144</sup>

2. **ISAAC<sup>6</sup> REYNOLDS** (John<sup>5-4</sup>, Joshua<sup>3</sup>, John<sup>2-1</sup>) was born between 6 June 1772 and 5 June 1773 (calculated), probably in Bedford, and died 5 June 1850, “in his 78th year,” probably in Bedford.<sup>145</sup> He married first say 1797 (first-known child) **PRUDENCE ANN SEELEY**, who was born in Bedford 8 March 1782 and died there 6 June 1833, probably the daughter of Capt. Eli Seeley (1736–before 1810) and his wife, Mary Westcott (circa 1739–after 1820).<sup>146</sup> Isaac married second in Bedford 30 June 1833 **RHEUHAMA (AVERY)**

<sup>136</sup> Adeline F. Reynolds (Bedford, N.Y.) to Amandy Sands, letter, 21 Jan. 1849, transcription provided to author Wiener by Roger<sup>11</sup> Reynolds (Millard<sup>10</sup>, Archibald<sup>9</sup>, Stephen H.<sup>8</sup>, Stephen Matthew<sup>7</sup> [born 1813, a brother of the recipient], Isaac<sup>6</sup>). It is not known whether the original letter is extant.

<sup>137</sup> Sarah Reynolds and Walter T. Baker households, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 185 (penned), p. 93 (stamped), dw. 1082, fams. 1205 and 1206 (NARA M432, roll 614).

<sup>138</sup> Deborah A. Reynolds Baker marker, Oakwood Cemetery, Mt. Kisco, N.Y., memorial no. 61,258,112, digital image, *Find A Grave*, which identifies her as “wife of Walter A. Baker.” The 1850 census (note 137) lists Walter’s middle initial as T. Her death cert. has not been examined.

<sup>139</sup> [Christopher Ross.] “List of Individuals moved from Banks Cemetery in Byram Hills, NY,” typescript, Westchester Co. Historical Society, Elmsford, N.Y., undated. The cemetery was discontinued in 1909, and the remains and surviving gravestones were transferred to Oakwood Cemetery in Mt. Kisco.

<sup>140</sup> Nicholson, “Information Wanted” (note 112), 16–17.

<sup>141</sup> Nicholson, “Information Wanted” (note 112), 16–17.

<sup>142</sup> Nicholson, “Information Wanted” (note 112), 16–17.

<sup>143</sup> John Reynolds household, 1790 U.S. census (note 111).

<sup>144</sup> John Reynolds household, 1790 U.S. census (note 111).

<sup>145</sup> His birth date range is calculated from the gravestone inscription as reported in Reynolds and Ripper, *History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds* (note 103), 404, assuming that the reading of “in his 78th year” is correct and that he was not exactly 78 years old at his death. His probable place of birth and death is based on residential history.

<sup>146</sup> The only direct evidence placing Prudence in Capt. Eli Seeley’s family is found in *Bedford Historical Records* (Town of Bedford, Westchester County, New York, *Historical Records*, 9 vols. [Bedford Hills, N.Y.: Town of Bedford, 1966–1980], 9:152, 153, 195, 197). The name she gave her first child (Eli) and the fact that there were three females in the household of “Eli Seeley Sen” in 1790, one of whom could have been Prudence (1790 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 183 [NARA M637, roll 6]) support the identification. This volume of genealogies in *Bedford Historical Records* has an extensive bibliography (pp. ix–xiv) that includes private, public, and published sources, but sources are not tied to individual assertions. The volume identifies Prudence’s husband as “Isaac P. Reynolds, born June 6, 1773, at Greenwich, Conn.,” which was demonstrated to be incorrect. Madeline M. Mills and Catherine M. Olsen, *The Sixth Generation Families of Obadiab Seeley* (SGS #4) (n.p.: The Seeley Genealogical Society, 1995), 15, list only one daughter for Capt. Eli (Martha/Patty, said to have married in 1772); they do not mention Prudence and fail to

**SNIFFIN**,<sup>147</sup> born in New York about 1778–1783, died in North Castle 3 August 1859, and was buried there in Middle Patent Rural Cemetery, where her gravestone calls her “Reuama formerly wife of Nathan Sniffin.”<sup>148</sup>

Isaac was listed alongside his father on a road assessment list in Bedford in 1797.<sup>149</sup> Although Isaac was married and had one child by 4 August 1800 (the effective date of the 1800 census), no census record has been found for him in that year, suggesting that his young family was living in some other household. By 1 April 1807 he and his wife Prudence, then of North Castle, had obtained property of their own, since they mortgaged two parcels of land in Bedford on that date to Abijah St. John.<sup>150</sup> Isaac’s family was enumerated in Bedford in 1810, 1820, 1830, and 1840.<sup>151</sup>

Isaac and Prudence owned at least one hundred acres extending west from Chestnut Ridge Road and bounded partially by the north shore of Byram Lake.<sup>152</sup> They sold twenty-eight acres of this tract, bounded east by Chestnut Ridge Road and west by Samuel Sands, to Robert Zar for \$420 on 9 April 1825,<sup>153</sup> but apparently resided on the remaining portion for the rest of their lives. The 1850 census lists a family consisting of Isaac (shoemaker, age 77) and his then-wife Rheuhama (age 67) in Bedford in a dwelling shared with a family headed by Jeremiah Sniffin, age 35, whose wife Ann, age 31, was Isaac’s daughter. Jeremiah’s real estate valuation was \$1,500, and Isaac’s was

explain the three females in Capt. Seeley’s 1790 household. Despite these conflicts and the absence of any will or administration for Capt. Eli, the most likely placement for Prudence is as Capt. Eli Seeley’s daughter.

<sup>147</sup> Elizabeth G. Fuller, comp., “Notices in the Westchester Spy,” *The Westchester Historian* 64 (Fall 1988): 123. Both were called “of Bedford,” and the marriage was performed by the Rev. Mr. Keeler. This notice spells her given name as “Reuamy.” The newspaper publication date is listed as 16 July 1833; it has not been examined.

<sup>148</sup> Isaac Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 185 (penned), p. 93 (stamped), dw. 1088, fam. 1212 (NARA M432, roll 614), in which she was listed as age 67. The enumeration was made 26 Aug. 1850 but the effective date for that census was 1 June 1850, only four days before Isaac died. Reuamah Reynolds entry, 1860 U.S. census, mortality schedule, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 1 (penned), p. 642 (stamped), line 15, digital image, *Ancestry* (<https://www.ancestry.com>), citing New York State Library microfilm, roll M4. Reuama Sniffin marker, in Barbara S. Massi, George Pouder, and Judy Johnson Zelter, *The Old Burial Grounds of The Town of North Castle, N.Y.* (n.p.: privately published, 2006), 43–44, PDF, *Town of North Castle, Historical Society and Town History* ([http://www.northeastleny.com/sites/northeastleny/files/file/the\\_old\\_burial\\_grounds\\_of\\_the\\_town\\_of\\_north\\_castle\\_ny\\_for\\_web.pdf](http://www.northeastleny.com/sites/northeastleny/files/file/the_old_burial_grounds_of_the_town_of_north_castle_ny_for_web.pdf)), which lists her age at death as 80 years. Reuama Sniffin marker, Middle Patent Rural Cemetery, North Castle, N.Y., memorial no. 81,146,483, digital image, *Find A Grave*. Nathan Sniffin died sometime between the 1820 census, when he was enumerated in Bedford (age 45+) evidently with a wife and six children (1820 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 418 [penned] [NARA M33, roll 75]), and the 1830 census, when “Ruamy Sniffin,” age 50–59, was head of a household in Bedford with only one boy age 5–9 years (1830 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 147 [stamped] [NARA M19, roll 112]).

<sup>149</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 5:38.

<sup>150</sup> Isaac and Prudence Reynolds to Abijah St. John, Westchester Co., N.Y., Mortgages I:255–67 (FHL film 581,603).

<sup>151</sup> Isaac Reynolds households, all in the Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y.: 1810 U.S. census, p. 1078 (NARA M252, roll 37); 1820 U.S. census, p. 427 (NARA M33, roll 75); 1830 U.S. census, p. 148 (stamped) (NARA M19, roll 112); 1840 U.S. census, p. 253 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 353).

<sup>152</sup> Isaac and Prudence Reynolds to Nathan Merritt, Westchester Co., N.Y., Mortgages Q:190–91 (FHL film 581,606).

<sup>153</sup> Isaac and Prudence Reynolds to Robert Zar, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds Z:62–63 (FHL film 562,378). The parcel adjoined Robert Zar’s existing land on the north at Chestnut Ridge Rd.

zero.<sup>154</sup> Jeremiah may have been Rheuhama's son from her previous marriage.<sup>155</sup>

Isaac began disposing of his remaining property on 19 April 1849, when he and his wife "Ruth Amy" sold to his son Joseph Reynolds for \$50 a two-acre parcel on Chestnut Ridge Road, adjoining land of Samuel Lyon.<sup>156</sup> On 7 March 1850, Isaac and his wife "Ruania" sold fifty-five acres between Byram Pond and Chestnut Ridge Road to Jeremiah Sniffin for \$1,000.<sup>157</sup> This transfer of the homestead to the Sniffins was a reasonable way for Isaac to provide for his wife's well-being as a widow. In a quitclaim deed dated 30 April 1850, Isaac Reynolds's potential heirs transferred their rights to "All that certain piece or parcel of land, lying in the town of Bedford, aforesaid, and bounded on the east by Chesnut [*sic*] Ridge highway[,] on the north by land of Sandford Mosher, on the west by land of SARAH REYNOLDS, AND BY Byram Pond and on the south by land of Samuel Lyon and Joseph Reynolds. Containing forty eight acres be the same more or less," in return for the grantee's lump-sum payment of \$500. Grantors were Isaac Reynolds Junr, Eli Reynolds, John Reynolds, Stephen Reynolds, Joseph Reynolds, William Reynolds, Mary Lyon, Amanda Sands, and Sally Zar; the grantee was their brother-in-law Jeremiah Sniffin, Ann's husband.<sup>158</sup>

An intimate overview of this family in January 1849, the year before Isaac's death, is provided in a personal letter from William Shute Reynolds's wife, Adeline F. Reynolds (who was then still living on Chestnut Ridge), to her "sister" (that is, sister-in-law) "Amandy" Sands, who had moved away to Darien, Connecticut, with her husband, Dr. Samuel Sands. Including the writer and the recipient, this letter includes contemporary news of six of Isaac's children as well as Isaac himself, his second wife, and several other relatives. Adeline mentioned "father" [Isaac, still in good health]; "the old woman" [apparently Isaac's second wife, Rheuhama]; "William and I" now "ceeping house by ourselves"; "Stephen," who "lost his wife she died the 6 of

<sup>154</sup> Isaac Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census (note 148). The Sniffins were fam. 1213 (Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 185 [penned, recto and verso], p. 93 [stamped, recto and verso], dw. 1088, fam. 1213 [NARA M432, roll 614]). Other members of the Sniffin family in this census were Prudence A. Sniffein (female, 13), W. Sniffen (male, 11), Lyman Sniffen (male, 5), "Henster" A. Mosher (female, 17), and Charles Reynolds (male, shoemaker, 22). Jeremiah's surname appears in records as both *Sniffen* and *Sniffin*. References to records will reflect the spelling used, but discussions in the text will use the latter spelling, *Sniffin*.

<sup>155</sup> No will has been found for Nathan Sniffin or for Rheuhama in Westchester Co. Jeremiah's 1893 New York state death record, which may name his parents, has not been examined. "BROWN Family Tree and much more," *Ancestry* (<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/753789/person/190000029070/facts?ssrc=>), also claims this relationship.

<sup>156</sup> Isaac and Ruth Amy Reynolds to Joseph Reynolds, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 143:389–91 (FHL film 563,607 [typed copy of original liber]).

<sup>157</sup> Isaac and "Ruania" Reynolds to Jeremiah Sniffin, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 143:385–88 (FHL film 563,607 [typed copy of original liber]). The land was bounded on the south by lands of Samuel Lyon and [Isaac's son] Joseph Reynolds.

<sup>158</sup> Eli Reynolds and others to Jeremiah Sniffin, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 154:203–5 (FHL film 563,613). Bounding landowner Sarah Reynolds was probably the Sarah Reynolds enumerated near Isaac Reynolds in 1850 (Sarah Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census [note 137]). Sally Zar was not named in the text but signed as grantor. Three of the children identified by Elsie M. Lyon (Elsie M. [Mrs. Frederick H.] Lyon [White Plains, N.Y.] to Mrs. White of the Seelye Genealogical Society, letter, 16 July 1933, transcribed in Elizabeth S. White, *Genealogy of Seelye-Seely-Seelye Family in America*, 7 vols. [New York: E. S. White, 1940], 7:126–27 [FHL film 875,367], with photocopy at Stamford [Conn.] Historical Society) were not parties to this deed. Ann did not need to sign because she was the wife of the grantee. Lucy apparently died young. Jane Marie (Reynolds) Davids had died in 1844. See below for details.

this month and he is left with eight children”; “Pheby” [apparently Stephen’s wife], who “died with the dropsy”; “Sally [Sarah Ann] is complaining” [apparently with medical problems]; “Elias [Elias Zar, Sally’s husband] has been very sick but is ganeing [gaining]”; “Ann [wife of Jared/Jeremiah Sniffin] hes [has] moved intwoo a new house that Hirem [not identified] hes [has] been building and so Jared tends the store”; “William [the writer’s husband, William Shute Reynolds] solde his horse”; and “Isac [probably Isaac Jr.] had bad luck with his horse it run a way . . . he sole it.” She reported also that she “[went] over to aunt Sarah Reynolds [presumably Joshua Reynolds’s widow] last thursday evening . . . and to your grandmother Sandses [likely the grandmother of Amanda’s husband].”<sup>159</sup>

Children of Isaac<sup>6</sup> and Prudence Ann (Seeley) Reynolds, all born probably in Bedford:<sup>160</sup>

- i. ELI<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS (named evidently for his grandfather Capt. Eli Seeley), born 26 March 1798; died between 30 April 1850<sup>161</sup> and 1 June 1855,<sup>162</sup> possibly before 1 June 1850,<sup>163</sup> but places of death and burial have not been found; probably married first in or near Bedford before the 1820 census, when his household included a woman age 26–44, therefore born between 1775 and 1794;<sup>164</sup> his first wife died probably before 30 July 1831, when Eli married second in North Castle MATILDA HOLMES,<sup>165</sup> born in Westchester County 25 February 1796 (calculated), died 4 December 1864, aged 68 years, 9 months, 9 days, and was buried in Bedford Union Cemetery, Bedford, the daughter of James and Hannah (Waring) Holmes.<sup>166</sup> Eli was not the Eli Reynolds who died 1876 and was buried in St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church Cemetery, Armonk, Town of North Castle, as claimed in various undocumented sources.<sup>167</sup>

<sup>159</sup> Reynolds to Sands, letter (note 136).

<sup>160</sup> Unless otherwise noted, birth dates are from Lyon to White, letter (note 158). Elsie M. Lyon was the great-granddaughter of Isaac and Prudence Ann (Seeley) Reynolds. Lyon provided the children’s names and specific birth dates, listing the children in birth order as Eli, Mary, Isaac “(Bud),” Lucy, Sarah Ann, Jane Maria, John, Stephen M., Joseph, Ann R., Hannah A., and William Shute Reynolds (Elsie Lyon’s grandfather). The birth dates are in good agreement with estimates from gravestones and censuses. With minor exceptions, her list is very similar to two others that have appeared in print, one in Forgea’s 2014 *Mount Kisco* history (note 99, pp. 119–21), and another in *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146) 9:153–54, compiled by Ronald B. Reynolds of Bedford. Both compilers are descendants of the subject Isaac Reynolds through Isaac’s son Stephen Matthew. The three lists give remarkably consistent birth dates for the children, indicating they were based upon family records. The listing herein discusses and attempts to resolve some of the contradictory information.

<sup>161</sup> On 30 Apr. 1850 he signed a quitclaim deed with his siblings (Eli Reynolds and others to Jeremiah Sniffin [note 158]).

<sup>162</sup> Matilda Reynolds household, 1855 New York state census, Town of Fallsburgh, Sullivan Co., unpaginated, dw. 223, fam. 249, in which Matilda is identified as a widow.

<sup>163</sup> The effective date of the 1850 census, in which he has not been found. He was not found in the 1850 U.S. census mortality schedule in Sullivan or Westchester counties.

<sup>164</sup> Eli Reynolds [*sic*] household, 1820 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 427 (NARA M33, roll 75). Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 119, claims Eli’s wife was Hannah Lyon, but this has not been confirmed.

<sup>165</sup> Fuller, “Notices in the Westchester Spy” (note 147), 123, which calls him “Reynolds, Ellis,” perhaps meant to be Elias. Although married in North Castle, both parties were said to be of Bedford. The newspaper has not been examined.

<sup>166</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 8:82–84, 304, 980. Matilda Holmes Reynolds marker, Union Cemetery, Bedford, N.Y., memorial no. 61,477,402, digital image, *Find A Grave*. For county of birth, Matilda Reynolds household, 1855 New York state census (note 162).

<sup>167</sup> For example, “Tucker\_Lyons 5-2012\_2013-03-07,” *Ancestry* (<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/72547823/person/36263834765/facts>), which lists the parents of Eli S. Reynolds as Isaac and Prudence Ann (Seeley) Reynolds. Also, Eli Reynolds memorial, St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church Cemetery, Armonk, N.Y., memorial no. 61,403,706, no digital image, *Find A Grave*, which includes the subject Eli’s birth date, thereby implying the man buried in this cemetery is the son of Isaac and Prudence Ann. The memorial lists nine children, at least one of whom is buried in the same cemetery. It indicates there was no marker as of 2010 and that the dates and burial were confirmed by “the historian.” This Eli

Eli has not been located in the 1830 census, but if his first wife died before then he may well have been living with another family. He and his second wife, Matilda, apparently lived in New Castle until 21 February 1837, when they sold their 1¾ acres to neighbor John Flewelling for \$235.<sup>168</sup> The Reynoldses moved to Sullivan County, New York, and were enumerated in 1840 in the Town of Fallsburgh (now spelled Fallsburg).<sup>169</sup> Matilda's father, James Holmes, age 70–79 in 1840,<sup>170</sup> migrated to Sullivan County sometime before 16 June 1817, when he purchased one hundred acres in the Town of Thompson.<sup>171</sup> Fallsburgh was formed in 1826 from the towns of Thompson and Neversink.<sup>172</sup>

Matilda Reynolds, age 55, was head of a family in Fallsburgh in 1850, with Reynolds children Lavina J., 24, George W., 22, Prudence A., 18, and Mary A., 14.<sup>173</sup> In 1855 Matilda was the widowed head of a household in Fallsburgh with children Jane, George, and Mary living with her.<sup>174</sup> Matilda returned to Bedford before 12 March 1859, when she sold thirty-five acres in the Town of Fallsburgh.<sup>175</sup> She was enumerated in Bedford in 1860 with her daughter Jane Reynolds, age 30, and Lewis Holmes, age 63, perhaps Matilda's cousin.<sup>176</sup> Eli may have had a son with his first wife, for his 1820 census household included a male under the age of 5.<sup>177</sup> No further information has been found of that child; he may have died young. Children of Eli and Matilda (Holmes) Reynolds:<sup>178</sup> 1) *Lavinia/Lovina Jane*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 2) *George W.*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 3) *Prudence Ann*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 4) *Mary A.*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*. Child of Matilda Holmes, presumably adopted by Eli Reynolds: *Ann Maria Holmes Reynolds*.<sup>179</sup>

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Reynolds, certainly not the son of Isaac and Prudence Ann Reynolds of Bedford, was reportedly married twice, the first time possibly to Mary Sherwood, and second, probably in New Castle before 1846 (Eli Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of New Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 132 [penned], p. 167 [stamped, verso], dw. 713, fam. 811 [NARA M432, roll 614]), to Ellen [?–], possibly surnamed Hazard; no evidence has been found to confirm the wives' names. His children with Ellen are named in the censuses of 1850, 1860 (Ely Reynolds household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 35 [penned], dw. 257, fam. 273 [NARA M653, roll 882]), and 1870 (Ely Reynolds household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 25 [penned], p. 458 [stamped], dw. 192, fam. 204 [NARA M593, roll 1118]), but not repeated here.

<sup>168</sup> Eli and Matilda Reynolds to John Flewelling, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 70:446–49 (FHL film 562,400).

<sup>169</sup> Eli Reynolds household, 1840 U.S. census, Town of Fallsburgh, Sullivan Co., N.Y., p. 81 (penned), p. 42 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 342).

<sup>170</sup> James Holmes household, 1840 U.S. census, Town of Thompson, Sullivan Co., N.Y., p. 271 (penned), p. 87 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 342).

<sup>171</sup> Richard R. and Mary Ann Voris to James Holmes, Sullivan Co., N.Y., Deeds 2:604–6 (FHL film 913,774).

<sup>172</sup> J. H. French, *Historical and Statistical Gazetteer of New York State* (1860; repr., Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1998), 644.

<sup>173</sup> Matilda Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Fallsburgh, Sullivan Co., N.Y., p. 379 (penned), p. 190 (stamped), dw. 132, fam. 138 (NARA M432, roll 603).

<sup>174</sup> Matilda Reynolds household, 1855 New York state census (note 162).

<sup>175</sup> Matilda Reynolds to William J. Auchmoody, Sullivan Co., N.Y., Deeds 41:547–49 (FHL film 914,529).

<sup>176</sup> Lewis Holmes household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 268 (penned), dw. 1840, fam. 1876 (NARA M653, roll 879). *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:77, 80.

<sup>177</sup> Eli Reynolds [*sic*] household, 1820 U.S. census (note 164).

<sup>178</sup> Matilda Reynolds household, 1855 New York state census (note 162), identifies Jane, George, and Mary as children of the widowed Matilda. Prudence was enumerated in the 1850 census household headed by Matilda Reynolds (note 173) and Prudence's marker identifies her as the "daughter of Eli Reynolds" (*Bedford Historical Records* [note 146], 8:305, and Prudence A. Reynolds marker, Union Cemetery, Bedford, N.Y., memorial no. 61,965,740, digital image, *Find A Grave*).

<sup>179</sup> Town of Bedford v. Matilda Holmes and Reuben Green, Bastardy Proceedings, Justice Court, A-266(1)L, folder 33, and Miscellaneous [order related to the same case], Common Pleas Court, A-311(84)L, folder 25, Westchester Co. Archives, Elmsford, N.Y. An order dated 28 Feb. 1822 refers to the date of the child's birth as "3 July last past," that is 3 July 1821. Ann Maria married sometime before 1850 Samuel Miller, son of Anthony Miller of Bedford (*Bedford Historical Records* [note 146], 9:105, 112) and they were enumerated as a family in Stamford, Conn., in 1850 (Samuel Miller household, 1850 U.S. census, Stamford, Fairfield Co., Conn., p. 606 [penned], p. 304 [stamped, verso], dw. 454, fam. 505 [NARA M432, roll 380]). Ann Maria Miller death record, Stamford, Fairfield Co., Conn., marriages, births, deaths, vol. 4, unpaginated (FHL film 1,434,312), says she was born in Bedford, N.Y., and died 24 Oct. 1883, aged 61 years, 4 months, 21 days, but does not name her parents. Ann Maria Miller marker transcription, New



- ii. MARY<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born 10 May 1800; died after 1 June 1870;<sup>180</sup> married say 1824 (first-known child) ABRAHAM/ABRAM LYON, born about September 1793 (calculated), died in Darien, Fairfield County, Connecticut, 13 April 1878, aged 84 years, 7 months,<sup>181</sup> probably the son of John Lyon and the grandson of Captain Roger Lyon.<sup>182</sup> Mary and Abraham lived in the Chestnut Ridge Road area. Abraham's probable father, John Lyon, had received land from his father's estate that lay on the east side of Chestnut Ridge Road in Bedford and North Castle.<sup>183</sup> After John died about 1815, Abraham, "a son of John Lyon," was named to administer his estate 30 January 1816.<sup>184</sup> No siblings are mentioned, and Abraham may have received the whole portion. Abraham was a shoemaker in North Castle in 1850, when he and Mary were listed in the census with Mary J[ane], 24, Tyler F., 19, and Hester Ann Lyon, 16.<sup>185</sup> In 1860 Abraham Lyon, shoemaker, with wife "Polly" and Hester Lyon, age 22, was listed in Bedford on the same page with many other family members, the men all shoemakers.<sup>186</sup> On 17 September 1860 Abraham Lyon and Mary, his wife, of Bedford sold 12¼ acres on the east side of Chestnut Ridge Road in Bedford to her brother Stephen M. Reynolds for \$900.<sup>187</sup> Possible children:<sup>188</sup> 1) *Mary Jane*<sup>8</sup> *Lyon*; 2) *Tyler F.*<sup>8</sup> *Lyon*; 3) *Hester Ann*<sup>8</sup> *Lyon*.
- iii. ISAAC<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born in April 1802; died 4 April 1873, perhaps in Bedford, aged 71 years;<sup>189</sup> married probably before 1 June 1830 ELIZA/ELIZABETH FERRIS,<sup>190</sup> born about 1805–1806 (calculated), died 10 August 1888, perhaps in Bedford, aged 82 years,<sup>191</sup> the daughter of William and Charlotte (Dingee) Ferris and the sister of Phebe Jane Ferris, first wife of Isaac's brother Stephen Matthew

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Woodland Cemetery, Stamford, Fairfield Co., Conn., in "Connecticut Headstone Inscriptions," Charles R. Hale Collection, RG 72:1, Connecticut State Library, Hartford, vol. 112, p. 220. Reynolds and Rippier, *History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds* (note 103), 405, include her in "Unidentified Reynolds Material" section, with the same names and relationships, except giving her birth date as 3 July 1823.

<sup>180</sup> Mrs. A. Lyon in the Abraham Lyon household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 12 (penned), p. 451 (stamped, verso), dw. 94, fam. 102 (NARA M593, roll 1118). She was not found in the 1880 census.

<sup>181</sup> Abraham Lyon death record, Darien, Conn., Town Clerk, Vital Records, Births, Marriages and Deaths, 4:486–87 (FHL film 7,731,307, item 5).

<sup>182</sup> *Lyon Memorial* lists an Abraham Lyon as John Lyon's son, but without further information (Robert B. Miller, ed., *Lyon Memorial: New York Families Descended from the Immigrant Thomas Lyon, of Rye* [Detroit: privately published, 1907], 88). This Abraham's relationship to Capt. Roger Lyon is not certain, but it has been reported by a researcher familiar with his family, without documentation ("Olson-Dwyer Family Tree," in "Pedigree Resource File," database, *FamilySearch* [https://familysearch.org/ark:/61903/2:2:3614-151]).

<sup>183</sup> Roger Lyon will, dated 26 Mar. 1788, Westchester Co., N.Y., Wills B:237–39 (FHL film 595,623).

<sup>184</sup> Letters of Administration in the estate of John Lyon, Westchester Co., N.Y., Letters of Administration C:110 (FHL film 597,551).

<sup>185</sup> Abraham Lyon household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 135 (penned), p. 68 (stamped), dw. 1343, fam. 1590 (NARA M432, roll 615).

<sup>186</sup> Abram Lyon household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y. p. 286 (penned), dw. 1989, fam. 2025 (NARA M653, roll 879). Other families on this sheet include Mary's brother Joseph with wife Amanda and nine children (living next to Abraham and Mary), and Mary's sister Ann, married to Jeremiah Sniffen, with their five children.

<sup>187</sup> Abraham and Mary Lyon to Stephen M. Reynolds, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 444:150–52 (FHL film 564,789).

<sup>188</sup> The list of possible children is based on censuses that do not specify relationships. Abraham Lyon household, 1850 U.S. census (note 185). Abram Lyon household, 1860 U.S. census (note 186).

<sup>189</sup> Isaac Reynolds marker, Oakwood Cemetery, Mount Kisco, N.Y., memorial no. 16,905,633, digital image, *Find A Grave*. The memorial indicates he died in Bedford, but does not include a source.

<sup>190</sup> William Ferris original will, dated 27 Jan. 1853, Box A-0365(48)L, folder 17, Series 132, Westchester Co. Archives, Elmsford, N.Y. (recorded in Westchester Co., N.Y., Wills 34:455–56 [FHL film 595,638]), in which he named several daughters, including "Eliza," wife of Isaac Reynolds, and names Isaac "Runnels" as one of three executors. Petition for probate, 18 Mar. 1853, in the William Ferris probate file, Westchester Co., N.Y., Surrogate's Court file 43–1853 (FHL film 804,880). For the approximate year, Isaac Reynolds household, 1830 U.S. census (note 151).

<sup>191</sup> Elizabeth, wife of Isaac Reynolds, marker, Oakwood Cemetery, Mount Kisco, N.Y., memorial no. 16,905,612, digital image, *Find A Grave*. The memorial indicates she died in Bedford, but does not include a source.

Reynolds (viii, below).<sup>192</sup> Isaac and Eliza were buried in Sands/Banks Cemetery and were later moved to Oakwood Cemetery, Mount Kisco.<sup>193</sup> Isaac Reynolds Jr.'s household was enumerated next to that of his father in Bedford in 1830. Isaac Jr. and his wife were both age 20–29 at that time and already had a boy and a girl each under 5 years of age.<sup>194</sup> By 1840 Isaac [Jr.] moved to a different part of Bedford.<sup>195</sup> On 29 March 1850 he purchased a 120-acre farm from Stephen Reynolds (not a close relative) and wife Hester Ann for \$2,875,<sup>196</sup> suggesting Isaac may have already been successful as a farmer rather than following the shoemaking trade. The farm straddled the Bedford/North Castle town line and was on the west shore of Byram Lake (the opposite side of the lake from the Chestnut Ridge Road neighborhood and his father's homestead). The farm is shown on an 1872 map,<sup>197</sup> one year before Isaac Jr. died. Isaac's widow, Eliza, was managing the farm in 1880 with the help of four workers.<sup>198</sup> An 1881 map shows it as "Est. I. Reynolds."<sup>199</sup> As with other lands in the vicinity, this farm became part of a thousand-acre estate on the west side of Byram Lake accumulated by millionaire Eugene L. Meyer Jr. The southern part of the former estate is now the 247-acre Eugene and Agnes Meyer Preserve, donated by the Meyer Foundation to the Nature Conservancy in 1973. It lies entirely in North Castle. The northern part contains a magnificent, Georgian-style, 28,322-square-foot mansion built of sandstone that was quarried on the property. The Meyers installed outbuildings, barns, greenhouses, lawns, and statuary, completing the work in 1919, about ten years after they acquired the property.<sup>200</sup>

The Meyer estate was and still is called Seven Springs Farm. Parts of it were in the towns of Bedford, North Castle, and New Castle, with the closest village being Mount Kisco. Isaac Reynolds Jr.'s 120-acre farm was a major part of the 200-acre-plus mansion portion of the property. This portion was also the site of the Sands/Banks Cemetery, in which Isaac Jr. and his wife Eliza were originally buried. The current property owner, Donald J. Trump, had planned a major development, but has agreed not to build on 159 of the acres.<sup>201</sup>

<sup>192</sup> William Ferris will and probate file (note 190). William Ferris and his wife Charlotte were buried in Lake Marie Cemetery, Bedford (Richard W. Schmitt and Jenny Weisburger, "Lake Marie: A New Look at an Old Cemetery," *Friends of Bedford Burying Grounds* [<http://friendsofbedfordburyinggrounds.org/lake-marie>], and *Bedford Historical Records* [note 146], 8:117, 120).

<sup>193</sup> Isaac Reynolds marker (note 189). Elizabeth Reynolds marker (note 191). [Ross,] "List of Individuals moved from Banks Cemetery" (note 139).

<sup>194</sup> Isaac Reynolds Jr. household, 1830 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 148 (stamped) (NARA M19, roll 112).

<sup>195</sup> Isaac Reynolds household, 1840 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 499 (penned), p. 251 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 353). He is not shown here as "Jr.," but he and his wife are both in the 30–39 age bracket.

<sup>196</sup> Stephen and Hester Ann Reynolds to Isaac Reynolds, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 146:473–77 (FHL film 563,609, a typed copy of the original deed book). Stephen had purchased the farm from [his father] Zebulon Reynolds, 11 Mar. 1845 (Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 109:29–30 [FHL film 562,419 (typed copy of the original deed book)]), who had purchased it from Henry Clark Jr., 1 Apr. 1844 (Henry Ann Maria Clark Jr. to Zebulon Reynolds and Stephen Reynolds, Westchester Co., N.Y., Deeds 104:366–69 [FHL film 562,417 (a typed copy of the original deed book)]). It does not appear to have been previously owned by any member of the subject family.

<sup>197</sup> J. W. Beers, S. W. Wilson, et al., *County Atlas of Westchester County, New York* (New York: J. B. Beers and Co., 1872), 76, which shows it as 120 acres owned by "I. Reynolds."

<sup>198</sup> Eliza Reynolds household, 1880 U.S. census, Mount Kisco, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., Enumeration District (ED) 84, p. 10, dw. 95, fam. 106 (NARA T9, roll 945).

<sup>199</sup> G. W. Bromley and Co., *Atlas of Westchester County, New York* (New York: Geo. W. and Walter S. Bromley, 1881), 152, digital image, *Westchester County Archives Collections* (<http://collections.westchestergov.com/digital/collection/1881atlas/id/44/rec/45>). As discussed earlier, this land was part of the extensive holdings of Capt. Roger Lyon of North Castle.

<sup>200</sup> Penny Singer, "The Luxury Home Market Carries On," *The New York Times*, 31 July 1994, Westchester Weekly section, p. 10, cols. 3–6. "New York: The Eugene and Agnes Meyer Preserve," *The Nature Conservancy* (<https://www.nature.org/ourinitiatives/regions/northamerica/unitedstates/newyork/places-preserves/eastern-the-eugene-and-agnes-meyer-nature-preserve.xml#thingsToDo>).

<sup>201</sup> Michael P. McKinney, "Tale of 2 Homes: Trump's Westchester site protected . . .," *The Journal News* [White Plains, N.Y.], 26 Apr. 2017, p. 1A, cols. 1–14, and 4A, cols. 3–6.

Isaac and Eliza, both age 42 years, were enumerated in North Castle in 1850, having just moved onto their new farm on the west side of Byram Lake.<sup>202</sup> The six children still at home, with their ages, were Stephen, 21, Seth, 19, William, 17, Sarah, 15, Smith, 13, and Isaac, 6. The couple's married daughter Charlett was in the Chestnut Ridge neighborhood across Byram Lake in Bedford, with her husband William Zarr, 28, Jane L. Zarr, 4, and Mary E. Zarr, 3.<sup>203</sup>

In his will dated 31 May 1872, Isaac left to his wife Elizabeth "the use of all my estate both personal and real during her natural life." He also made the following monetary bequests, most to be paid in one year after his wife's death: to his son Isaac Jr., \$1,000; to his daughter Charlett, wife of William H. Zar, \$900; to his son Smith, \$900; to his grandson Isaac, son of Stephen, \$100; to his grandsons Uriah and William F., sons of William, \$450 each; to his grandchildren Jane, Eva, Susan, Emma, George, and Harriet, children of his daughter Sarah E. Flewellin, deceased, \$900 to be equally divided; and to his son Seth S., \$700. All the remainder was to be divided into seven equal parts, with one part to go to each of his children Stephen W., Isaac, Charlett, Smith J., and Seth S.; one part to be divided by his grandsons Uriah and William F., children of his son William; and one part to be divided by the children of his daughter Sarah E. His wife, Elizabeth, was named executrix, with his son Isaac to be executor after Elizabeth's death.<sup>204</sup> Children:<sup>205</sup> 1) *Stephen*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 2) *Charlett*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 3) *Seth S.*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 4) *William*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 5) *Sarah E.*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 6) *Smith*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 7) *Isaac*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*.

- iv. LUCY<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born 1 or 4 September 1804;<sup>206</sup> no further information. The family's listing in the 1810 census does not include an additional female of her age.<sup>207</sup> She may have died young.
- v. SARAH "SALLY" ANN<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born 9 December 1805; died 25 March 1890; married 29 March 1830 ELIAS ZAR, born 15 June 1800 (calculated), died 16 September 1867, aged 67 years, 3 months, 5 days, the son of Parker Zar.<sup>208</sup> Sarah and Elias were buried in Zar Cemetery.<sup>209</sup> The Elias Zar family was enumerated in Bedford in 1840 with Elias and his wife both age 30–39, and one boy and one girl, each age 5–9 years. Listed next were Sarah's parents.<sup>210</sup> By 1850 the family of Elias Zar, carpenter, had moved to North Castle, and Elias owned real estate

<sup>202</sup> Isaac Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 149 (penned, verso), p. 75 (stamped, verso), dw. 1444, fam. 1704 (NARA M432, roll 615). Although this 120-acre farm was mostly in Bedford, the residence portion was over the line in North Castle.

<sup>203</sup> William Zarr household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co. N.Y., p. 185 (penned), p. 93 (stamped), dw. 1085, fam. 1209 (NARA M432, roll 614), which lists Charlett as age 21. The 1860 census lists her as age 33 (Wm. H. Zarr household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 287 [penned, top left], dw. 1995, fam. 2031 [NARA M653, roll 879]). Since her brother, still living at home in 1850 (note 202), was age 21 at that time, Charlett's age in 1850 was probably about 23 years.

<sup>204</sup> Isaac Reynolds will, dated 31 May 1872, proved 10 Sept. 1873, Westchester Co., N.Y., Wills 71:122–27 (FHL film 596,814). Isaac Reynolds probate file, Westchester Co., N.Y., Surrogate's Court File 307–1873 (FHL film 809,750).

<sup>205</sup> Isaac Reynolds will and probate file (note 204).

<sup>206</sup> Elsie Lyon's list (note 158) does not include a date of birth for Lucy. Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 119, lists it as 1 Sept. 1804. *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:153–54, lists it as 4 Sept. 1804 and incorrectly refers to this child as Hannah Amanda. Lyon and Forgea referred to the child as Lucy, and both thought she, rather than her sister Hannah (see xi, below) married Samuel Sands.

<sup>207</sup> Isaac Reynolds household, 1810 U.S. census (note 151). Only three young females were listed: one age 10–15 (Mary), and two age 0–9 (Sarah Ann and Jane Marie), leaving none who could be Lucy.

<sup>208</sup> Josephine C. Frost, "Cemetery Inscriptions from Westchester County, New York," typescript, 1915, Zar Cemetery, p. 2 (FHL film 17,999, item 1). Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 124–25. Forgea gives Sarah Ann's birth date as 3 Dec., and Elias's as 11 June.

<sup>209</sup> Frost, "Cemetery Inscriptions from Westchester County" (note 208), 2. E. Z. [Elias Zar] marker, Zar Burial Ground, Bedford, N.Y., memorial no. 51,475,419, digital image, *Find A Grave*. Sally Ann, wife of Elias Zar, marker, Zar Burial Ground, Bedford, N.Y., memorial no. 34,132,410, digital image, *Find A Grave*. Sally Ann's *Find A Grave* memorial identifies her father as "Isaac P." Reynolds, shown earlier to be incorrect.

<sup>210</sup> Elias Zar household, 1840 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 503 (penned), p. 253 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 353).

valued at \$2,000.<sup>211</sup> The Zars were still in North Castle in 1860, when Elias was listed as a farmer with real estate valued at \$3,000 and personal estate of \$585.<sup>212</sup> Elias died in 1867, and in the 1870 census Sarah was still on the farm in North Castle, with daughter Jane E.<sup>213</sup> By 1880 daughter Jane had married farmer Adison Finch, and their household in North Castle included Jane's mother, Sarah Zar, and Samuel Reynolds, age 24, not yet identified.<sup>214</sup> Children:<sup>215</sup> 1) *Jane*<sup>8</sup> Zar; 2) *Leander*<sup>8</sup> Zar.

- vi. JANE MARIE<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born 21 March 1808; died in New York City 13 October 1844, aged 32 years, and was buried in the Methodist Episcopal cemetery there on Chrystie Street;<sup>216</sup> married say 1830 (first-known child) THADDEUS DAVIDS,<sup>217</sup> born in Bedford 16 November 1810, died in New Rochelle, Westchester County, 22 July 1894, and was buried in Beechwood Cemetery there,<sup>218</sup> the son of William Davids.<sup>219</sup> Thaddeus was founder of Thaddeus Davids and Company, one of the largest ink companies in the world at the time.<sup>220</sup> He married second, probably before 1 June 1850, Mary Jane (Heband) Daniels and married third Kate Chase.<sup>221</sup> Thaddeus's obituaries say he had a total of twelve children,<sup>222</sup> four with Jane Marie. Thaddeus's household in the 1840 census lists three young males, one age 5–9 and the other two under 5 years.<sup>223</sup> By 1850 Jane had died and Thaddeus married second Mary Daniels.<sup>224</sup> By the 1860 census Thaddeus was in New Rochelle, with no wife listed, but with several young children and an older son, David F. Davids, age 29.<sup>225</sup> No will or administration has been found for Thaddeus in Westchester County. Children of Thaddeus and Jane Marie<sup>7</sup>

<sup>211</sup> Elias Zarr household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 139 (penned), p. 70 (stamped), dw. 1374, fam. 1627 (NARA M432, roll 615).

<sup>212</sup> Elias Zar household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 28 (penned), dw. 208, fam. 221 (NARA M653, roll 882).

<sup>213</sup> Sarah A. Zarr household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 13 (penned), p. 452 (stamped), dw. 96, fam. 105 (NARA M593, roll 1118).

<sup>214</sup> Adison Finch household, 1880 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., ED 113, p. 9, dw. 98, fam. 101 (NARA T9, roll 946).

<sup>215</sup> Jane's relationship to Sarah is from the 1880 census (Adison Finch household, 1880 U.S. census [note 214]). Leander's marker identifies him as the son of Elias and Sarah Zar (Leander Zar marker, Zar Burial Ground, Bedford, N.Y., memorial no. 34,132,357, digital image, *Find A Grave*).

<sup>216</sup> Death notice for Jane W., wife of Thaddeus Davids, *The [New York] Evening Post*, 15 Oct. 1844, p. 3, col. 2. Jane David death record, 13 Oct. 1844, New York City Death Register, vol. 14, unpaginated, arranged by first letter of surname and in rough chronological order (FHL film 447,550), which indicates she was age 32, born in Ireland [from ditto marks, and an obvious error], resident of 160 Forsyth [St.] [the same address mentioned in the newspaper death notice], and was buried in "M.E. Chrystie." Her remains apparently were later removed to Beechwood Cemetery, New Rochelle, where a marker lists her dates as 12 Nov. 1812 and 20 Nov. 1843 (Jane M. Davids marker, Beechwoods Cemetery, New Rochelle, N.Y., memorial no. 41,006,677, digital image, *Find A Grave*). A much older and badly deteriorated monument to her stands in the same plot of the same cemetery, but its inscription has long since been lost to time.

<sup>217</sup> Thaddeus Davids has not been found as a head of family in the 1830 census in Westchester Co.

<sup>218</sup> Thaddeus Davids marker, Beechwoods Cemetery, New Rochelle, N.Y., memorial no. 8,710,069, digital image, *Find A Grave*. His death was reported in several newspapers, including *The New-York Times*, 24 July 1894, p. 5, col. 2. The *Find A Grave* memorial reproduces this obituary (with some minor differences), as well as two other more extensive ones, presumably from New Rochelle newspapers, but not identified. One of them states, "He was thrice married. His first wife, Jane M. Reynolds, bore him four sons, David F., Walter F., Edwin and George W. The latter is deceased."

<sup>219</sup> "Obituary: Thaddeus Davids," *The American Stationer* 36 (1894): 152.

<sup>220</sup> "Obituary: Thaddeus Davids" (note 219). He produced *The History of Ink Including its Etymology, Chemistry, and Bibliography* (New York: Thaddeus Davids and Co., 1860).

<sup>221</sup> Thaddeus Davids marker (note 218), with memorial that includes a transcribed obituary from an unnamed newspaper naming all three of his wives. For the date of the second marriage, Thads. Davids household, 1850 U.S. census, New York City, Ward 11, New York Co., N.Y., p. 283 (penned, recto and verso), p. 142 (stamped, recto and verso), dw. 71, fam. 338 (NARA M432, roll 546).

<sup>222</sup> For example, Thaddeus Davids obituary, *The New-York Times* (note 218).

<sup>223</sup> Thaddeus Davids household, 1840 U.S. census, New York City, Ward 10, New York Co., N.Y., p. 246 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 304).

<sup>224</sup> Thads. Davids household, 1850 U.S. census (note 221).

<sup>225</sup> Thaddeus Davids household, 1860 U.S. census, New Rochelle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 397 (penned, top right), dw. 2645, fam. 2957 (NARA M653, roll 882).

(Reynolds) Davids:<sup>226</sup> 1) *David Franklin*<sup>8</sup> *Davids*; 2) *George W.*<sup>8</sup> *Davids*; 3) *Walter F.*<sup>8</sup> *Davids*; 4) *Edwin W.*<sup>8</sup> *Davids*.

- vii. JOHN<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS (named perhaps for his paternal grandfather), born 18 September 1810; died after 1 June 1870 and before 1 June 1880 (effective dates of the censuses),<sup>227</sup> but places of death and burial have not been found; married probably in or near Bedford say 1832 (first-known child) ELIZA JANE ZAR,<sup>228</sup> born August 1816, probably in Bedford, died after 1 June 1900,<sup>229</sup> the daughter of John and Catherine M. (Grindlemier) Zar.<sup>230</sup> John Reynolds lived in his father's household until at least 1830.<sup>231</sup> In 1838 he served a one-day highway assessment in Bedford District 14, Chestnut Ridge Road (North).<sup>232</sup> After his marriage John and his family lived in North Castle.<sup>233</sup> By 1860 they had moved to Bedford together with twelve children, ages 6 months to 25 years, and John and sons Isaac and Joseph worked as shoemakers.<sup>234</sup> He served one-day highway assessments from 1862 through 1869 in District 54, Fox Lane, not far from his ancestral home on Chestnut Ridge Road.<sup>235</sup> John remained in Bedford in 1870, with Eliza and five children, while working as a farmer. His five-acre farm was valued at \$1000 and he reported owning two milk cows.<sup>236</sup> Children:<sup>237</sup> 1) *Isaac*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 2) *John*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 3) *Joseph Hyatt*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 4) *William Henry Harrison*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 5) *Hannab Elizabeth*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 6) *Catherine Mary*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 7) *Arden*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 8) *Charles Freeman*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 9) *Jeremiah*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 10) *Gideon Lee*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 11) *Samuel Sands*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 12) *Floyd*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*.
- viii. STEPHEN MATTHEW<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born 10 May 1813; died after 1 June 1880,<sup>238</sup> but places of death and burial have not been found; married first, probably in or near

<sup>226</sup> Thaddeus Davids marker (note 218), with memorial that includes a transcribed obituary from an unnamed newspaper naming four sons by his first wife.

<sup>227</sup> John Reynolds household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 6 (penned), p. 3 (stamped, recto), dw. 43, fam. 51 (NARA M593, roll 1114). He was not listed in the 1880 census. Eliza Jane Reynolds, widow, in the William H. Dusenbere [*sic*] household, 1880 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., ED 83, p. 15, dw. not numbered, fam. 5 (NARA T9, roll 945). Eliza Jane is identified as William's mother-in-law.

<sup>228</sup> Reynolds and Ripplier, *History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds* (note 103), 424–25, found in the “Unidentified Reynolds Material/Westchester–Greenwich Unplaced” section. Also Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 124.

<sup>229</sup> Eliza J. Reynolds household, 1900 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., ED 56, sh. 3, dw. 45, fam. 48 (NARA T623, roll 1174).

<sup>230</sup> Reynolds and Ripplier, *History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds* (note 103), 424–25. Also Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 124.

<sup>231</sup> Isaac Reynolds households, 1820 U.S. census (note 151) and 1830 U.S. census (note 151).

<sup>232</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 5:165.

<sup>233</sup> John Reynolds households, both in the Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y.: 1840 U.S. census, p. 127 (penned), p. 64 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 352); 1850 U.S. census, p. 139 (penned), p. 70 (stamped), dw. 1371, fam. 1624 (NARA M432, roll 615).

<sup>234</sup> John Reynolds household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 318 (penned), dw. 2237, fam. 2287 (NARA M653, roll 879).

<sup>235</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 6:321–22.

<sup>236</sup> John Reynolds household, 1870 U.S. census (note 227). John Reynolds entry, 1870 U.S. census, agricultural schedule, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., pp. 17–18, line 9, digital image, *Ancestry*, from New York State Archives Collection A30, roll 30.

<sup>237</sup> Elsie Lyon (note 158) wrote that John and Eliza had five children, but she did not identify them. Reynolds and Ripplier, *History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds* (note 103), 424–25, list twelve children, with a precise date of birth for each. Another listing of the same twelve children, providing some additional information but without their birth date details, is found in Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 120. Census records for the period 1850–1900 connect twelve individuals by these same names to John and Eliza, and the 1900 census indicates that Eliza was the mother of twelve children, ten of whom were living (Eliza J. Reynolds household, 1900 U.S. census [note 229]). Sons John and Isaac are identified as her sons in the 1900 census. Daughter Catherine Mary was enumerated with Eliza in the 1880 census, where Eliza was listed as the mother-in-law of Catherine's husband (William H. Dusenbere [*sic*] household, 1880 U.S. census [note 227]).

<sup>238</sup> Stephen Reynolds household, 1880 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., ED 113, p. 4, dw. 44, fam. 44 (NARA T9, roll 946).

Bedford, say 1832 (first-known child) PHEBE JANE FERRIS,<sup>239</sup> born in Bedford 11 September 1813 (calculated), died 6 January 1849,<sup>240</sup> the daughter of William and Charlotte (Dingee) Ferris and the sister of Eliza Ferris, wife of Stephen's brother Isaac (iii, above);<sup>241</sup> Stephen married second, shortly after Phebe's death, SARAH "SALLY" ANN ACKLEY, born about 1821–1822 (calculated), died in Banksville (a hamlet in the Town of North Castle) 13 September 1886, aged 64 years, and was buried in Middle Patent Rural Cemetery, North Castle.<sup>242</sup> Stephen lived in his father's household until at least 1830.<sup>243</sup> In 1834 Stephen served a one-day highway assessment in Bedford District 27, Sarles Street, not far from Chestnut Ridge Road,<sup>244</sup> and from 1836 through 1838 served the same in Bedford District 53, Chestnut Ridge Road (South).<sup>245</sup> By 1840 Stephen was head of a household in North Castle, with him and his wife, Phebe, both age 20–29, and four children.<sup>246</sup> In 1850 Stephen was in New Castle with his second wife, Sally, and six children. Stephen and his oldest son, William, were working as shoemakers, and Stephen owned real estate valued at \$600.<sup>247</sup>

In June 1860 Stephen and Sally were enumerated in New Castle with nine children.<sup>248</sup> Stephen was working a seven-acre farm, producing small amounts of Irish potatoes and hay; he had one horse and one milk cow.<sup>249</sup> Although residing in New Castle, Stephen owned land in Bedford,<sup>250</sup> and from 1864 through 1868 he served two-day Bedford highway assessments near his brother Joseph in District 53, the south part of Chestnut Ridge Road. In 1864 Stephen was pathmaster for the district.<sup>251</sup> In 1870 Stephen and Sally were back in North Castle, with eight children still at home.<sup>252</sup> Children of Stephen Matthew<sup>7</sup> and Phebe Jane (Ferris) Reynolds:<sup>253</sup> 1) *William Edgar*<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 2) *Charlotte A.*<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 3) *Julia M.*<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 4) *Sally Ann*<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 5) *Elias*<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 6) *Charles*

<sup>239</sup> Petition for probate, 18 Mar. 1853, in the William Ferris probate file (note 190), which identifies Phebe Reynolds as William's deceased daughter and names her seven Reynolds children as William's heirs.

<sup>240</sup> Reynolds and Ripper, *History and Descendants of John and Sarah Reynolds* (note 103), 404, who refer to her in "Unidentified Reynolds Material," reporting "Cem. in Bedford, west of Harlem R.R. tracks, Bedford Station (bad condition). Phebe Reynolds, wife of Stephen M. Reynolds, b. Sept. 11 1813; d. Jan'y 6, 1849; aged 35-3-26." *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 8:305, agrees with this report, calling it "Lake Marie" cemetery. Reynolds to Sands, letter (note 136), which mentions her death.

<sup>241</sup> William Ferris probate file (note 190). Schmitt and Weisburger, "Lake Marie" (note 192). *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 8:117, 120.

<sup>242</sup> Sally A. Reynolds marker, in Massi, Pouder, and Zilver, *Old Burial Grounds* (note 148), 39–40. They probably married before the 1850 census, when Sally was listed in Stephen's household (Stephen M. Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of New Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 133 [penned], p. 67 [stamped], dw. 710, fam. 808 [NARA M432, roll 614]).

<sup>243</sup> Isaac Reynolds households, 1820 U.S. census (note 151) and 1830 U.S. census (note 151).

<sup>244</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 5:185.

<sup>245</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 5:222. District 53 was formerly district 14.

<sup>246</sup> Steph. Reynolds household, 1840 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 66 (penned) (NARA M704, roll 352).

<sup>247</sup> Stephen M. Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census (note 242).

<sup>248</sup> Stephen M. Reynolds household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of New Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 692, dw. 255, fam. 262 (NARA M653, roll 879).

<sup>249</sup> Stephen M. Reynolds entry, 1860 U.S. census, agricultural schedule, Town of New Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 9, line 33, digital image, *Ancestry*, from New York State Archives Collection A19, roll 19.

<sup>250</sup> He purchased 12¼ acres on the east side of Chestnut Ridge Rd. from his sister Mary and brother-in-law Abraham Lyon on 17 Sept. 1860 (note 187). Since he remained in New Castle or North Castle, it may be that this property was for use of his own (Stephen's) children.

<sup>251</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 6:319–20, 369.

<sup>252</sup> Stephen Reynolds household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 11 (penned), p. 451 (stamped), dw. 84, fam. 91 (NARA M593, roll 1118).

<sup>253</sup> Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 120–23. Mrs. Forgea, born in 1908, was a granddaughter of Stephen Matthew Reynolds through his oldest daughter, Charlotte. Forgea provides precise dates of birth for all seventeen children. Although there are errors in her accounts of other Reynolds branches, her knowledge of this specific branch appears reliable. Reynolds to Sands, letter (note 136), which state that Stephen was left with eight children after his wife Phebe's death. The petition for probate in the William Ferris probate file (note 190), lists seven children from Stephen's first marriage (William E., Charlotte A., Julia, Sarah A., Elias, Stephen H., and Phebe Jane).

M.<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 7) Stephen Henry<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 8) Phebe Jane<sup>8</sup> Reynolds. Children of Stephen Matthew<sup>7</sup> and Sarah Ann (Ackley) Reynolds:<sup>254</sup> 9) Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 10) Charles<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 11) John<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 12) Jesse<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 13) Abra(ha)m<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 14) Hettie S.<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 15) Samuel A.<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 16) Ida Eudora<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 17) Ambrose<sup>8</sup> Reynolds.

- ix. JOSEPH<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born 3 April 1815; died possibly “22 February 1890?,”<sup>255</sup> but places of death and burial have not been found; married first, probably in or near Bedford, MARY JANE [–?–];<sup>256</sup> married second say 1840 (first-known child) AMANDA A. MILLER, born in Bedford in 1822, died there in 1880, and was buried in Middle Patent Rural Cemetery, North Castle, the daughter of Richard Miller Jr. (1784–1862) and Betsy Bouton.<sup>257</sup> Joseph lived in his father’s household until at least 1830.<sup>258</sup> In 1837, 1840, and 1841 Joseph served one-day highway assessments in Bedford District 53, Chestnut Ridge Road (South). His father, Isaac, and brother Stephen [M.] are also listed in the same district for the years 1836, 1837, and 1838.<sup>259</sup> In 1850 Joseph was enumerated in Bedford with wife Amanda and four children. He was a shoemaker with real estate worth \$400.<sup>260</sup> In 1860 Joseph and Amanda were enumerated in Bedford with nine children. Joseph was a shoemaker with land valued at \$200 and personal property of \$200. Neighbors included his brother Isaac Reynolds and wife Eliza, his sister Mary and husband Abram Lyon, and his sister Ann and husband Jeremiah Sniffin.<sup>261</sup> Joseph owned land in Bedford and worked 1½-day highway assessments alongside his brother Stephen from 1862 through 1868 in District 53, the south part of Chestnut Ridge Road.<sup>262</sup>

Beginning in 1869 Joseph’s name is not listed on the Bedford highway assessment list, evidently changed to “Joseph Reynolds’ place.”<sup>263</sup> In 1870 the family appears fragmented. Amanda and her two youngest children, G[eorge], 10, and Louis, 9, were in Bedford in a dwelling shared with a family headed by shoemaker Abraham Brundage.<sup>264</sup> Some of the rest of the young children were found living with other families.<sup>265</sup> Joseph Reynolds has not been found in this or later censuses; he apparently moved from Bedford or died after the birth of his last child in 1861. In 1880, Amanda Reynolds, listed as married, was enumerated in Bedford without Joseph; she was living with Jacob and Cornelia Zar.<sup>266</sup> Children of Joseph<sup>7</sup> and Amanda (Miller) Reynolds:<sup>267</sup> 1) Susan E.<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 2) Stephen Augustus<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 3) Caroline E.<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 4) David<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 5) Ann Elizabeth<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 6) Frances A.<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 7) Emiline<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 8) Millard Filmore<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 9) Clifford<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 10) George<sup>8</sup> Reynolds; 11) Lewis John<sup>8</sup> Reynolds.

<sup>254</sup> Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 120–23.

<sup>255</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:118. No source is indicated.

<sup>256</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:154. No further information has been found about Mary Jane.

<sup>257</sup> Amanda Miller Reynolds marker, in Massi, Pouder, and Zelver, *Old Burial Grounds* (note 148), 37–38. *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:108.

<sup>258</sup> Isaac Reynolds households, 1820 U.S. census (note 151) and 1830 U.S. census (note 151).

<sup>259</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 5:222.

<sup>260</sup> Joseph Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 93 (stamped, verso), dw. 1091, fam. 1216 (NARA M432, roll 614).

<sup>261</sup> Joseph Reynolds household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 286 (penned), dw. 1988, fam. 2024 (NARA M653, roll 879).

<sup>262</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 6:319–20.

<sup>263</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 6:320–21.

<sup>264</sup> Amanda Reynolds household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., pp. 13–14 (penned), pp. 7 (stamped, recto and verso), dw. 100, fam. 46 (NARA M593, roll 1114).

<sup>265</sup> Frances]. A. and Clifford were with the Peter Combs family, and Filmore was next door to the Combses with the Peter Sarles family (Peter Combs and Peter Sarles households, 1870 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 11 [penned], p. 6 [stamped], dw. 85 and 86, fam. 96 and 97, respectively [NARA M593, roll 1114]).

<sup>266</sup> Amanda Reynolds in the Jacob Zar household, 1880 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., ED 83, p. 15, dw. not numbered, fam. 7 (NARA T9, roll 945).

<sup>267</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:118–19.

- x. ANN<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born in 1818;<sup>268</sup> died in North Castle 16 March 1900, aged 81 years, and was buried there in Middle Patent Rural Cemetery;<sup>269</sup> married possibly about 1835 JEREMIAH “JARED” SNIFFIN, born about 1814–1815,<sup>270</sup> died probably in Bedford 5 September 1893, aged 78, and was buried in Middle Patent Rural Cemetery,<sup>271</sup> perhaps the son of Nathan and Rheuhama (Avery) Sniffin.<sup>272</sup> Jeremiah and his presumed wife Ann, both age 20–29, with one boy and one girl, each under 5 years old, were enumerated in Bedford in 1840, only a short distance away from Isaac Reynolds and his second wife.<sup>273</sup> In 1849 Jeremiah purchased the remainder of the Isaac Reynolds homestead on Chestnut Ridge Road from Isaac for \$1,000.<sup>274</sup> The Sniffins were enumerated there in 1850, sharing a dwelling with Isaac and his second wife, Rheuhama.<sup>275</sup> In 1860 the Sniffin family included Prudence A. Light, 27, Wm. Sniffin, 21, Lyman Sniffin, 16, Jeremiah Sniffin Jr., 10, and Sarah Sniffin, 6.<sup>276</sup> By 1870 the household of “J. Sniffin” and “Mrs. J. Sniffin” was in North Castle and no property or personal estate valuation was given,<sup>277</sup> indicating they had left the Isaac Reynolds homestead by that time. Jeremiah was a shoemaker.<sup>278</sup> Possible children:<sup>279</sup> 1) *Prudence A.*<sup>8</sup> *Sniffin*; 2) *William*<sup>8</sup> *Sniffin*; 3) *Lyman*<sup>8</sup> *Sniffin*; 4) *Jeremiah*<sup>8</sup> *Sniffin Jr.*; 5) *Sarah*<sup>8</sup> *Sniffin*.
- xi. HANNAH AMANDA<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, usually known as Amanda,<sup>280</sup> born 7 August 1820; died of heart disease 27 July 1850, perhaps in Darien, Fairfield County,

<sup>268</sup> Elsie Lyon (note 158) gives her birth date as 11 Oct. 1818 and the *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:154, gives the date as 15 Mar. 1818, neither of which is sourced. Her age was listed as 31 years in the 1850 census (Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1850 U.S. census [note 154]).

<sup>269</sup> Ann Reynolds Sniffin marker, in Massi, Pouder, and Zelter, *Old Burial Grounds* (note 148), 43–44. Ann R. Sniffin entry, “New York, Death Index, 1880–1956,” database, *Ancestry* (<https://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=61535>), indicating she died in Armonk, referencing cert. 9,803, which has not been examined. The North Castle town clerk was unable to locate a local copy.

<sup>270</sup> The estimated year of birth is based on his ages listed in the 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880 censuses (Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1850 U.S. census [note 154] [age 35]; Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 286 [penned], dw. 1991, fam. 2027 [NARA M653, roll 879] [age 45]; J. Sniffin household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 15 [penned], p. 453 [stamped], dw. 115, fam. 124 [NARA M593, roll 1118] [age 55]; Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1880 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., ED 113, p. 10B, dw. 109, fam. 112 [NARA T9, roll 946] [age 65]). He may have been born 8 Apr. 1815, as reported in “Pam]Jones Family Tree,” *Ancestry* (<https://www.ancestry.com/family-tree/person/tree/73036530/person/30265580318/facts?ssrc=>), without supporting evidence, but reasonable considering his age as reported in various censuses. The estimated date of marriage is based on the year of birth of the oldest of the couple’s possible children.

<sup>271</sup> Jeremiah Sniffin marker, in Massi, Pouder, and Zelter, *Old Burial Grounds* (note 148), 43–44. Jeremiah Sniffin entry, “New York, Death Index, 1880–1956” (note 269), indicating he died in Bedford, 5 Sept. 1893, referencing cert. 38,293, which has not been examined. The Bedford town clerk was unable to locate a local copy.

<sup>272</sup> See note 155.

<sup>273</sup> Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1840 U.S. census, Town of Bedford, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 503 (penned), p. 253 (stamped) (NARA M704, roll 353), which also included an older woman, age 80–89 years, perhaps Jeremiah’s grandmother.

<sup>274</sup> Isaac and “Ruania” Reynolds to Jeremiah Sniffin (note 157).

<sup>275</sup> Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1850 U.S. census (note 154).

<sup>276</sup> Jeremiah Sniffin household, 1860 U.S. census (note 270).

<sup>277</sup> J. Sniffin household, 1870 U.S. census (note 270).

<sup>278</sup> Jeremiah/J. Sniffin households, 1860, 1870, and 1880 U.S. censuses (all note 270). No occupation is listed for Jeremiah in the 1850 census.

<sup>279</sup> The list of possible children is based on census records that do not state relationships. Jeremiah/J. Sniffin households, 1850 U.S. census (note 154), 1860 and 1870 U.S. censuses (note 270).

<sup>280</sup> Elsie Lyon (note 158) called her “Hannah A.,” her gravestone calls her simply Amanda (Frost, “Cemetery Inscriptions from Westchester County” [note 208], 3), and her daughter’s gravestone in Darien calls her “H. Amanda” (Georgianna [sic] Smith marker transcription, Spring Grove Cemetery, Darien, Fairfield Co., Conn., in “Connecticut Headstone Inscriptions,” Charles R. Hale Collection, RG 72:1, Connecticut State Library, Hartford, Darien volume, p. 13; Georgiana Smith marker, Spring Grove Cemetery, Darien, Conn., memorial no. 15,038,613, digital image, *Find A Grave*). It appears Amanda was given both names, but she chose to be known as Amanda. The two given names has led some researchers to assume that there was both a Hannah and an Amanda in this family as two separate persons (see, for example, *Bedford Historical Records* [note 146], 9:153–54). This has further led to the creation of an identity for the other “Hannah” as the wife of a William Green. There is indeed a Hannah Green (1792–1882) buried in Middle Patent Rural Cemetery (Hannah Green marker, Middle Patent Rural Cemetery, North



Connecticut,<sup>281</sup> but possibly in Bedford,<sup>282</sup> and was buried in Zar Cemetery, where her gravestone lists her age at death as 29 years, 11 months, 20 days;<sup>283</sup> married say 1842 (first-known child) DR. SAMUEL J. SANDS, born 10 November 1818 (calculated), probably in the Town of North Salem or South Salem (later Lewisboro), Westchester County, but perhaps in the the Town of New Castle, died in Darien 15 July 1891, aged 72 years, 8 months, 5 days,<sup>284</sup> and was buried there in Spring Grove Cemetery, the son of David and Elizabeth ([?–?]) Sands.<sup>285</sup> Samuel Sands, already of Darien, purchased a one-acre lot with buildings there 30 May 1849 for \$455,<sup>286</sup> and mortgaged the same property for \$250 to Edward Scofield of Darien 4 June 1849.<sup>287</sup> Samuel, Amanda, and their two daughters were enumerated in Darien in 1850,<sup>288</sup> only a few weeks before Amanda's death. Samuel married second Esther Almira Scofield,<sup>289</sup> and they lived on a homestead that now serves as the home, museum, and library of the Darien Historical Society.<sup>290</sup> Dr. Samuel Sands died intestate, leaving an extensive real and personal estate. His widow, Esther A., and her daughter Mary N. Sands reached a lengthy agreement with Samuel's daughter from his first marriage, Sarah Elizabeth (Sands) Tripp, and Sarah's husband for the distribution.<sup>291</sup> Children:<sup>292</sup> 1) *Georgianna*<sup>8</sup> *Sands*; 2) *Elizabeth/Sarah Elizabeth*<sup>8</sup> *Sands*.

- xii. WILLIAM SHUTE<sup>7</sup> REYNOLDS, born 14 January 1823 (calculated); died in the Stanwick section of Greenwich, Fairfield County, Connecticut, 20 June 1900, aged 77 years, 5 months, 6 days;<sup>293</sup> married about 1847–1848 ADELINE F. GREEN,<sup>294</sup> born

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Castle, N.Y., memorial no. 61,559,504, digital image, *Find A Grave*), but her marker does not mention any other family members. She was not from this family and probably not even a Reynolds.

<sup>281</sup> Amanda Sands death record, Darien, Fairfield Co., Conn., Town Clerk, Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 2:24 (FHL film 1,434,227, item 3). This record gives her age only as "29." The record lists her birthplace as Bedford, N.Y.

<sup>282</sup> Middlesex Congregational Church (now Darien Congregational) contemporaneously recorded the death of "Mrs. Dr. Sands," who "left here July 26 & died [July] 27," with no age or first name given (Middlesex [Darien], Conn., Congregational Church Records, 3:297 [FHL film 1,008,338]). Some have interpreted this record incorrectly to mean she was aged 27 years.

<sup>283</sup> Frost, "Cemetery Inscriptions from Westchester County" (note 208), 3.

<sup>284</sup> Samuel Sands death record, Darien, Fairfield Co., Conn., Town Clerk, Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 4:518–19 (FHL film 1,434,227, item 5), listing his parents as "David & Elizabeth," and his birthplace as North Salem. Samuel Sands-Ester A. Scofield marriage record, Darien, Fairfield Co., Conn., Town Clerk, Births, Marriages, and Deaths, 2:32 (FHL film 1,434,227, item 3), listing his birthplace as South Salem. His father, David Sands, was a farmer in the Chappaqua section of the Town of New Castle, where he was town clerk 1829–1836 (Richard N. Lander [Bedford Town Historian], manuscript family group sheets and letter to Louise H. McLean [historian, Darien Historical Society], 10 Feb. 1988, copy in the Sands family folder, Darien Historical Society, Darien, Conn.).

<sup>285</sup> Samuel Sands, M.D., marker, Spring Grove Cemetery, Darien, Conn., personal visit 14 Apr. 2018, and memorial no. 17,852,371, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>286</sup> Andrew J. Mills to Samuel Sands, Darien, Fairfield Co., Conn., Land Records 3:336 (FHL film 4,043).

<sup>287</sup> Samuel Sands to Edward Scofield, mortgage, Darien, Fairfield Co., Conn., Land Records 3:337 (FHL film 4,043).

<sup>288</sup> Samuel Sands household, 1850 U.S. census, Darien, Fairfield Co., Conn., p. 528 (penned), p. 265 (stamped, verso), dw. 213, fam. 248 (NARA M432, roll 38).

<sup>289</sup> Samuel Sands-Ester A. Scofield marriage record (note 284).

<sup>290</sup> Arthur S. Bibbins, Louise H. McLean, and Louise M. McPherson, "The Bates-Scofield Homestead," *Darien 1641–1820–1970 Historical Sketches* (Darien, Conn.: Darien Historical Society, 1970), 107–12, at 110.

<sup>291</sup> Distribution of the estate of Samuel Sands, 10 Aug. 1893, Stamford, Conn., Probate District Records 37:456–61 (FHL film 1,434,322, item 3). The original documents relating to this estate were not examined.

<sup>292</sup> Georgianna and Elizabeth are linked to their parents through census records, particularly that for 1850 (note 288), when Hannah Amanda was still alive. Georgianna is further linked to her parents through her marker in Spring Grove Cemetery, which identifies her as "Georgiana wife of Stephen Smith[,] daughter of Samuel & H. Amanda Sands" (note 280). Elizabeth is further linked to her father through his estate records (note 291). She was buried in his plot in Spring Grove Cemetery, Darien (Sarah E. Tripp marker, Spring Grove Cemetery, Darien, Conn., memorial no. 17,852,234, digital image, *Find A Grave*), but her marker does not state relationship.

<sup>293</sup> William S. Reynolds death record, Greenwich, Conn., Town Clerk, Greenwich Births, Marriages, and Deaths, vol. 4, p. 39 of deaths (FHL film 1,434,421, item 3), which incorrectly lists his birthplace as Stanwick.

<sup>294</sup> William S. Reynolds household, 1900 U.S. census, Greenwich, Fairfield Co., Conn., ED 71, sh. 2, dw. 29, fam. 29 (NARA T623, roll 133), which indicates they had been married 52 years. For her maiden name,

in Connecticut in April 1829,<sup>295</sup> died in the Town of White Plains, Westchester County, 28 December 1906, aged 77 years, daughter of Nathaniel and Eliza (Brown) Green.<sup>296</sup> William and Adeline were buried in North Castle's Middle Patent Rural Cemetery.<sup>297</sup> According to Forgea, Adeline was the widow of someone named Storms,<sup>298</sup> but no supporting evidence has been found. William and Adeline lived in North Castle when first married. The 1850 census shows Adeline, age 21 years, with William S. Reynolds, age 27, and 8-month-old Nathan Reynolds in the household.<sup>299</sup> The family was still living in North Castle in 1860,<sup>300</sup> but they moved to Greenwich by the 1870 census. No real estate value was reported for William in that census,<sup>301</sup> and no land purchases appear to be on record for either him or Adeline in Greenwich. Adeline's death record lists her middle initial as F.<sup>302</sup> Her middle name may have been Fitch, as often mentioned,<sup>303</sup> or possibly Finch. A number of Finch households were enumerated near the Reynoldses in Greenwich,<sup>304</sup> suggesting that Adeline may have been a member of that family. Possible children:<sup>305</sup> 1) *Nathan*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 2) *Frank*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 3) *Eliza Jane/Jannie*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 4) *Sarab A./Lina*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*; 5) *William*<sup>8</sup> *Reynolds*.

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Adelia F. Reynolds death record, White Plains, N.Y., 1906, no. 3,766, abstract from White Plains City Clerk. The original record at the Dept. of Health in Albany has not been examined.

<sup>295</sup> William S. Reynolds household, 1900 U.S. census (note 294). Her death record (note 294) gives the place of birth as N.Y., but all of her census entries say Conn.

<sup>296</sup> Adelia F. Reynolds death record (note 294).

<sup>297</sup> Adeline F. [Fitch] Reynolds and William S. [Shute] Reynolds markers, in Massi, Pouder, and Zelter, *Old Burial Grounds* (note 148), 37–40. His dates are given there as “6/20/1900, age 77 years” (which is correct), and hers as 12/28/1901 [*sic*], age 77 years” (correct except for the year).

<sup>298</sup> Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 121.

<sup>299</sup> Wm. Reynolds household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 123 (penned), p. 62 (stamped), dw. 1256, fam. 1493 (NARA M432, roll 615).

<sup>300</sup> William S. Reynolds household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of North Castle, Westchester Co., N.Y., p. 16 (penned), dw. 113, fam. 121 (NARA M653, roll 882).

<sup>301</sup> William S. Reynolds household, 1870 U.S. census, Greenwich, Fairfield Co., Conn., pp. 134–35 (penned), pp. 585–86 (stamped, verso and recto), dw. 968, fam. 1054 (NARA M593 roll 97).

<sup>302</sup> Adelia F. Reynolds death record (note 294).

<sup>303</sup> *Bedford Historical Records* (note 146), 9:154. Forgea, *Mount Kisco* (note 99), 121.

<sup>304</sup> Neighbors of the William S. Reynolds household, 1870 U.S. census (note 301).

<sup>305</sup> The list of possible children is based on censuses that do not state relationship. Wm./William S. Reynolds households, 1850 U.S. census (note 299); 1860 U.S. census (note 300); 1870 U.S. census (note 301).

## JAMES SUTTON JR. (1841–1891), PUBLISHER OF *THE ALDINE*

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6. **EMMA<sup>3</sup> SUTTON** (James<sup>2-1</sup>) was born in Brooklyn, Kings County, New York, on 27 February 1871.<sup>239</sup> She died in Palo Alto Hospital, Palo Alto, Santa Clara County, California, on 4 January 1945.<sup>240</sup> Emma married at her parents' home at Sequelitchew Lake, Tacoma, Pierce County, Washington, on 5 May 1891 **CLARENCE MILTON PARKS**, MD.<sup>241</sup> Clarence was born in Sullivan, Hamilton Township, Sullivan County, Indiana, on 26 May 1863 and died in Tacoma on 19 January 1921, aged 57 years, 7 months, 23 days. He was the son of George and Amelia J. (Long) Parks.<sup>242</sup> In 1895 Clarence was the Pierce County coroner.<sup>243</sup> Emma moved to Palo Alto by 1928 and lived with her daughter Grace.<sup>244</sup>

Children of Clarence Milton and Emma<sup>3</sup> (Sutton) Parks:

- i. **GEORGE SUTTON<sup>4</sup> PARKS**, born in or near Tacoma on 7 January 1894;<sup>245</sup> died in Palo Alto on 18 November 1966;<sup>246</sup> married first by license issued in Marin County, California, on 22 September 1919 **CLEMENCE ELIZABETH FIELD**,<sup>247</sup> born in San Francisco, San Francisco County, California, on 5 August 1895, died in Muskegon, Muskegon County, Michigan, 10 September 1976;<sup>248</sup> married second

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<sup>239</sup> "Babby" Sutton birth cert., Brooklyn, 1871, cert. no. 831 (Family History Library [FHL] film 1,324,348).

<sup>240</sup> Emma Sutton Parks death cert., Santa Clara Co., Calif., 1945, cert. no. 561, from County Recorder, Santa Clara Co., San Jose.

<sup>241</sup> Emma Sutton–Dr. Clarence M. Parks marriage cert., Pierce Co., Wash., 5 May 1891, 1D:44, digital image, *Ancestry* (<http://www.ancestry.com>).

<sup>242</sup> Clarence Milton Parks death cert., Wash., 1921, cert. no. 63 (FHL film 1,992,886).

<sup>243</sup> "Gave Up The Walk," *Tacoma* [Wash.] *Daily News*, 30 Jan. 1895, p. 3, col. 2.

<sup>244</sup> *Polk's Palo Alto Directory . . . 1928* (San Francisco: Polk's of California, 1928), 183; and similar title for [1929] 196, [1930] 218, [1931] 218, [1932] 212, [1933] 198, [1934] 202, [1935] 206, [1937] 203, [1939] 189, [1940] 211, [1941] 216, [1942] 204, [1944] 286.

<sup>245</sup> George Sutton Parks card, *World War I Selective Service System Draft Registration Cards*, Seattle, King Co., Wash., board 2 (National Archives and Records Administration microfilm publication [NARA] M1509, roll WA14), which lists his birthplace as Tacoma. George Sutton Parks entry, *SS St. Louis*, 31 Aug. 1932, vol. 11250, p. 69, line 5, *Passenger and Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at New York, New York, 1897–1957* (NARA T715, roll 5215), which lists his birthplace as "near Tacoma." His death cert. lists only the state of birth (George Sutton Parks death cert., Santa Clara Co., Calif., 1966, cert. no. 3444-434, from County Recorder).

<sup>246</sup> George Sutton Parks death cert. (note 245). "Memorial Resolution: George Sutton Parks (1894–1966)," PDF, in Stanford University, Chemistry: People, *Stanford University* (<https://chemistry.stanford.edu/people/parks>).

<sup>247</sup> George Sutton Parks–Clemence Elizabeth Field affidavit for marriage license, Marin Co., Calif., affidavits 7 (1919): 394, digital image, *Ancestry*, which does not include the marriage record. George S. Parks household, 1920 U.S. census, Pasadena, Los Angeles Co., Calif., Enumeration District (ED) 517, sh. 14B, dw. 403, fam. 688 (NARA T625, roll 117).

<sup>248</sup> Clemence moved to Muskegon, Mich., by 1 Nov. 1926, when she was appointed Supervisor of Branches and Stations for Hackley Public Library (*Serving a Reading City and What It Costs, Being the Annual Report of the Hackley Public Library, 1926–1927 . . .* [Muskegon, Mich.: Hackley Public Library, (1927?)], 9, 23). Clemence E. Parks in the Mary B. Watson household, 1930 U.S. census, Muskegon, Muskegon Co., Mich., ED 61-22, sh. 4A, dw. 106, fam. 153 (NARA T626, roll 1014). Clemence Parks entry, *SS President Polk*, 30 Aug. 1939, p. 597, *Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at San Pedro/Wilmington/Los Angeles, California* (NARA M1764, roll 96), which lists place and date of birth (5 Aug. 1895) and her home address in Muskegon. Clemence E. Parks entry, "Michigan Death Index, 1971–1996," database, *Ancestry*, which lists her birth date as 6 Aug. 1895, and her death in Muskegon, 10 Sept. 1976; the record has not been examined. John H. W.

(after the first marriage ended in divorce) in Piedmont, Alameda County, California, on 18 June 1927 ANNE SCOTT IRELAND,<sup>249</sup> born in Oakland, Alameda County, on 14 May 1901, died in Palo Alto on 15 May 1963, the daughter of Alexander S. and Ruth (Larue) Ireland.<sup>250</sup> Anne received a bachelor of arts degree from Mills College in 1921<sup>251</sup> and a master of science degree from Stanford University, after which she became a teacher.<sup>252</sup> George received bachelor of science and master of science degrees from the University of Washington, and a doctorate in chemistry from the University of California in 1919. He taught at the California Institute of Technology for a year, and in 1920 began teaching at Stanford University, where he remained on the faculty for forty years.<sup>253</sup> George gave a scrapbook that had belonged to his grandfather James Sutton [Jr.] to Stanford University in 1964. It contains letters from Oliver Wendell Holmes, Daniel Beard, Edward Everett Hale, and other notables.<sup>254</sup>

- ii. GRACE AMELIA<sup>4</sup> PARKS, born in Tacoma on 13 September 1895;<sup>255</sup> died unmarried in Palo Alto on 26 February 1989.<sup>256</sup> Grace attended the University of Washington in Seattle,<sup>257</sup> then taught at public schools in Mountain Home, Elmore County, Idaho, and Palo Alto.<sup>258</sup>

7. **JAMES<sup>3</sup> SUTTON [III]** (James<sup>2-1</sup>) was born at 1093 Dean Street, Brooklyn, on 11 March 1876.<sup>259</sup> He died in St. Joseph's Hospital, Tacoma, on 6 February 1922 and was buried in Tacoma Cemetery.<sup>260</sup> James married first in June 1898, probably in San Francisco, **LOUISA LE BARON**,<sup>261</sup> who was born in France, perhaps in Carnac, Morbihan, on 23 October 1875, and died in Tacoma on 16 August 1905 of bowel obstruction and tuberculosis, aged 29

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Fields obituary, *The Seattle* [Wash.] *Times*, 12 Sept. 1960, p. 37, col. 2, which mentions his sister Mrs. Clemence E. Parks of Muskegon.

<sup>249</sup> George Sutton Parks–Anne Scott Ireland marriage record, Alameda Co., Calif., marriages 165 (1927): 348, digital image, *Ancestry*.

<sup>250</sup> Anne Ireland Parks entry, SS *St. Louis*, 31 Aug. 1932, p. 69, line 6 (note 245), which lists her birthplace and date. Anne Ireland Parks death cert., Santa Clara Co., Calif., 1963, cert. no. 1,241, from County Recorder, which lists the year of birth as 1900.

<sup>251</sup> "Large Class Given Degrees at Mills College Exercises," *Oakland* [Calif.] *Tribune*, 16 May 1921, p. 13, cols. 4–6.

<sup>252</sup> Keay Davidson, "George S. Parks—noted technologist of space and war," *San Francisco* [Calif.] *Chronicle*, 15 Apr. 2004, p. B-7, obituary of George S. Parks Jr., which mentions his parents.

<sup>253</sup> "George Sutton Parks," in Stanford Chemistry: People, *Stanford University* (<https://chemistry.stanford.edu/people/parks>).

<sup>254</sup> The Aldine manuscripts, 1871–1906, Dept. of Special Collections, Stanford Univ. Libraries, Stanford, Calif. The scrapbook has not been examined.

<sup>255</sup> Female Parks birth record, City of Tacoma, Pierce Co., Wash., birth register 1887–1898, p. 171 (FHL film 5,033,840).

<sup>256</sup> Grace A. Parks death cert., Santa Clara Co., Calif., 1989, cert. no. 16757–350, from County Recorder.

<sup>257</sup> Grace Amelia Parks entry, University of Washington, *Tyee* (Seattle: University of Wash., 1917), 429.

<sup>258</sup> Grace Parks in the Rollin M. Wheeler household, 1920 U.S. census, Mountain Home, Elmore Co., Idaho, ED 150, sh. 5B, dw. 104, fam. 106 (NARA T625, roll 291). Emma S. Parks household, 1930 U.S. census, Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., Calif., ED 43-22, sh. 41B, dw. 407, fam. 414 (NARA T626, roll 217). Emma S. Parks household, 1940 U.S. census, Palo Alto, Santa Clara Co., Calif., ED 43-39, sh. 6A, fam. 133 (NARA T627, roll 336).

<sup>259</sup> James Sutton birth cert., Brooklyn, 1876, cert. no. 1,318 (FHL film 1,324,359).

<sup>260</sup> James Sutton death cert., Wash., 1922, cert. no. 97 (FHL film 1,992,969). James Sutton III memorial, Tacoma Cemetery, Tacoma, Wash., memorial no. 106,909,150, with digital image of unmarked grave added by Chad Schneider (Tacoma Cemetery volunteer), *Find A Grave* (<https://www.findagrave.com>).

<sup>261</sup> Family questionnaire, 29 Dec. 1910, in James Sutton invalid pension file (Cpl., Cos. F & L, 4th U.S. Cav., War with Spain), app. no. 1,393,734, [no cert. no.] Case Files of Approved Pension Applications . . . , 1861–1934, Civil War and Later Pension Files, Record Group (RG) 15: Department of Veterans Affairs, National Archives, Washington, D.C. Card with Sutton family information prepared by Albert Drayton Sutton (1893–1975), 13 Apr. 1974, in possession of James and Virginia (Brown) Kingsbury, copy in possession of the author.

years, 9 months, 23 days.<sup>262</sup> Louisa was buried in the Sutton family plot in Tacoma Cemetery.<sup>263</sup> James married second in Tacoma on 24 July 1906 **KATHERINE “KATIE” ELIZABETH BUBBINS**.<sup>264</sup> Katie was born in Muskoka, Muskoka County, Ontario, Canada, on 12 August 1886.<sup>265</sup> She died in St. Joseph’s Hospital, Tacoma, on 31 May 1924, aged 37 years, 9 months, 19 days, of general peritonitis caused by a ruptured appendix, and was buried in Tacoma Cemetery.<sup>266</sup> She was the daughter of William and Flora Ann (McKinnon) Bubbins.<sup>267</sup>

In January 1895 *Tacoma Daily News* reported that the 19-year-old brother of Vanderbilt Sutton, evidently James, had two years earlier shipped out to Australia from the port of Tacoma.<sup>268</sup>

On 19 November 1895 James enlisted in the army in Seattle, King County, Washington. He was assigned to F Troop of the 4th Cavalry,<sup>269</sup> transferred to L Troop on 29 May 1898, and served with L Troop in the Philippines in the Spanish-American War from August 1898 until his discharge on 21 November 1898. In the Philippines he suffered from catarrhal fever, acute rheumatic arthritis, acute indigestion, and malaria.<sup>270</sup>

James met his first wife, Louisa, in San Francisco.<sup>271</sup> She may be the Louisa Le Baron who sailed from Le Havre, France, as a first-class passenger on SS *La Bretagne* and arrived in New York on 7 June 1897, in transit to San Francisco and with no occupation listed.<sup>272</sup> When Louisa died, they were living at 618 South 13th Street, Tacoma, where they resided after moving from San Francisco.<sup>273</sup>

Katie Bubbins and her family moved to the United States about 1890–1892.<sup>274</sup> James and Katie lived in Tacoma at 2019 East 34th Street about 1912

<sup>262</sup> Louisa Sutton death cert., Pierce Co. (Wash.) Auditor, Death Records, 1892–1907, 1905, cert. no. 7,448, digital image, *Washington State Archives-Digital Archives* (<http://www.digitalarchives.wa.gov>), which lists her birthplace as France. Card with Sutton family information (note 261), which adds more detail about her birthplace but does not indicate source.

<sup>263</sup> Chad Schneider (Tacoma Cemetery volunteer) to Sean Furniss, email, 19 Mar. 2013.

<sup>264</sup> James Sutton–Katherine E. Bubbins marriage cert., Pierce Co. (Wash.) Auditor, Marriage Records, 1876–1947, 1984–2014, 1906, cert. no. 4,465, digital image, *Washington State Archives-Digital Archives*.

<sup>265</sup> Katie Elizabeth Bubbins birth record, Muskoka Twp., Muskoka Co., Ontario, 1886, p. 486, no. 20,792 (stamped) (FHL film 1,845,880, item 3).

<sup>266</sup> Catherine Sutton death cert., Wash., 1924, cert. no. 502 (FHL film 2,022,251). Katherine Elizabeth Bubbins Sutton memorial, Tacoma Cemetery, Tacoma, Wash., memorial no. 106,909,262, with digital image of unmarked grave added by Chad Schneider (Tacoma Cemetery volunteer), *Find A Grave*.

<sup>267</sup> Katie Elizabeth Bubbins birth record (note 265).

<sup>268</sup> “Gave Up The Walk” (note 243).

<sup>269</sup> James Sutton entry, *Register of Enlistments in the U.S. Army, 1798–1914*, 93:29 (stamped) (NARA M233, roll 48).

<sup>270</sup> Military and medical summaries in James Sutton pension application no. 1,393,734 (note 261).

<sup>271</sup> Card with Sutton family information (note 261).

<sup>272</sup> Louisa Le Baron entry, SS *La Bretagne*, 7 June 1897, list 802, 2nd page, no. 56, *Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at New York, New York, 1820–1897* (NARA M237, roll 675).

<sup>273</sup> Louisa Sutton obituary, *Tacoma* [Wash.] *News Tribune*, 17 Aug. 1905, p. 4, copy from Tacoma Public Library. Louisa Sutton death cert. (note 262). Family questionnaire, 29 Dec. 1910, in James Sutton pension application no. 1,393,734 (note 261).

<sup>274</sup> James Sutton household, 1920 U.S. census, Tacoma, Ward 4, Pierce Co., Wash., ED 301, sh. 4A, dw. 92, fam. 93 (NARA T625, roll 1936), which shows her year of immigration as 1890. William Buvvins [sic] household, 1900 U.S. census, Tacoma, Ward 2, Pierce Co., Wash., ED 164, sh. 1B, dw./fam. 22 (NARA T623, roll 1748), which shows the year of immigration as 1892. James and Katie were not found in the 1910 census.

and at 1120 East Harrison in 1918.<sup>275</sup> James had various occupations: conductor for the Tacoma Railway and Power Company in 1905, lineman about 1912, and fastener at Foundation Shipyards in 1918, during World War I.<sup>276</sup>

Child of James<sup>3</sup> and Katherine “Katie” Elizabeth (Bubbins) Sutton:

- i. JAMES<sup>4</sup> SUTTON [IV], born in Tacoma on 22 May 1907; died of stomach cancer in Tacoma General Hospital on 20 July 1962 and was buried beside his parents in Tacoma Cemetery;<sup>277</sup> married in Tacoma on 21 May 1932 VESTA BLUNT,<sup>278</sup> born in Roslyn, Kittitas County, Washington, on 23 November 1908,<sup>279</sup> died in Multnomah County, Oregon, probably in Portland, on 25 July 1988,<sup>280</sup> and was buried in Tacoma Cemetery,<sup>281</sup> the daughter of David W. and Estella (Noel) Blunt.<sup>282</sup>

8. **WILLIAM “BILL”/“W. D.” DEVEREAUX<sup>3</sup> SUTTON** (James<sup>2-1</sup>) was born in the Town of Flatbush, Kings County, New York, on 13 October 1885.<sup>283</sup> Bill, who suffered from diabetes mellitus and chronic congestive heart failure, died of acute myocardial infarction in Newport Hospital, Newport, Pend Oreille County, Washington, on 27 September 1969, and was buried in Newport Cemetery.<sup>284</sup> He married in Tweedie, Stevens (now Pend Oreille) County, Washington, on 2 March 1910 **FERN MAY PEARCE**,<sup>285</sup> who was born in Illinois on 19 September 1884, died of cardiac arrest in Madison North Hospital, Spokane, Spokane County, Washington, on 15 March 1971, and was buried in Newport Cemetery.<sup>286</sup> She was the daughter of Theodore H. and Carrie J. (Tetter) Pearce.<sup>287</sup>

<sup>275</sup> R. L. Polk & Co.'s 1912 Tacoma City Directory (Tacoma: R. L. Polk & Co., 1912), 754. James Sutton card, *World War I Selective Service System Draft Registration Cards*, Tacoma, Pierce Co., Wash., board 3 (NARA M1509, roll WA53).

<sup>276</sup> Louisa Sutton obituary (note 273). R. L. Polk & Co.'s 1912 Tacoma City Directory (note 275), 754. James Sutton card, *World War I Selective Service System Draft Registration Cards* (note 275).

<sup>277</sup> James Sutton death cert., Wash., 1962, local cert. no. 1,221, Vital Records Office, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, Tacoma. Schneider to Furniss, email (note 263). James Sutton IV marker, Tacoma Cemetery, Tacoma, Wash., memorial no. 106,987,775, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>278</sup> James Sutton-Vesta Blunt marriage cert., Tacoma, Pierce Co., Wash., 1932, cert. no. 51,735, digital image, *Ancestry*.

<sup>279</sup> Vesta Blunt Sutton entry, SSN 536-46-8045, “U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007,” database, *Ancestry*. Child of D. W. Blunt and E. Noel birth index entry, Wash. Birth Index, 1883–1935, digital image, *Ancestry*, which lists the year of birth as 1906. The birth record has not been examined.

<sup>280</sup> Vesta Blunt Sutton marker, Tacoma Cemetery, Tacoma, Wash., memorial no. 106,987,808, digital image, *Find A Grave*. Vesta Blunt Sutton entry, Oregon Death Index, 1898–2008, digital image, *Ancestry*. The death record is not in the public domain. The probable place of death within Multnomah Co. is based on her residence.

<sup>281</sup> Schneider to Furniss, email (note 263).

<sup>282</sup> Vesta Blunt Sutton entry, “U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index” (note 279). Child of D. W. Blunt and E. Noel birth index entry (note 279).

<sup>283</sup> Devereaux Sutton birth record, Town of Flatbush, Kings Co., N.Y., births 1:57, no. 1,136 (FHL film 1,376,354, item 2). The original birth record at the Dept. of Health in Albany has not been examined.

<sup>284</sup> William D. Sutton death cert., Wash., 1969, cert. no. 21,817, Washington Dept. of Health, Olympia. William D. Sutton marker, Newport Cemetery, Newport, Wash., memorial no. 41,383,065, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>285</sup> Will. D. Sutton–Fern M. Pearce marriage cert., Stevens Co., Wash., cert. no. 9,447, digital image, *Ancestry*.

<sup>286</sup> Fern May Sutton death cert., Wash., 1971, cert. no. 641, Vital Records Office, Spokane Regional Health Dist., Spokane. Fern May Pearce Sutton marker, Newport Cemetery, Newport, Wash., memorial no. 413,832,706, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>287</sup> Will. D. Sutton–Fern M. Pearce marriage cert. (note 285). Fern May Sutton death cert. (note 286).

In June 1900 Bill was attending school while living with his brother Vanderbilt and his mother in Lake City, Pierce County, Washington.<sup>288</sup> After their marriage, Bill and Fern lived in Johnston, Stevens (now Pend Oreille) County, and Bill worked in the woods as a teamster.<sup>289</sup> By 1918 they had moved to Locke, Pend Oreille County, and Bill worked in logging camps.<sup>290</sup> The family moved to South Newport, Pend Oreille County, by 1930.<sup>291</sup>

Bill and Fern lived in the Ruby Election Precinct, Pend Oreille County, in 1940, when Bill was a log scaler in the woods. They had obtained a basic education, with Bill having completed one year of high school and Fern eight years of school. They owned their house, valued at \$100.<sup>292</sup> The Sutton home was on LeClerc Creek Road where it crossed the East Branch of LeClerc Creek, probably about one half mile north of Camp 1. Bill built the house on Panhandle Lumber Company land in 1933, and he and Fern lived there well into 1945. By the end of 1946 they had moved to Newport, Pend Oreille County.<sup>293</sup>

Bill was described as six feet tall, 195 pounds, with brown eyes, gray hair, and a dark brown complexion (probably tan from working in the outdoors most of his life) when he registered for the “old man’s draft” in 1942.<sup>294</sup>

Children of William “Bill”/“W. D.” Devereaux<sup>3</sup> and Fern May (Pearce) Sutton:

- i. MAY DECOURSEY<sup>4</sup> SUTTON, born in Newport on 28 February 1911; died in Spokane on 22 August 1999, and was buried in Newport Cemetery;<sup>295</sup> married in Spokane 7 October 1934 KENNETH WILBUR HEFLING,<sup>296</sup> born in Cheney, Spokane County, on 16 August 1912, died in Sacred Heart Medical Center, Spokane, on 12 January 1995, and was cremated, the son of John W. and Cora Bell (Lewis) Hefling.<sup>297</sup>

<sup>288</sup> Devereaux Sutton in the Vanderbilt H. Sutton household, 1900 U.S. census, Lake City, Pierce Co., Wash., ED 152, sh. 8A–8B, dw. 187, fam. 192 (NARA T623, roll 1748).

<sup>289</sup> William D. Sutton household, 1910 U.S. census, Johnston, Stevens Co., Wash., ED 231, sh. 5A, dw. 31, fam. 31 (NARA T624, roll 1672).

<sup>290</sup> William Devereaux Sutton card, *World War I Selective Service System Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918*, Pend Oreille Co., Wash. (NARA M1509, roll WA21), which lists his occupation as woodsman. William D. Sutton household, 1920 U.S. census, Locke, Pend Oreille Co., Wash., ED 106, sh. 1B, dw./fam. 18 (NARA T625, roll 1934), which indicates Bill was a teamster in a logging camp.

<sup>291</sup> William D. Sutton household, 1930 U.S. census, South Newport, Pend Oreille Co., Wash., ED 26–23, sh. 6A, dw. 141, fam 147 (NARA T626, roll 2509), which lists William’s occupation as logger in a lumber camp.

<sup>292</sup> William D. Sutton household, 1940 U.S. census, Ruby, Pend Oreille Co., Wash., ED 26-25, sh. 2A, household 29 (NARA T627, roll 4354).

<sup>293</sup> Granddaughter of William Sutton [name withheld for privacy] to author, email, 28 Mar. 2018.

<sup>294</sup> William Devereaux Sutton, World War II Draft Card (Fourth Registration), Wash., digital image, *Ancestry*.

<sup>295</sup> Female Sutton birth cert., Pend Oreille Co. (Wash.) Auditor, Birth Records, 1903–1938, 1911, no. 11-1911, digital image, *Washington State Archives-Digital Archives*. May DeCoursey Hefling death cert., Wash., 1999, cert. no. 9-35418, Wash. Dept. of Health. May D. Hefling marker, Newport Cemetery, Newport, Wash., memorial no. 37,926,607, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>296</sup> Kenneth Hefling–May Sutton marriage, Spokane Co. (Wash.) Auditor, Marriage Records, 1880–Present, 1934, no. 49622A, digital image, *Washington State Archives-Digital Archives*. For his middle name, Kenneth Wilbur Hefling entry, SSN 539-07-0738, “U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007,” database, *Ancestry*.

<sup>297</sup> Kenneth Wilber [sic] Hefling death cert., Wash., 1995, local cert. no. 132, Wash. Dept. of Health. Kenneth W. Hefling marker, Newport Cemetery, Newport, Wash., memorial no. 37,926,404, digital image, *Find A Grave*. Kenneth Wilbur Hefling entry, “U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index” (note 296).

- ii. GRACE THEODORA<sup>4</sup> “DORA” SUTTON,<sup>298</sup> born in Tweedie, Pend Oreille County, on 26 April 1914; died of lung cancer in Newport Community Hospital, Newport, on 9 June 1995, and was buried in Newport Cemetery;<sup>299</sup> married in Coeur d’Alene, Kootenai County, Idaho, on 24 June 1942 WILLIAM “BILL” JAMES PIPER,<sup>300</sup> born in Black Rock, Kootenai County, on 23 October 1914, died in Newport on 12 July 2010, and was buried in Newport Cemetery, the son of William Allen and Emma (Leigh) Piper.<sup>301</sup>

9. GRACE THEODORA<sup>4</sup> SUTTON (Charles Shannon,<sup>3</sup> James<sup>2-1</sup>) was born at the Sutton home at Sequalitchew Lake, Tacoma, on 27 March 1891.<sup>302</sup> She died in Lawton, Comanche County, Oklahoma, on 16 March 1974, and was buried in Mount Moriah Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri.<sup>303</sup> Grace married at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, Leavenworth, Leavenworth County, Kansas, on 11 April 1918 HENRY JAMES GLASS,<sup>304</sup> who was born in Kansas City, Wyandotte County, Kansas, on 1 June 1891, and died in Kansas City, Kansas, on 22 October 1937, aged 46 years, 4 months, 21 days, of a coronary embolism brought on by arterial sclerosis and hypertension. He was cremated and his ashes spread in the Missouri River by his fellow members of the Kansas City, Kansas, fire department.<sup>305</sup> Henry was the son of Jacob Herman and Sallie /Sally Belle (Miller) Glass.<sup>306</sup>

In 1910 Grace was a clerk in an insurance company,<sup>307</sup> probably the same one where her father worked. After marriage she and her family lived at various locations in Kansas City, Kansas: 1508 Yecker Avenue (next door to her parents) in 1920, 2718 Webster Avenue by 1930, and 449 North 19th Street in 1937, when Henry died.<sup>308</sup> Grace lived on North 19th Street through

<sup>298</sup> Yvonne Leigh Sutton Piper, “William J. Piper,” *The Big Smoke*, 2011, 5–12, which includes Grace’s nickname, Dora.

<sup>299</sup> Female Sutton birth cert., Pend Oreille (Wash.) Co. Auditor, Birth Records, 1903–1938, 1914, no. 14, digital image, *Washington State Archives-Digital Archives*. Grace Theodora Piper death cert., Wash., 1995, cert. no. 5-19693, Wash. Department of Health.

<sup>300</sup> Piper, “William J. Piper” (note 298), 5–12, which includes his nickname, Bill. For the marriage, granddaughter of William Sutton to author, email (note 293).

<sup>301</sup> William James Piper birth cert., Ida., 1914, cert. no. 78,064, Bureau of Vital Records and Health Statistics, Boise. William James Piper marker, Newport Cemetery, Newport, Wash., memorial no. 38,992,977, digital image, *Find A Grave*. William James Piper obituary, *The Spokesman-Review* [Spokane, Wash.], 20 July 2010, transcription, *GenealogyBank* (<https://www.genealogybank.com>).

<sup>302</sup> Amy Theodora Glass [daughter of Grace Theodora (Sutton) Glass] birth cert., Providence Hospital, Kansas City, Kans., photocopy obtained in 1983 from Amy Theodora (Glass) Clyde, in author’s possession. The record includes the child’s parents’ marriage date and place, as well as both parents’ birth dates and places. Grace Glass obituary, *The Sunday Constitution* [Lawton, Ok.], 17 Mar. 1974, p. 9A, col. 3.

<sup>303</sup> Grace Glass obituary (note 302). Grace T. Glass entry, Oklahoma State Vital Records Index, *OK2Explore* (<https://ok2explore.health.ok.gov/App/DeathSearch>). The record is not in the public domain.

<sup>304</sup> Henry James Glass–Grace Theodora Sutton marriage license and return., Kans., 1918, cert. no. 52-1497, Vital Statistics, Department of Health and Environment, Topeka.

<sup>305</sup> Amy Theodora Glass birth cert. (note 302), which includes her father’s name, and his date and place of birth. The place matches that given on his death record, and the birth date matches that calculated from his age at death. Henry James Glass death cert., Kans., 1937, cert. no. 205-040427, Vital Statistics, Dept. of Health and Environment. Henry James Glass entry, index to burials, St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 1300 N. 18th St., Kansas City, Kans., referring to burial book 4, p. 286, entry 419, photocopy of index card in possession of the author. “Henry J. Glass,” *The Press* [Kansas City, Kans.], 29 Oct. 1937, clipping, held by James and Virginia (Brown) Kingsbury, copy in possession of the author.

<sup>306</sup> Henry James Glass death cert. (note 305).

<sup>307</sup> Charles S. Sutton household, 1910 U.S. census, Kansas City, Ward 3, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 160, sh. 7A [dwelling and family nos. left blank] (NARA T624, roll 460).

<sup>308</sup> Henry J. Glass household, 1920 U.S. census, Kansas City, Ward 3, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 167, sh. 4A, dw. 86, fam. 88 (NARA T625, roll 555). Henry J. Glass household, 1930 U.S. census, Kansas City, Ward 3, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 105–22, sh. 16B, dw. 269, fam 273 (NARA T626, roll 728). Henry James Glass death cert. (note 305).



at least 1962;<sup>309</sup> about December 1972 she moved to Lawton, Oklahoma, to live at Fort Sill with her daughter Grace Elvis (Glass) Brown and son-in-law Col. Melvin Brown.<sup>310</sup>

Children of Henry James and Grace Theodora<sup>4</sup> (Sutton) Glass:

- i. GRACE ELVIS<sup>5</sup> GLASS, born in Kansas City, Kansas, on 23 December 1919; died in Anacortes, Skagit County, Washington, on 4 August 2004, and was interred in Arlington National Cemetery columbarium, Arlington, Virginia;<sup>311</sup> married in Ozark, Christian County, Missouri, on 3 February 1942 MELVIN RAY BROWN,<sup>312</sup> born in Bucklin, Sodville Township, Ford County, Kansas, on 22 October 1921,<sup>313</sup> died in Skagit Valley Hospital, Mount Vernon, Skagit County, on 10 September 2009, and was interred in Arlington National Cemetery columbarium,<sup>314</sup> the son of Jennings Bryan and Opal Lucile (Imel) Brown.<sup>315</sup> Grace trained as a nurse at Providence Hospital in Kansas City, Kansas,<sup>316</sup> and served as a lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II. She continued working as a nurse after the war, supporting her family while her husband attended the University of Kansas and Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, Alameda County, California, in the late 1950s. Over the course of three wars—World War II, Korean, and Vietnam—Mel was in the army. He was a pharmacist, a long-range reconnaissance patrol leader, army ski patrolman, infantry commander, and chaplain. He left the army in the mid-1950s, obtained his undergraduate and theological degrees, and was ordained to the Episcopal priesthood in 1960. Melvin returned to the army as a chaplain in 1966 and retired in 1975 as a colonel. After retiring he and Grace moved to Anacortes.<sup>317</sup>
- ii. JAMES SUTTON<sup>5</sup> GLASS, stillborn, probably in Kansas City, Kansas, in November 1922. He was buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Kansas City, Kansas, in the same grave as his mother's unnamed sister, who died 25 May 1910.<sup>318</sup>
- iii. MARGARET LOUISE<sup>5</sup> GLASS, born in Kansas City, Kansas, on 28 February 1925; died on 6 March 1993, perhaps in Missouri,<sup>319</sup> married first by June 1944, and later divorced, DAYLE S. MEFFERD/MEFFORD,<sup>320</sup> born in Woodbine, Harrison

<sup>309</sup> Polk's *Kansas City (Wyandotte, Kansas) City Directory, 1963* (Kansas City, Mo.: R. L. Polk & Co., 1963), 188.

<sup>310</sup> Grace Glass obituary (note 302).

<sup>311</sup> Grace Elvis Brown death cert., Wash., 2004, cert. no. 4-29960, Wash. Dept. of Health. Grace Elvis Brown obituary, *Anacortes [Wash.] American*, 11 Aug. 2004, p. A10, col. 1. Grace Elvis Brown marker and burial record, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., database and digital image, *Arlington National Cemetery* (<http://ancexplorer.army.mil/publicwmv>).

<sup>312</sup> Melvin R. Brown–Grace E. Glass marriage license and return, Christian Co., Mo., 1942, unnumbered, held by James and Virginia (Brown) Kingsbury, copy in possession of the author.

<sup>313</sup> Melvin Ray Brown birth cert., Kans., 1921, no. 29-3440, held by James and Virginia (Brown) Kingsbury, copy in possession of the author. Melvin Ray Brown death cert., Wash., 2009, cert. no. 9-66252, Wash. Dept. of Health. The birth certificate lists his place of birth as Sodville. The death certificate lists it as Bucklin (a city in Sodville Township).

<sup>314</sup> Melvin Ray Brown death cert. (note 313). Melvin Ray Brown obituary, *Skagit Valley [Wash.] Herald*, 16 Sept. 2009, transcription, *GenealogyBank*. Melvin Ray Brown marker and burial record, Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., database and digital image, *Arlington National Cemetery*.

<sup>315</sup> Melvin Ray Brown birth cert. (note 313).

<sup>316</sup> Grace E. Glass entry, student nurse at Providence Hospital and Nurses Training School, 1940 U.S. census, Kansas City, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 106-60, sh. 1A (NARA T627, roll 1269).

<sup>317</sup> Melvin Ray Brown obituary (note 314).

<sup>318</sup> Grace and Mel [Melvin Ray and Grace (Glass) Brown] to Sean [Furniss], letter with notations and corrections to Sutton family history, 19 Jan. 1989. For the unnamed sister, RECORD 149 (2018): 142.

<sup>319</sup> Margaret Louise Glass entry, SSN 509-20-0195, "U.S. Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007," database, *Ancestry*. Margaret L. Champ entry, SSN 509-20-0195, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935–2014," database, *Ancestry*. A request for a search of Mo. death records was made, but a response has not yet been received.

<sup>320</sup> Spouse's name from Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318). Margaret Louise Glass entry, "U.S. Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007" (note 319), which indicates her name in June 1944 was Margaret Glass Mefferd.

- County, Iowa, on 8 June 1916,<sup>321</sup> died on 2 July 1951, and was buried in Leavenworth National Cemetery,<sup>322</sup> the son of Emma ([?–?]) Mefferd;<sup>323</sup> married second 14 May 1948 HAROLD JAMES CHAMP,<sup>324</sup> born in Jefferson Township, Johnson County, Missouri, on 7 September 1910, died in Clinton, Henry County, Missouri, on 5 July 1992, the son of George Thomas and Rose (Cox) Champ.<sup>325</sup>
- iv. AMY THEODORA<sup>5</sup> GLASS, born in Kansas City, Kansas, on 15 March 1931;<sup>326</sup> died on 2 March 2008, a resident of Humble, Harris County, Texas,<sup>327</sup> married in Kansas City, Kansas, probably on 2 June 1949 JOSEPH EUGENE CLYDE,<sup>328</sup> born 18 May 1928, died in Houston, Harris County, on 10 November 2016.<sup>329</sup>
- v. ELIZABETH GLORIA<sup>5</sup> GLASS, born in Kansas City, Kansas, on 11 November 1935; died in Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois, on 30 August 1960, and was buried in Memorial Park Cemetery, Kansas City, Kansas.<sup>330</sup> Her spouse is living.<sup>331</sup>

10. ALBERT DRAYTON<sup>4</sup> SUTTON (Charles Shannon,<sup>3</sup> James<sup>2-1</sup>) was born in Denver, Arapahoe County, Colorado, on 5 January 1893<sup>332</sup> and died in Kansas City, Kansas, on 22 January 1975.<sup>333</sup> He married say 1920 (birth of child) MYRTLE (MORSE) PETERS, who was divorced from her previous husband, Walter Peters.<sup>334</sup> Myrtle was born on 16 April 1897 probably in Rock

<sup>321</sup> Dayle Sherwood Mefferd card, *Selective Service Registration Cards, World War II: Multiple Registrations* [for men 18 to 45 years old], Mo., digital image, *Fold3* (<https://www.fold3.com>).

<sup>322</sup> Dayle S. Mefferd marker, Leavenworth National Cemetery, Leavenworth, Kans., memorial no. 3,675,509, digital image, *Find A Grave*. Dayle S. Mefferd entry, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs, National Cemetery Administration, *Nationwide Gravesite Locator* (<https://gravelocator.cem.va.gov>).

<sup>323</sup> Dayle Sherwood Mefferd WW II draft card (note 321).

<sup>324</sup> Spouse's name from Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318). Margaret Louise Glass entry, "U.S. Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007" (note 319), which indicates her name on 6 Jan. 1975 was Margaret Louise Champ. For marriage date, Harold J. Champ obituary, transcription, *The Daily Democrat* [Clinton, Mo.], no date provided, in "Obituaries: Henry County, Missouri," *Henry County, Missouri, MOGenWeb* (<http://www.missourioutback.com/hcmo/Obituary/obitC.html>).

<sup>325</sup> Harold J. Champ obituary (note 324). Harold James Champ death cert., Mo., 1992, cert no. 124-92 14878, Mo. Dept. of Health and Senior Services, Jefferson City. Harold James Champ birth cert., Mo., 1910, cert. no. 43,004, Mo. Dept. of Health and Senior Services.

<sup>326</sup> Amy Theodora Glass birth certificate (note 302).

<sup>327</sup> Amy T. Clyde obituary, clipping, *Kingwood Observer* [Humble, Tex.], 12 Mar. 2008, p. 4B, [col. not provided,] copy from Humble Area Genealogical Society (<http://www.humblegen.org>). Amy T. Clyde obituary, *Houston* [Tex.] *Chronicle*, 6 Mar. 2008, transcription, *GenealogyBank*.

<sup>328</sup> Author's conversations with Amy (Glass) Clyde, 1980s. Photograph in author's possession labeled in Amy (Glass) Clyde's handwriting "Gene & Amy Clyde[,] 6-2-99[,] 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary." Photograph in author's possession of Amy (Glass) Clyde in her wedding dress with note on the reverse stating that Amy Theodora Glass Clyde "married in her mother's home . . . in her living room. She made her dress[,] 419 North 19<sup>th</sup> St., Kansas City[,] Kansas."

<sup>329</sup> Joseph Eugene Clyde entry, index to confirmation records, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 1300 N. 18th St., Kansas City, Kans., referring to confirmation book 5, pp. 388–89, no. 878, 21 Sept. 1954, photocopy held by Michael and Patricia Clyde, copy in possession of author. The card lists Joseph Eugene's date of birth (18 May 1928) and year of baptism (1939). Death information from personal knowledge of the author. Also, "In Memory of Joseph Eugene Clyde, 1928–2016," *Rosewood Funeral Home* (<http://www.rosewood.cc/book-of-memories/2777629/clyde-joseph/service-details.php>).

<sup>330</sup> Elizabeth Gloria Glass "Notification of Birth Registration," copy in possession of the author, referencing Kans., 1935, birth cert. file no. 205-57029. Elizabeth Gloria Vohs death cert., Ill., 1960, cert. no. 38,059, Ill. Dept. of Public Health, Springfield, which incorrectly refers to the cemetery as Memorial Hill. Mrs. Elizabeth G. Vohs obituary, *The Kansas City* [Mo.] *Star*, 31 Aug. 1960, p. 3D, col. 6.

<sup>331</sup> Personal knowledge of the author.

<sup>332</sup> Albert D. Sutton card, *World War I Selective Service System Draft Registration Cards*, Chase Co., Kans., (NARA M1509, roll KS9). Albert Drayton Sutton card, World War II Draft Card (Fourth Registration), Kans., digital image, *Ancestry*.

<sup>333</sup> Albert D. Sutton death cert., Kans., 1975, cert. no. 75-2076, Vital Statistics, Department of Health and Environment. Albert Sutton entry, "U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs, BIRLS Death File, 1850–2010," database, *Ancestry*. Albert Drayton Sutton marker and memorial, Mt. Moriah Cemetery, Kansas City, Mo., memorial no. 10,941,979, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>334</sup> Uncle D. and Aunt M. [Albert Drayton and Myrtle (Morse) Sutton] to Gracie [Grace Elvis (Glass) Brown], letter, 13 Apr. 1974. In 1920 Albert was enumerated as a single man in his father's household

Creek Township, Jefferson County, Kansas, and died in Kansas City, Kansas, on 25 October 1974. She was the daughter of William G. and Eliza (McDowell) Morse.<sup>335</sup> Albert and Myrtle were buried in Mount Moriah Cemetery, Kansas City, Missouri.<sup>336</sup>

Myrtle married first in Leavenworth, Kansas, on 29 September 1913 Walter Peters, who was born in Missouri about 1891–1894 (calculated).<sup>337</sup> In 1915 Walter, Myrtle, and their daughter, Beatrice, lived in Kansas City, Kansas, with Walter working as a jeweler.<sup>338</sup> By 1920 Myrtle was divorced and living in the Kansas City, Kansas, household headed by her father.<sup>339</sup>

During World War I Albert was a wagoner with Battery A, 342nd Field Artillery, 89th Division,<sup>340</sup> enlisting in the army on 26 January 1918.<sup>341</sup> The 342nd Field Artillery arrived in Le Havre, France, on 13 July 1918. Their first extensive artillery engagement began on 26 September along the front from Verdun to Flanders. They participated in numerous artillery battles before the armistice was signed on 11 November. On 29 November the regiment went to Germany as part of the allied occupation forces. They remained there until 11 May 1919, when they sailed for New York, arriving on 27 May.<sup>342</sup> Albert was discharged on 10 June 1919.<sup>343</sup>

In 1920 Albert lived with his parents and two brothers at 1502 Yecker Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas. From 1925 through 1960 Albert and his wife lived on Cissna Street in Kansas City, Kansas. Albert worked at various occupations: printer (1920, about 1932, and about 1955), lumber-store foreman (about 1925), deputy clerk in the County Clerk's Office (about 1936 through 1942), compositor at *The Southwestern Miller* (about 1945), and as an employee of Smith-Grieves, a Kansas City printer (about 1960).<sup>344</sup>

(Charles S. Sutton household, 1920 U.S. census, Kansas City, Ward 3, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 167, sh. 4A, dw. 85, fam. 87 [NARA T625, roll 555]).

<sup>335</sup> Myrtle Morse birth record, 16 Apr. 1897, Register of Births, Rock Creek Twp., Jefferson Co., Kans., (FHL film 1,639,269, item 2), which does not list her parents' names. Myrtle Sutton entry, SSN 514-09-5602, "U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935–2014," database, *Ancestry*, which lists the date of birth as 16 Apr. 1897. Myrtle E. Sutton death cert., Kans., 1974, cert. no. 74-17932, Vital Statistics, Department of Health and Environment, which indicates she was born in Kans. 15 [sic] Apr. 1897 to William G. and Eliza (McDowell) Morse. Myrtle Sutton marker, Mt. Moriah Cemetery, Kansas City, Mo., memorial no. 64,329,257, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>336</sup> Albert D. Sutton death cert., marker and memorial (note 333). Myrtle E. Sutton death cert. and marker (note 335).

<sup>337</sup> Walter Peters–Myrtle Morse marriage license and return, Leavenworth Co., Kans., 1913, license 16,496, Vital Statistics, Department of Health and Environment. For the place of birth, Walter Petters [sic] household, 1915 Kansas state census, Kansas City, Ward 3, Wyandotte Co., Kans., folio 8, dw. 64, fam. 67, digital image, *Ancestry*, citing Kansas State Historical Society, Topeka, Kans., microfilm KS1915, roll 262.

<sup>338</sup> Walter Petters [sic] household, 1915 Kansas state census (note 337).

<sup>339</sup> William G. Morse household, 1920 U.S. census, Kansas City, Ward 3, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 167, sh. 21B, dw. 491, fam. 495 (NARA T625, roll 555). The household also included William's 5-year-old granddaughter Beatrice Peters [Myrtle's daughter].

<sup>340</sup> Albert D. Sutter [sic, Sutton] entry, Kansas, 1930 Enrollment of World War I Veterans, Widows, and Orphans 41:624, digital image, *Ancestry*, from Kans. State Hist. Society, Topeka.

<sup>341</sup> Albert Sutton entry, "U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs, BIRLS Death File, 1850–2010" (note 333).

<sup>342</sup> Robert Walston Chubb, *Regimental History, 342nd Field Artillery, 89th Division* (New York: Regimental Historian, 1921), 17, 29, 37–47, 51, 71, 73.

<sup>343</sup> Albert Sutton entry, "U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs, BIRLS Death File, 1850–2010" (note 333).

<sup>344</sup> Charles S. Sutton household, 1920 U.S. census (note 334). *Polk's Kansas City, Kansas Directory 1925* (Kansas City, Mo.: Gate City Directory Co.), 848; also other years by similar titles: [1932] 343, [1936] 395, [1940] 457, [1942] 415, [1945] 444, [1955] 764, [1960] 788.

Albert Sutton adopted Myrtle's daughter from her first marriage.<sup>345</sup> He and Myrtle had one biological child, who is living.<sup>346</sup>

The adopted child of Albert Drayton<sup>4</sup> Sutton, born to his wife Myrtle (Morse) Peters with her first husband:<sup>347</sup>

BEATRICE DOROTHY SUTTON, also known as PETERS, born in Kansas, probably in Kansas City,<sup>348</sup> on 3 February 1914; died in the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, Kansas, on 22 October 1968, and was buried in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Kansas City, Kansas;<sup>349</sup> married first HUGH PATRICK "PAT" KISSINGER,<sup>350</sup> born in Kansas, probably in Kansas City, on 20 September 1914; died in the South China Sea about 24 October 1944, the son of Marion and Anna ([--]) Kissinger,<sup>351</sup> married second CHARLES VINCENT HENRY,<sup>352</sup> born on 12 January 1914, died by 15 October 1983, when he was buried in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Kansas City.<sup>353</sup>

In the 1940 census Beatrice and Pat were identified as married but they were living apart. Beatrice lived with her maternal grandparents and Pat with his parents.<sup>354</sup>

Pat was an amateur and professional boxer from 1930 to 1941.<sup>355</sup> He enlisted in the army on 18 April 1941 to serve in the Philippine Department,<sup>356</sup> and was taken prisoner by the Japanese while serving with Headquarters Company, 194th Tank Battalion, at Fort Stotsenburg, Panpanga. He was sent to Old Bilibid Prison in Manila.<sup>357</sup> Pat was shipped to Japan as part of a forced-labor prisoner draft. He died when the *Arisan Maru* sank in the Bashi Straits, South China Sea, on 24 October 1944.<sup>358</sup> His body was never recovered. His name is inscribed on a monument at Fort William McKinley, Manila.<sup>359</sup> A granite

<sup>345</sup> Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318).

<sup>346</sup> Personal knowledge of the author.

<sup>347</sup> Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318).

<sup>348</sup> Walter Petters [*sic*] household, 1915 Kansas state census (note 337). The probable place of Kansas City is based on the biological parents' residential history.

<sup>349</sup> Mrs. Vincent Henry death notice, *The Kansas City Star*, 23 Oct. 1968, p. 2B, col. 1. Beatrice Dorothy Henry marker and memorial, Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Kansas City, Kans., memorial no. 54,816,119, digital image, *Find A Grave*. The date of birth is listed in the memorial, but not on the marker. Kayla Ardon (Kardon@cathcemks.org) to Sean Furniss, email, 10 May 2018, with extracts of Mt. Calvary Catholic Cemetery records.

<sup>350</sup> Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318). Marriage place and date not specified.

<sup>351</sup> Hugh Patrick Kissinger card, "U.S. Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925–1963," digital images, *Ancestry*. Marion Kissinger [*sic*] household, 1915 Kansas state census, Kansas City, Ward 5, Wyandotte Co., p. 41, dw. 309, fam. 317, digital image, *Ancestry*, citing Kans. State Hist. Society, Topeka, film KS1915, roll 265.

<sup>352</sup> Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318), in which he was called Vincent Henry. Marriage place and date not specified. Ardon to Furniss, email (note 349), in which his full name is specified.

<sup>353</sup> Ardon to Furniss, email (note 349), which includes his dates of birth and burial. Charles Henry entry, SSN 513-09-3100, "Social Security Death Index, 1935–2014," database, *Ancestry*. Vincent Henry marker, Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Kansas City, Kans., memorial no. 84,913,397, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>354</sup> William G. Morse household, 1940 U.S. census, Kansas City, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 106-33, sh. 5A, household 91 (NARA T627, roll 1268). Marion A. Kissinger household, 1940 U.S. census, Kansas City, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 106-44, sh. 5B, household 113 (NARA T627, roll 1268).

<sup>355</sup> "Jacks on Amateur Card," *The Kansas City Star*, 16 Feb. 1930, p. 3B, col. 6. Advertisement, *The Kansas City Star*, 15 Apr. 1941, p. 10, col. 7.

<sup>356</sup> Hugh P. Kissinger entry, "U.S. World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938–1946," database, *Ancestry*.

<sup>357</sup> Hugh P. Kissinger entry, "World War II and Korean Conflict Veterans Interred Overseas," database, *Ancestry*. William Bowen, "K Section," *Arisan Maru Roster* (<http://www.west-point.org/family/japanese-pow/ArisanFiles-2/K.htm>). "New Foe For Kissinger," *The Kansas City Star*, 8 Dec. 1941, p. 12, col. 6. "Kissinger is Missing," *The Kansas City Star*, 25 May 1942, p. 10, col. 2. "Kissinger a Prisoner," *The Kansas City Star*, 21 Sept. 1943, p. 9, col. 2.

<sup>358</sup> Hugh P. Kissinger entry, "World War II Prisoners of the Japanese, 1941–1945," database, *Ancestry*. "Pat Kissinger Memorial," *The Kansas City Star*, 25 June 1945, p. 10, col. 1. William Bowen, "The *Arisan Maru* Tragedy," *US-Japan Dialogue on POW's* (<http://www.us-japandialogueonpows.org>).

<sup>359</sup> Hugh P. Kissinger entry, "World War II and Korean Conflict Veterans Interred Overseas" (note 357).

marker with his name and the dates of his birth and death was placed at Mount Calvary Cemetery in Kansas City, Kansas.<sup>360</sup>

11. **AMY VALENTINE<sup>4</sup> SUTTON** (Charles Shannon<sup>3</sup>, James<sup>2-1</sup>) was born in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri, on 14 February 1896. She died in Baptist Memorial Hospital, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida, on 21 February 1962.<sup>361</sup> Amy married in Jackson County, Missouri, on 18 July 1919 **CHELICIE EMMERSON RAY**,<sup>362</sup> who was born in Montgomery County, Indiana, on 12 November 1894. He died in Baptist Hospital, Jacksonville, on 7 March 1966, the son of Emerson and Laura (Thomas) Ray.<sup>363</sup> Amy and Chelcie were buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, Jacksonville.<sup>364</sup>

Children of Chelcie Emmerson and Amy Valentine<sup>4</sup> (Sutton) Ray, born in Kansas City, Kansas:

- i. CHARLES EMERSON<sup>5</sup> RAY (twin), born on 6 November 1920; died in Memorial Hospital, Jacksonville, on 19 February 1975, and was buried there in Greenlawn Cemetery;<sup>365</sup> married in Duval County in 1952 ARMONTINE ANNE JENNINGS,<sup>366</sup> born in Georgia on 15 December 1919, died in Jacksonville on 16 November 2009, and was entombed there in Woodlawn Cemetery,<sup>367</sup> probably the daughter of Rufus T. and Anna Mae (Ivester) Jennings.<sup>368</sup> Charles and Armontine divorced in Duval County in September 1956.<sup>369</sup>

<sup>360</sup> Hugh Patrick Kissinger, "U.S. Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925–1963" (note 351).

<sup>361</sup> Amy V. Rey death cert., Fla., 1962, cert. no. 62-7040, Fla. Bureau of Vital Statistics, Jacksonville. Amy V. Sutton Ray marker, Greenlawn Cemetery, Jacksonville, Fla., memorial no. 140,820,589, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>362</sup> Chelcie Ray–Amy V. Sutton marriage license and return, Jackson Co., Mo., 1919, license no. 85,113 (FHL film 7,048,708).

<sup>363</sup> Chelcie Emmerson Ray card, World War II Draft Cards (Fourth Registration), Mo., digital image, *Ancestry*, which lists his birthplace as Montgomery, Ind. For Montgomery as the county of birth, Indiana Works Progress Administration, "Index to Birth Records, Montgomery County, Indiana, 1882–1920 Inclusive," vol. 3, TS, 1938, p. 22, digital image, *Ancestry*. The birth record has not been examined; the index includes the father's given name and mother's maiden surname, which match those listed on his death certificate. Chelcie E. Ray death cert., Fla., 1966, cert. 66-013951, Fla. Bureau of Vital Statistics. Chelcie E. Ray marker, Greenlawn Cemetery, Jacksonville, Fla., memorial no. 140,820,588, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>364</sup> Amy V. Rey death cert. and marker (note 361). Chelcie E. Ray death cert. and marker (note 363).

<sup>365</sup> For place and date of birth, Charles Emerson Ray card, *Selective Service Registration Cards, World War II: Multiple Registrations* [for men 18 to 45 years old], Mo., digital image, *Fold3*. Charles Ray entry, "U.S., Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death file, 1850–2010," database, *Ancestry*. Charles E. Ray death cert., Fla., 1975, cert. no. 75-11952, Fla. Bureau of Vital Statistics.

<sup>366</sup> Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318). Chelcie was unmarried at the time of the 1940 census (Chilsea [*sic*] Ray household, 1940 U.S. census, Kansas City, Jackson Co., Mo., ED 116-268, sh. 62A, household 60 [NARA T627, rol 2177]). Charles E. Ray death cert. (note 365), which indicates he was divorced. Charles E. Ray–Armontine Anne Jennings entry, "Florida, Marriage Indexes, 1822–1875 and 1927–2001," database and digital image of index, *Ancestry*, referring to Duval Co., 1952, marriage vol. 1375, no. 9,531, which has not been examined.

<sup>367</sup> Armontine Anne Davis marker, Oaklawn Cemetery, Jacksonville, Fla., memorial no. 125,162,466, digital image, *Find A Grave*. Anne Davis [Johnson] obituary, *The [Jacksonville] Florida Times-Union*, 25 Nov. 2009, transcription, *GenealogyBank*, which lists her three husbands, including Charles E. Ray. For place of birth, Rufus T. Jennings household, 1935 Florida state census, Duval Co., Precinct 2, sh. 15, digital image, *Ancestry*, citing Fla. State Archive Series S5, roll 7.

<sup>368</sup> Armontine's obituary (Anne Davis [Johnson] obituary [note 367]) mentions her deceased sisters, Elizabeth Biglow and Juanita Gargis. Juanita Blanche Jennings entry, SSN 264-30-6133, "Social Security Application and Claims Index, 1936–2007," database, *Ancestry*, indicates Juanita was born 20 Mar. 1926, was listed as Juanita Jennings Gargis in 1966, and that she was the daughter of Rufus T. and Anna M. (Ivester) Jennings. Rufus T. Jennings household, 1935 Florida state census (note 367), which includes Armontine, Elizabeth, and Juanita.

<sup>369</sup> Charles E. Ray death cert. (note 365), which indicates he was divorced. Charles E. Ray–Armontine A. Ray entry, "Florida, Divorce Index, 1927–2001," database and digital image of index, *Ancestry*, referencing Duval Co., divorces, vol. 760, no. 14,326, Sept. 1956. The record has not been examined.

- ii. MARJORIE JEAN<sup>5</sup> RAY (twin), born on 6 November 1920; died in Kansas City, Missouri, on 28 December 2007;<sup>370</sup> married after the 1940 census MAX SUTTLES,<sup>371</sup> born in Liberty, Blount County, Alabama, on 2 September 1918, died in the Veterans Hospital, Kansas City, Missouri, on 14 January 1976, and was buried in Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery, the son of J. G. Suttles.<sup>372</sup> Max was a Navy veteran.<sup>373</sup> He and Marjorie lived in Jacksonville, Florida, between 1948 and 1956.<sup>374</sup> By January 1976 they had moved to Raytown, Jackson County, Missouri, where Marjorie lived until her death.<sup>375</sup>
- iii. DORIS ALMA<sup>5</sup> RAY, born on 10 May 1922; died in Jacksonville, Florida, on 5 August 2003, and was buried there in Greenlawn Cemetery,<sup>376</sup> married in Florida in 1952 WILLIAM PERRIN MINTER,<sup>377</sup> born in Union County, South Carolina, on 4 October 1912, died in Duval County, Florida, on 1 February 1992, and was buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, the son of James E. and Mary F. (Delabar) Minter.<sup>378</sup> William and Doris lived in Jacksonville.<sup>379</sup>

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<sup>370</sup> Marjorie J. (Ray) Suttles obituary, *Floral Hills Funeral Home and Floral Hills Cemetery* ([http://dwfloralhills.tributes.com/our\\_obituaries/Marjorie-Suttles-84753539](http://dwfloralhills.tributes.com/our_obituaries/Marjorie-Suttles-84753539)).

<sup>371</sup> Marjorie J. (Ray) Suttles obituary (note 370). Chilsea [*sic*] Ray household, 1940 U.S. census (note 366).

<sup>372</sup> Max Suttles obituary, *The Kansas City Times*, 16 Jan. 1976, p. 4B, cols. 3–4. Max Suttles marker, Fort Leavenworth National Cemetery, Fort Leavenworth, Kans., memorial no. 3,665,421, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>373</sup> Max Suttles obituary and marker (note 372).

<sup>374</sup> *Polk's Jacksonville (Duval County, Fla.) City Directory 1949* (Richmond, Va.: R. L. Polk & Co., 1949), 588; and similar titles for [1950] 568, [1951] 572, [1956] 808.

<sup>375</sup> Max Suttles obituary (note 372), which indicates he was a resident of Raytown at his death. Marjorie J. Suttles entry, "United States Public Records, 1970–2009," database, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org>), which lists Raytown as her residence from 1983 through Nov. 2007.

<sup>376</sup> Doris Alma Ray entry, SSN 495-20-9151, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007," database, *Ancestry*. Doris R. "Pinkie" Minter obituary, *The Florida Times-Union*, 7 Aug. 2003, transcription, *GenealogyBank*. Doris Alma "Pinkie" Ray Minter marker, Greenlawn Cemetery, Jacksonville, Fla., memorial no. 140,075,591, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>377</sup> Doris R. "Pinkie" Minter obituary (note 376). William P. Minter–Doris Alma Ray entry, "Florida, Marriage Indexes, 1822–1875, and 1927–2001," database and digital image of index, *Ancestry*, referencing Duval [Co.] marriages, 1952, vol. 1397, no. 20,862, which has not been examined.

<sup>378</sup> William Perrin Minter entry, SSN 253-03-9845, "U.S., Social Security Applications and Claims Index, 1936–2007," database, *Ancestry*, for birth date and place, death date, parents' names. William Perrin Minter entry, "Florida Death Index, 1877–1998," database, *Ancestry*; the record has not been examined. William Perrin Minter marker, Greenlawn Cemetery, Jacksonville, Fla., memorial no. 140,075,472, digital image, *Find A Grave*.

<sup>379</sup> Grace and Mel to Furniss, 19 Jan. 1989 (note 318).

**CHLOE (FOSTER) (KATELY/CATELY) WELLS (1788–1869)**  
**OF LEYDEN, MASSACHUSETTS, AND**  
**CORTLAND COUNTY, NEW YORK**

BY PATRICIA LEE HOBBS, CG

*(continued from THE RECORD 149:130)*

6. **ELECTA E.<sup>4</sup> WELLS** (Chloe<sup>3</sup> Foster, Ezekiel<sup>2-1</sup>) was born about 1824, probably in Cortland County, New York, and died in Kanaranzi Township, Rock County, Minnesota, 25 March 1889, aged 65 years, 10 months, 2 days.<sup>160</sup> She married 10 March 1841, probably in Cortland County, **ROBERT CRAVATH VAN HOESEN**.<sup>161</sup> Robert was born in Cortland County, likely in the Town of Preble, 3 May 1821,<sup>162</sup> and died in Willow Springs, Howell County, Missouri, between 16 March 1897 and 9 January 1898.<sup>163</sup> He was the son of Garret and Lana “Lany” (Van Buskirk) Van Hoesen.<sup>164</sup>

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<sup>160</sup> Electa E. Van Hoesen death record, 25 Mar. 1889, Rock Co., Minn., Register of Deaths, Kanaranzi Twp., A:36, line 3 (Family History Library [FHL] film 1,404,515, item 2). The birth date calculated from her age at death is 23 May 1823, but she could not have been born in May 1823 because her brother was born in Jan. 1823. It is likely that her reported age at death is incorrect and that she was actually born in 1824. If she was born in June 1824, her ages listed on most censuses make sense. Electa’s death record lists her birthplace as Conn., as do the 1850 and 1870 censuses. The 1880 census lists it as N.Y., and the 1855 New York state census specifies Cortland Co., consistent with her parents’ residence. Robert Van Hoesen household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Preble, Cortland Co., N.Y., p. 130 (penned), p. 317 (stamped, verso), dw. 918, fam. 1004 (National Archives and Records Administration microfilm publication [NARA] M432, roll 493). Robert Van Hoesen household, 1855 New York state census, Town of Preble, Cortland Co., unpaginated, dw. 170, fam. 188. Robert C. Van Hoesan [sic] household, 1870 U.S. census, Monroe Twp., Butler Co., Iowa, pp. 8–9 (penned), pp. 696–97 (stamped, verso and recto), dw. 56, fam. 62 (NARA M593, roll 379). William H. Halbert household, 1880 U.S. census, Village of Luverne, Rock Co., Minn., Enumeration District (ED) 235, p. 15 (penned), dw. 111, fam. 113 (NARA T9, roll 632). The family was not found in the 1860 census.

<sup>161</sup> Dorothy Van Hoesen Whitcomb, “The Van Hoesen Family 1640–1949,” MS, Cortland Co. Historical Society, Cortland, N.Y., 1949, p. 17 (“Record copies from Keturah Hollenbeck’s Bible, Owned by Miss Ella M. Van Hoesen of Cortland, New York”), which refers to the 10 Mar. 1841 marriage of Robert C. Van Hoesen and Electa Barras [sic]. Except for the Bible transcription, no record has been found to link Electa to anyone named Barras. It is possible she married first a man by that surname and that he died without leaving a trace. Emma Lou Stanislav, descendant of Robert C. Van Hoesen’s sister Rachel, knew Dorothy Van Hoesen Whitcomb personally and learned that the original Bible was destroyed in a fire at the home of Dorothy’s son in Washington, D.C., in the 1970s (interview by the author, 13 Aug. 2010). For Robert’s middle name, Robert Cravath Van Hoesen in the Albertus Lewis Van Hoesen household, 1895 Iowa state census, Clarksville, Butler Co., p. 6, dw./fam. 46 (FHL film 1,020,336).

<sup>162</sup> Whitcomb, “The Van Hoesen Family” (note 161), 16, for date of birth. For place of birth, Robert Van Hoesen household, 1855 New York state census (note 160). The likely location of Preble is based on the family’s residential history.

<sup>163</sup> Robert was presumably alive 16 Mar. 1897, when he was listed as one of Keturah Hollenbeck’s heirs, his residence stated as Willow Springs, Mo. (Petition for probate, 16 Mar. 1897, in Keturah Hollenbeck probate file, Cortland Co., N.Y., Surrogate’s Court file 6565 [FHL film 1,832,345, item 3]). Robert was dead by the time his son wrote a letter to the local newspaper mentioning his father’s place of burial (“A Letter from Bert VanHoesen,” *Clarksville [Iowa] Star*, 27 Jan. 1898, 8th page, col. 5).

<sup>164</sup> For parents, Petition for probate, 17 Oct. 1860, in the Garrett Van “Hosen” probate file, Cortland Co., N.Y., Surrogate’s Court file 8873 (FHL film 1,432,225, item 3), in which widow “Lany Van Hosen” and heir Robert Van “Hosen” of Ill., “whose residence is unknown,” were named. For mother’s maiden name, Whitcomb, “The Van Hoesen Family” (note 161), 16, and Katurah [sic] Hollenbeck death cert.,

Robert and Electa Van Hoesen appear to have resided in Cortland County continuously from the time of their marriage until 1855, except for a short time in 1847, when their son Albertus Louis Van Hoesen was born in Blair County, Pennsylvania.<sup>165</sup> In 1852 they bought a half acre in Lot 78, Preble, for \$200.<sup>166</sup> This land was located near the hamlet of Baltimore, just east of Preble village.<sup>167</sup> Robert was a shoemaker.<sup>168</sup>

Electa and Robert sold their half acre in 1855 for \$380, but loaned the buyer \$142.<sup>169</sup> With \$238 in hand, they moved to the Midwest, arriving in Huntley, McHenry County, Illinois, about 1858.<sup>170</sup> That year H. B. Brown and R. C. Van “Hoozen” opened the first shoe shop there,<sup>171</sup> and in 1863 and 1864 Electa and Robert Van Hoesen purchased property in Huntley.<sup>172</sup>

The Van Hoesens sold all their land in Huntley for \$1500 on 10 July 1868<sup>173</sup> and moved to Iowa. On 17 September 1868 Robert C. Van Hoesen purchased two lots in Aplington, Butler County, Iowa.<sup>174</sup> Electa and Robert sold those lots in August 1872 and the following month they purchased three acres in nearby Jackson Township, Butler County, near the town of Clarksville.<sup>175</sup> Electa purchased about eighty acres near Clarksville in January 1876.<sup>176</sup> Robert briefly took up farming,<sup>177</sup> but he remained a shoemaker and

Cortland, N.Y., 1897, no. 1658, transcript from the City Clerk, Cortland; the original death certificate at the Dept. of Health in Albany has not been examined. Keturah Hollenbeck was Robert C. Van Hoesen’s sister (named on petition for probate).

<sup>165</sup> Albertus’s birthplace from “Company Descriptive Book” card in Albertus L. Van Hosen (Pvt., Co. I, 8th Ill. Cav.) Compiled Military Service Record, Carded Records, Volunteer Organizations, Civil War, Record Group (RG) 94: Records of the Adjutant General’s Office, 1780s–1917, National Archives, Washington, D.C. Birth date from Declaration for Pension, 9 July 1909, in Albertus L. Van Hoesen (Pvt./Saddler, Co. I, 8th Ill. Inf., Civil War), invalid pension app. no. 500,114, cert. no. 300,991, Case Files of Approved Pension Applications . . . , 1861–1934, Civil War and Later Pension Files, RG 15: Department of Veterans Affairs, NA-Washington. The short time away from Cortland Co. is also evidenced by their response to the number of years in that location (Town of Preble, Cortland Co.) as eight years in Robert Van Hoesen household, 1855 New York state census (note 160), although that census lists Albertus’s birthplace as Cortland Co.

<sup>166</sup> Franklin and Sarah Crofoot to Robert C. Vanhoesen, dated 1 Apr. 1852, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 19:300 (FHL film 843,723).

<sup>167</sup> *Map of Cortland County, New York* (Cortland: Eneas Smith, 1855), digital image, *Library of Congress* (<http://www.loc.gov/item/2013586108>).

<sup>168</sup> Robert Van Hoesen household, 1850 U.S. census (note 160). Robert Van Hoesen household, 1855 New York state census (note 160). Robert C. Van Hoesen household, 1870 U.S. census (note 160). Robert C. Van Hoesen in the William H. Halbert household, 1880 U.S. census (note 160).

<sup>169</sup> Robert C. and Electa Van Hoesen to Elizabeth A. Out, dated 25 May 1855, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 25:307–8 (FHL film 843,726). Jeremiah Out and Elizabeth A. Out to Robert C. Van Hoesen, dated 25 May 1855, Cortland Co., N.Y., Mortgages U:482–83, County Clerk’s office, Cortland.

<sup>170</sup> Pension claim affidavit, 19 Dec. 1883, in Albertus L. Van Hoesen Civil War pension, cert. no. 300,991 (note 165), which states he had resided in Huntley for five years prior to his 1863 enlistment.

<sup>171</sup> *History of McHenry County, Illinois* . . . (Chicago: Inter-State Publishing, 1885), 641.

<sup>172</sup> Isabella Mullins to Electa Van Hoesen, dated 26 Mar. 1863, McHenry Co., Ill., Deed Book 30:146. Isabella Mullins to Robert C. Van Hoesen, dated 26 Mar. 1863, McHenry Co., Ill., Deed Book 30:145. Thomas A. and Eliza Huntley to Robert C. Van Hoesen, dated 5 Apr. 1864, McHenry Co., Ill., Deed Book 31:230. Isabella Mullins to Robert C. Van Hosen [*sic*], dated 9 Aug. 1864, McHenry Co., Ill., Deed Book 31:491. All accessed in Recorder’s Office, Woodstock.

<sup>173</sup> Robert C. and Electa Van Hoesen to Phebe Smith, McHenry Co., Ill., Deed Book 44:338, Recorder’s Office, Woodstock.

<sup>174</sup> Edwin and Sophia Royce to Robert C. Van Hoesen, Butler Co., Iowa, Deed Record, Lots D:9. Dubuque and Sioux City Railroad Company to Robert C. Vanhoesen, Deed Record, Lots D:6. Both accessed in Recorder’s Office, Allison. Butler Co. land records are separated into different sets of books for town lots and for land outside the towns.

<sup>175</sup> Robert C. and Electa Van Hoesen to John E. Owens, dated 12 Aug. 1872, Butler Co., Iowa, Deed Record, Lots E:352–53. Daniel N. and Mary P. Pope to R. C. Vanhoesen, dated 20 Sept. 1872, Butler Co., Iowa, Deed Record, Lands U:263–64. Both accessed in Recorder’s Office, Allison.

<sup>176</sup> L. D. and Mary J. Harvey to Electa Van Hoesen, dated 10 Jan. 1876, Butler Co., Iowa, Deed Record, Lands 27:163, Recorder’s Office, Allison.



went into business “in the manufacture of boots and shoes” with Dan Fitzgerald by August 1877.<sup>178</sup>

By February 1879 Robert and Electa had moved to Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota, where they lived with their daughter Ellen and Ellen’s husband, William H. H. Halbert.<sup>179</sup> Robert continued in the shoemaker trade, this time with his son-in-law William.<sup>180</sup> In 1880 Robert filed for entry on 160 acres for a homestead in Elmer Township, Pipestone County, Minnesota, adjoining the property on which his son Byron Wells Van Hoesen had filed.<sup>181</sup>

In late September or early October 1887, after selling their homesteaded property, Robert and Electa Van Hoesen moved to Kanaranzi Township, Rock County, Minnesota.<sup>182</sup> Electa died there in 1889 from acute pleurisy.<sup>183</sup> By December 1893 Robert moved to Clarksville, Iowa, to live with his son Albertus.<sup>184</sup> Robert bought a Clarksville town lot from Albertus in November 1895,<sup>185</sup> and sold it just a few months later.<sup>186</sup> On 28 May 1896 *Clarksville Star* reported that R. C. Van Hoesen had “gone to Willow Springs, Mo., to reside with his son W. B.”<sup>187</sup>

Robert died before 9 January 1898, when his son Albertus wrote a letter to the editor of *Clarksville Star* talking about life in Willow Springs. “I like the country first rate,” he wrote. “All that I have got is here and my wife and father lie in the Willow Springs cemetery. I have room for one more—myself.”<sup>188</sup>

Children of Robert Cravath and Electa E.<sup>4</sup> (Wells) Van Hoesen:<sup>189</sup>

- i. ELLEN FRANCES<sup>5</sup> VAN HOESEN, born in Cortland County, probably in the Town of Preble, about February 1845 (calculated); died in Luverne, Minnesota, 8 June

<sup>177</sup> “Good Wheat,” *Clarksville Star*, 5 July 1877, 5th page, col. 2. Robert sent a sample of wheat he had grown to the newspaper editor to demonstrate its quality.

<sup>178</sup> “New Firm,” *Clarksville Star*, 2 Aug. 1877, 5th page, col. 2. In Oct. Fitzgerald was no longer a partner, but an employee (“Change of Firm,” *Clarksville Star*, 11 Oct. 1877, 5th page, col. 2). By Apr. of the following year Robert had sold his shoemaking business (“Local Brevities,” *Clarksville Star*, 18 Apr. 1878, 5th page, col. 1).

<sup>179</sup> Robert and Electa were in Luverne, Rock Co., 12 Feb. 1879, when they acknowledged their signatures in Electa and R. C. Van Hoesen to Wells B. Van Hoesen, Butler Co., Iowa, Deed Record, Lands 30:550–51, Recorder’s Office, Allison. William H. Halbert household, 1880 U.S. census (note 160).

<sup>180</sup> Halbert and Van Hoesen advertisement, *Rock County [Minn.] Herald*, 28 Mar. 1879, p. 4, col. 4.

<sup>181</sup> Affidavit to enter land, 12 July 1880, in Robert C. Van Hoesen (Pipestone Co.) homestead file bearing final certificate no. 7217, 24 Dec. 1886, and Application to enter land, 3 May 1879, in Byron W. Van Hoesen (Pipestone Co.) homestead file bearing final certificate no. 6859, 18 Aug. 1884, Worthington, Minn., Land Office, Land Entry Papers, 1800–1908, RG 49: Records of the Bureau of Land Management, NA–Washington. Robert’s property was the southwest quarter of section 26, township 105 north, range 45 west, of the fifth principal meridian. Byron’s property was located in the southeast quarter of the same section, township, and range.

<sup>182</sup> R. C. and Electa Van Hoesen to Wendell [*sic*] Bartholomew, dated 12 Sept. 1887, Pipestone Co., Minn., Deeds I:260, Recorder’s Office, Pipestone. Wendall Bartholomew item, *Edgerton Enterprise* [Pipestone Co., Minn.], 17 Sept. 1887, 1st page, col. 4, which notes Bartholomew’s purchase and that the Van Hoesens would be moving to Kanaranzi.

<sup>183</sup> Electa E. Van Hoesen death record (note 160).

<sup>184</sup> “Kanaranzi Items,” *Rock County Herald*, 8 Dec. 1893, 3rd page, col. 3. R. C. Van Hosen item, *Rock County Herald*, 15 Dec. 1893, 5th page, col. 3, which notes that Robert returned to his home in Clarksville after visiting his son B. W. Van Hoesen. Robert Cravath Van Hoesen in the Albertus Lewis Van Hoesen household, 1895 Iowa state census (note 161).

<sup>185</sup> A. L. and Carrie A. Van Hoesen to R. C. Van Hoesen, dated 7 Nov. 1895, Butler Co., Iowa, Deed Record, Lots R:59, Recorder’s Office, Allison.

<sup>186</sup> R. C. Van Hoesen to G. H. Betts, dated 30 Apr. 1896, Butler Co., Iowa, Deed Record, Lots R:169, Recorder’s Office, Allison.

<sup>187</sup> R. C. Van Hoesen item, *Clarksville Star*, 28 May 1896, 8th page, col. 4.

<sup>188</sup> “A Letter from Bert VanHoesen” (note 163).

<sup>189</sup> Robert Van Hoesen household, 1855 New York state census (note 160).

- 1880, aged 35 years, 4 months;<sup>190</sup> married in McHenry County, Illinois, 2 April 1866 WILLIAM HENRY H. HALBERT,<sup>191</sup> born in Erie County, Pennsylvania, about 30 August 1840 (calculated) or 1841 (marker), died in Luverne 17 October 1890, aged 50 years, 1 month, 17 days, the son of James and Sally ([?–?]) Halbert.<sup>192</sup>
- ii. ALBERTUS LOUIS<sup>5</sup> VAN HOESEN, born in Blair County, Pennsylvania, 9 July 1846 or 1847;<sup>193</sup> died in El Reno, Canadian County, Oklahoma, 9 November 1910;<sup>194</sup> married first in Clarksville, Iowa, 5 June 1878 CARRIE ANNIE BURTON,<sup>195</sup> born in Butler County, Iowa, 18 November 1861, died in Willow Springs, Missouri, 17 September 1897, the daughter of Hugh Finley Lucky and Margaret E. (Edwards) Burton;<sup>196</sup> married second in Willow Springs 15 February 1899, as her second husband, widow ANNIE M. (GREEN) PINNEY, born in Covington, Miami County, Ohio, 12 May 1857.<sup>197</sup> Albertus and Annie were divorced in 1906.<sup>198</sup>

<sup>190</sup> Ellen F. Halbert death record, Rock Co., Minn., Deaths, A:18, no. 669 (FHL film 1,404,515), which lists her age at death in terms of years and months, leaving days blank. Place of birth in Robert Van Hoesen household, 1855 New York state census (note 160). The specific location of Preble is from the family's residential history. In almost all records found, her name appears as Ellen F., but it is Frances in the Robert Van Hoesen household, 1850 U.S. census (note 160). It is also Frances in the William Halbert household, 1870 U.S. census, Pleasant Valley Twp., Grundy Co., Iowa, p. 2 (penned), dw. 14, fam. 16 (NARA M593, roll 393).

<sup>191</sup> William H. H. Halbert–Ellen F. Van Hoesen marriage record, McHenry Co., Ill., Marriages, A:82, no. 3266 (FHL film 1,420,738). William's middle name, Henry, from J. B. Johnson (on behalf of Halbert's mother) to General McClellan, letter, 28 July 1862, requesting Halbert's discharge, in William H. H. Halbert (Corp., Co. I, 8th Ill. Cav.) Compiled Military Service Record, Carded Records, Volunteer Organizations, Civil War, Records of the Adjutant General's Office, 1780s–1917, RG 94, NA–Washington.

<sup>192</sup> William's birth place on card transcribed from muster-in roll in William H. H. Halbert, Compiled Military Service Record (note 191). Wm. H. Halbert death record, Rock Co., Minn., Deaths, A:40, no. 4 (FHL film 1,404,515), which lists his parents' names and his age at death. The death record lists his mother as Ella M., but the 1860 and 1880 censuses clearly show her name as Sally (Sally Halbert household, 1860 U.S. census, Grafton, McHenry Co., Ill., p. 93 [penned], dw. 675, fam. 678 [NARA M653, roll 202]; William H. Halbert household, 1880 U.S. census [note 160]). William H. H. Halbert marker, Maplewood Cemetery, Luverne, Rock Co., Minn., personally read, Aug. 2010, which lists 1841 for birth year (no month or day specified). Age at enlistment in William H. H. Halbert, Compiled Military Service Record (note 191) and various ages given in surgeon's examinations and affidavits in his pension file (William H. H. Halbert [Corp., Co. I, 8th Ill. Cav., Civil War] pension, app. no. 83,836, cert. no. 55,155, Case Files of Approved Pension Applications . . . , 1861–1934, Civil War and Later Pension Files, RG 15, NA–Washington) calculate to conflicting years of 1840 and 1841. Stated ages for Wm. H. Halbert in the James Halbert household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Grafton, McHenry Co., Ill., p. 377 (stamped), dw. 2, fam. 2 (NARA M432, roll 120) [age 10], and for Henry Halbert in the Sally Halbert household, 1860 U.S. census [age 20], calculate to birth years of about 1839–1840. “Death of W. H. Halbert” *Rock County* [Minn.], *Weekly Herald*, 24 Oct. 1890, 3rd page, col. 7. A. O. Hawes affidavit, 1 Dec. 1890, in W. H. Halbert probate file, Rock Co., Minn., Probate Court file 127 (1890) (FHL film 1,404,503).

<sup>193</sup> Birth date from Declaration for Pension, 9 July 1909, in Albertus L. Van Hoesen Civil War pension file, cert. no. 300,991 (note 165), which shows he was born 9 July 1847. “Company Descriptive Book” card in Albertus L. Van Hoesen Compiled Military Service Record (note 165), which shows he was age 17 in Jan. 1864 (therefore born 1846), and born in Blair Co., Penn. Middle name from Albertus Lewis Van Hoesen household, 1895 Iowa state census (note 161). His middle name is spelled “Lewis” in this census, but his son's name of Louis Burton Van Hoesen suggests the more likely spelling.

<sup>194</sup> A. L. Van Hoesen death notice, “Died,” *El Reno* [Okla.] *Democrat*, 10 Nov. 1910, p. 8, col. 2.

<sup>195</sup> A. L. Van Hoesen–C. A. Burton marriage record, Butler Co., Iowa, Marriages 2:253 (FHL film 1,035,397). They married at H. F. L. Burton's residence. Carrie's middle name from Albertus Lewis Van Hoesen household, 1895 Iowa state census (note 161).

<sup>196</sup> For her birthplace, Albert Lewis Van Hoesen household, 1895 Iowa census (note 161). Carrie A. Van Hoesen marker, Willow Springs Cemetery, Howell Co., Mo., personally read, 2005. Carrie's marker is not listed in the cemetery records. It is next to a road that runs by the gazebo at the center of the cemetery. Carrie's son-in-law asserted that Carrie's mother, Margaret E. Burton, paid for the expenses of the last illness and burial of her daughter (Affidavit of E. W. Virden, 3 May 1898, on behalf of Margaret E. Burton, applicant for widow's pension, app. no. 655,358, cert. no. 503,138, on service of Hugh F. L. Burton [Capt., Co. E, 44th Iowa Inf., Civil War], Case Files of Approved Pension Applications . . . , 1861–1934, Civil War and Later Pension Files, RG 15, NA–Washington). If this is the case, the date of birth on the marker is first-hand information. For the place of death, family questionnaire dated 28 Oct. 1899, in Albertus L. Van Hoesen Civil War pension file, cert. no. 300,991 (note 165), in which Albertus stated that his first wife died in Willow Springs.

<sup>197</sup> A. L. Van Hoesen–Annie Green Pinney marriage record, Howell Co., Mo., Marriages 6:239 (FHL film 931,693). Declaration for Widow's Pension, 3 Jan. 1917, in Annie Green Van Hoesen, widow's pension app. no. 1,090,750 (abandoned), with Albertus L. Van Hoesen Civil War pension file, cert. no. 300,991 (note 165).

- iii. CHLOE<sup>5</sup> VAN HOESEN, born in the Town of Preble 4 November 1848;<sup>199</sup> died 17 July 1876, probably in Clarksville;<sup>200</sup> married at the Van Hoesen residence in Clarksville 6 June 1875 ROBERT J. NEAL,<sup>201</sup> born in Pennsylvania about 1847–1849,<sup>202</sup> died in Jackson Township, Iowa, 8 December 1886,<sup>203</sup> the son of William Neal.<sup>204</sup>
- iv. BYRON WELLS<sup>5</sup> VAN HOESEN, born in Cortland County, probably in the Town of Preble, 7 August 1851;<sup>205</sup> died in Colton, San Bernardino County, California, 29 November 1927;<sup>206</sup> married at the Van Hoesen residence in Clarksville 6 June 1875 FRANCES MARION ERTL,<sup>207</sup> born in Crawford County, Wisconsin, about 18 August 1860,<sup>208</sup> died in Willow Springs, Missouri, 10 February 1903,<sup>209</sup> the daughter of Daniel and Tryphena (Christ) Ertle.<sup>210</sup>

7. **EZRA<sup>4</sup> WELLS** (Chloe<sup>3</sup> Foster, Ezekiel<sup>2-1</sup>) was born in the Town of Preble, Cortland County, about August 1829 and died there 28 April 1914, reportedly aged 84 years, 6 months, 23 days. He married about 1852–1853, probably in

<sup>198</sup> Annie G. Van Hoesen v. Albertus L. Van Hoesen divorce file, petition dated 12 Oct. 1906, decree dated 20 Nov. 1906, Canadian Co., Okla., District Court File 3125, Box Divorce 4, Edna May Arnold Archives, El Reno Carnegie Library, El Reno.

<sup>199</sup> Chloe Ann Van Hoesen birth record, Town of Preble, N.Y., Return of Town Clerk Births, 4 Nov. 1848, Town of Preble Collection, 1805–1955, Cortland Co. Historical Society, Cortland.

<sup>200</sup> Chloe M. Neal marker, Old Town Cemetery, Clarksville, Butler Co., Iowa, personally read, Aug. 2013. The newspaper notice states she died on Tues. morning, which was the 18th (Mrs. Robert Neal death notice, “Died,” *Clarksville Star*, 20 July 1876, 5th page, col. 1). According to the marker, Chloe was aged 26 years, 8 months, and 13 days. The days and months calculate to the 4 Nov. birth date, but 26 years results in a birth year of 1849.

<sup>201</sup> Robert J. Neal–Chloe M. Van Hoesen marriage record, Butler Co., Iowa, Marriages 2:104 (FHL film 1,035,397). Although her birth record states that Chloe’s middle name was Ann, the middle initial used in her marriage record and on her marker (note 200) was “M.”

<sup>202</sup> Robert Neal in the William Neal household, 1870 U.S. census, Jackson Twp., Butler Co., Iowa, p. 11 (penned), p. 678 (stamped), dw. 71, fam. 75 (NARA M593, roll 379), in which he was listed as age 21. Robert Neal in the William Neal household, 1880 U.S. census, Jackson Twp., Butler Co., Iowa, ED 105, p. 13, dw. 115, fam. 117 (NARA T9, roll 330), in which he was listed as age 32.

<sup>203</sup> Robert Neal death notice, *Clarksville Star*, 9 Dec. 1886, p. 5, col. 3.

<sup>204</sup> Robert Neal in the William Neal household, 1880 U.S. census (note 202).

<sup>205</sup> Byron Wells Van Hoesen death cert., Calif., 1927, no. 27-056366, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Sacramento. New York county of birth from Robert Van Hoesen household, 1855 New York state census (note 160). The specific location of Preble is based on the family’s residential history. Documents contain variations of “Byron W.,” “W. B.,” “B. W.,” and often just “Wells.” But invariably when he was referred to by name in more casual contexts, he was always referred to as “Wells.”

<sup>206</sup> Byron Wells Van Hoesen death cert. (note 205). “Second Suicide of Past 3 Days Occurs in City,” *San Bernardino [Calif.] Evening Telegram*, 29 Nov. 1927, p. 7, col. 1.

<sup>207</sup> W. B. Van Hoesen–Frances M. Ertle marriage record, Butler Co., Iowa, Marriages 2:104 (FHL film 1,035,397). They married the same day as Byron’s sister Chloe, with congratulations carried in the local newspaper (“Married,” *Clarksville Star*, 10 June 1875, 5th page, col. 5).

<sup>208</sup> Frances M. Van Hoesen v. A. F. Tichenor, Butler Co., Iowa, District Court case file 562, District Court office, Allison. The petition, dated Apr. 1876, lists Frances’s birthplace and shows the year as 1859, but Frances’s 12 Apr. 1876 amendment to the petition states she was born about 18 Aug. 1860. Documents in her mother’s Civil War pension application give 1859 and 1860 as Frances’s year of birth (Tryphena A. Baily widow’s claim, app. no. 123,430, cert. no. 74,807, service of Daniel Ertle [Pvt., Co. H., 36th Wis. Inf., Civil War], *Case Files of Approved Pension Applications of Widows and Other Dependents of Civil War Veterans, ca. 1861–ca. 1910*, digital image, *Fold3* [https://www.fold3.com/image/272938502], esp. pp. 2, 3, 13, 15, 270, 271]). The year 1860 seems more likely since she is not in her father’s census household that year (Daniel and Triphena Ertle household, 1860 U.S. census, Lynxville, Crawford Co., Wis., p. 109 [penned], dw. 890, fam. 850 [NARA M653, roll 1402]). She is shown as only 9 years old in 1870 (“Francis Estle” in the Alphonzo Tichner household, 1870 U.S. census, Pittsford Twp., Butler Co., Iowa, p. 8 [penned], dw. 58, fam. 61 [NARA M593, roll 379]).

<sup>209</sup> Mrs. B. W. Van Hoesen death notice, “Died,” *Willow Springs [Mo.] Index*, 12 Feb. 1903, p. 5, col. 1.

<sup>210</sup> Frances M. Van Hoesen v. A. F. Tichenor (note 208). The original petition identifies her father as Daniel Ertle and states that her widowed mother remarried Eli Bailey. Tryphena A. Bailey Civil War widow’s pension, cert. 74,087 (note 208), esp. p. 128 (questionnaire dated 4 July 1898 listing Tryphena’s maiden name, Christ).

the Town of Preble, **ELIZABETH JANE WHITEMORE CUMMINGS**.<sup>211</sup> Elizabeth Jane was born in November 1831, probably in the Town of Preble, and died there 23 April 1909, aged 77 years, 5 months.<sup>212</sup> She was the daughter of Silas and Jane (Duncan) Cummings.<sup>213</sup>

Ezra moved with his family from Preble to the Town of Truxton, Cortland County, in 1849, when his father bought one hundred acres in Lot 61 in Truxton. Ezra's oldest daughter, Emily, was born about August 1854, probably in Truxton, as Ezra, Elizabeth, and Emily were living there with Ezra's parents in 1855.<sup>214</sup> Sometime between June 1855 and the 1860 census, Ezra, Elizabeth, and Emily moved to Jacksonville, Chickasaw County, Iowa.<sup>215</sup> However, the Ezra Wells family returned to New York, settling in the Town of Tully, Onondaga County, New York, sometime between mid-1865 and the 6 March 1867 birth of their second daughter, Jennie Dane Wells.<sup>216</sup> Ezra Wells was "of Tully, Onondaga County," when he purchased just over ninety-nine acres in Lot 69 of Preble on 1 April 1867.<sup>217</sup> He grew oats, wheat, and potatoes, and kept cattle, milk cows, and other livestock. Ten of his acres were woodland.<sup>218</sup> In May 1880 Elizabeth and Ezra Wells conveyed thirty acres to Henry Shell.<sup>219</sup>

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<sup>211</sup> Ezra Wells death cert., New York, 1914, no. 20,806, Dept. of Health, Albany. Ezra Wells household, 1900 U.S. census, Town of Preble, Cortland Co., N.Y., Preble, ED 102, sh. 3A, dw. 59, fam. 60 (NARA T623, roll 1020), which lists Aug. 1829 for his birth and that he had been married 47 years. Greater credence is given to the explicit statement of month of birth than calculation (which would be about 4 Oct. 1829). Elizabeth Wells death cert., New York, 1909, no. 18,036, Dept. of Health, Albany. The likely place of marriage is based on the residence of the bride's family.

<sup>212</sup> Ezra Wells household, 1900 U.S. census (note 211). Elizabeth Wells death cert. (note 211). Because Elizabeth's mother, Jane, was dead, George Duncan presented his granddaughter, "daughter of Silas Cummings," for baptism (Elizabeth Jane Whitmore Cummings entry, 22 July 1832, First Presbyterian Church, Preble, N.Y., record book 1, p. 138, Baptisms, Study Center for Early Religious Life in Western New York collection, microfilm accession no. 6256, Kroch Library, Cornell University, Ithaca).

<sup>213</sup> Elizabeth Wells death cert. (note 211). Silas Cummings–Jane Duncan entry, 26 Jan. 1830, First Presbyterian Church, Preble, N.Y., record book 1, p. 152, Marriages (note 212).

<sup>214</sup> Sheffield L. and Maryette L. James to John Wells, dated 1 Mar. 1849, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 14:394 (FHL film 843,720). That Ezra moved there at the same time is validated by his six years of residence there in the 1855 New York state census (Ezra Wells household, 1855 New York state census, Town of Truxton, 2nd Elect. Dist., Cortland Co., unpaginated, dw. 182, fam. 200). Emily's age is listed as 10 months and the length of time that Elizabeth has been living in that town is listed as one year.

<sup>215</sup> Ezra Wells household, 1860 U.S. census, Jacksonville, Chickasaw Co., Iowa, p. 92 (penned), dw. 791, fam. 687 (NARA M653, roll 313). Ezra's age is slightly off (reported as age 29), but the family structure matches. That this is the correct family is supported by the Samuel Cummings household enumerated just after the Wellses. Elizabeth had a brother named Samuel E. Cummings (William Richard Cutter, compiler, *Genealogical and Family History of Western New York . . .*, vol. 3 [New York: Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1912], 1169), whose age correlates to that given for Samuel Cummings in the Silas Cummings household, 1850 U.S. census, Town of Preble, Cortland Co., N.Y., p. 324 (stamped), dw. 1015, fam. 1111 (NARA M432, roll 493). Neither Samuel nor his alleged son Silas are named in Silas Cummings's probate file (Cortland Co., N.Y., Surrogate's Court probate file 7927 [FHL film 1,831,843, item 2]).

<sup>216</sup> The Ezra Wells family was not found by browsing every page of the towns of Tully, Preble, and Truxton in the 1865 New York state census enumeration. Jennie's middle name from her signature as a witness in Ann E. Cately will, dated 23 May 1891, in Ann E. Cately probate file, Cortland Co., N.Y., Surrogate's Court file 6888 (FHL film 1,832,270). Her parents, birth date, and birthplace of Tully from "Mrs. Jennie D. Wilcox," *The Springfield [Mass.] Sunday Union and Republican*, 3 Mar. 1946, p. 17A, cols. 3-4. The year 1876 mentioned in the obituary is an error. The age at death calculates to the expected 1867.

<sup>217</sup> Aaron and Mary C. Schell to Ezra Wells, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 49:245-46 (FHL film 843,739).

<sup>218</sup> Ezra Wells entry, 1880 U.S. census, agricultural schedule, Town of Preble, Cortland Co., N.Y., ED 131, p. 1, line 9, digital image, *Ancestry* (<https://www.ancestry.com>), from New York State Archives Collection A40, roll 40.

<sup>219</sup> Ezra and Elizabeth J. Wells to Henry Shell, dated 22 May 1880, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 67:163 (FHL film 843,748).

Children of Ezra<sup>4</sup> and Elizabeth Jane Whitmore (Cummings) Wells:<sup>220</sup>

- i. EMILY<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born probably in the Town of Truxton about August 1854; died probably between June 1860 and June 1870.<sup>221</sup>
- ii. JENNIE DANE<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born in the Town of Tully 6 March 1867; died in Wesson Memorial Hospital, Springfield, Hampden County, Massachusetts, 1 March 1946;<sup>222</sup> married at the home of her sister in Springfield 12 November 1921 OSCAR M. WILCOX,<sup>223</sup> a widower who was born in the Town of Lebanon, Madison County, New York, 5 June 1852, died in Lebanon 9 December 1922, aged 70 years, 6 months, 4 days, the son of Harry and Annie (Holmes) Wilcox.<sup>224</sup> Jennie worked as a schoolteacher in Wisconsin and New York. At the time of her death she had been living in Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts for three years.<sup>225</sup>
- iii. CELONA CUMMINGS<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born in the Town of Preble 13 July 1871; died at her home in Wilbraham, Massachusetts, 7 February 1957 and was buried there in Woodland Dell Cemetery; married in the Town of Preble 26 August 1896 HERBERT E. NIMS,<sup>226</sup> born in Shelburne, Franklin County, Massachusetts, 18 September 1872, died in Wilbraham 23 July 1966, the son of Charles and Lucy (Hardy) Nims.<sup>227</sup> Celona was a member of Wilbraham United Church and Wilbraham Women's Club. She "was one of the oldest members of the Fort-nightly Club of Springfield."<sup>228</sup>

**8. JOHN<sup>4</sup> WELLS [JR.]** (Chloe<sup>3</sup> Foster, Ezekiel<sup>2-1</sup>) was born in the Town of Preble, Cortland County, about 14 November 1831 (calculated).<sup>229</sup> He died aged 77 years, 5 months, 5 days, at his daughter Minnie's home in the Town

<sup>220</sup> According to the 1900 census, Elizabeth was the mother of three children, two of whom were living (note 21). The thirteen-year gap between the births of Emily and Jennie suggests there may have been additional children. No evidence was found of Ezra's having served during the Civil War.

<sup>221</sup> Ezra Wells household, 1855 New York state census (note 214), where Emily is listed as age 10 months, living in Truxton all her life. She was enumerated with the family in Ezra Wells's 1860 census (note 215), but was not with the family in 1870 (Ezra Wells household, 1870 U.S. census, Town of Preble, Cortland Co., N.Y., p. 6 [penned], dw./fam. 44 [NARA M593, roll 922]).

<sup>222</sup> "Mrs. Jennie D. Wilcox" (note 216).

<sup>223</sup> "Marriage Intentions," *The Springfield [Mass.] Daily Republican*, 9 Nov. 1921, p. 4, col. 8. "Wells-Wilcox," *The Springfield Daily Republican*, 15 Nov. 1921, p. 7, cols. 3-4. Wilcox was identified as a retired businessman from Lebanon, N.Y. According to the marriage announcement, the couple planned to move to Lebanon after the first of the new year. The Massachusetts marriage record has not been examined.

<sup>224</sup> Oscar M. Wilcox death cert., New York, 1922, no. 71,095, Dept. of Health, Albany. Oscar M. Wilcox household, 1920 U.S. census, Town of Lebanon, Madison Co., N.Y., ED 113, sh. 2B, dw./fam. 45 (NARA T625, roll 1119).

<sup>225</sup> "Mrs. Jennie D. Wilcox" (note 216). Jennie was not found in the 1925 New York state census. She was living with her sister in 1930 (Jennie W. Wilcox in the Herbert E. Nims household, 1930 U.S. census, Springfield, Hampden Co., Mass., ED 7-55, sh. 3A, dw. 48, fam. 57 [NARA T626, roll 910]).

<sup>226</sup> Herbert E. Nims-Celona C. Wells marriage cert., New York, 1896, no. 15,642, Dept. of Health, Albany, which lists ages, places of birth, and parents' names. "Mrs. Herbert E. Nims," *The Springfield [Mass.] Union*, 9 Feb. 1957, p. 8, col. 3, which lists date of birth (and reports the place of birth as Tully, contradicting the marriage cert.). For middle name, Celona Cummings Nims marker, Woodland Dell Cemetery, Wilbraham, Mass., memorial no. 3,796,300, digital image, *Find A Grave* (<https://www.findagrave.com>).

<sup>227</sup> Herbert E. Nims-Celona C. Wells marriage cert. (note 226). Herbert Nims birth record, Mass. Vital Records 241:370, no. 20. "H. E. Nims 92 Today; Veteran Chemist," *The Springfield Union*, 18 Sept. 1964, p. 41, col. 4. "First Chemist at Fiberloid is Dead at 93," *The Springfield Union*, 24 July 1966, p. 30A, col. 6.

<sup>228</sup> "Mrs. Herbert E. Nims" (note 226). Fort-nightly clubs were women's organizations that met every two weeks for intellectual study and discussion (Margot Adler, "Women's Clubs Evolve for New Generation," *NPR News*, 13 Apr. 2008 [<https://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=89598533>]).

<sup>229</sup> John Wells death cert., New York, 1909, no. 17,503, Dept. of Health, Albany. John Wells household, 1900 U.S. census, Town of Truxton, Cortland Co., N.Y., ED 105, sh. 5B, dw. 101, fam. 102 (NARA T623, roll 1020), which shows he was a farmer, born Nov. 1831. John A. Wells marker, Tully Cemetery, Tully, Onondaga Co., N.Y., personally read and photographed, June 2009, which lists his year of birth as 1831. County of birth in John Wells household, 1855 New York state census, Town of Truxton, Elect. Dist. 2, Cortland Co., unpaginated, dw. 182, fam. 199.

of Truxton, Cortland County, 19 April 1909 after shooting himself with a shotgun. He had been suffering from heart problems for some time.<sup>230</sup> John Wells married about 1859–1860 **FRANCELIA A. CARD**, who was born in the Town of Truxton about 28 February 1839 (calculated) and died there 19 June 1904, aged 65 years, 3 months, 21 days. She was the daughter of John and Minerva (Mason) Card.<sup>231</sup> John and Francelia (Card) Wells were buried in Tully Cemetery.<sup>232</sup>

John purchased one hundred acres in Lot 61 in Truxton in 1856 from his parents for \$2,500. He granted them a mortgage on the property in exchange for \$2,000, subject to the condition that he provide his parents with support and maintenance and assume specific notes and debts.<sup>233</sup> John used the hundred acres as pasture and to grow oats and potatoes. He harvested apples, made maple syrup, and produced butter.<sup>234</sup> In March 1908 he sold his property to his daughter Minnie, who was at that time a resident of Osseo, Trempealeau County, Wisconsin.<sup>235</sup> John moved “west” shortly after the transaction, but returned to Truxton by November 1908.<sup>236</sup>

Children of John<sup>4</sup> Wells and Francelia A. (Card) Wells:<sup>237</sup>

- i. **NELLIE LAVERNE<sup>5</sup> WELLS**, born in the Town of Truxton 6 January 1860;<sup>238</sup> died in the Town of Preble 16 April 1936 and was buried in Tully Cemetery;<sup>239</sup> married in Eau Claire County, Wisconsin, 14 February 1890, as his second wife, **WILLIAM ALEXANDER ROUSE**, born in Maiden Rock, Pierce County, Wisconsin, 21 March 1857, died in Denver, Colorado, 19 January 1953, the son of Edward L.

<sup>230</sup> John Wells death cert. (note 229). “Suicide in Truxton,” *Cortland Standard*, 19 Apr. 1909, p. 2, col. 3.

<sup>231</sup> John apparently was single in 1855 (John Wells household, 1855 New York state census [note 229]), and married with a child by the 1860 census (John Wills [sic] Jr. household, 1860 U.S. census, Town of Truxton, Cortland Co., N.Y., pp. 22–23 [penned], pp. 534–35 [stamped], dw. 157, fam. 164 [NARA M653, roll 739]). He was listed as a farmer in both 1855 and 1860. John Wells household, 1900 U.S. census (note 229), which indicates they had been married forty years. Francelia A. Wells death cert., New York, 1904, no. 27,970, Dept. of Health, Albany, which lists her place of birth and parents’ names. Francelia’s county of birth is from New York state censuses (John Card household, 1855 New York state census, Town of Truxton, Elect. Dist. 2, Cortland Co., unpaginated, dw. 184, fam. 203; John Wells Jr. household, 1865 New York state census, Town of Truxton, Cortland Co., p. 27, dw. 190, fam. 210).

<sup>232</sup> John and Francelia A. Wells markers, Tully Cemetery, Tully, Onondaga Co., N.Y., personally read and photographed, June 2009.

<sup>233</sup> John and Chloe Wells to John Wells Jr., dated 7 Jan. 1856, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 27:494 (FHL film 843,727).

<sup>234</sup> John Wells entry, 1865 New York state census, Town of Truxton, Cortland Co., pp. 59–62, line 18, sched. VIII, Agricultural Statistics.

<sup>235</sup> John Wells to Minnie C. Coon, dated 16 Mar. 1908, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 112:350, digital image, *Cortland County Clerk* (<https://www.searchiqs.com/NYCOR/Login.aspx>). That Minnie was his daughter is found in William Sutliff Coon–Minnie Chloe Wells marriage record, Wis. pre-1907 marriage records, Juneau Co., 2:173, no. 1931 (FHL film 1,276,049).

<sup>236</sup> “Suicide in Truxton,” *The Cortland* [N.Y.] *Democrat*, 23 Apr. 1909, p. 1, col. 6.

<sup>237</sup> Minnie C. Coon of Tully; Eugene F. Wells and Minnie E. Wells, his wife, of Tully; Nellie L. Rouse of Noonan, N. Dak.; and Arthur J. C. Wells and Anne E. Wells, his wife, of Porvenir, N. Mex., heirs of John Wells of Tully, to William S. Coon and Eugene F. Wells, dated 28 Apr. 1909, Cortland Co., N.Y., Deeds 115:450–51, digital image, *Cortland County Clerk* (note 235). Gaps between the births of Eugene and Minnie and between Minnie and Arthur suggest there may have been additional children, but the 1900 census indicates that Francelia was the mother of four children, with all four living (note 229).

<sup>238</sup> Place of birth and parents from William A. Rouse–Nellie L. Wells marriage record, Wis. pre-1907 marriage records, Eau Claire Co., 3:61, no. 1950 (FHL film 1,266,970). Parents’ names, place and date of birth, from Nellie L. Rouse death cert., New York, 1936, no. 25,527, Dept. of Health, Albany. For middle name, Nellie Laverne Wells Rouse marker, Tully Cemetery, Tully, N.Y., memorial no. 155,395,792, digital image, *Find A Grave* (<https://www.findagrave.com>). For birth month and year, Nellie L. Rouse in the William A. Rouse household, 1900 U.S. census, Clear Creek, Eau Claire Co., Wis., ED 21, sh. 5A, dw. 78, fam. 79 (NARA T623, roll 1787).

<sup>239</sup> Nellie L. Rouse death cert. (note 238). Nellie Laverne Wells Rouse marker (note 238).

- and Cassie C. (Lebric) Rouse.<sup>240</sup> William's first wife was Nellie's cousin Leila Gates, granddaughter of Eli and Mary (Cately) Gates through their son David.<sup>241</sup>
- ii. EUGENE FOSTER<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born in the Town of Truxton 3 December 1862; died in the Village of Tully, Onondaga County, New York, 2 November 1942;<sup>242</sup> married in the hamlet of Pompey, Onondaga County, 29 October 1884 MINNIE ESTELLE BUELL,<sup>243</sup> born in the Town of Truxton 6 September 1864, died in the Village of Tully 1 March 1952, and was buried in Tully Cemetery, the daughter of John and Emily (Bonnie) Buell.<sup>244</sup>
- iii. MINNIE CHLOE<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born 22 February 1869, probably in the Town of Truxton; died in Billings, Yellowstone County, Montana, 7 April 1959 from cerebral arteriosclerosis, and was buried in the Mountview Cemetery there;<sup>245</sup> married first in Elroy, Juneau County, Wisconsin, 11 October 1893 WILLIAM SUTLIFF COON,<sup>246</sup> born in Eau Claire County, Wisconsin, 21 June 1868, died in Billings 11 February 1921, the son of Samuel Emmet and Mary Jane (Sutcliffe [*sic*]) Coon;<sup>247</sup> married second in Hysham, Treasure County, Montana, 30 May 1929 GEORGE W. HAYNES, a widower born in Indiana about 1863–1864,<sup>248</sup> died probably in Yellowstone County 7 May 1952,<sup>249</sup> the son of W. G. and Mary (Tirrell) Haynes.<sup>250</sup>
- iv. ARTHUR JOHN CARD<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born in the Town of Truxton 29 April 1882; died in Aztec, San Juan County, New Mexico, 3 January 1927 from tuberculosis contracted in Colorado while in the forestry service;<sup>251</sup> married about 1904–1905

<sup>240</sup> William A. Rouse–Nellie L. Wells marriage record (note 238), which shows parents' names. His marker lists his birth date as 21 Mar. 1857 (William Alexander Rouse marker, Tully Cemetery, Tully, N.Y., memorial no. 155,395,522, digital image, *Find A Grave* [https://www.findagrave.com]). A birth about 1856–1857 is supported by his ages as stated in the 1910 (age 53) and 1920 (age 63) censuses (William A. Rouse household, 1910 U.S. census, Noonan Village, Coalfield Twp., Divide Co., N. Dak., ED 215, sh. 17A, dw./fam. 17 [NARA T624, roll 1140]; William Rouse household, 1920 U.S. census, Town of Truxton, Cortland Co., N.Y., ED 35, sh. 2A, dw./fam. 27 [NARA T625, roll 1096]); he was not found in the 1930 and 1940 censuses. His month and year of birth as stated on the 1900 census (William A. Rouse household, 1900 U.S. census [note 238], which indicates he was born Mar. 1846) is inconsistent with other censuses and his marker. His *Find A Grave* memorial lists the place of death, which has not been corroborated. No newspaper notice of his death was found in *The Denver Post*.

<sup>241</sup> William Rouse–Lela Gates marriage record, Wis. pre-1907 marriage records, Trempealeau Co., 1877, no. 273 (FHL film 1,275,575). Only the fathers of the bride and groom are named in this record.

<sup>242</sup> Eugene Wells death cert., New York, 1942, no. 65,453, Dept. of Health, Albany, which lists birth date and place. Middle name from the granddaughter of Eugene Foster Wells (Lynda Wells Andrews, "Descendants of Henry & Anna Van Vliet Wells," compiled Oct. 2011). The birth month and year match Eugene F. Wells household, 1900 U.S. census, Hastings, Ward 3, Dakota Co., Minn., ED 23, sh. 9A, dw. 183, fam. 189 (NARA T623, roll 761). "Eugene F. Wells," *Tully Times*, 12 Nov. 1942, p. 5, col. 3.

<sup>243</sup> "Eugene F. Wells" (note 242), which includes the name of his spouse and marriage date and place.

<sup>244</sup> Minnie Buell Wells death cert., New York, 1952, no. 17,954, Dept. of Health, Albany. Eugene F. Wells household, 1900 U.S. census (note 242), for month and year of birth. Also, Minnie Estelle Buell Wells memorial, no. 13,4874,068 [no digital image of marker], *Find A Grave* (https://www.findagrave.com).

<sup>245</sup> Minnie C. Haynes death cert., Mont., 1959, no. 59-560152, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Helena. Records of her marriages list her birthplace as Tully, N.Y. (William Sutliff Coon–Minnie Chloe Wells marriage record [note 235]; George W. Haynes–Minnie C. Coon marriage license and certificate, Treasure Co., Mont., Marriages 1:97 [FHL film 1,940,592]). Although Tully was the nearest town, the more likely place of birth was Truxton, since that is where her family was living.

<sup>246</sup> William Sutliff Coon–Minnie Chloe Wells marriage record (note 235).

<sup>247</sup> William Sutcliffe [*sic*] Coon death cert., Mont., 1921, Blgs. [Billings?] no. 534, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Helena.

<sup>248</sup> George W. Haynes–Minnie C. Coon marriage license and certificate (note 245).

<sup>249</sup> George W. Haynes entry, "Montana, Death Index, 1907–2015," database, *Ancestry* (https://search.ancestry.com/search/db.aspx?dbid=5437), referring to his death in Yellowstone, 7 May 1952; the record has not been examined. A *Find A Grave* memorial links George W. Haynes who was buried in Mountview Cemetery, Billings, Mont., 10 May 1952, to his spouse Minerva Chloe Wells Coon Haynes (George W. Haynes memorial, no. 91,788,567 [no digital image of marker], *Find A Grave* [https://www.findagrave.com]).

<sup>250</sup> George W. Haynes–Minnie C. Coon marriage license and certificate (note 245).

<sup>251</sup> Arthur John Card Wells death cert., San Juan Co., N. Mex., 1927, no. 57 (FHL film 1,913,278), which gives parents' names as well as birth and death information.

ANNA EVERSON [–?–], born in Wisconsin about 1884–1885, who survived her husband.<sup>252</sup>

9. **HIRAM BURL<sup>4</sup> WELLS** (Chloe<sup>3</sup> Foster, Ezekiel<sup>2–1</sup>) was born in Cortland County, probably in the Town of Preble, 22 July 1834,<sup>253</sup> and died at the home of his daughter Cleo in Canyon, Randall County, Texas, 5 August 1915.<sup>254</sup> Hiram married in Fairchild, Eau Claire County, Wisconsin, 22 June 1879 **ANNA MIRANDA HICKCOX**,<sup>255</sup> who was born in Adams County, Wisconsin, 7 February 1859, and died in Mecosta, Mecosta County, Michigan, 21 March 1943. She was the daughter of Lyman and Mary (German) Hickcox.<sup>256</sup>

Hiram learned the blacksmith trade while working at his brother-in-law Shepard Cately's carriage manufacturing business in Tully. He moved west in 1856, but returned to New York soon after because of the "panic"<sup>257</sup> and worked for his half-brothers Shepard and Andrew Cately in their wagon manufacturing business.<sup>258</sup> He remained in New York until 1876.<sup>259</sup>

Hiram moved to Wisconsin and was "of Trempealeau County" when he purchased 120 acres from the West Wisconsin Railway Company in February 1876.<sup>260</sup> The land lay in Eau Claire County, very close to the line with Sumner Township, Trempealeau County, where his half-sister Mary Gates owned property.<sup>261</sup> Mary's husband Eli had died just three months before Hiram bought this land.<sup>262</sup> On 15 July 1878, at the land office in Eau Claire, Hiram entered eighty acres of federal land on the southern edge of Eau Claire County.<sup>263</sup>

<sup>252</sup> Arthur John Card Wells death cert. (note 251), which identifies his spouse as Anna Everson Wells. A. J. Wells household, 1910 U.S. census, La Jara Village, Sandoval Co., N. Mex., ED 182, sh. 9A, dw. 23, fam. 27 (NARA T624, roll 918), which indicates they were married five years. J. Authur [sic] Wells household, 1920 U.S. census, Aztec Village, San Juan Co., N. Mex., ED 114, sh. 3B, dw./fam. 70 (NARA T625, roll 1077), which includes the married couple and a daughter, age 2 years, 11 months, born in Col.

<sup>253</sup> Middle name, birth date, and place of "Tulley, Cortland county, New York" from "H. B. Wells Dead," *Randall County [Tex.] News*, 12 Aug. 1915, digital image from Warren Stricker, Director of the Research Center of Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, 8 Feb. 2012. County of birth in Hiram Wells listing, 1855 New York state census, Town of Tully, Onondaga Co., unpaginated, dw./fam. 212; and also Hiram B. Wells entry, "U.S., Civil War Draft Registrations Records, 1863–1865," digital image, *Ancestry* (<http://www.ancestry.com>), Consolidated Enrollment lists, 1863–1865, 23rd Congressional District, K–Z, 2:404, line 8, citing ARC Identifier 4213514, RG 110: Records of the Provost Marshal General's Bureau (Civil War), NA–Washington. Preble is his likely birthplace, as that is where his parents owned property and lived up until 1849. That Hiram was the son of John and Chloe Wells is stated in Hiram B. Wells–Anna M. Hickcox marriage record, Wis. pre-1907 marriage records, Eau Claire Co., 1879, no. 1370 (FHL film 1,266,968).

<sup>254</sup> "H. B. Wells Dead" (note 253).

<sup>255</sup> Hiram B. Wells–Anna M. Hickcox marriage record (note 253).

<sup>256</sup> Anna Miranda Wells death cert., Mich., 1943, Register No. 2, no file no., County Clerk, Mecosta.

<sup>257</sup> "H. B. Wells Dead" (note 253). The reference to the panic likely refers to the financial panic of 1857.

<sup>258</sup> Hiram B. Wells, Deposition for proof of Debt without Security, 11 Oct. 1870, in Andrew and Shepard W. Cately (1870–1874), Bankruptcy Case File 2669, Bankruptcy Case Files, Act of 1867, RG 21: Records of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District, National Archives at New York City. This deposition shows that Hiram was owed money by the company for his work as a blacksmith.

<sup>259</sup> "H. B. Wells Dead" (note 253).

<sup>260</sup> West Wisconsin Railway Company to H. B. Wells, dated 24 Feb. 1876, Eau Claire Co., Wis., Deeds 26:125–27 (FHL film 1,314,711).

<sup>261</sup> Mary Gates (Trempealeau Co.) cash entry file, cert. no. 17971, La Crosse, Wis., Land Office, Land Entry Papers, 1800–1908, RG 49, NA–Washington.

<sup>262</sup> Eli Gates probate file, Eau Claire Co., Wis., County Court case 1468 (FHL film 1,769,196).

<sup>263</sup> Hiram B. Well (Eau Claire Co.) homestead file bearing final cert. no. 3323, 17 July 1885, Eau Claire, Wis., Land Office, Land Entry Papers, 1800–1908, RG 49, NA–Washington.



In 1899 Hiram moved to Lambert, Red Lake County, Minnesota, while his wife stayed, at least for a time, with her sister Fannie Wilcox in Mecosta County, Michigan.<sup>264</sup> By 1910 Hiram, his wife Anna, his daughter Cleo, and Anna's sister and brother-in-law "Fannie" and Jerome Wilcox moved to Erskine, Polk County, Minnesota.<sup>265</sup> In 1911 the Wellses moved to Randall County, Texas, where Hiram died in 1915.<sup>266</sup> Shortly before her death, Anna moved from Canyon, Randall County, to live with her sister in Mecosta County.<sup>267</sup>

Children of Hiram Burl<sup>4</sup> and Anna Miranda (Hickcox) Wells:<sup>268</sup>

- i. J. D.<sup>5</sup> WELLS [female], born 20 July 1882, probably in Eau Claire County, Wisconsin; died 20 December 1883 or perhaps after 30 July 1885, probably in Eau Claire County.<sup>269</sup>
- ii. NELLIE L.<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born 24 April 1885, probably in Clear Creek Township, Eau Claire County; died 14 April 1886, probably in Eau Claire County.<sup>270</sup>
- iii. CLEO MARGUERITE<sup>5</sup> WELLS, born 17 April 1893, probably in Clear Creek Township; died in Canyon, Texas, 28 January 1959, and was buried there in Dreamland Cemetery;<sup>271</sup> married about 1922–1923 EMMETT COWELL PRICHARD, born in Tennessee 4 August 1887, died in LaCasa Convalescent Home, Canyon, 4 December 1973, and was buried in Dreamland Cemetery, the son of Thomas J. and Ada (Roberson) Prichard.<sup>272</sup>

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<sup>264</sup> For the year, "H. B. Wells Dead" (note 253). Hiram was enumerated as B. "Henry" Wells, 1900 U.S. census, Lambert Twp., Red Lake Co., Minn., ED 323, sh. 1B, dw. 12, fam. 12 (NARA T623, roll 782). Ann Wells and her daughter Cleo were enumerated in the Jerome B. Wilcox household, 1900 U.S. census, Mecosta village, Morton Twp., Mecosta Co., Mich., ED 105, sh. 15A, dw. 247, fam. 248 (NARA T623, roll 731). Fanny Wilcox's parents are given as Lyman Hickox and Mary German in Fanny L. Wilcox death cert., Mich., 1943, register no. 4, no file no., transcription from County Clerk, Mecosta.

<sup>265</sup> Hiram B. Wells household, 1910 U.S. census, Village of Erskine, Polk Co., Minn., ED 218, sh. 2B, dw./fam. 41 (NARA T624, roll 716).

<sup>266</sup> "H. B. Wells Dead" (note 253).

<sup>267</sup> "Body of Mrs. Ann M. Wells Returned Here for Burial," *Canyon [Tex.] News*, 1 Apr. 1943, digital image from Warren Stricker, Director, Research Center of Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, 8 Feb. 2012.

<sup>268</sup> Andrews, "Descendants of Henry & Anna Van Vliet Wells" (note 242), 3. The gap between births of Nellie and Cleo suggests there may have been other children.

<sup>269</sup> Andrews, "Descendants of Henry & Anna Van Vliet Wells" (note 242), 3. J. D.'s death date is given as 20 Dec. 1883. This is consistent with the 1900 (note 264) and 1910 (note 265) censuses stating that Ann Wells had three children, but only one living. However, H. B. Wells entry, 1885 Wisconsin state census, Clear Creek Twp., Eau Claire Co., p. 1 (penned), digital image, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org>), shows that the household consisted of three females and one male. Cleo would not have been born yet. The inclusion of three females indicates J. D.'s death date may not have been 1883, and that she may have lived until after the census in 1885 or there was another child altogether. Places are based on residential history.

<sup>270</sup> Andrews, "Descendants of Henry & Anna Van Vliet Wells" (note 242), 3. Places are based on residential history.

<sup>271</sup> Cleo Marguerite Prichard death cert., Randall Co., Tex., 1959, vol. 10, no. 4849 (FHL film 2,115,873), which gives Cleo's birthplace as Osseo, Wis. Osseo is in Trempealeau Co., but was the likely post office for the surrounding area, which included Clear Creek Twp. in Eau Claire Co., where the family was living in 1895 (H. B. Wells household, 1895 Wisconsin state census, Clear Creek Twp., Eau Claire Co., 4th page, digital image, *FamilySearch* [<https://familysearch.org>]). Cleo M. Prichard marker, Dreamland Cemetery, Canyon, Tex., memorial no. 72,395,661, digital image, *Find A Grave* (<https://www.findagrave.com>).

<sup>272</sup> Emmet Cowell Prichard death cert., Tex., 1973, no. 97676, digital image, *Ancestry* (<https://www.ancestry.com>). Emmet C. Prichard marker, Dreamland Cemetery, Canyon, Tex., memorial no. 72,395,637, digital image, *Find A Grave* (<https://www.findagrave.com>). He and his wife, Cleo, share a marker. Emmet C. Prichard household, 1930 U.S. census, Randall, Tex., Pct. 1, ED 191–2, sh. 3A, dw. 49, fam. 50 (NARA T626, roll 2385), which includes Ann M. Wells, Cleo's mother. E. C. Prichard household, 1940 U.S. census, Randall Co., Tex., ED 191–3, sh. 7A, household 131 (NARA T627, roll 4125).

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- [33] 7 Jan. 1822 Philo Baldwin vs. Thomas Hobby (\$7.66)  
[signed:] Philo Baldwin
- 7 Jan. 1822 Samuel Bailey vs. Levi Hazleton (\$27.00)
- [34] 7 Jan. 1822 David Adams vs. Ralph Austen (\$14.25) \$18.09  
with costs; \$16 sent to plaintiff via John Owen
- 9 Jan. 1822 Joseph Bailey vs. Levi Hazleton (\$33.00)
- [35] 16 Jan. 1822 Henry Bailey vs. Levi Hazleton (\$26.73)
- 19 Jan. 1822 Aaron Brown vs. Isaac Pearce Jun<sup>r</sup>. (\$18.90)  
Received money for plaintiff.  
[signed:] Joshua P. Brown
- [36] 22 Jan. 1822 William Brown vs. Charles Wood (\$1.00). Warrant  
proved by Levi Baker.
- 25 Jan. 1822 Eleazer Sprague & Ebenezer Foster vs. Lewis Crane  
(\$1.44)
- [37] 7 Feb. 1822 Nathan Nickerson vs. Nathan Richards (\$12.98)  
[signed:] Nathan Nickerson
- 18 Feb. 1822 James Carey vs. Isaac Crosby (\$43.36)
- [38] 22 Feb. 1822 Nathan Richards vs. Nathan Nickerson  
“The plaintiff in this case after the jury went out  
and returned did not appear” (\$3.46 court costs)
- 7 Mar. 1822 John Titus Jn<sup>r</sup>. vs. Stephen Bailey (\$2.13)  
“Defendant . . . made the oath to exempt his body  
from imprisonment.”
- [39] 6 Feb. 1822 John R. Wooster vs. Daniel Howes (case withdrawn  
by plaintiff) (\$0.70½ court costs)
- 25 Feb. 1822 John R. Wooster vs. Daniel Howes (case withdrawn  
by plaintiff; \$2.21 court costs)

- [40] 2 Mar. 1822 Roger Cowen vs. Russell J. Minor. “The jury in this case returned a verdict for the defendant,” who received his costs of \$0.37½ for the justice’s fee and two witnesses.
- 9 Mar. 1822 Nathan Richards vs. Nathan Nickerson (\$0.06 awarded by jury; the court costs totaled \$2.96)
- [41] 16 Mar. 1822 Nancy Bailey vs. John G. Ganong & Anne his wife (\$2.75)
- 16 Mar. 1822 Belden Crane vs. Stephen Haines (\$16.54)  
[signed:] Belden Crane
- [42] 16 Mar. 1822 Belden Crane vs. Daniel Ganong (\$12.09)  
[signed:] Belden Crane
- 1 Apr. 1822 Gilbert Reynolds vs. Heman Cole (judgment for defendant’s costs, \$4.13)
- [43] 1 Apr. 1822 James Foster vs. George B. Hadden (“who was impleaded with John Slawson<sup>20</sup> & Selah Ballard”) “The jury returned a verdict. The plaintiff would not answer on the return of the Jury.” A nonsuit of cause[?].<sup>21</sup> \$3.74 costs included \$1.10 paid by plaintiff, \$1.14 for defendant, and \$1.50 for the defendant’s twelve witnesses. “Double costs was claimed on the ground that the Defendant was [sentence incomplete]”
- 4 Apr. 1822 Elias Brush vs. Samuel Bailey 2<sup>d</sup> (\$2.66) “The same time Defendant proved that his body was exempt from Execution”<sup>22</sup>
- [44] 20 Apr. 1822 Levi Baker vs. Ezra Berenson (\$1.50)
- 14 May 1822 Edward Rice vs. Job Howes (\$23.25)  
[signed:] Edward Rice
- [45] 16 May 1822 James Hane vs. Hezekiah Sanford Jnr. “The plaintiff obtained his demand by defendant after one witness was sworn and costs paid”
- 17 June 1822 Nathaniel W. Marvin vs. Berry Hopkins Junior (\$4.58)
- [46] 30 Aug. 1822 Nathan Mead vs. Jacob Craw (\$1.33 1/3)
- 7 Sept. 1822 Thomas Crosby vs. Nathan Mead (\$6.53)  
[signed:] Thomas Crosby

<sup>20</sup> This surname is probably meant to be Slawson. A John Slawson was enumerated in the Town of Carmel in 1820 (John Slawson household, 1820 U.S. census, Town of Carmel, Putnam Co., N.Y., p. 7 [National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication M33, roll 79]).

<sup>21</sup> Henry Campbell Black, *Black’s Law Dictionary* . . . , 4th ed. (St. Paul, Minn.: West Publishing Co., 1951), 1208, defines nonsuit as “a term broadly applied to a variety of terminations of an action which do not adjudicate the issues on the merits. . . . Name of a judgment given against the plaintiff when he is unable to prove a case, or when he refuses or neglects to proceed to trial and leaves the issue undetermined.”

<sup>22</sup> Black, *Black’s Law Dictionary* (note 21), 222, defines body execution as “an ‘execution’ for confinement of defendant” and “an ‘execution’ which directs that in accordance with the provisions therein set forth, the body of the defendant therein named be committed to jail.”

- [47] 14 Sept. 1822 Nathan Mead vs. Jacob Crow (\$5.32)  
 18 Sept. 1822 Nathan Nickerson vs. Phillip Flynn (\$4.42)
- [48] 11 Sept. 1822 John Steadwell vs. Daniel Roe (\$1.00)<sup>23</sup>  
 21 Oct. 1822 Heman Cole vs. Frederick Knox (\$5.25)
- [49] 30 Oct. 1822 Stephen C. Barnum vs. Daniel Knapp (\$3.00)  
 14 Nov. 1822 Hannah Bailey, Ex<sup>trix</sup>, Joseph Bailey & Samuel  
 Bailey, Executors, vs. Frederick Knox (\$21.49).  
 "To S. Bailey"
- [50] 21 Sept. 1822<sup>24</sup> Hannah Crow vs. Nathan Mead (\$2.25)  
 3 Dec. 1822 Josiah Crane vs. Thomas Knox (\$0.75)
- [51] 5 Dec. 1822 Benjamin Mead & Lockwood Mead vs. Jacob Crow  
 (\$1.25)  
 18 Dec. 1822 Stephen Field vs. Zebediah Brown (\$25.00)  
 [signed:] Stephen Field
- [52] 21 Dec. 1822 George Beal vs. Jesse Dykeman (\$23.67)  
 24 Dec. 1822 ~~John E. Warren vs. Moses F. Reed & Betsey Reed  
 (\$45.82)~~
- [53] 24 Dec. 1822 John E. Warren vs. Moses F. Reed & Betsey Reed  
 (\$45.82) [signed:] John E. Warren  
 24 Dec. 1822 John E. Warren vs. Moses F. Reed & Betsey Reed  
 (\$45.00) [signed:] John E. Warren
- [54] 24 Dec. 1822 John E. Warren vs. Betsey Reed & Moses F. Reed  
 (\$45.00) [signed:] John E. Warren  
 25 Dec. 1822 Ebenezer Foster & Eleazer Sprague vs. Betsey Reed  
 (\$100.00)
- [55] 27 Dec. 1822 David Jackson vs. Frederick Knox (\$5.04)  
 2 Jan. 1823 Joseph Bailey & Samuel Bailey vs. Betsey Reed  
 (\$11.98)
- [56] 4 Jan. 1823 Lewis Reed vs. Charles Hutchenson (\$1.25)  
 8 Jan. 1823 Zebediah Brown vs. Stephen Field (\$4.50)  
 [signed:] Zebediah Brown
- [57] 10 Jan. 1823 Enos Rockwell vs. Betsey Reed (\$30.00)  
 proven by Lewis Crane  
 8 Jan. 1823<sup>25</sup> Frederick Knox vs. Isaac Peirce Jnr. (\$2.88)
- [58] 29 Jan. 1823 Nathaniel Ferguson vs. John A. Bailey (\$2.10)  
 "Body exempt from execution"<sup>26</sup>  
 8 Feb. 1823 Isaac Crosby vs. George Dudley (\$8.09)
- [gap between 8 February 1823 and 24 December 1825]

(To be continued)

<sup>23</sup> Images of this and the following case appear twice in the Putnam County Historian's online PDF of the receipt book (see link to the digital copy on the County Historian's page of *Putnam County Online* [http://www.putnamcountyny.com/countyhistorian]).

<sup>24</sup> This entry is out of chronological order.

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<sup>26</sup> See note 22.

## REVIEWS

Recently published books, donated or purchased, may be reviewed in THE RECORD if they concern the genealogy, biography, or history of New York State or its subdivisions or are otherwise relevant to research on New York families. Opinions expressed by reviewers are their own and do not necessarily reflect those of the editor or the Society.

*The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy*, 4th edition, by Val D. Greenwood. 2017. Softbound. 6×9 inches, 778 pp., index, illustrations, and charts. Price: \$49.95 plus shipping. Genealogical Publishing Company, 3600 Clipper Mill Rd., Suite 260, Baltimore, MD 21211 (<https://genealogical.com>).

This book is congenial in tone and welcoming in substance. It seeks to turn newcomers and hobbyists into serious researchers. It insists that we

- research thoroughly, purposefully, and systematically, not stopping too soon;
- extend our work to more than just our ancestors;
- keep thorough notes of where we looked and why;
- always cite our sources; and
- seek out the family history beyond the begats.

The first third of the book focuses on methodology: “Those who come after us will eternally judge us by what we actually produce rather than by our ability” (p. 9). The remaining chapters are devoted to finding and using records—compilations, newspapers, cemeteries, vital records, censuses, probates, deeds, court records, church records, migration records, and military records—a list that for decades has served to define “commonly used sources” for genealogists.

However, those who rely on this book risk being misled. Fifty years ago one book could cover all the major methods and materials of American genealogical research, and each page was hammered out on a typewriter with carbon paper for making copies. Those days are gone. The 2017 edition is 17 percent longer than its 2000 predecessor, but its priorities are those of yesteryear:

- The Soundex indexes to certain U.S. censuses are covered in two pages. DNA in all its forms takes three.
- The chosen terminology is confused and confusing. It clings to legal usages that the genealogy discipline abandoned twenty years ago (“circumstantial evidence”) and adds bewildering hybrids such as “secondary” and “collateral” evidence. Quality books and articles on the subject are mentioned on pages 96 and 97.
- The many lists of resources are useful, but rarely current or complete. Two-thirds of the state-level reference works listed were published in the 1980s or before. County land-ownership maps are discussed without mentioning either *Linkpendium* or *Ancestry's* collection; instead the reader is advised on how to order maps on microfiche from the Library of Congress (p. 519). Websites absent from the list include *Internet Archive*, *HathiTrust*, *ArchiveGrid*, *The Ancestor Hunt* (for digitized newspapers), and the Newberry Library's online *Atlas of Historical County Boundaries*.

- Some topics are covered in a scattered way. Chapter six takes up indexes to genealogical periodicals, including the ongoing Periodical Source Index (PERSI) from the Allen County Public Library (pp. 128–29). But periodicals themselves are discussed 140 pages later, when readers are discouragingly told, “It is unwise to spend hours searching haphazardly through periodical literature for information on our ancestors if we do not know what we are looking for or where to look” (p. 269). There is no cross-reference to PERSI, which is designed to make such searches easier.
- Lists rarely highlight quality. Farmer’s and Savage’s nineteenth-century compilations of early New England settlers, for instance, appear on a list that omits Robert Charles Anderson’s far more thorough Great Migration Project series (p. 260). The project is mentioned in a brief footnote forty-four pages later; there is no cross-reference.
- Conflict resolution is discussed with two examples from the family of Joseph Smith (pp. 93–96), and without reference to the peer-reviewed journals that regularly publish conflict-resolving genealogical articles.
- Sometimes the book encourages genealogists to emulate the objectivity of a research chemist, following wherever the evidence leads (pp. 5–7). Elsewhere we are encouraged to suppress evidence that might not be “tasteful,” a word never defined (p. 14). A 1980 presentation by James B. Allen is quoted: “The documents you have . . . may well reveal an embarrassing incident in an individual’s life. . . . Will it really make any difference if some such stories are left out? Or, if your integrity demands that you deal with it, are you capable of putting it into words that will not . . . leave a wrong impression? If not, should you be writing this person’s history at all?” (pp. 14, 251–52).

Wisely, the book observes that genealogists too often go it alone: “No one ever really checks on you. Perhaps we should all be checked on more often than we are” (p. 396). This insight could well have been followed up by a challenge. There are online study groups to join, webinars to attend, institute courses to take, writing contests to enter, credentials to seek, and peer-review processes to undergo. These experiences check on us and tell us how we are doing as individuals. More importantly, they are crucibles where an improved practice of genealogy is forged—where we learn things that we didn’t even realize we didn’t know. But in this book these high points are rarely visible.

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*Council Minutes 1656–1658*, New Netherland Documents Series, vol. 8, translated and edited by Charles T. Gehring and Janny Venema, sponsored by the New Netherland Institute and Holland Society of New York. 2018. Hardcover. 6×9 inches, xxii+651pp., introduction, illustrations, glossary, index. Price: \$150.00 plus shipping. Syracuse University Press, 621 Skytop Rd., Suite 110, Syracuse, NY 13244-5290 (<http://www.syracuseuniversitypress.syr.edu>). Also available from New Netherland Institute, P.O. Box 2536, Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12220-0536 (<https://www.newnetherlandinstitute.org>).

This is the fourth volume of the full text of the minutes of meetings of the Council of the New Netherland colony, translated by Dr. Gehring and Dr. Venema, whose expertise should be well known to New Netherland genealogists. In this period the Council consisted of only three men, including Director-General Stuyvesant, and it met weekly in the fort at New Amsterdam. Even though this volume covers only 2½ years, it is far larger than the previous ones, an indication that this was a very busy time for the Council. It was a peaceful period, in contrast to the immediate preceding years, during which the Dutch had conflicts with the English, Swedes, and Native Americans. Many of the minutes for 1656–1658 concern individual inhabitants and may be of genealogical or biographical value. Items that name settlers include the appointment of local officers, regulations that affected particular individuals, and resolu-

tions of disputes of various types, some involving marital problems, including one that led to a rare divorce. Many other Council actions affected inhabitants' lives but did not necessarily name individuals.

The Council often had to deal with religious problems in these years. As is well known, the inhabitants of New Netherland enjoyed freedom of conscience but only the Dutch Reformed and approved English churches could hold public worship. Members of the small Jewish community are mentioned but there is no indication they had a synagogue. When a Lutheran minister arrived and attempted to serve colonists of that denomination, the Council tried to deport him, while a Baptist minister from Rhode Island was soon sent home. Major trouble developed in 1657, when the first members of "the abominable heresy named Quakers" arrived from England, and the authorities quickly began to harass colonists who showed any interest in the new sect. This led to the famous Flushing Remonstrance of 1657, the full text of which is found here along with color photographs of the original record, the volume's only illustrations. In this remarkable document, addressed to Stuyvesant, the men of Flushing (including founders of several major early New York families) protested that they could not punish or banish the Quakers. As they reminded Stuyvesant, the "law of love peace and liberty" in the Netherlands was extended to "Jewes Turkes and Egipitians as they are Considered the sonnes of Adam,"<sup>1</sup> and therefore they could not condemn those of different persuasions who came into their settlement, including Quakers. In fact, they noted, such toleration was guaranteed in the patent that had been given to Flushing in the name of the States-General (the Dutch parliament). The sheriff (*schout*) of Flushing delivered the Remonstrance to Stuyvesant and was immediately arrested and soon removed from office. It was not until six years later, long after the period covered by this volume, that the West India Company directors in Amsterdam ordered the Council to tolerate Quakers, who would become a major element of colonial New York's population.

The 1911 State Library fire damaged some parts of the original minutes, as indicated in this translation by spaces surrounded by brackets. In some cases the brackets contain translations of damaged portions that happened to be published before the fire. Besides the index, a useful finding aid for this volume is Edmund B. O'Callaghan's *Calendar of Historical Manuscripts . . . Part I, Dutch Manuscripts*, where at pages 167–205 he briefly describes the contents of every page of the minutes, including personal names. The *Calendar* was published in 1865, long before the fire. The State Archives holds the original minutes, handwritten in Dutch, and they may be viewed at the New Netherland Institute's website (<https://www.newnetherlandinstitute.org>).

Research on a New Netherland family must include this volume and all the others that have been published in this series.

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<sup>1</sup> The original Remonstrance contains no punctuation.

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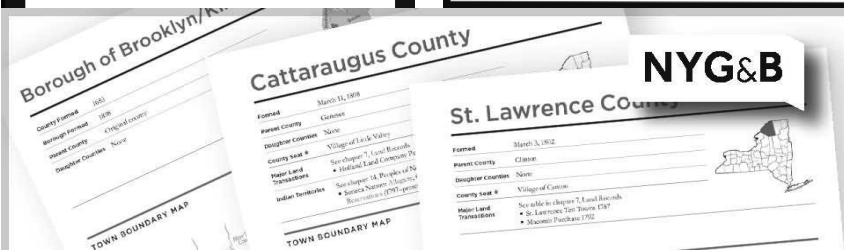
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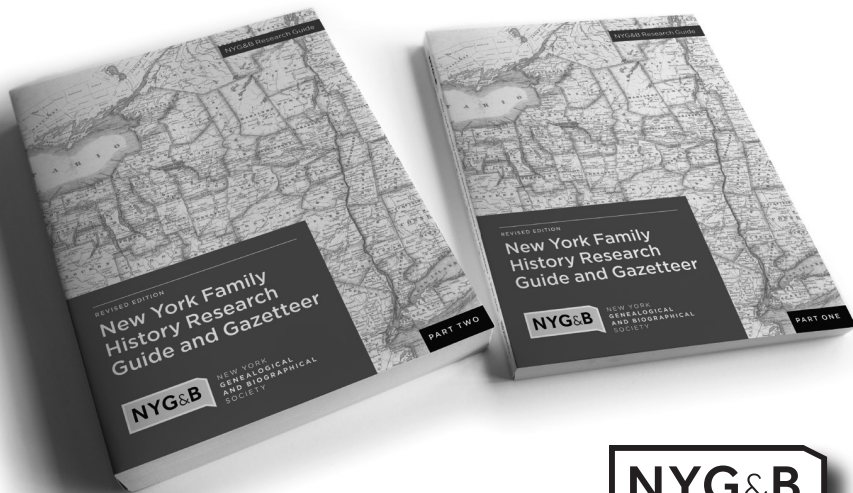
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