



The Swedish Free Missionary Church of Iron Mountain was founded in August, 1882.

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# SUCCESSFUL SWEDISH GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH OFTEN INCLUDES CORRESPONDENCE WITH SWEDISH STATE ARCHIVES, PARISH OFFICES, AND AMERICAN AND SWEDISH DESCENDANTS OF COMMON ANCESTORS

By the Rev. Donald Edward Wold

There are a number of avenues of approach in Swedish genealogical research once one has the basic information to get started, namely a name, birth date, parish and province. The lan, or county, mentioned previously, ought also to be known. This can usually be determined fairly easily be searching on a map of Sweden, locating the proper parish and province. The name of the lan will also be given.

Once you know the lan in which the parish in question is located, it might be advisable to write to the archives (landsarkivet) for that area of Sweden.

The various Swedish archives, the lans over which they have jurisdiction, and

their addresses follow:

Landsarkivet i Uppsala S-751 04 Uppsala, Sweden [for läns of Stockholm, Uppsala, Södermanland, Orebro, Västmanland and Kopparberg]

Landsarkivet i Vadstena S-592 00 Vadstena, Sweden [for läns of Ostergötland, Jönköping, Kronoberg and Kalmar]

Landsarkivet i Visby P.O. Box 142 S-621 00 Visby, Sweden [län of Gotland]

Landsarkivet i Lund Fack 2016 S-220 02 Lund, Sweden [for läns of Blekinge, Kristianstad, Malmöhus and Halland]

Landsarkivet i Göteborg Box 3009, Geijersgatan 1 S-400 10 Göteborg, Sweden [for läns of Bohus, Älveborg, Skaraborg and and Värmland]

Landsarkivet i Härnösand Nybrogatan 17 S-871 01 Härnösand, Sweden [for läns of Gävleborg, Västernorrland, Västerbotten and Norrbotten[

Landsarkivet i Östersund S-831 01 Östersund, Sweden

[län for Jämtland]

You will note that some lans have the same names as provinces. You may feel free to write to these archives, asking a specific question about a relative and giving the information that you have -- at least the name, birth date and parish. For example, you may be interested in knowing the names of the parents of a certain person, and it is likely that you will receive that information, provided you supply the name and birth date of the person in question.

Some years ago these archives graciously supplied a great deal of information free of charge to the researcher, and they nearly always proved very helpful. But due to the tremendous increase in interest in genealogy and the volume of requests for information received from the United States and other countries, they are now able to give only a very small bit of information at best, and then only once. With that information, they are likely to send a sheet giving the names of private professional genealogists who may be contacted and from whom one can receive information about fees per hour and availability for research. It is likely that research through a professional genealogist in Sweden will be quite expensive, and there may be a long wait for the results of a search through records.

The Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Salt Lake City, Utah, has among their vast holdings of records from all over the world an excellent collection of records from the Scandinavian countries. Swedish records on microfilm may go back into the 1600's in many cases, and nearly always in every parish from some time in the 1700's. Records in Sweden were microfilmed as early as they exist. Virtually nothing of Swedish records is on microfilm after about 1895.

By writing to the library, you can receive a list of professional researchers of Swedish records, and they may be contacted as to their fees and availability to do work for you. It is sometimes possible also to find out about someone in Salt Lake City or near there who works with Swedish records but who is not a professional genealogical researcher. Such a person may be willing to do some work and most likely for a more reasonable fee. Another alternative, of course, is to order microfilm through a branch library of the Mormon Church and view the films yourself. It would be helpful to have a knowledge of some basic Swedish terms or to have a Swedish-English dictionary with you to consult. Microfilms would be ordered according to parish and year.

For more recent records, perhaps since 1870, it is possible to write directly to the parish offices of the parish where the person who you are researching lived. Generally the pastors or their assistants are very helpful in giving what information is available in their records, considering the limited time for such work. example, if you are searching for more recent descendants of a certain person, and if it is your desire to eventually contact a living relative, the parish pastors may be of great help to you. You will indicate to the pastor that a Gustav Carlsson was born on a certain date in 1875 in that parish. He will locate that person along with Gustav's parents and sisters and brothers. He will note if this family remained in the parish, or if they moved elsewhere. If they remained there, he will be able to trace the family to the present, giving the name of one or more descendants of Gustav and an address. You are free, if you wish, to write them. If Gustav's family moved from this parish after 1875, as often happened, this pastor should be able to find this in his records as to what parish they moved to. He is then likely to put the seal of his parish on the letter you sent him, and he will add the information he has found and send it on to the pastor of the parish to which Gustav and his family moved many years ago. It may happen that again this family moved to yet another parish, and perhaps to yet another. In most cases, each pastor will receive the letter, locate information about the family while in his parish many years before, put the parish seal on the letter and send it on, somewhat in a "round-robin" fashion. Finally when this family has been brought up to the present and at least one name and address of a living relative has been found, the last pastor will put his seal on the letter and return it to you. Of course, this may take the better part of a year. The letter may have gone to several parish offices. Understandably, this kind of record searching cannot have a high priority in the business of the parish.

It can be exciting when a relative is located for the first time to whom you can write. If you cannot write Swedish, this is not a great problem. The relative in Sweden, if not elderly, may be able to read English, and, if not, it is not difficult to locate a younger person who can translate it. It is not only interesting to locate a "new" relative in Sweden, but genealogically this contact has great value. This person may be able to furnish you with information about your family that you have not

had before. Possibly he or she may be able to lend you old photographs of relatives which you can have copied and return. It has also happened many times that a relative in Sweden knows about a branch of your family in America about which you know nothing. It is exciting, for instance, when this relative in Sweden is able to tell you about some distant relatives living or having lived in this country. This person may know the exact or approximate location here, and this opens up the possibility of contact for the first time with the "new" relatives closer to home.

It can also be helpful to write to a local newspaper in the parish where a relative lived in Sweden, or to a newspaper in a larger city near the parish in question. Most newspapers are happy to print a letter of inquiry either concerning past relatives or concerning the desire to contact someone living who is related to your family. The chances of response are good, as this kind of inquiry from America brings about a lot of interest among the people of an area. The newspaper will, of course, translate your letter into Swedish if you have written it in English.

It is also possible to have received from Swedish records the name of a relative who you know was living in a certain parish in 1895, which is usually the cutoff date for records available to the public. Suppose, for example, that Gustav Carlsson was living in parish A in 1895. He may have died shortly thereafter, and he may not have married, but chances are good that he did marry and that he had a family. He may have moved to another parish, but this is not known. chance that is not always reliable, but definitely worth pursuing. That is to write a letter to the parish requesting information on Gustav's family, addressing it in a very general way to "the family of Gustav Carlsson," parish A, Sweden. If he lived on a farm, that farm name should also be included in the address. This letter may or may not arrive in the hands of someone who can help you. Sometimes a helpful mailman will try his best to deliver the letter to a relative of Gustav Carlsson. Sometimes it will happen as you hope it will, and a descendant of Gustav Carlsson, or someone who knew his family, will receive the letter and will answer it as best he or she can.

Inquiries about relatives in Sweden or relatives of Swedish descent in this country may be directed to the primary Swedish newspaper existing today in the United States. This is the Swedish American Tribune (Svenska Amerikanaren Tribunen). This rewspaper circulates all over this country and to some degree also in Sweden. A letter of inquiry could prove fruitful. The address of this newspaper is 4933 Melrose Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90029. Inquiries may be in Swedish or English. Inquiries are also welcomed by the Swedish American Genealogist which began publication early in 1981. This is a journal devoted to Swedish-American biography, genealogy and personal history. Articles about Swedish research appear regularly in this journal as well as records and ancestor tables. This journal can be extremely interesting and helpful, and inquiries reach a large number of readers. Contact may be made with this publication at P.O. Box 2186, Winter Park, Florida 32790.

The Augustana College Library in Rock Island, Illinois, houses a good number of books pertaining to Sweden and Swedish immigration, as well as life among the Swedish settlements in this country. In the early part of this century, a great number of Swedish newspapers existed throughout the United States. The Augustana College Library has a large number of these newspapers on microfilm. These records might be helpful in searching for obituaries of relatives of Swedish descent.

The Swedish Pioneer Historical Society publishes a journal which concerns the history of Swedish people in America. Books on this general subject are also published by this society, and may prove helpful in some way to the person doing Swedish research. This organization has its headquarters at North Park College, 5125 North Spaulding Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60625. Upon request, you will be sent information about various kinds of membership in this society and about the materials available.

Church records in the United States may be helpful in tracing relatives who came from Sweden. Most likely to be helpful would be the archives of the Lutheran Church in America. Some years ago the Augustana Lutheran Church merged with other

Lutheran bodies to form the Lutheran Church in America. The Augustana Church was specifically Swedish in its origin and, of course, the majority of Swedish immigrants probably sought membership in the Augustana Lutheran Church of this country, having been Lutherans in Sweden. The archives of the Evangenical Covenant Church might also be helpful in locating information, as this church also has its roots in Sweden, and evolved from the State Church of Sweden. The Baptist General Conference and the Evangelical Free Church of America also have Swedish backgrounds. In years past, Episcopal and Methodist churches also had some members of Swedish descent.

Swedish genealogy can be rewarding and extremely frustrating. In some cases, due to carelessness in keeping records, the researcher will hit a blank wall and there will seemingly be no further course to take. Generally, however, Swedish records are among the best of any country in the world. A great deal is available. It can very likely be possible to trace family lines in Swedish records back to at least 1700, and often earlier. Records in Sweden can also make possible some new and exciting contacts with relatives never before known or contacted. Patience and perseverance are needed, as with any genealogical research. Problems with names are usually not insurmountable. Swedish records afford a viable link between your past and present in Sweden and in this country. Often research in any or all of these areas of Swedish records results in an eventual visit to Sweden, a visit to the parish of your ancestors, a visit to the old home or farm where people in your family lived long ago, a visit with newly-discovered relatives! These are among the "fruits" of your research!

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third in a series of three articles written by the Rev. Wold for <u>Dickinson Diggings</u>. The first article, "Successful Swedish Genealogical Research Requires Understanding of Country's Political Divisions and Patronymic Naming System," appeared in January, 1983 [Volume II, Number 1]. The second article, "Swedish Parish Transfer Records Prove Extremely Useful in Tracing Movement of People Within the Country," was published in August, 1983 [Volume II, Number 3].

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#### SWEDISH FREE MISSIONARY CHURCH

The Swedish Free Missionary Church of Iron Mountain, better known as the Swedish Mission Church, was founded in August, 1882, when the six charter members met at the home of Andrew Lundin in the young settlement's North Side. N. Velvin, a layman, served as the first preacher of the small congregation for about two years. Sunday services were held in the homes of various members and in local school houses.

They built their first church, the frame structure pictured on the cover, at the southeast corner of East Brown Street and Iron Mountain Street. However, a rapidly-increasing congregation soon outgrew this building, even after remodeling.

The Swedish Mission congregation erected a new church on the southeast corner of Ludington Street and Iron Mountain Street in 1890. In 1942, the Congregation changed its name to the First Covenant Church, and, eight years later, the brick-faced church across from the Carnegie Public Library was destroyed by fire.

In 1892, the old Swedish Mission Church, pictured, was purchased by the Swedish Methodist Episcopal Church which had been organized by Dr. C.G. Nelson on May 15; 1890. The church's first pastor was the Rev. V. Soderman.

Members of Iron Mountain's Jewish community purchased the church from the Swedish Methodists in 1909, and moved it to the corner of Kimberly Avenue and West A Street, where it still stands today.

--William J. Cummings

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	3.	Goldie Von Salchert	(1886-1978)	Iron Mountain, Dickinson Co., Madison, Dane Co., Wis./Mich.
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	5.	Ida Lorette Hamilton	(1864-1949)	Marinette, Marinette Co., Wis. Spring Green, Wis. Then Mountain Dickinson Co.
•	6.	John Peter Salchert	(1852- )	Iron Mountain, Dickinson Co., Fond du Lac Co., Wis. /Mich. Milwaukee, Milwaukee Co., Wis.
	7.	Sophia Dora Von Dorp	(1854-1925)	Michigan Iron Mountain, Dickinson Co., Mich.
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	11.	Olive A. Bailey	(1841-1916)	Pennsylvania Ft. Baird, El Paso, N.M.
	12.	John Salchert	(1820- )	Prussia
	13.	Mary	(1830- )	Prussia Fond du Lac Co., Wis.
	14.	August Abraham Von Dorp	(1828-1908)	Elberfeld, Germany Topeka, Kansas
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	10.	Joachine Dionne		(1829-1917)	Quebec, Canada
	11.	Geneieve Robitalle (Robita	as)	( - )	Marquette, Marquette Co., Mich. Quebec, Canada
	12.	Oliver La Joie		(1828-1853)	Marquette, Marquette Co., Mich.
	13.	Adele Aubry		(1837- )	St. Maurice, Quebec, Canada
	14.	Joseph Lenore		(1839-1910)	Quebec, Canada
	15.	Julie Trudeau		(1840- ) <sup>S</sup>	Marquette, Marquette Co., Mich. Quebec, Canada Marquette, Marquette Co., Mich.
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*60.	Francois Trudeau	(	-	)	
*61.	Marie Anne Pentos Clermont	(	-	)	
62.	Augustine Berriquet	(	-	)	
63.	Margaurite Colard	(	-	)	



#### SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER

With this issue, DICKINSON DIGGINGS begins its third year of publication. The quarterly staff has grown in experience during this time, and, with the approval of the local membership of the DCGS, some graphic changes have been initiated to improve the appearance of our publication.

Hopefully members will find the new masthead helpful, since it includes a larger map of Michigan's Upper Peninsula with counties identified and an enlarged map of Dickinson County indicating the location of the townships.

Cut art has been taken from Walter R. Nursey's 1891 publication The Menominee Iron Range and other sources to facilitate identifying some of the regular features.

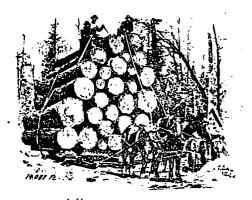
Officers for 1984 were elected at the November meeting. D. JoAnn Johnson, editor of DICKINSON DIGGINGS since its inception, became the society's fourth president. Dorothy Davey agreed to continue as vice-president, a position which includes arranging for programs at the monthly meetings. Ronnie Olson and Miriam Belding, our new secretary and treasurer respectively, are willingly taking on these offices for their first term. Florence Trestrail will continue serving as publicity chairman, making sure notices of monthly meetings appear in the local newspaper. Toni Cummings, who has capably served as treasurer since 1978, has accepted a newly-formed position, membership chairman.

Following the November meeting, a cookie exchange and sale was conducted by Ardith Cattelino and Kate Chiesa. While members sampled the delicious holiday treats, recipes were exchanged and additional cookies were sold. By the end of the evening, \$13.95 had been collected to be deposited into the DCGS coffers.

Although no December meeting was held due to the Christmas holidays, the January meeting, under the leadership of the new officers, featured an informative lesson on English vital records and parish organization followed by a slide presentation by Dorothy Davey, who again visited Cornwall this past summer.

On page 12, mention is made of a marriage certificate which Mrs. Fred Anderson sent to the DCGS. Any descendant interested in acquiring this certificate may have it for mailing costs plus \$6.32 [postage reimbursed to Mrs. Anderson] and \$5.66 [cost of frame].

A new publication schedule has been established for DICKINSON DI**GGINGS**. The quarterly will now appear in February, May, August and November.



#### NORTHWOODS NEWS NUGGETS

Excerpts taken from Early Dickinson County Newspapers on File at the Menominee Range Historical Foundation Museum and The Dickinson County Library

The following "news nuggets," consisting mainly of items of interest in Iron Mountain's commercial district, were excerpted from <a href="The Iron Range">The Iron Range</a> for 1892.

March 24: J.J. SANDEN, who was the proprietor of the City Blacksmith Shop in this city, has gone to the Mesaba range to engage in the same line of business...Chris. GROSSBUSCH is moving his candy and fruit store from BLACKNEY's building to the room recently occupied by BRAZEAU, the tailor, in PASCOE's block...A.J. BRAZEAU has retired from the tailoring business in this city and will to go West Superior, where he will open a tailor shop.

April 7: Joseph BONEN will open a blacksmith shop in C.D. THERRIEN's old stand on D street.

May 26: Dr. LARSON, health officer, has evidently acted upon the suggestions of the city council, and a large number of teams are busy hauling refuse from back yards and alleys to the dumping ground.

June 2: Isadore BORDEAU and Aug LAVELLI have opened a meat market in the basement of Bordeau's new building.

June 9: Z. FRANK will soon move his fruit and confectionery store to UDDENBERG's old stand on Brown street...Peter NELSON has started a laundry in BLACKNEY's building on Stephenson avenue, which will be known as the City Laundry...T.J. SPENCER has opened a branch store in the room vacated by PETERSON, the jeweler, in MONT-GONERY's block.

June 16: Wm. HOCKING is negotiating for the Quinnesec hotel, and will probably buy it...HOOSE & GAGE took a party of 27 to Spread Eagle last Sunday in their four horse bus...A.J. LeveQUE has reopened his jewelry store in Wausaukee, with Carl MALANBERG in charge.

June 23: A.J. BRAZEAU has purchased K.S. BUCK's store building.

June 30: Cleanliness is next to Godliness, and when a man can get eight baths, with hot and cold water, at J.B. ESLICK's for \$1.00, there is no reason why he should not be at least clean.

July 28: A couple of Italians and a cinnamon bear struck the town last Saturday and have been amusing the children since.

August 11: Wm. HOCKING will move his saloon on the 1st of Sept. to the building now occupied by MALMGREN's drug store. Mr. Malmgren has not decided yet where he will move his store...John COSCOLA, a drunken Finn of Commonwealth, Wis., was shot and seriously wounded last week by Mats STIENBAKA, another Finn. Coscola is a tough and deserved to be shot.

August 25: MALMGREN, the druggist, will remove his store to Spencer's block, on

B street, the first of September...Cholera morbus and other kindred diseases have been playing havoc among the babies. Undertaker ROBBINS buried seven infants last week...Aug. LAVELLE and Edward ARSENAULT have opened a meat market on Fairbanks street, in the Ludington location, and propose to sell all kinds of meat and sausages at from six to ten cents a pound.

September 1: J.A. THORSALL, the A street baker, died last Saturday of consumption, and was buried on Sunday from the Swedish Mission church.

September 8: MALMGREN has moved his drug store into the TREMONTIN building on Brown street, instead of into SPENCER's block, as was reported he would do... At a meeting of the school board it was decided to keep the schools closed another week, owing to so much sickness of diphtheria.

September 22: Mr. KALITT, of the firm KALITT & REEVES, will close their business in this city and move their stock of confectionery to Sheboygan, Wis., where they will start up business.

September 29: The public schools were again closed Tuesday on account of diphtheria, several new cases having been reported this week.

October 6: M. SCATENA will open a fruit stand in MONTGOMERY's block, in the room vacated by T.J. SPENCER.

October 13: Jos. BITTERLY has moved his jewelry store into the room recently occipied by KALITT & REEVES as a candy store... The public schools are to be opened again next Monday and the health authorities believe there will be no further occasion to close them, there being now no serious diphtheria cases.

--William J. Cummings

#### HELP WANTED! HELP WANTED! HELP WANTED!

The editorial staff of DICKINSON DIGGINGS needs your help. We have often wondered which features are most appreciated by our readers, and also would be interested in learning about information and features you would like to see in this quarterly. Anyone wishing to submit material of general interest for possible publication is encouraged to do so.

In addition to feature articles, the following items have appeared in the first two volumes of DICKINSON DIGGINGS. Please take the time to drop us a note telling us which are the most useful or interesting to you.

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	ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT	/_/ NORTHWOODS NEWS NUGGETS	. ,
	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LISTING	/_/ ONLY A MINER	
	DICKINSON COUNTY CEMETERY RECORDS	// QUERIES	
	DICKINSON COUNTY MARRIAGE RECORDS	// SOCIETY NOTES AND EDITOR'S	CORNER
	NATURALIZATION PETITION AND RECORD	DOCUMENTS FOR DICKINSON COUNTY	
	In the next issue, the Foster City	area will be featured. We will	begin

the Foster City Cemetery and also the 1894 Michigan Census for Foster City in Dickinson County's Breen Township.

DICKINSON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1983
Balance on 31 December 1982\$143.07
Deposits:       1982 Memberships - 10
Disbursements:  Dues to Michigan Genealogical Council
Balance on 31 December 1983\$203.07
PETTY CASH RECORD FOR 1983
Balance on 31 December 1982\$6.08
<u>Deposits</u> : [forms]\$.26
<u>Disbursements</u> : [Kingsford High School - copying]\$.45
Balance on 31 December 1983\$5.89
Respectfully submitted by Toni M. Cummings, Treasurer

Mrs. Fred (Nettie) Anderson, of Union Lake, Michigan, acquired an early marriage certificate from friends disposing of articles found in an Iron Mountain garage. The marriage of Nils Johan Johansson and Maria Larson, both of Norway, Michigan, was solemnized 26 September 1887 by Ludv. Djupstram, M.G., with E.G. [C.] Wennerstrain and Louisa Wennerstrain serving as witnesses. Mrs. Anderson sent the 14½" x 20" certificate to the DCGS, and President Johnson has framed it for protection. A photograph of the bride at a later age is attached.



### QUERIES



## Each Query is Limited to One Specific Question, and Must Contain a Name, Date and Location.

(Deadlines for query publication are as follows: December 1 for publication in February; March 1 for publication in May; June 1 for publication in August; and September 1 for publication in November.)

PANZER/ RICHTER Need parents and siblings of Juliana Caroline Johanna PANZER, b. 7 September 1846 in Nawitz, Kr. Lauenburg, Pommerania; d. 26 March 1925 in Detroit, Mich.; m. Johann Christian RICHTER 18 July 1873 in Chicago, Ill. (Miriam Belding, 110 Viking Lane, Norway, Mich. 49870)

RICHTER

Need parents, wife and siblings of Carl RICHTER, b. 2 December 1812 in Linde, West Prussia; d. 13 January 1903 in Detroit, Mich. (Miriam Belding, 110 Viking Lane, Norway, Mich. 49870)

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Wish information on Andrew or Jim BROOKS and wife Angeline DOWNS. Children: Albert, John, Frank, Ann, Mary Jane, Ella. Lived in White, Cass and Carroll counties, Indiana. (Mae Davis Brooks, 629 East Breitung Ave., Kingsford, Mich. 49801)

HAWKINS/ REIGLE Henry H. HAWKINS, b. 1842, Carroll County, Ind.; d. Lockport, Ind. [Civil War veteran]; m. Mary Agnes REIGLE, b. 10 April 1856, Carroll County, Ind.; d. March, 1933, Lockport, Ind. Who were their parents? (Mae Davis Brooks, 629 East Breitung Ave., Kingsford, Mich. 49801)

CAMPBELL/ MESNY/ DIONNE/ YOUNG Need information on Mrs. Barney (Mary) CAMPBELL, who lived in Norway, Mich., in the 1930's. Also need information on Mrs. Wilfred MESNY and Joseph DIONNE or YOUNG, who lived in Iron Mountain in 1917.

(Mary L. Collins, 604 Peters Drive, Waukesha, Wis. 53186)

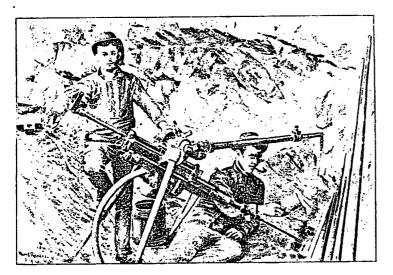
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Need any information on the relatives of Felix LE PAGE, who was a carpenter and burned to death in a house fire at 605 West A Street, Iron Mountain, Mich., on 23 February 1928. (Mary L. Collins, 604 Peters Drive, Waukesha, Wis. 53186)

[NOTE: Mary L. Collins is willing to do research work in the Wisconsin census records, etc., in exchange for research in Michigan records.]

LANG/ BRUNNER/ WILT/ WAGT Seeking any information on John LANG, b. 5 September 1877 in Althutten, Austria; m. Mary BRUNNER 17 October 1899 in Antigo, Wis.; his parents: Joseph LANG and Mary WILT; her parents: John BRUNNER and Mary WAGT (Mrs. Ronnie Olson, 133 Maple St., Kingsford, Mich. 49801)

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### "ONLY A MINER"

Mining Mishaps on the Menominee Iron Range

CARLO BONANNI, a tram-man, employed at the Chapin mine, was caught between two tram-cars last Friday night and received internal injuries that resulted in his death. As soon as possible after the accident he was conveyed to the company hospital, where Dr. Carpenter at once pronounced him injured unto death. Bronnani [sic] continued to linger in great pain until

Sunday morning, when death relieved him of his sufferings. The deceased was forty-five years of age, and was well thought of by his countrymen. He leaves a wife and seven children in Italy. --Iron Mountain Press, Thursday, June 11, 1896

CHARLES PROLLO was instantly killed and SAMUEL COWLING was quite badly bruised by a cave-in on the eighth level of No. 2 timber shaft at the Chapin mine last Tuesday afternoon. The accident was caused by the giving-way of the capping on the timbers. Prollo leaves a wife and three children, and resided on Fourth street near Vulcan. He was a member of the Spring Valley, Ill., lodge of Odd Fellows and the two local Italian societies. He was about forty years of age and commanded the respect and esteem of his countrymen in a high degree. Strange to say there are no marks on his person beyond a few bruises and Dr. Carpenter is of the opinion that he must have suffocated to death. His funeral takes place this afternoon and the Odd Fellows will have charge of it. ——Iron Mountain Press, Thursday, June 11, 1896

At the Pewabic mine, last Tuesday evening, DIONESIO GRASSI, a miner, had an exceedingly narrow escape from a horrible death. He was coming up in the cage with some long drills, with the bonnet of the cage raised up. When part way up the bonnet fell down, knocking one of the drills against the side of the shaft. The collision which followed threw Grassi between the cage and the wall plate, and when found he was hanging by one foot over the cage into the shaft. Had the landsman not heard the noise, and promptly stopped the cage, Grassi would have been dashed to pieces many feet below. As it was his jaw was fractured and his body bruised somewhat. LATER -- Grassi's injuries proved more serious than was thought and he died last night at the Pewabic hospital. He must have been injured internally. The accident was the result of his own carelessness and could not have occurred had he taken the usual precautions and tied the drills together. --Iron Mountain Press, Thursday, June 11, 1896

ADOLPH GAUTHIER, an old and trusted employe of the Chapin Mining company, was instantly killed, last Friday morning. Gauthier had charge of the dump cars on the trestle of the Hamilton shaft, and while attending to his duties on the fatal morning, was struck by an out-going car, and knocked between the tracks on the trestle, plunging to the ground, thirty feet below, where his head struck a rock, crushing his skull, and breaking his neck, causing instant death. He leaves a wife and seven children to mourn his loss. The funeral took place from St. Joseph's church, Sunday morning, under the auspices of the St. Jean Baptiste society, of which the deceased was a member. ——Iron Mountain Press, Thursday, January 31, 1901

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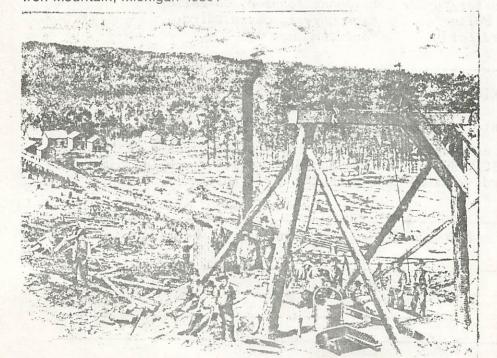


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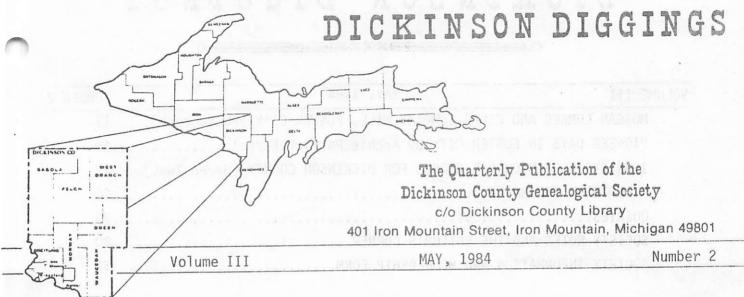
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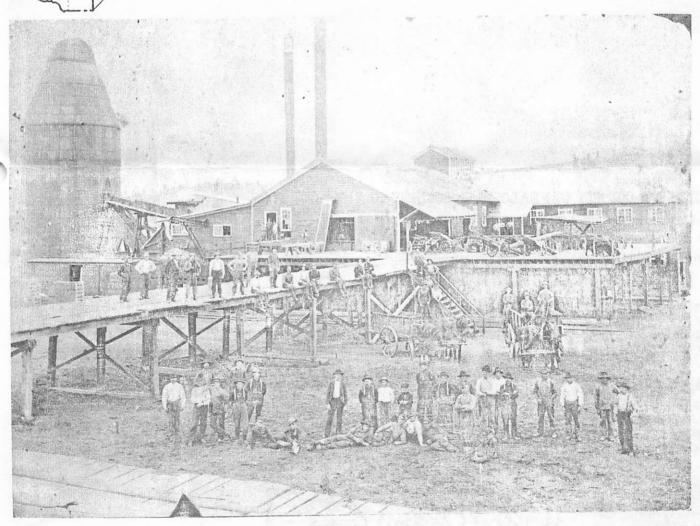
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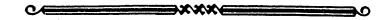
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Foster City, located in eastern Dickinson County's Breen Township, was a busy lumbering community and mill town from the early 1880's through the early decades of the twentieth century. This photograph, appearing here through the courtesy of Beatrice Blomquist, author of Michigan's Breen Township, was taken at the Morgan Lumber and Cedar Company mill in Foster City in about 1900. The cylindrical structure with the cone-like top at the left was a sawdust burner.

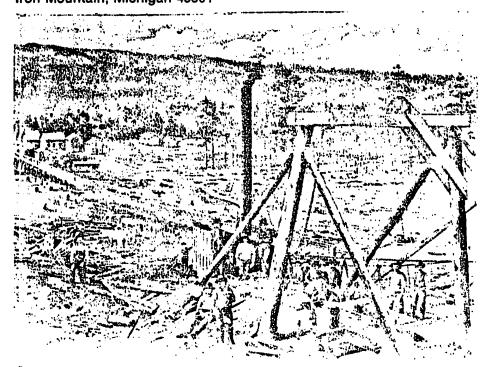
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Original Chapin Mine Shaft, Iron Mountain, Michigan, 1879

# PIONEER DAYS IN FOSTER CITY BY ARCHIE PATRICK FARRELL

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A series of six articles about Foster City's early history appeared in the columns of The Tron Mountain News between August 20 and August 26, 1942, penned by "Pat, an old lumberjack." A forward by the newspaper editor explained that the author, a "former prominent resident of Foster City," preferred to use the above name for Samuel Land Barrell his account.

Historian Beatrice Blomquist, while researching her recently and the second of the sec published book entitled Michigan's Breen Township, learned "Pat's" identity through a letter from Judy Farrell, of Marquette, wife of John "Pat" Farrell, grandson of the author. Judy Farrell, had noted the gain a mention of a series of historical articles published in August, 1942, had been made in Archie Patrick Farrell's obituary.

Farrell came to Hardwood in 1880, the same year that Alonzo L. Foster first visited this region and entered into negotiations for the development of what later became Foster City. Farrell was a member of the first lumbering crew sent to the Foster City area at is the start of the venture. of your taget but much try had continued to your

Foster City was named after Alonzo L. Foster, who came from Ohio in 1880. Mr. Foster was in the insurance business at the time, in Ohio, but having heard much talk about the great expanse of pine timber in upper Michigan and Wisconsin, and of how men were getting wealthy in the pine business, he became very much interested.

Mr. Foster talked with some lumbermen, who recommended him to a cruiser and estimator. The latter was James McGillan, of Appleton, Wis. Mr. Foster immediately returned to Ohio, to interest other men and to get backing for a company. The company was named the A.M. Harmon company, after a wealthy member of the new organization. PURCHASED TIMBER

Frage County was before the first for the Foster came north again and that fall the company purchased 80,000,000 feet of pine stumpage on the east branch of the Sturgeon Riven, and 38,000,000 feet on the Fond and Flat Rock rivers. The company then let a contract to clean out the river from a point where Foster City now stands, to Brown's Lake. The drive up the Sturgeon at that time extended only to Brown's Lake.

At this time, also, the company gave a contract to Charles Pendleton and Son, to log the eighty million feet of pine; to build three dams and to improve the river from the site of the present Lehman's farm to the present location of Foster City. At the taken have been been asked to be a first

Pendleton and Son began their contract in 1882 and one year later had succeeded in building three dams on the east branch of the Sturgeon; had improved the stream; had built pole trails, and put in 10 million feet of logs. In the spring of 1883 the company drove five million feet of logs to Menominee, and had

it sawed into lumber.

This drive, however, did not prove wholly satisfactory, because the cut lumber fell short nearly 100,000 feet. The company then decided to build a mill, and Mr. Foster, having heard that several mills in lower Michigan were about to close because of a shortage of pine, left immediately for the lower peninsula, HERET I THE SECOND OF SECOND STATE OF THE SECOND SE

Foster knew very little about saw mills, but off he went, alone and courageously, to Saginaw, to interview the representatives of various companies. The White and Fryant mill was one of the many belonging to these companies. Foster was advised to buy that mill and had just about closed the deal -- all but paying over the money -- when he was approached by the Hood and Gale company, eager to sell its mill. عارات العراق أعاريها الماراة ما

The Hood and Gale mill was much older than Fryant's, but was offered at a lower figure. Foster, not realizing that the Hood and Gale mill was just about worn out, immediately purchased it. Bitter feelings developed between Mr. Fryant and Mr. Foster over the deal.

On Feb. 21, 1884, the late John Mulligan arrived bringing with him a crew of eight men, a carload of lumber and some tools, to start construction of the town of Foster City. "Pat," the writer of this story, was one of that crew. "Pat" was considered quite an old hand at the game, for he had had two years' experience working on contracts for the company. The consequence of the language of the consequence 
### TOWN GETS ITS NAME

The late P.J. Anderson, section foreman at that time, built a camp and hired a cook, and the entire crew boarded at the Anderson camp. Pat and one of his chums, on the day of their arrival, cut down a small tree so that they could say -- honestly -- they had cut down the first tree, to build Foster City. The carpenter, Mr. White, put up a large sign, and on that sign was written: "Foster

City, Michigan."

Foster arrived the next day and, seeing the sign, gave it his hearty approval. "That," he said, "will be the name of this town -- Foster City." And it has been Foster City sever since we say the common contact to the contact to the several contact to the several contact to

# THE FIRST BUILDING

After naming the town "Foster City," the work of building a big lumber camp was begun. The spot selected for the construction of a building 34 by 61 feet was on the north side of the hill. The weather was very cold that spring and, aside from being on the north side of the hill, the building was up four feet from the ground, supported by posts, to make the foundation level.

On the second day, the crew closed the building in and covered the roof with tar paper; set up a cook range and large heating stove and built roaring fires in both. Within a few minutes, however, the snow and ice began to melt off the green

Tumber onto the floor, and the camp looked as though a rain storm had struck it.

On the third day the cooks, Mr. and Mrs. Stingle, and the latter's sister. arrived with a carload of supplies. By noon of that day the camp was comfortably dried out, and the next job was the building of furniture and fixtures. The carpenter and two helpers set to work and by nightfall the furniture was completed. The evening of the third day is a memorable one to "Pat" and the other members of the crew, because it was the first evening meal prepared and eaten in the new WHERE TO SLEEP? town of Foster City.

The cooks, Pat and the crew all had a wonderful supper, but then another problem developed -- where to sleep? We had the floor, but no bunks. The cooks were not only lucky, but wise; they had brought their own bedding. Fortunately there were several bales of excelsion and some blankets in the camp, so it was decided to take the excelsion and make beds on the floor, which was still rather damp and very cold. And there we slept -- or tried to.

Early the next morning the chore boy sounded the call: "Roll out." Most

of us slowly stretched our aching, frost-bitten bones and rolled out, but, believe it or not, three of the crew couldn't get up at all. Their hair was frozen to the wall, where they had lain all night. Blocks of wood were heated on the stove and placed at the heads of the three men. It was a slow process, and all three were late for breakfast, but we finally got them free.

After breakfast, Mr. Milligan said: "Well boys, I noticed some of you were late for breakfast this morning, and I don't want it to happen again." The boys tried to explain, but Mr. Milligan said: "All right, cut your hair off, and you won't have that trouble. Otherwise, we'll have to have the chore boy call you

half an hour early."

Andrew Engelson, one of the crew, replied: "Mr. Milligan, you don't have to cut my hair off. I'll never get frozen to the wall." Engelson's head was as bald as a billiard ball. That broke up the argument.

#### TWO BUNK HOUSES

We then built two large bunk houses, each 32 by 48 feet. One was named the "Michigan House" and the other the "Wisconsin House." The camp crew rapidly increased and by March 1 there were 60 men at work, clearing away the timber and laying for foundation for the dam and mill. A large building, which included the general store, postoffice and telegraph office, was built on the same site where the Foster City store now stands.

April 1 saw quite a change in the woods. Much of the timber in the interior had been cut, leaving a large clearing. However, the cutting operation itself was not satisfactory. We were unable to cut on both sides of the mill. To remedy

this, another boiler was installed, which helped considerably.

Just at this time the fireman quit his job and a call went out to Escanaba for a new man. The very next day he arrived. On first sight of him Mr. Foster decided he was not the man for the job, because he was quite slim and only five feet, six inches tall.

The man said: "I have come to fire for the mill." Mr. Foster advised him to return to Escanaba, telling him he could never stand the work. The fellow seemed to know better. He replied: "My name is Joseph Lapine. I have a recommendation from the last company I worked for and I would like to try this job." He was determined, and he got the job. Later Dennis Mahar, a Civil War veteran and employed as engineer at the mill, commended Lapine's work, and the meeting of these two men ripened into a deep friendship.

Mahar and Lapine not only remained fast friends at the camp, but spent much of their time planning improvements for it. They discussed engines and exchanged opinions on how they should be set up and operated. They also carefully checked over the mill itself and found that much of it had been set up wrong. Mr. Benson, the foreman, gave them permission to make whatever changes they wished, and gave them the extra help they required. From that time on the mill ran much better, and there was very little trouble.

At about that time, however, Engineer Mahar was called away because of the death of a relative and Mr. Lapine was in charge until the mill closed in November of that year, for the winter.

#### IN THE SPRING

When the summer days (1884) returned, the work of building a cook house, a sleeping house and eight new dwellings was undertaken, and quickly completed. A small school house, 16 by 24 feet, was also built and a teacher placed in charge. Miss Alice McGillen, the first teacher, was a sister of Frank McGillen, the first station agent at Foster City.

Many of the older residents of Foster City undoubtedly recall the circum-

stances of Miss McGillen's tragic and untimely death. Three young women -- Miss A. Farrell, of Norway; Miss McCabe, of DePere, Wis., and Miss McGillen -- lost their lives when they were carried over the Sturgeon Falls.

About Nov. 15, 1884, the mill closed again, and all the single men left for the woods. There was an atmosphere of prosperity in the town. The company began to ship lumber and a splendid little community was established. However, the optimism of that day was to undergo a surprising and sudden change.

#### **NEW LOGGING COMPANY**

"Pat" (the writer) and several young men companions started for camp and upon their arrival in Metropolitan were told that a new logging company was about to be started near Sagola. Early that fall the White and Fryant company had purchased 16 million feet of pine stumpage and started the work of building camps on the land that is now known as Lehman's farm, about eight miles east of Sagola.

The White and Fryant company had a comparatively small crew and about a million feet of logs in the river. The A.M. Harmon company of Foster City, had three million feet in the Headquarter pond and four [million] in the Upper pond. The White and Fryant logs were between the Upper and Headquarter pond, which was owned by the Harmon company. The latter company also had about two million feet of logs in the Foster City pond, which was all the pond would hold even though the logs were stored as closely as possible, leaving a 24-foot channel through the pond, as required by law.

The Harmon company then began to drive its three million feet of logs down from the Headquarters pond. That drive filled the river from bank to bank, within three miles of Foster City, leaving no channel. Meanwhile, the White and Fryant company began its drive of one million logs down onto the Harmon river, and demanded a channel through. This placed the Harmon company in a difficult spot.

#### RUMORS FLEW FAST

Rumors flew thick and fast, one stating that the White and Fryant company was hiring all the drivers they could find and were going to drive all the logs in the river through to the Menominee river. This report met with great indignation at Foster City and as a result all the older, experienced men were instructed to meet in the Harmon company's office, and discuss the situation. "Pat's sat in on that conference.

Results of the meeting were both gratifying and interesting. To solve the problem, much serious thinking had to be done, and every possible angle was reviewed in the effort to halt the White and Fryant company from its reported plan. It was finally decided that a spur track be built into the river, and a wrecker obtained from the railroad company to hoist the logs onto flat cars; run them into Foster City and deck them there.

The question still remained, however: When would White and Fryant make their drive, and would we have time to build the spur and "snake out" the logs? We knew we had to work fast -- but most of all we had to hold White and Fryant until we could get our plan in operation.

My next chapter will describe how we went about it.

[The remaining portion of Archie Patrick Farrell's narrative, "Pioneer Days in Foster City," will be featured in the November edition of DICKINSON DIGGINGS. John Emmett Nelligan, another pioneer lumberman, wrote about breaking ground for Foster City, erecting buildings, constructing a dam and clearing ground for a mill and lumber yard there in "The Life of a Lumberman," contained in the book A White Pine Empire, published by John N. Dwyer, The North Star Press, P.O. Box 451, St. Cloud Minnesota 56301. Segments of this account also appear in Beatrice Blomquist's Michigan's Breen Township:]

Inhabitants in Foster City, Breen Township, enumerated 1 June 1894 by Mrs. A.L. Foster

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1	Foster, Alonzo L.	57	hus	M	New York	Vermont	Vermont	president, Harmon Lbr. Co.
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	Smith, Leland S.	16	son	S	I owa	New York	Iowa	at home
1	Munson, Christina	18	ser	S	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	gen. housework
2	Foster, Andrew J.	60	hus	M	New York	Maine	Vermont	lumberman
	Anna	57	wif	M	Ohio	Conn.	Conn.	at home
3.	Arnold, Fred	30	hus	Μ	New York	Rhode I.	New York	bookkeeper mill
	Emma	27	wif	M	Wisconsin		unknown	at home
4	Allen, William	64	hus	M	Ireland	Ireland	Ireland	blacksmith
	Hattie	41	wif	М	New York	New York	New York	at home
5	Kysor, Dan	42	hus	М	New York	New York	New York	foreman of mill
	Clymena	39	wif	M	New York	New York	New York	at home
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	Susan	39	wif	М	Indiana	Virginia	Ohio	at home
	Winnie	15	dau	S	Michigan	Canada	Indiana	at home
	Arthur	11	son	S	Michigan	Canada	Indiana	at home
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15	Howe, David	27	hus	М	Michigan Rh	hode I.	Maine	teamster
	Lottie	24	wif	М	Michigan Ca	anada	Ohio	at home
	David	3	son	S	Wisconsin Mi	ichigan	Michigan	at home
	Maybell	1/12	dau	S	Michigan Mi	ichigan	Michigan	at home
16	Dewey, Chester W.	39	hus	М	Michigan Mi	ichigan	Michigan	lumberman
	Ella H.	39	wif	М	Mass. Ma	aine	Vermont	at home
	Chester T.	4	son	S	Wisconsin Ma	ass.	Michigan	at home
17	Wood, Charles	30	hus	M	New York Ne	ew York	New York	barn boss
	Annie L.	26	wif	M	Wisconsin Ca	anada	Canada	at home
	Pearl	8	dau	S	Wisconsin Ne	ew York	Wisconsin	at home
	Ada	5	dau	S	Michigan Ne	ew York	Wisconsin	at home
	Charlie	3	son	S	Michigan Ne	ew York	Wisconsin	at home
	Bennet, Clara	23	boa	S	Michigan Ne	ew York	Wisconsin	teacher
18	Duby, John	35	hus	М	Canada Ca	anada	Canada	teamster
	Camille	31	wif	М	Canada Ca	anada	Canada	at home
	Lorrea	4	dau	S	New Hamp. Ca	anada	Canada	at home
	Derouche, Fred	18	boa	S	Michigan Ca		Canada	not given
	Wolf, Jacob	41	hus	М			Ohio	edgerman
	Marrietta	36	wif	Μ	Michigan Oh	hio	Ohio .	at home

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19	Greenwood,	William	42	hus	М	England	England	England	cook
-	•	Francis	40	wif	M	England	England	England	housewife
		Edith	14	dau	S	England	England	England	at home
		Thomas	27	bro	S	England	England	England	shingle weaver
		Mary Ann	64	mot	M	England	England	England	at home
	Dahl, Amel	ia	21	ser	S	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	servant
20	Mack, Campl			hus	М	Canada	Scotland	Scotland	foreman of camp
	Mrs.		35	wif	М	Wisconsin	Ireland	N. Bruns.	
	Sherman, Cl	harles	32	boa	S	Michigan	Ireland	Ireland	bookkeeper
	Clive, Fern		30	boa	S	New York	Canada	Canada	janitor

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20	Dor, John	22	boa	S	Canada	Canada	Canada	blacksmith
• • •	LaPoint, Fred	26	boa	S	Canada	Canada	Canada.	teamster
•	Bayer, Wm.	20	boa	S	Germany	Germany	Germany	blacksmith
	Roseland, Chas.	30	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	slab sawyer
	Johnson, John #1	38	boa	W	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	supt. 1. yard
	McKenzie, R.	27	boa	S	Canada	Scotland	New York	bridge carpenter
	LaBuff, Jessie	24	boa	S	Canada	Canada	Canada	teamster
	Farsbeck, Mat	34	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	loading lumber
	Coupal, Louis	18	boa	S	Canada	Canada	Canada	carriage rider
	Johnson, John	30	boa	S	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	lumber piler

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Finman, Frank Valen, Gust	21 33	boa boa	S S	Scotland Scotland	Scotland Scotland	Scotland Scotland	lumber piler lumber piler
Lustie, William	26	boa	M	Canada	England	England	sawyer
Thomas, H.	44	boa	M	Wales	Wales	Wales	edgerman
Walter, Johnson	32	boa	М	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	band saw filer
Johnson, Mahoney	21	boa	S	Scotland	Scotland	Scotland	farm laborer
Johnson, Charles J.	20	boa	S	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	farm laborer
Coupal, Ed	16	boa	S	Canada	Canada	Canada	lath maker
Panko, W.	23	boa	S	Wisconsin	-	Wisconsin	
Anderson, Thomas	23	boa	S	Denmark	Denmark	Denmark	teamster
Snay, Joe	20	boa	S	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	lath mill
Smith, Anderson	26	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	farm laborer
Smith, Isaac	30	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	teamster
Newman, Alf	21	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	common laborer
Beck, Anderson	34	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	common laborer
Belonge, F.	36	boa	М	Canada	Canada	Canada	shingle packer
Swanson, O.F.	49	boa	М	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	lumber piler
Weidnir, John	21	boa	S	Canada	Germany	Germany	lath maker
Fellim, Jos.	18	boa	S	Canada	Canada	Canada	works on boom
Crivy, William	22	boa	S	Canada	Canada	Canada	shingle maker

Page 7: Enumerated 3 June 1894 by Mrs. A.L. Foster

20	Fogal, W. Garfield, Ed	31 28 25	boa boa boa	M S S	New York Michigan Finland	New York Canada Finland	New York Canada Finland	blacksmith shingle weaver works lumber yard
	Ostrom, H. Matson, Frank	26	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber wheeler
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	Beck, Alf							
	Williams, John	24	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	common laborer
	Victorson, Frank	22	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	common laborer
	Ross, Louie	28	boa	S	Michigan	Canada	Canada	shingle bolter
	Brady, William	40	boa	S	Vermont	Vermont	Vermont	brick mason
	Casey, Mike	23	boa	S	New York	Ireland	New York	teamster
	Taylor, A.L.	24	boa	S	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	teamster
	Johnson, Chas.	19	boa	S	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	lumber catcher
	Milligan, Chas.	32	boa	S	Maine	Ireland	Ireland	foreman of camp
20	Newman, Fred	26	hus	Μ	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	works on boom
	Hennie	25	wif	М	Sweden	Sweden	Sweden	at home
	Hendrickson, Herman	20	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	common laborer
	Hedstrom, Gust	19	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	.common laborer

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27	Saur, Jacob	46	boa	M	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber piler
	Backa, John	22	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber piler
	Matson, Jacob	25	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	farm laborer
	Hendrickson, John	18	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	farm laborer
28	Skogman, O.	36	boa	М	Finland	Finland	Finland	edgerman
	Mary	27	boa	M	Finland	Finland	Finland	at home
	Theodore	7	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	
	Stambark, Victor	46	boa	М	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber loader
	Searsblom, Alex	31	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber piler
	Lelvick, Victor	32	boa	М	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber loader
	Carlson, Victor	23	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	lath maker
29	Hagland, A.	27	hus	M	Finland	Finland	Finland	fireman mill
	Matilda	- 27	wif	M	Finland	Finland	Finland	slab sawyer
	Norbeck, Herman	40	boa	M	Finland	Finland	Finland	slab sawyer
•	Kenker, August	22	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber trimmer
	Anderson, John	25	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	farm laborer
	Mantilla, John	42	boa	М	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber wheeler
	Hohnquist, Gust	24	boa	S	Finland	Finland	Finland	lumber piler
	Freel, John	42	boa	М	Finland	Finland	Finland	Matilda wife [line 14]

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#### A NORTHERN BOOKSHELF

A Continuing Annotated Bibliography of Publications on Michigan's Upper Peninsula and Northeastern Wisconsin of Special Interest to Historians and Genealogists

When Beatrice M. Blomquist, historian of the Menominee Range Historical Foundation in Iron Mountain, Michigan, consented to coordinate the Bicentennial Research Project in 1976, neither she nor the Foundation nor the people residing in the

townships she would research had any idea of the scope of the publications which would be produced. Bea's enthusiasm and determination have produced the two books reviewed below, truly the results of a proverbial "labor of love" for her native area and the history of its people. Confident that volumes commemorating the centennials of Dickinson County's major cities, towns and villages would be published, Bea was concerned that the township histories might be overlooked, and decided to concentrate her efforts in the county's less populated areas. Usually with her husband Olaf at her side, she has traveled hundreds of miles across the backroads of Dickinson County and beyond seeking information, verifying facts, recording family histories and traditions and unearthing photographs long relegated to the attic or hidden between the pages of an old book to further document and illustrate the history of our rural settlers. Both books focus on the people, and are exactly what genealogists seek in a local history publication.

FELCH TOWNSHIP CENTENNIAL 1878-1978 by Beatrice M. Blomquist, Norway, Michigan: The Norway Current, copyright 1978. 268 pages including 435 black-and-white photographs with complete identifications. (Available for \$10 plus postage from Mrs. Beatrice M. Blomquist, 115 North Forest Street, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801.)

Among the information contained in <u>FELCH TOWNSHIP CENTENNIAL 1878-1978</u> is the following: Early Land Ownership Studies, Some History of Felch Township, Plat of Felch Mountain, Plat of Metropolitan [now Felch], Plat of Theodore, Logging Was Everywhere in Early Felch Township, The Mines of Felch Township, Felch Township Was Once Tops in Dairy Farming, Felch -- Trade Center for a Settled Township, The Settlers Sought Quality Education for Their Children, The Settlers Built on Faith -- and Built Churches, Families of Felch Township -- Their Stories and Pictures, Records of Life in the Early Days, Early Bridal Couples Speak of Romance in the Early Days, Advertisements [many families purchased advertisements which contain useful genealogical information].

MICHIGAN'S BREEN TOWNSHIP: THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS 1878-1978 by Beatrice M. Blomquist, Stephenson, Michigan: The Menominee County Journal Print Shop, copyright 1983. 270 pages including 458 black-and-white photographs with complete identifications. (Available for \$12 plus postage from Mrs. Beatrice M. Blomquist, 115 North Forest Street, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801.)

Among the information contained in <u>MICHIGAN'S BREEN TOWNSHIP</u> is the following: Logging Was Everywhere in Early Breen Township, Early Government, Archibald Patrick Farrell Writes About the Early Days, Patrick Milligan Log Book (1903-1904), Mining Brought Railroads, Opening Way for Logging, Calumet Mine Location, Rideouts Location, Agriculture, 1913 Breen Township Directory, Post Offices, Railroad, Roads, Health, Stores, Early Bridal Couples Speak of Romance in the Early Days, The Settlers Built on Faith — and Built Churches, Families of Breen Township — Their Stories and Pictures, The Settlers Sought Quality Education for Their Children, We Honor Our Veterans, Burials in Breen Township Cemetery, 1978 Voter Registration List for Breen Township, More History, Advertisements [many family advertisements].



## QUERIES



Each Query is Limited to One Specific Question, and Must Contain a Name, Date and Location.

(Deadlines for query publication are as follows: December 1 for publication in February; March 1 for publication in May; June 1 for publication in August; and September 1 for publication in November.)

McGRATH/ O'DONNELL Need any info. on William Charles McGRATH (and seven brothers) born 1837, Tipperary, Ireland; intention of naturalization filed 6 May 1866 in Houghton Co., Mich.; worked there in mine before going to Buchanan Co., Iowa, where he married Elizabeth O'DONNELL, Catholic.

(Marlys McGrath Rice, Route 1, Box 57, Concord, NE 68728)

McGRATH/ CRANE/ EUSTACE Need any info. on Michael Bernard McGRATH (and seven brothers) born 1835, Tipperary, Ireland; intention of naturalization filed 31 March 1865 in Houghton Co., Mich.; worked there in mine before going to Buchanan Co., Iowa, where he married Mary CRANE EUSTACE, Catholic.

(Marlys McGrath Rice, Route 1, Box 57, Concord, NE 68728)

[NOTE: Marlys McGrath Rice is willing to do research in New England census records (specializing in Dixon, Wayne and Cedar counties) and Buchanan County, Iowa, in exchange for Michigan research on McGraths. FREE depository for family group sheets with connections to the above counties.]

TRESTRAYLE/MILNOW

Need parentage of Richard TRESTRAYLE, b. 1640, Cornwall (Kenwyn), England; m. Alice MILNOW. (Florence Trestrail, 301 W. Flesheim St., Iron Mountain, Mich. 49801)

SIMS/BRAY

Need parentage of Joseph SIMS, b. 1836, Cornwall, England; d. 1917, Iron Mountain, Mich.; m. Elizabeth BRAY, b. 1841, Cornwall, England; d. 1910, Iron Mountain, Mich. (Florence Trestrail, 301 W. Flesheim St., Iron Mountain, Mich. 49801)

CUMMINGS/ BOYINGTON Need info. on birthplace and parents of Albert G. CUMMINGS, b. Oct. 1835, probably in N.Y. State; d. 29 Mar. 1907, Iron River, Mich.; residing in Jefferson, Jefferson Co., Wis., in 1860; married Lucy A. BOYINGTON in early 1860's; residing in Ft. Atkinson, Jefferson Co., Wis., in 1870; moved to Menominee, Menominee Co., Mich., between 1870 and 1877; moved to Iron River shortly after 1880. Children: George H., b. Oct. 1865, Hebron, Jefferson Co., Wis.; Celia, b. 1866 in Hebron; and Gertrude H., b. 22 Oct. 1877 in Menominee. (William J. Cummings, 614 East A St., Iron Mountain, Mich. 49801)

DAUGHERTY/ CHAPMAN Need parentage of Mary Frances DAUGHERTY, b. 4 May 1850, Huntington Co., Ind.; married Robert McCoy CHAPMAN 7 March 1867, Monroeville, Allen Co., Ind.; d. 5 Sept. 1872, Allen Co., Ind. (Toni M. Cummings, 614 East A Street, Iron Mountain, Mich. 49801)



#### SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER

Spring is finally upon us in the north country, and for many members of the D.C.G.S. the melting of the snow signifies an opportunity to again visit the local cemeteries to record tombstone inscriptions. At present, the members are working in Iron Mountain's Cemetery Park and

the Norway cemetery, the only cemeteries remaining to be read in the county.

The society's February meeting was a self-help program, when members assisted one another in suggesting possible sources to solve "sticky" genealogical problems. In March, Dennis Fraker, owner of Iron Mountain's Peninsula Granite and Marble Company, spoke on the evolution of tombstones and the type of records his company has kept since its founding in the early 1920's. At the April meeting, the editor showed slides of tombstones in the Quinnesec and Iron Mountain cemeteries, as well as some monuments photographed last summer while doing genealogical research in Jefferson County, Wisconsin. In addition to illustrating tombstone styles and motifs from different eras, inscriptions showing the wide variety of information to be found on these monuments were included — in a variety of languages encompassing the nationalities which settled in our area.

This issue of DICKINSON DIGGINGS features the Foster City/Breen Township area, including Archie Patrick Farrell's feature article, the 1894 Michigan census of Breen Township, which will be concluded in the next issue, and the review of a recently-published book on Breen Township. Due to space limitations, the Foster City Cemetery tombstone inscriptions which were to have appeared in this issue have been omitted, but will begin in the next issue. Hopefully the readership will enjoy learning more about areas in Dickinson County where lumbering, and not mining, played a major role in their development and settlement, something heretofore not included in the past issues of DICKINSON DIGGINGS.

In answer to a letter from Dagne Iola (Haglund) Daily, of Fullerton, California, Iron Mountain's 258-page hardbound centennial book Born From Iron is still available from the Menominee Range Historical Foundation Museum, P.O. Box 237, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801, for \$14 postpaid. See DICKINSON DIGGINGS, Volume I, Number 3, page 35 for a review of this book.

Attached to this issue of DICKINSON DIGGINGS is a flyer describing a new booklet available from the Friends of the Museum entitled Iron Mountain's Cornish Pumping Engine and the Mines It Dewatered. The editor was commissioned to research and write this 40-page, illustrated, softbound booklet to tell the story of the early development of the Menominee Iron Range, with emphasis on the Chapin Mine and the Cornish pumping engine, a relic of the area's mining heritage listed on both the state and national historic registers and the centerpiece of the new Cornish Pumping Engine and Mining Museum. If your ancestors were iron miners, or settled in the mining areas of the Menominee Iron Range, this booklet will provide insight into this aspect of our past.

A discovery made while researching for the above booklet may be of interest to family and local historians attempting to learn more about the early years of the settlements on the Menominee Iron Range. Marquette's The Mining Journal began carrying a feature entitled "Letters from the Menominee Range Mines" in June, 1877, which continued somewhat sporadically throughout the late fall of that year. Then, beginning with its March 29, 1879, edition, The Mining Journal began leasing page eight to a variety of editors for the next year and a half in which a newspaper within a newspaper appeared. Entitled The Menominee Ranger, this singlesheet carried news from the Range in general, and specifically from the newlyformed settlements in Michigan's Delta and Menominee counties and Wisconsin's Florence County, until publication ceased in August, 1880.

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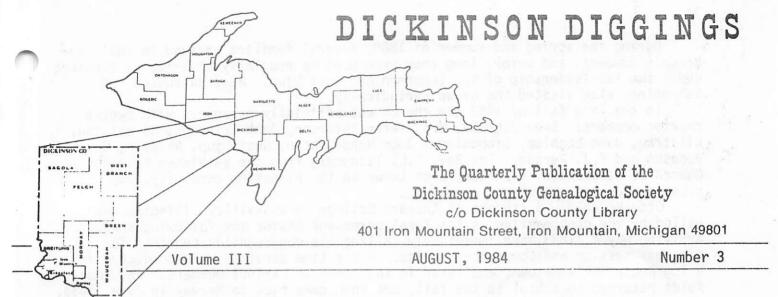
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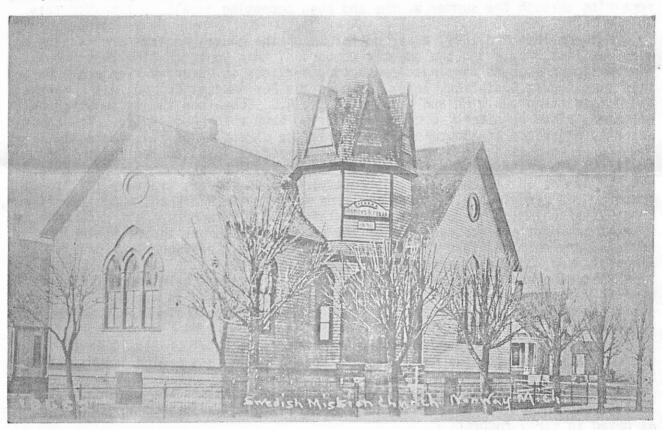
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SWEDISH CHRISTIAN MISSION CHURCH, NORWAY, DICKINSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

As this issue of Dickinson Diggings features an article on Norwegian genealogical research, an account of one of the Scandinavian churches in Dickinson County's City of Norway has been included. The settlement was founded by Carl Wendel in 1877. However, the later controversy as to whether the village was named for its founder's homeland or took the name of the species of tall pines growing in the surrounding area remains unresolved.

The Swedish Christian Mission Church, pictured above, was founded in 1879 by a group of Swedish immigrants who were converts from the revivals held in their homeland known as the Pietistic Movement. As they were particularly interested in Bible reading and prayer, their services consequently consisted of just

that.

During the spring and summer of 1880, several families arrived to swell the group's numbers, and before long they were meeting regularly on Saturday evenings under the lay-leadership of Mr. Soderman and Gust Djup. Rev. Magnusson, of

Ishpeming, also visited the group periodically.

In the late fall of 1882 the church was officially organized with twelve charter members: Sven Johnson, Mrs. Peter Peterson, John Erickson, A. Holsten, Kilstrom, John Engblom, Bloomstrom, John Hendrickson, Gust Djup, Nilsson, Mrs. Johnson and P.J. Person. The Rev. P.L. Taansberg from the Bethlehem Covenant Church of Stephenson, Michigan, also known as the Palestine community, was present when the church was organized.

Otto Hogfeldt, a student at Ansgari College in Knoxville, Illinois, was called by the congregation as its first permanent pastor the following spring, arriving May 4, 1883, and immediately calling his congregation together for a business session and Communion service. For a time services were conducted in a log house in Swedetown, and later in the homes of various members. Rev. Hogfeldt returned to school in the fall, and then came back to Norway in June, 1884, remaining through the summer months and then accepting a call to Iron Mountain in the fall.

Between 1884 and 1891, a period for which the church records are missing, many families, including the charter members of this young church, left Norway. The remaining members continued conducting services on Saturday evenings. During this time August Gustafson, later known as the Rev. August Delbon, was converted and joined the group. He and members of the A.G. Gustafson family to which he belonged, aided by others, organized a string band which August led. The choir was also organized at about this time under the direction of P.J. Pearson.

For some reason the congregation reorganized in 1894, twelve years after the first organization, and thirteen people became charter members: Peter Johnson, chairman; Charles Almquist, secretary; Charles Thorpe, treasurer; A.P. Asp, deacon; C.E. Hendrickson, deacon; Mrs. Ida Asp, Martin Bjorkman, August Gustafson, Emma Gustafson, Mina Gustafson, Anna Gustafson, J.P. Stenberg and Ulrica Johnson.

At the next business session of the church in December the following new members were welcomed into the congregation: John E. Anderson, Mrs. Charles

Almquist, Mrs. Charles Thorpe and Mrs. Peter Johnson.

That same year the first Sunday school sessions were held in the Turnblom home on Main Street. Many of the services were still held in members' homes until the Norwegian Lutheran Church became available for their use on Saturday evenings and Sunday afternoons.

Six months after the reorganization there was a total of \$13.10 in the church treasury, while the total expenditures for the same period amounted to \$10.

By January 1, 1897, the membership had grown to 45 and the finances were in the hundreds of dollars. The church's string band had gained a reputation, as noted in early records:

The song and music of this little group became so well known that it reached even to Palestine. [Palestine is the name of the community where the Bethlehem Covenant Church, now known as Stephenson, was located.] We were invited to this place to sing and play. They received an offering for us and when it was presented by the old Patriarch, Taansberg, he said, "This will be the beginning of the church building in Norway."

#### -- Charles E. Thorpe

Realizing the urgent need for a church home, the congregation attempted to purchase the Norwegian Lutheran Church, where they had been meeting. Unsuccess-

ful in this attempt, they did succeed in acquiring a building site on the corner of Brown and Ninth streets donated by the mining company. On November 6, 1898, Contractor Newman began construction on the building which was erected at a cost

of approximately \$1,200, half of which was raised within a few weeks.

At an undetermined date the church became known as the Evangelical Covenant Church. When the congregation celebrated its seventy-fifth anniversary in 1958, twelve pastors had served the church: Rev. Otto Hogfeldt, 1883-1884; Rev. August Delbon, 1895-1897; Rev. A.E. Rundquist, 1897-1901; Rev. F.O. Kling, 1902-1903; Rev. C.A. Bjornbom, 1903-1907; Rev. Andrew Anderson, 1907-1912; Rev. Carl Hansen, 1912-1918; Rev. Carl Brotten, 1919-1921; Rev. J.O. Gustafson, 1921-1939; Rev. Henry R. Nelson, 1939-1948; Rev. Albert Lundberg, 1948-1953; Rev. Sam H. Diskerud, 1954-date. Of these pastors, only four were living in 1958: Rev. C.A. Bjornbom, Rev. J.O. Gustafson, Rev. Henry R. Nelson and Rev. Sam H. Diskerud.

[Excerpted from the <u>Seventy-Fifty Anniversary (1883-1958)</u> of the <u>Evangelical Covenant Church, Norway, Michigan</u> in the archives of the <u>Menominee Range Historical Foundation Museum</u>, Iron Mountain, Michigan.]

#### QUINNESEC

This is a comparatively new place, being settled in the latter part of 1877, and the postoffice established in 1878. The location is in Menominee county, near Quinnesec Falls, and western terminus of the Menominee River R.R., 24 miles west of Spalding (junction of the C. & N.W. R'y), and 47 from Escanaba. The place is growing rapidly, having at present quite 400 inhabitants, and visited in summer by large numbers of pleasure seekers. The river abounds with fish and the woods with deer and small game. An immense business is done in lumbering, and supplies for the various camps are furnished from this station. Large quantities of iron ore from the Quinnesec mine find an outlet here. The improvements in the village consist of good graded streets, large school building, and a number of commodious business and warehouses. Mail, daily. Roscoe G. Brown, postmaster.

#### **Business Directory**

Barclay D, livery stable.
Black R E, meat market.
Brown R G (Wright Bros & Co).
Buell John L, lumber mnfr.
Desmer Alexander, shoemaker.
Dickey & McDonald, wagonmakers.
Hartley E, wagonmaker.
McDonald R E, wagonmaker.
McKenna Bros, Druggists.
McKenna John, saloon.
McKenna Maurice, drugs and notions.
McLaughlin Hugh, deputy sheriff.
McNamara Timothy, hotel propr.
Malloy J H, railroad agent.

Marchand B, barber shop and saloon.
Marchand Joseph, barber.
Menominee Mining Co, general store.
Malloy James H, station agent.
Newberry W P, shoemaker.
Newberry & Jenkins, canned goods and meat market.
Smith Mrs M, propr Oconto House.
Smythe E, justice and wagonmaker.
Surprise A, saloon.
Wendel C L, lawyer and hotel propr.
Wilkins Clark, barber.
Wright Bros & Co, General Store.
Wynne Daniel, justice of the peace.

[Michigan State Gazetteer and Business Directory 1879, Volume IV, Detroit: R.L. Polk & Co., 1879, page 919]

Three stores, five saloons, two meat markets in town, so we have lots to eat, and something to drink. (Quinnesec Quotum, <u>The Current</u>, Norway, Michigan, Volume I, Number 48 [Saturday, January 2, 1886], page 1, column 5)

## TRACING NORWEGIAN ANCESTORS CLOSELY LINKED WITH SWEDISH GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

By the Rev. Donald Edward Wold

There are many similarities in general principles between Swedish and Norwegian research. In Norway, the records have been kept by the State Lutheran Church pastors for centuries, just as in Sweden. Again, records of about 100 years ago are still in the parish offices, while those older than 100 years are deposited in the archives for each area, known as statsarkivet. There are basically only two divisions of area in Norway, those being the parish and the county. There are sixteen counties of varying size. Again, as with Swedish research, it is absolutely necessary to know the specific parish where a relative lived in Norway.

The statsarkivet contain most of the vital records of Norway, most of which came originally from the parishes. Birth, baptismal, confirmation, marriage and death records are available. There are also civil records, such as court and real estate records, which are housed in the archives.

Norway does not have the equivalent of the household examination rolls which are so vital to Swedish research. However, official censuses were taken, beginning in the middle of the 1700's, and sometimes earlier. From 1815, a census was taken every tenth year up to 1875. After 1875, there is a census for 1891 and 1900. All of the census records are found in the National Archives (Riksarkivet) in Oslo, with the exception of the 1875 and 1900 censuses which are available in the statsarkivet for each area. Most census records give information about each family or household: name, age, place of birth, occupation and family or household status. One may write to parish pastors for information on persons living less than 100 years ago. However, it seems that the pastors are less helpful or less inclined to put themselves out in this area than the pastors in Sweden. Of course, there are exceptions.

The situation with names and name changes is basically the same in Norway as in Sweden. Many of the same problems exist, but with one difference. The system of patronymics was prevalent also in Norway until near the beginning of this century. In Norway, the letter "e" is used in Peterssen (rather than Petersson) and for the female members of a family, they would have the surname Petersdatter (rather than Petersdotter). Norwegian immigrants who came to America seemed to change their names for as many different reasons as the Swedes. One added factor that can afford some interest or frustration to the matter of names is the common practice in Norway in the past of taking also for their name the name of the farm on which they lived, for those living in rural areas. Therefore, if an Oluf Olsen lived on a farm called Langmoen, he would usually be known as Oluf Olsen Langmoen. In coming to America, he might choose either of these surnames as his own for the rest of his life.

Those who owned farms usually kept that name in Norway throughout their lives. The situation became more complicated for the male and female farm servants who moved from place to place for the purpose of seeking work. If Oluf Olsen worked for a time at a farm called Stai, he would for that time be known as Oluf Olsen Stai. He might move to another farm called Norderud and from there to a farm called Knashaug and later yet to a farm by the name of Dellerud. At each farm he would assume the name of that farm while he lived there and worked there, even if it were for a short time. When he moved, he would have a new surname. This can be extremely dewildering as such a person is traced in the church records, even in the same parish. In one year he may have one surname, and the next year an entirely different surname. The change of names, however, can also be helpful and enlightening in learning of the various farms and places where this person spent some of his or her years. In emigrating to America, this person might choose his or her

patronymic name or any of the names of the farms where he or she was employed. One must be aware also of another point of confusion. Oluf Olsen may have the same surname as a number of other persons or families and be in no way related to these other persons. He may have worked at the farm called Stai and he may even continue to bear that surname later, but yet not be related to the family which owned the farm Stai, which also may have used that name as their family name.

There is an extremely important source for many who research in Norway. equivalent is not available in Sweden. Within about the last one hundred years, there have been a great number of books written and compiled for most of the areas of Norway, particularly the rural areas. These are known as Bygdebøker (rural books). They have been complied by many different people. Generally these apply to families who owned farms. Most books are divided into small chapters or sections, according to the many farms in a parish. Some history of each farm is given, and in almost every case, a page or two or three are devoted to a listing of the generations of that family owning the farm through the last centures. This information often goes back to the 1500's. Generally only the main family line owning the farm is carried through in detail, often to early in this century, but brothers and sisters in each generation are also listed. This is an extremely helpful source to anyone tracing families in Norway who lived in rural areas or rural parishes and owned their farms. These books do not cover families living in the cities. To a limited extent, families may be mentioned briefly who only rented parts of the larger farms, or who were simply servants on these farms. Many of these books are available through interlibrary loan from the University of Wisconsin in Madison. For these books to be helpful, it is necessary, of course, to pinpoint beforehand the parish where relatives lived. If it is not known if they lived on or owned a farm, such a book for a specific parish may have to be gone through very slowly and carefully, page by page, simply searching for familiar names. One who does not know any Norwegian may still find these books helpful by simply searching for names and dates. If names are found that seem to be of one's family, translation of the material will have to be done. These books are perhaps the best source of Norwegian research, aside from the usual records available in the archives and parish offices.

The regional archives may be contacted. However, they are being flooded with requests for genealogical research and they will at best give only a very little information, and then refer you to professional researchers who may be able to help you further. These addresses may be helpful as one determines the county and parish of one's ancestors:

Riksarkivet (National Archives) Bankplassen 3 Oslo 1, Norway

Regional Archives:

Statsarkivet i Oslo Kirkegata 14-18 Oslo, Norway [for counties Østfold, Akerhus, Oslo, Buskerud, Vestfold, Telemark]

Statsarkivet i Hamar Strandgata 71 N-2300 Hamar, Norway [for counties Hedmark and Oppland]

Statsarkivet i Kristiansand Vesterveien 4 N-4600 Kristiansand, Norway [for counties Aust-Agder and Vest-Agder]

Statsarkivet i Stavanger Domkirkeplassen 1 N-4000 Stavanger, Norway [for county of Rogaland]

Statsarkivet i Bergen Aastadveien 22 N-5000 Bergen, Norway [counties of Hordaland, Bergen, Sogn, Fjordane]

Statsarkivet i Trondheim Høgskoleveien 12 N-7000 Trondheim, Norway [counties of Møre and Romsdal, Sør-Trøndelag, Nord-Trøndelag, Troms and Finnmark]

There are a number of helpful sources for information on Norwegian research and research of Norwegian immigrants in this country. One is the Norwegian-American Historical Association at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota 55057. The headquarters of the Sons of Norway Lodge at 1312 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55408 can also be helpful. This office has names and information of Norwegians in America from many years back, names of those who were members of this lodge which is wide-spread throughout the United States and Canada today. This lodge also publishes a monthly magazine called The Viking. There is a column in this magazine for queries concerning relatvies past or present in either Norway or the United States.

#### **VULCAN**

Settled about 1870, near the Menominee river, in Breitung township, Menominee county, is a village claiming 600 population, and a station on the Menominee River R.R., 5 miles from Quinnesec and 18 from Spaulding, the junction of this railroad with the C. & N.W. R'y. Vulcan mine is one mile distant, and the shipments are iron ore and saw logs. Daily mail. Express, American. W.E. Wilson, postmaster.

#### **Business Directory**

Belknap M C, books and stationery, druggist and physician.
Cordey F & Co, lumbermen
Menominee Mining Co, general store and iron mines.
Menominee River Lumber Co, lumbermen.
Newberry & Jenkins, meat market.
Sloan C H, lawyer.
The Kirby-Carpenter Co, lumbermen.
Whitehead Louis, hotel propr.
Wilson W E, Express and Railroad Agent.

## [Michigan State Gazetteer and Business Directory 1879, Volume IV, Detroit: R.L. Polk & Co., 1879, page 1032]

The Vulcan Brick Works, owned by W.J. Turner & Son, have manufactured 1,500,000 brick this season, 1,000,000 of which have already been sold, leaving 1,500,000, on hand now ready for the market. [The Iron Mountain Press, Iron Mountain, Michigan, Volume 9, Number 18 [Thursday, September 22, 1904], page 5, column 2]

### 1894 STATE OF MICHIGAN CENSUS FOR DICKINSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

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Inhabitants of Camp One, Breen Township, enumerated 11 June 1894 by Mrs. A.L. Foster Page 19:

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#### LIBBYS, LIBBEYS, LIBBIES

THE JOHN LIBBY FAMILY ASSOCIATION and THE JOHN LIBBY HOMESTEAD CORPORATION 80th Annual Reunion will be held Saturday, Sept. 22, 1984, in the John Libby Memorial Room, Black Point Congregational Church, Route 207, Scarborough, Maine. For details contact: Prescott Libbey Brown, Secretary, 67 Old Kent Road North, Tolland, CT 06084.



#### SOCIETY NOTES AND THE EDITOR'S CORNER

The latest issue of <u>Dickinson Diggings</u> was disbributed at the May 24 meeting. Refreshments were served by Kate Chiesa, Gladys White and Florence Trestrail. We apologize for the pages being out of order in that issue. The printer, who does a fine job, had a slight problem with

pagination.

On behalf of the DCGS I would like to extend our hearty thanks to the citizens of Waucedah Township and the township board for the use of their town hall located in Loretto for our summer meetings. The board has allowed some of our members to place unidentified pictures in the hall in the hope that someone in the community might be able to identify them.

The program at the June 28 meeting proved so interesting and amusing we will try it again. Each member gave a surname being researched and the other members were asked to write the name as they heard it. As an example of the variations which resulted, the name Fish was given eight different spellings!

The DCGS now exchanges quarterlies with the American-Canadian Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 668, Manchester, New Hampshire 03105. The offer was extended through DCGS member Denise Pelletier.

On July 26 the monthly meeting was again held at the Waucedah Town Hall. Plans were made for a potluck picnic to be held there August 23 which is open to all members and their families. At the July meeting members had an opportunity to examine and use a microfiche reader. Refreshments were served by Kate Chiesa and D. Johnson.

The date chosen to read the Norway Cemetery (July 9) dawned hot and muggy, and even the three hardy souls who did appear remained only a short time. Joan Oberthaler, the project's co-ordinator, has done a great deal of work organizing the sections so the actual reading is easily accomplished. Mel Miner is feeding the cemetery information into his computer.

The DCGS has received its copy of the <u>Michigan Surname Index</u> [Volume I, 1984] which will be placed in the Dickinson County Library for reference. Each society member immediately checked to see if the names he had submitted were listed -- and was pleased to find they were.

I purchased a funeral book for Herman Selk, who was born 5 December 1873 and died 14 January 1959 in Spokane, Washington. A letter postmarked Chicago, Illinois, 25 July 1911 addressed to Charles Selk, 1411 South 9th Street, Manitowoc, Wisconsin from "Lillie" was also acquired, the envelope bearing a printed return address which reads Teteak Bros., Staple and Fancy Groceries, 358 Sedwick St., Chicago, Illinois. An undated report card for Elsie Selk signed by Mrs. Charles Selk was also bought. These items were obtained at the Bargain Barn in Crystal Falls, Iron County, Michigan, and had been acquired by the owner among the contents of a house in Milwaukee recently. A number of unidentified photographs which were probably of the Selk family and a birth announcement for Emmet Lawrence Tabot, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Tabot, born at the Holy Family Hospital in Manitowoc, Wisconsin on 20 March 1913 remain at the Bargain Barn. If connection to these families can be made, I will gladly forward these items to the descendant for the price paid plus postage.

I have my copy of <u>Iron Mountain's Cornish Pumping Engine and the Mines It</u>

<u>Dewatered</u> and would like to extend my congratulations to Bill Cummings, our coeditor, for a fine job.

#### FOSTER CITY CEMETERY RECORDS

Located in the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 41 North, Range 27 West Breen Township. Township-owned. Active.

Settlers began moving to the Foster City area in about 1880 as the lumber and logging industry began establishing operations in that region. However, according to Dorothy Johnson, Breen Township Clerk, when deaths occurred, the remains were taken to Felch, La Branch or Escanaba for burial, being transported to the latter location via the railroad.

Although records of the earliest burials in the Foster City Cemetery do not exist, these burials are believed to have been children. Indeed, the first six burials recorded were children, the earliest of which was on Christmas Day, 1909, when three-day-old Marion Moll, infant daughter of Dr. G.W. and Isabel (Rideout) Moll, was laid to rest.

The D.C.G.S. read the tombstones in this cemetery on September 27, 1980.

ANDERSON: C. Oscar, 1881-195 (Father); Maria, 1881-1960 (Mother); Carl B., 1920- (Son) [all three on one stone]; Alexander, 12 Sept. 1910-23 Nov. 1910; Carl B., 20 Mar. 1920-19 July 1975 (PFC US Army; VFW

marker); Father, 1878-1915; Mother, 1881-1937 [both on one stone]

ANDERSON: Carl, 1856-1940; Signe, 1887-1940 ANDERSON: Joann [remainder of stone buried]

ANDERSON: John G., 1890-1968 (VFW marker); Alice, 1895-1954

ANDERSON: Peter J., 29 Nov. 1859-11 Oct. 1908 (At Rest); Mother, 11 Sept. 1860-30 Dec. 1933 (At Rest); Till Minne Af Vara Barn P.J. & C. Anderson, Hulda Caralina, Fodd Den 17 Juni 1882-Dod Den 9 Juni 1893; David George, Fodd Den 23 Aug 1892-Dod Den 21 Juni 1893 [both on one stone] [family name stone]

ASP: Fritz Ewald, 23 May 1894-29 Sept. 1971 [Michigan Pvt Sup Co 18 Inf WWI; VFW marker]; Elmer, 1898-1911; John, 1867-1930 (Father) [family name stone] BACKLUND: Salem J., 1905-1972 (Father); Della P., 1909- (Mother)

BARTLE: William G., 1898-1971

BAUER: Hannah F., 2 Mar. 1902- (Mother); Joseph John, 12 Apr. 1891-23 Apr. 1978 (Father) [Pvt US Army WWI; VFW marker]

BEAUCHAMP: Father, 1896-1945; Mother, 1900-1956

BEAUCHAMP: Leslie H., 12 Mar. 1925-10 Apr. 1972 [Michigan T. Sgt. Co L3 Bn 185

Inf WWII; VFW marker]
BEAUCHAMP: Wayne M., 6 Mar. 1949-12 Apr. 1971 (The Lord Is My Shepherd) [Michigan Sgt. Co | Cl Bn 20 Inf Vietnam; VFW marker]

BERGFELT: Carl U., 1928-1939 (Son)

BEURJEY: Edward A., 1902- ; Mary F., 1904-1974 [both on one stone]

BISHOP [?]: Claude W., 21 July 1878-12 July 1912 (Husband)

BJORKLUND: J. Herman, 1904-1973 (Father); May L., 1907- (Mother)

#### FOSTER CITY CEMETERY RECORDS

1916 (Grandpa)

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BLACKHALL: Catherine, 1869-1927 (Mother); Peter, 1868-1941 (Father)
           Leonard W., 1906-1962
BLAUBACH:
            Sigrid, 1874-1911 (Mother) [At Rest]; Josephine, 1900-1929; Frank,
BLOMQUIST:
     1875-1947
BROEDERS: LeRoy J., 17 Sept. 1932-10 Sept. 1951 [Michigan Pvt 35 Inf 25 Inf Div
     Korea; VFW marker]; Gertrude, 1901- ; Gerard, 1881-1964 [both on one stone]
BROMAN: William P., 1897-1941 (Father) [VFW marker]
BUCKEL: Roy H., 1894-1972 (Father); Crystal B., 1895-1972 (Mother) [both on one
     stone]; James Bruce, 13 Dec. 1919-24 Sept. 1943 [Michigan 2 Lieut Pilot Army
     Air Corp]
                               (Mother) [VFW Aux. marker]; George A., 1901-1978
BURKMAN:
          Jeanette,
     (Father); Malvern D., 1936-1954 [Our Beloved Son; VFW marker]; Allen,
     28 Oct. 1931; Keith, 3 Mar. 1944; Robert, 7 July 1927 [Our Beloved Sons;
     family name stone]
          Augusta, 1884-1929 (Mother); Helen, 1915-1933 (Daughter); Bernt, 1878-
     1939 (Father)
          Axelina W., 1884-19 ; Carl E., 1878-1959
CARLSON:
                                                           ; Carl O., 1886-1964
         Carl, 1884-1964 (Husband); Barbara F., 1887-
     [both on one stone; family name stone]
CARLSON: Elmer C., 10 Dec. 1912-7 July 1975 [Cpl US Army; VFW marker]; Ora M.,
     11 Mar. 1916-18 July 1978
CARLSON: Frank, 1882-1944 [white wooden cross next to this stone]
CARLSON: Frank, 25 Dec. 1921 [Wisconsin Pvt Med Dept.; VFW marker]
CARY: Earl E., 1902-1971
CHARLEVOIX: Mother, 1870-1921; Father, 1869-1935 [There is also a large piece of
     natural stone over what may be a grave. No markings can be found on this
     stone.
COOPER: Doreen Fay, 1955-1977 (Daughter)
         William [Co B 35 Mich Inf Sp Am War; VFW marker]
COOTWARE: Leslie J., 28 Apr. 1903-27 Mar. 1937; Ellen J., 19 Nov. 1903-9 Nov.
     1979
CORRETTE: Fred, 1884-1967
           Joseph, 1888-1969 (Father); Mabel, 1891-1973 (Mother)
COUSINEAU:
            Todd, 1965-1965; Myrtle, 1909-1974 [family name stone]
COUSINEAU:
        Gerald Robert, 3 Aug. 1948-21 Feb. 1979 [Sn US Navy Vietnam; Am Leg marker]
        Mary, 1875-1956 (Mother); Angus, 1875-1932 (Father)
CURTIS: Clara A., 1900-1920 [At Rest]
                         ; William H., 1902-1976 [both on one stone]
DAWE: Esther M., 1904-
         June, 1933-1947 [She Guides the Way; photograph]; Lena M., 1908-1978
     [Small metal marker says Crawford Funeral Home]
DORAN: Curtis, 1907-1932; Alma, 1881-1966; Mabel, 1889-1936; Sam, 1860-1943
DUFRISNE: Archie H., 1899-1964 (Husband); Lucille M., 1906-1976 (Wife) DUFRISNE: Delphine, 1868-1946 (Mother); John L., 1861-1920 (Father)
                                         (Husband); Edith M., 22 Sept. 1906-24 June
           Daniel C., 28 Nov. 1901-
DUFRISNE:
      1956 (Wife)
           John A., 16 Jan. 1894-9 Aug. 1911 [Other Surname on Lot: Sly]
DUFRISNE:
          Christina, 1872-1957 (Mother); J.E., 1868-1935 (Father); Edward, 1906-
      1924 (Son) [Other Surnames on Lot: Matson]
ERICKSON: Alyce Ann, 29 Aug. 1933-5 Sept. 1933; Viola B., 1908-1967 (Mother)
     [May She Rest in Peace]; Erick E., 1893-1973 [May He Rest in Peace]
           Anna E., 1851-1930
ERICKSON:
           Karen S., 15 July 1957 (Baby)
ERICKSON:
            John A., 1879-1956
ERICKSON:
           Robert E., 1874-1951 (Father); Walter, 1917-1923 (Son); Alex, 1837-
ERICKSON:
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#### FOSTER CITY CEMETERY RECORDS

on Lot: Mackie

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FARREL: Archie P., 1863-1944 (Father); Charlotte I., 1870-1955 (Mother); Dear
     Ruth, 16 Jan. 1893-26 Jan. 1913
FARREL: Leo J., 1 July 1924 [Minnesota Pvt 1st Cl 162 Inf 41 Div; VFW marker]
FARRELL: Frank S., 1888-1948 (Father); Ida M., 1895-1971; Everette J., 24 May
     1918-5 July 1967 [Michigan Tec. 5 1862 Svc. Comd. Unit WWII; VFW marker]
FARRELL: Robert P., 1939-1980; Kerrion J., 16 Feb. 1937-28 Nov. 1967 [Michigan
     PFC US Marine Corps; VFW marker]
FAYAS: Mose, 1894-1967 (Father); Elsie, 1898-1967 (Mother) [family name stone]
FILBACK: Albert R., 24 Apr. 1909-23 Feb. 1953 [Michigan TEC 5 3705 QM Truck Co.
     WWII; VFW marker]; Bertha, 1900-1925 (Daughter); Mother, 1879-1917
FILBACK: Walter I., 1904-1978 (Father); Marie V., 1902-1957 (Mother) [family
     name stone]
           Joseph L., 1888-1961 (Brother); Rose O., 1896-
                                                              (Sister)
FREDETTE:
                              ; Ferdinand H., 26 May 1917-19 Feb. 1970 [Michigan
GASPARICK: Alida M., 1923-
     AS US Navy WWII; Am Leg marker]
GAUTHIER: Alice Marie, 21 Sept. 1920-21 Sept. 1920
GEDVICK: Hemming, 28 Nov. 1879-23 Jan. 1917 (Father)
GENDRON: Arthur J., 29 Feb. 1904-29 Sept. 1971 (Husband); Louise A., 15 Mar. 1908-
     12 Aug. 1958 (Wife)
GRUNDLAND: Sumner G., 1924-1970 (Father)
GRUNDLAND: Hilma J., 14 Mar. 1885-10 Nov. 1952 (Mother)
     Frank Henning, 3 Sept. 1893-10 Sept. 1954 (Father)
GUILBEAULT: Elinore, 1861-1914 [family name stone]
            John W., 1880-1945
GUSTAFSON:
           [family name stone; no individual names]
HALDERSON:
HANSEN: Maren Rosalia, 1899-1974 (Daughter); Anna, 1865-1951 (Mother); Christian,
     1867-1934 (Father); Victor, 1894-1912; Caroline, 1902-1902; Catherine, 1902-
     1908 [both on one stone]
HILL: Andrew, 1856-1925
          Anna, 1896-1966 (Mother); Oscar, 1883-1961 (Father)
JOHNSON:
          Brandon Leonard, 2 Sept. 1974-14 Nov. 1974 [Our Baby]
JOHNSON:
          John, 1856-1916 (Father); Minnie, 1865-1948 (Mother); George A., 1909-
JOHNSON:
     1970 [family name stone]
          John W., 1889-1965 (Brother)
JOHNSON:
          Lorraine, 1940-1940 (Baby)
JOHNSON:
          Marian J., 1931-1969 (Mother); Bruce Dale, 1954 (Baby)
JOHNSON:
          Marion M., 1921-1976
JOHNSON:
          Minnie, 1885-1967 (Wife); Swan G., 1881-1972 [family name stone]
JOHNSON:
          Nels, 1845-1924 (Father); Anna, 1849-1935 (Mother); John, 1871-1924
JOHNSON:
      (Son); Hilma, 1885-1911 (Daughter); Swan A., 1891-1956; Anna M., 1893-1962
     (Mother)
          Olaf, 1906-1929; Lisa, 1871-1947; Jacob, 1865-1942 [both on one stone]
JOHNSON:
          Oscar, 1882-1961 (Father); Aina, 1884-1953 (Mother)
JOHNSON:
          Swan E., 1887-1958 (Father); Helen C., 1894-1978 (Mother)
JOHNSON:
KENNEY: Father, 1866-1925; Mother, 1867-1959; Timothy J., 1908-1925
       Thomas W., 1895-1977 (Father)
KIVI: Matt, 1889-1966 (Father); Marica Lynn, 12 Sept. 1949
KLING: Algot, 1909-1973; Lucille, 1916-19
       Axel, 1904-1975; Linnea, 1903-
KLING: Baby, 1932; Ed, 1887-1933 (Brother); Karl O., 1 May 1890-10 Sept. 1954
     [Michigan PFC Medical Dept. WWI; VFW marker] [family name stone]
KOBASIC: Kelly Lee and Eric David, 17 May 1967 (Twins)
            John, 1871-1958 (Father); Sandra, 1881-1952 (Mother) [Other Surnames
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## QUERIES



Each Query is Limited to One Specific Question, and Must Contain a Name, Date and Location.

(Deadlines for query publication are as follows: December 1 for publication in February; March 1 for publication in May; June 1 for publication in August; and September 1 for publication in November.)

**ERICKSON** 

Does anyone know the name of the mine where the giant powder explosion which caused the death of Anton ERICKSON on 6 October 1905 occurred?

(Dagne I. Haglund Daily, 700 North Ladera Vista Drive, Fullerton, California 92631)

The following account is excerpted from The Annual Report of the Inspector of Mines, Dickinson County, Michigan, from September 30, 1904, to September 30, 1905, by William Trestrail, Inspector, page 12, Accident No. 6.

On the 5th day of August, 1905, by the premature explosion of two holes in the bottom of "C" Shaft, Ludington branch of Chapin Mine, Anton Erickson was instantly killed, William Anderson received a fractured leg, and Charles Anderson a severely lacerated scalp and right hand. Albin Safholm, who was up about thirtyfive feet from bottom of the shaft, taking off a hose, escaped without injury. From the testimony produced at the inquest held over the body of Anton Erickson, it appears that, on the day accident occurred, the four persons named, and their four partners, all miners, which constituting the afternoon shift in the shaft at this time, came on at three o'clock. The four persons named got on the bucket and went down to the bottom to blast a round of holes. The other four remaining at the collar, or surface landing, of the shaft. That, at about 3:30 o'clock, the partners at the top saw a flash of lightning strike the shaft, and go down into one of the compartments, and immediately after heard the report of a blast. Surmising what had happened, Swan Johnson, the shift boss, who was also at the top of the shaft, shook the bucket rope as a signal for the men at the bottom to send up the bucket; but getting no response, he rang the signal to hoist. When the bucket came up, Safholm, who was unhurt, but knocked in the dark by the blast, was on it. He told what had happened at the bottom. The shift boss assisted by the other partners, went down and brought up the men, who were removed to the hospital, and later to their homes. The blasting in "C" Shaft is done with a galvanic battery from the ninth level, located, at the time of the accident, up about 250 feet from The leading wires were strung through the level, about the bottom of the shaft. 150 feet then down through the shaft to the bottom, where they are connected to the holes intended to be blasted. At the time the accident occurred, the men had nine holes charged and connected, and were about to get on the bucket to go up to the level and explode them. The injured men say that the leading wires were not connected to the battery, and that there was no one in the level or shaft, but themselves. It is supposed that the lightning struck the shaft, went down on one of the cables, and then jumped to the battery wires.

There was a fierce electric storm raging at the time, and considerable damage

was done by the lightning along the Range.

Charles Anderson has recovered from the injuries he received, and is at work again. William Anderson is doing very nicely, but is still unable to work.

Anton Erickson was a Swede, about thirty-three years old, married, and leaves a wife and three children.

JOHNSTON LA BLANC/ Need any information on marriage of Mary JOHNSTON, who married Isaac LA BLANC in the mid-1800's in New Brunswick, Canada, pos-

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sibly in Campbellton. (Hazel Dault, N3712 Bass Lake Road, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801)

DeGAYNER/ GAGNER McGUIRE BERGFELDT SEYMOUR WEISER Need any information on Joseph DeGAYNER/GAGNER, who married Olive McGUIRE in Menominee, Mich., 2 Sept. 1897, and his brother William DeGAYNER/GAGNER, who married Nestor BERGFELDT 2 Mar. 1902. Believed to have lived in Milwaukee, Wis. Parents Joseph and Mary (SEYMOUR) DeGAYNER. Brother Joseph had following children: Alice married Burt WEISER, Ellsworth, Joseph Jr., Bill, Elaine and Madeline. Have no information on William's children. Any help appreciated! (Hazel Dault, N3712 Bass Lake Road, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801)

THOMAS CONN

Harvey Morris THOMAS, born 16 Nov. 1808 in Bucks Co., Pa. Wife was Elizabeth "Betty Polly" CONN. Married in 1834. Both died in Jefferson Twp., Cass Co., Ind. Who were his parents? (Mae Davis Brooks, 629 E. Breitung Ave., Kingsford, Michigan 49801)

REYNOLDS DAVIS DE GUISE OLIVER John REYNOLDS, born 20 Dec. 1886; died 13 Mar. 1950 in Flushing, Mich.; married Marie DAVIS. Wish to correspond with any of their children: Samuel, Daniel, John Jr., Irene OLIVER, Ann DE GUISE, Nellie REYNOLDS.
(Mae Davis Brooks, 629 E. Breitung Ave., Kingsford, Michigan 49801)

CHAPMAN HOGG DAUGHERTY Seek death date and place for Robert McCoy CHAPMAN, son of Moses Rush CHAPMAN and Mary Ann HOGG, born 3 Jan. 1845, Butler Co., Pa.; married 7 Mar. 1867 in Monroeville, Allen Co., Ind., to Mary Frances DAUGHERTY; also three other marriages; Civil War veteran. (Toni M. Cummings, 614 East A Street, Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801)

HASLESIE/ GULLIKSDATTER Need parentage of Hans Christensen HASLESIE, born 1793 in Kraegero, Norway; married Aaste GULLIKSDATTER, born 1797 in Øen, Norway. Also need death dates and places for this couple. (Florence Trestrail, 301 W. Flesheim St., Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801)

WILTERDINK

Need parentage of Willem WILTERDINK, born in Kotten, Wintersvijk, Holland in 1630. Also need marriage and death places and dates and name of spouse. (Florence Trestrail, 301 W. Flesheim St., Iron Mountain, Michigan 49801)

RENCH/WRENCH MILLHOUSE/ MILHAUS SIMMONS REDENBAUGH/ REDENBO Margaret RENCH married John MILLHOUSE in Maryland ca. 1776. They moved to Montgomery Co., Ohio, ca. 1804. One of their daughters married John SIMMONS and was captured at Fort Dearborn 15 Aug. 1815. Almost two years later Susan was returned to the family in Ohio where she later married a man named REDENBAUGH. Does anyone know which REDENBAUGH she married and if they had children? (D. JoAnn Johnson, Box 72, Loretto, Michigan 49852)

STRUBLE KISER Peter STRUBLE married Susan KISER 28 Oct. 1830 in Shelby Co., Ohio. Peter was in Anderson Co., Kansas, in the spring of 1872, but was deceased when his mother died in 1880. Does anyone know when and where he died and if there were any surviving children? (D. JoAnn Johnson, Box 72, Loretto, Michigan 49852)

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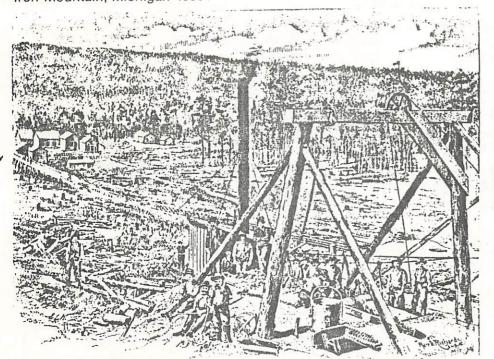
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