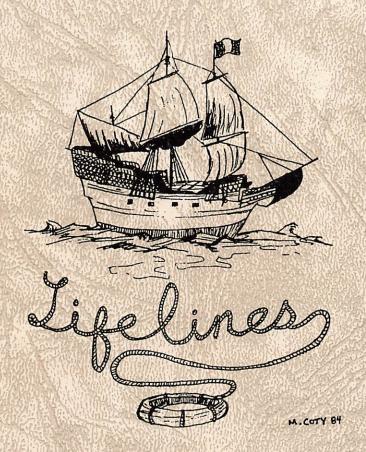
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Dear Fellow Genealogists,

With this issue, you will notice major changes in the layout of the journal. I hope you enjoy them! I also hope that you consider submitting articles, five-generation family charts, photographs, websites of interest, research tips, forms for the collection of information, interesting discoveries, etc. This journal is a compilation of our collective wisdom. When we share, we all benefit!

I also ask you to join me in thanking Betty Botten, who was the editor of this journal for many years. Although Betty's journey with our society has changed, we will always be grateful for her work on our behalf, and we wish her continued luck with her own family tree research.

Finally, please consider joining us for our many celebrations of the Quadricentennial during 2009. We have a lot going on, and we'd love to see you!

Sincerely, *Gloria*

McLellan Family and Their Cemetery Records Addie L. Shields

During the years of 1933 through 1966, the McLellan Family copied 153 Cemeteries in Clinton County from graveside. Each segment has a title page, a numerical enumeration of interments and of markers. He also gives the dates of his working in that cemetery. Mr. Hugh McLellan, his son, Charles Woodberry and daughter-in-law, Hulda (Bredenberg) McLellan took on this task because of the lack of records. There are 3 cemeteries in Plattsburgh which were not copied because of the good church records covering them. These are the St. Peter's R.C., Mt Carmel (St. John's) and the Jewish Cemeteries all on the west side of South Catherine St. Dannemora and Standish were not tackled because of the script—Polish, etc., which could not be deciphered. Neither were the two Dannemora Prison Cemeteries copied because each grave is numbered an the Prison did not encourage copying the same.

At the conclusion of this work, Hulda created an index. It is truly a 2 step index. First it is by surname; but indicates * in which Town cemetery the interment is found. * (By Town & number as EL 4 of Hutchins Cem in Ellenburg.)

At the time of the Bicentennial, the McLellans allowed Plattsburgh Public Library to make copies of their work for the Reference Room in that Library. Clinton County Historian, Jack Stewart made copies for the County Historian's Office. In 1979, I received permission both from the McLellan Family and the Supervisors of each town to have the segment of the town to have the segment of each town copied by Central Supply of Clinton County; so that each Town Historian has copies of the cemeteries in her town—for her convenience.

The McLellans copied cemeteries in Franklin County, Vermont and gave those masters to the Library at St. Albans. They made copies of Franklin County, NY and gave those masters to the Wead Library in Malone, NY. They also copied the Protestant Cemeteries North of the Border. These masters were given to the SPECIAL COLLECTIONS of the Benjamin Feinberg Library, SUNY at Plattsburgh along with the masters of all of the 153 Clinton County Cemeteries which they had copied. In her will, Hulda gave moneys which caused a History Chair to be set up for the teaching of Local History to students. This is the summer school scholarship program for high school students conducted each year.

Copies of the McLellan Cemetery records may now be found in a variety of locations. They continue to be available at the Clinton County Historian's Office, the Plattsburgh Public Library, and the Special Collections Department of Plattsburgh State University's Feinberg Library. However, they are also available online at http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~frgen/clinton/clintonindex.htm

McLellan Family

27 Dec 1870

Beverly, MA

Charles Woodbery McLellan, III

F:Hugh McLellan

M: Margaret Bowman

Hulda C. Bredenburg

F:

M:

Hugh McLellan

F: Charles W. McLellan, II

M: Elizabeth Nye

Margaret Bowman

F: M:

Charles W. McLellan, II

F: Charles W. McLellan, I Champlain, NY

M: Marry Wallis

Elizabeth M. Nye

F: Bartlett Nye

M: Matilda M. Moore

Charles W. McLellan, I

F: George McLellan

M: Martha Woodberry

1833 Mary Wallis

F: Bartholomew Wallis

M: Fanny Foster

George McLellan

F: Alexander McLellan

M: Ann Ross

Martha Woodberry

F: Asa Woodberry

M: Anna

Alexander McLellan

F: M: 24 August 1743 Ann Ross

Falmouth, ME

F: M:

Gravestones

Since the release of Dan Brown's novels *Angels & Demons* and *The Da Vinci Code*, we are all aware of the language of symbols found in paintings and other works of art. But how much do we know about the symbology of funerary architecture? Everything from the shape of the stone to the images engraved upon it carries meaning. What follows is a partial listing of the meanings of common images.

Acanthus -- prickly journey from life to death, triumph of eternal life

Alpha and Omega -- the beginning and the end

Anchor -- hope

Anchors/ships -- hope or seafaring profession

Anvil -- forging of the universe

Arch -- victory in death

Bee -- industriousness, Christianity

Beehive -- domestic virtues, education, abundance in heaven

Bellflower -- constancy and gratitude

Book -- a holy book (such as the Bible), or one's accomplishments

Books, two or three -- indicate LDS burial, and Bible, Book of Mormon and Doctrine & Covenants

Butterfly -- early death, resurrection

Calla lily -- majestic beauty and marriage

<u>Cannon</u> -- military service

Caterpillar -- life, metamorphosis

Celtic cross -- faith, eternity

<u>Clasped hands (like handshake) one feminine, one masculine</u> -- married, and will either see mate again in heaven or is joining mate there.

Clasped hands (like handshake) with same sleeves -- goodbyes said at death, devotion to the departed

Clouds -- awakening to the resurrection

Cog wheel -- Rotary International

Compass and set square -- Freemasons, judgment

Conch shell -- wisdom

Corn -- ripe old age

<u>Crescent</u> -- inverted, with saber and Egyptian head – Shriners

Cross with crown -- sovereignty of the Lord

Crossed axes with MWA -- Modern Woodmen of America

<u>Crossed swords</u> -- high-ranking military person, or life lost in battle

<u>Crown – glory of life after death, victory, leadership, distinction; symbol of Christ's crown</u> -- glory of life after death, victory, leadership, distinction; symbol of Christ's crown

Cup or chalice -- the sacraments

Cypress -- hope, eternal life (once the tree is cut, its leaves are evergreen)

Daisy -- innocence, often on a child's grave

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Dog -- implies a good master, worthy of love

Dolphin -- salvation bearer or souls across the water to heaven

Double eagle with "32" -- Scottish Rite (32nd Degree)

Dove -- purity or eternal life

Dove holding chain, with "R" inside crescent moon -- Daughters of Rebekah

Eagle -- courage, faith, military

Evening primrose -- eternal love, memory, youth, hope and sadness

Fern -- humility, frankness and sincerity

Fingers breaking a link in chain -- end of life

Fingers pointing down -- call to reflect upon earthly existence

Fish -- faith, life

Flag -- military, patriotism

Flame -- everlasting life

Fleur-de-lis -- Holy Trinity

Fruits -- eternal plenty

Garland or wreath -- victory in death

Grapes -- blood of Chris, eternal life

Harp -- praise to the Maker, hope

Heart -- love, love of God

Heart pierced by the sword -- Virgin Mary, Christ, repentance

Heart wrapped in thorns -- promise of heavenly assistance

Heart, flaming -- religious fervor

Helmet -- military service, strength

Horseshoe -- protection against evil

IHS -- eternity, Christian "In His Service"

Iris -- sorrow

Ivy -- friendship, immorality, attachment, affection

Lamb -- innocence (especially child)

Laurel -- fame or honor

Lilly -- innocence, resurrection

Lily of th valley -- innocence, resurrection

Linked chain (three) -- Holy Trinity

Lion -- courage, strength

Lotus -- resurrection, perfect beauty, spiritual revelation

Menorah -- divine wisdom, usually on the tomb of a "righteous" woman

Mistletoe -- immortality

Moon -- death and rebirth

Morning glory -- beginning of live

Oak leaves and acorn -- maturity, ripe old age

Oak tree -- strength or faith and virtue, endurance

Obelisk -- rebirth, connection between heaven and earth

Olive branch -- forgiveness, peace

Open gates -- soul entering heaven

Owl -- wisdom, solitude

Palm branch -- victory, rejoicing

Pansy -- remembrance, meditation

Pinecone -- immortality

Poppy -- eternal sleep

Pyramid -- resurrection, enlightenment

Rock -- permanence, stability, Lord

Rooster -- awakening, resurrection

Rope circle -- eternity

Rose -- purity, love

Scallop shell -- baptism

Seashell -- life everlasting

Seedling "treestone" -- life everlasting

Severed branch -- mortality

Sheaf of wheat -- ripe for harvest, old age, fruitful life

Single finger pointing up -- journey to heaven

Snake with tail in mouth -- everlasting life in heaven

Spider web -- human frailty

Squirrel clasping a nut -- religious contemplation

Star -- divine guidance

Star of David -- unity, transformation

Stars and stripes around eagle -- vigilance, liberty

Steps (three-tiered) -- faith, hope and charity

Stump "treestone" -- life interrupted

Stump with ivy "treestone" -- head of family

Sun rising -- renewed life

Sun setting -- end of life

Sun shining -- life everlasting

Swallow -- motherhood, spirit of children, consolation

Thistle -- Scottish descent or remembrance

Three (the number) -- Holy Trinity

Three-leaved shamrock -- Holy Trinity

Triangle -- Holy Trinity

Trunk "treestone" -- brevity of life

Tulip -- innocence, resurrection

Two fingers pointing skyward -- suggests deceased a member of the clergy

<u>Violet</u> -- humility

Weeping willow -- lament of loss

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WITHOUT A COMPUTER CYPRIEN TANGUAY - 1819-1902

GENEALOGIST - HISTORIAN – PRIEST Julia Dowd—Dunot@aol.com

Those of us who are in the process of finding our French-Canadian ancestors owe a great deal to L'Abbé Cyprien Tanguay. Between 1871 and 1890, he published his seven-volume, 4,400-page, "Dictionnaire généalogique des familles canadiennes depuis les origins del la colonie jusqu'à nos jours" (Genealogical Dictionary of Canadian families from the origins of the colony to our times). He compiled the information alone and without the use of computers. His work is now used more as a pointer rather than a work without fault that shouldn't be questioned. He provides us with a place to start and the rest of the digging is up to us.

Cyprien Tanguay was born in Quebec City, the son of Pierre Tanguay and Reine Barthel, went to the seminary there and was ordained in 1843. He spent many years in Rimouski and Bellechasse. In 1867, the year of Canada's Confederation, he was appointed to the Dominion Statistics Department. For the rest of his life he was based in Ottawa and spent his time consulting, and compiling parochial and historical records in Quebec, Ontario, the Maritime Provinces and French-Canadian colonies in the United States going to such places as Fall River, MA. He visited France on two occasions to continue his research into the Canadian pioneers. In 1887, he received a prelature from Pope Leo XIII, in recognition of his work.

His masterwork was the framework upon which other famous French-Canadian genealogists, such as Abbé Archange Godbout, and Joseph-Arthur Leboeuf have based their works. With their further research, many additions, corrections and deletions have been made. Archange Godbout's main concern about Tanguay's work was that it didn't include all the "warts" in documenting out French-Canadian ancestors. He said, "Mgr. Tanguay is slightly tendentious in his dictionary in mentioning on only a few occasions, the abjurations, the illegitimate births and the death sentences. The history of the Canadian people is magnificent, we agree, but in reading Mgr. Tanguay, we must ask if it is a human history". Godbout's books, "Origine des familles canadiennes francaises" and "Vieilles Familles de France en Nouvelle-France" add to our knowledge of the original settlers. Leboeuf published his, "Complement du Dictionnaire généalogique Tanguay". It contains over 600 pages of additional information and corrections.

Abbé Tanguay also published other works.

"Répertoire général du clergé canadien" - A compilation of Catholic clergy members from the beginning of New France up to 1880. This book gives historical and genealogical information of all clerical individuals and parishes where they worked

"A Travers les Registres" - Information found in original records of Samuel de Champlain, Brother Gabriel Sagard and Father Chrétien Leclerq while Tanguay was researching his genealogical records.

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Some things of which to be aware in researching with Tanguay:

He did not include much in the towns of:

Boucherville

Cap-de-la-Madeleine

Pointe-aux-Trembles-de-Montréal

Pointe Claire

Rivière-des-Prairies

Saint-Pierre du Sud

St. Louis de Lotbinière

He did not include much in the counties of:

Berthier

Deux-Montagnes

Joliette

L'Assomption

Terrebonne

The following details were usually omitted but can be found in church or notarial records:

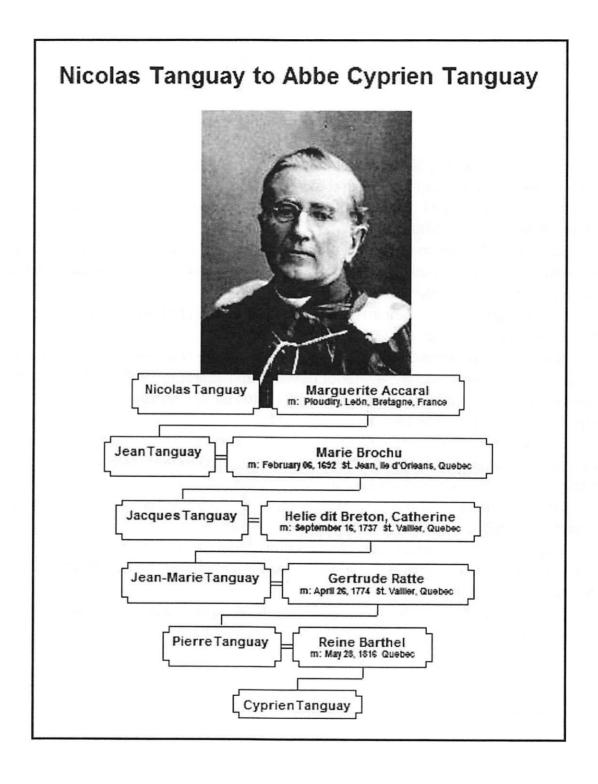
The trade or occupation of the men at the time of their marriage Whether the parents of the couple were alive at the time of the marriage

Researchers complain that:

Place names are unclear, incomplete or inaccurate, especially when mentioning European localities

Some marriages may not be noted with the couple, but under their parents' entries Not all children are located in the parents' entry

Even with all these minor inconveniences, Father Tanguay was the first one to give structure to French-Canadian genealogy. In all, it is estimated, that between all of his works, there are approximately two million births, deaths and marriages and other notes covering the period from the founding of New France to the early 19th century. He has allowed those of us that came after him to more easily find the precious gift of our ancestors.



In Memoriam

Nora R. Avery

MALONE—Nora R. Avery, 60, Grove Street, died Monday at Alice Hyde Medical Center. She had been in failing health for several months.

Ms. Avery was a 911 dispatcher for Clinton County Emergency Services in Plattsburgh from 1981 to 2003.

Born June 7, 1948, in Malone, daughter of Allan and Esther Reeves Avery, she graduated in 1966 from Franklin Academy and in 1971 from Plattsburgh State Teachers College with a bachelor's degree in liberal arts.

She married Phillip A. Grimm on June 8, 1971, in the chapel of Plattsburgh Air Force Base. He died March 12, 2005.

She was a genealogical researcher, belonging to the Northern New York American-Canadian Genealogical Society, a charter member and secretary of Westville Historical Organization and a member of Franklin County Historical and Museum Society. She had enjoyed motorcycling on her own bike since 1971.

Surviving besides her parents are two brothers and a sister-in-law, Mark Avery and Paul and Kathy Avery, all of Malone; her companion, Tim Berkman, Malone; a nephew, two great-nieces, a great-nephew and several cousins.

The funeral will be at the family's convenience. Spring burial will be in Coal Hill Cemetery, Westville.

There will be no calling hours. A gathering of friends and family will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at her home at 11 Grove St. Arrangements will be with Bruno-Desnoyers Funeral Service.

Donations may be made to Westville Historical Organization, P.O. Box 157, Constable, N.Y. 12926.

UNEDUCATED, UNINFORMED AND EASILY DECEIVED

Julia Dowd—Dunott@aol.com

On August 25, 1860, the census enumerator, W.W. Everest from Schuyler Falls, noted that Leander Ladue, his wife, Victoria and their three daughters were living in Dannemora. Less than three months later Abraham Lincoln was elected president of the United States and early in 1861 the Civil War began.

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1860 Dannemora Census

By September of 1862, Leander's fate was sealed when his name was entered into the Dannemora Enrollment Book for People Liable to Military Duty. Victoria Brunelle Ledoux, the poor little woman, was my children's 3rd great grandmother. In 1863, she was left in Dannemora when Leander went to Massachusetts to sign up with his regiment. These documents show her struggle to get a pension for herself and her children after Leander was killed in 1864.

I transcribed the letters and affidavits from the documents I ordered from the Leander Ledoux file in the National Archives several years ago. They show a life of hardship and struggle. Because she could not read or write so she relied on several priests and other advocates to plead her case.

Mentioned in the documents:

Principals Leander Ledoux (aka Leander Ladue, Leander Lado) – Deceased Civil War soldier Victoria Brunelle – (aka

Victorine Ladue, Victory Ladue, Victoria Van) - Wife

Louise Lado (aka Louisa Ledoux)- Minor child

Elizabeth Lado (aka Elizabeth Ledoux) - Child died before 1875

Julia Ledoux—Child died before 1875

Josephine Ledoux-Child

Horace Van – Victoria's erstwhile husband

Fifie Lamora – Horace's girlfriend Unknown Vassar – Horace's wife

Affiants Frank L.. Hathaway – Plattsburgh attorney and William R. Jones - Plattsburgh attorney

Attorneys William Landry – Deputy Clerk of Clinton County

John O'Brien – Justice of the Peace in Dannemora and former Overseer of the

Charles S. Turner – Witness and farmer in Dannemora

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James H. Hart - Witness and farmer in Dannemora

George S. Meader - Justice of the Peace in Dannemora and farmer

H. E. Barnard— Plattsburgh Attorney and Notary Public

Stephen Stackpole—Witness and farmer in Dannemora

Peter Brown—Carpenter from Saranac

W. J. McCaffrey—Clinton County Clerk

M. Van Dervort—Clinton County Justice of the Peace

W. Ira Winters—Plattsburgh insurance agent and wholesale/retail oyster store owner

Byron P. Brown—Plattsburgh Railroad clerk

George L. Clark—Plattsburgh attorney

Allen Chappel—Witness and Schuyler Falls merchant

Loren Chappel—Witness and Dannemora prison guard

Edward Fournier-Witness and Dannemora farmer

Stephen Moffitt—Clinton County Clerk

Claudius F. N. Sallaz—French missionary priest arrived in Clinton County in 1853

Eli Livingston—Deputy Clerk of Clinton County

Alfred Guibord—Notary Public, Witness and cashier living on Court Street in Plattsburgh

Richard Maloney—Irish priest from D'Youville Convent

Raphael Olier—Witness at the wedding of Leander and Victoria

Francis Durocher—Witness at the wedding of Leander and Victoria

James Rooney—Plattsburgh Catholic Priest

Sam Beck—Assistant Adjutant General

Daniel Hooey—Witness

Pausulett Leroux—Witness

Hiram W. Stetson—Clerk in Black Brook went on to become Clinton County Clerk.

The history of Leander Ladue with the 59th Regiment of the Massachusetts Volunteers is as follows:

December 3, 1863 to April 20, 1864

April 26-28, 1864

April 29-Mary 2, 1864

of the

Organized at Readville, Massachusetts

Moved to Washington D.C.

Moved to Rappahannock Station, VA to join the Army

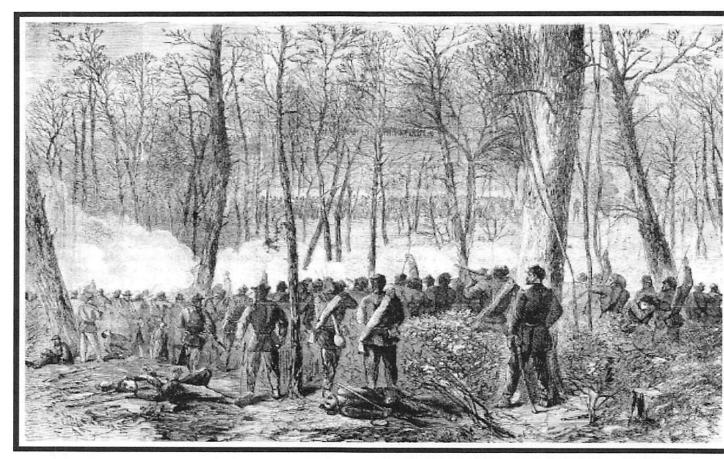
Potomac—1st Brigade, 1st Division, 9th Army Corps

From Rapidan to the James River

Battle of the Wilderness,

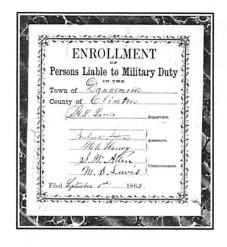
May 3-June 15, 1864 May 5-7, 1864

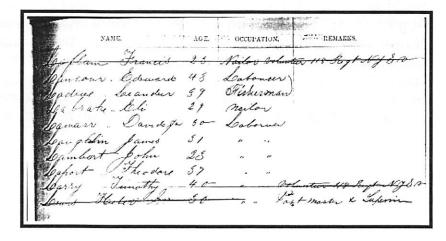
After the Battle of the Wilderness, the 59th Infantry went on to other battles including Spottsylvania, May 8-12, 1864, and the Appomattox Campaign in the spring of 1865. They went in pursuit of General Lee from April 3-9, 1865. After the war ended, they had the Grand Review on May 23, 1865 and were consolidated with the 57th Massachusetts Infantry on May 26, 1865.



From Harper's Weekly - Battle of the Wilderness - May 6, 1864

In Leander's portion of the Battle of the Wilderness fought near the Plank Road, 12 men were killed, 27, injured and 5 went missing. Leander was one of those killed..





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The Clinton County Historian's Office contains Enrollment books of Persons Liable to Military Duty for all the Towns in the County. Leander Ladue from Dannemora, 39 year-old fisherman, is listed in the September 1st, 1862 book.

Many men from Dannemora had already joined regiments by 1862. Francis Laflam and Timothy Larry were in the 118 Regiment of New York State Volunteers. It appears that Heber S. Lewis became exempt from military service when he became Postmaster. A year and a half later, when he was over 40 years old, Leander went to Massachusetts to enroll in the 59th Regiment and, a year later, he was dead.

Leander's wife, Victoria, and their four children, Julia, Louisa, Josephine, and Elizabeth, who was born after the 1860 Census, relied upon the money he sent home. Even though she had not heard from him since the Battle of the Wilderness, for some reason, Victoria waited over a year before she applied for a pension. The correspondence in Leander Ladue's file started on June 30, 1865, when Victoria swore to her first Declaration for Obtaining a Widow's Army Pension. The last piece of correspondence was from January 29, 1890—an affidavit in connection with the reinstatement of her widow's pension. She lived until February 06, 1901 - hopefully with the entitled money.

The file I received from the National Archives is most likely incomplete, but, reading between the lines, it does tell the story of a poor, uneducated woman who did what she could to help her family survive - from remarrying, to finding a guardian for her children.

The following is the material found in the file:

June 30, 1865 - Application for widow's pension

December 27, 1865 - Reply from the Adjutant General's Office

July 22, 1867 - Letter from Father Maloney verifying marriage

May 27, 1868 - Application for pension for minor children

August 20, 1868 - Letter from priest verifying baptism dates of minor children

August 26, 1868 - Additional evidence of marriage and baptisms

September 28, 1869 – Request for arrears for minor children's pension

August 25, 1874 - Guardian's request for minor child's pension

November 29, 1875 - Affidavit in support of claim by the guardian of the minor child

December 13, 1875 – Clarification of date of marriage to Horace Van

July 8, 1889 - Application for restoration of widow's pension

September 12, 1889 – Affidavit as to the character of Horace Van

January 29, 1890 – Affidavit as to the ability of an attorney in Plattsburgh to perform marriages

DECLARATION FOR OBTAINING A WIDOW'S ARMY PENSION

State of New York County of Clinton

On this 30th day of June, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty five, personally appeared before me, County Clerk and Clerk of the Court of Record of said county, Victoria Ladue, a resident of Dannemora, in the County of Clinton and State of New York aged 37 (circa), who, being first duly sworn according to law, doth on her oath make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the act of Congress approved on July 14, 1862:

That she is the widow as she believes of **Leander Ladue**, who was a private in Co. F, commanded by Capt. Kingsley, in the 59th Regiment of Mass. Vols., in the war of 1861, who she believes is dead as she has not heard from him since **April 1864** and while the Regiment were at Readeville, Mass. She further declared that she was married to said **Leander Ladue** on the 8th day of **January 1846** (as near as

She further declared that she was married to said **Leander Ladue** on the 8th **day of January 1846** (as near as she can state) and that she has remained a widow ever since that period, that her maiden name was **Victoria Brunelle** and that she was married to said **Leander** at the Roman Catholic Church in Plattsburg, N.Y. by Rev. James Rooney then Parish Priest of said Church and has no marriage certificate as will more fully appear by reference to the proof hereto annexed. She also declared that she has not in any manner been engaged in or aided or abetted the rebellion of the United States. She had four children ----- by said **Leander** three of whom are under sixteen years of age – viz. – **Josephine**, aged fifteen years on the 8th day of May and **Louisa** aged five years April 22, 1865 and **Elisabeth** aged ----- years June 22, 1865.

---- constitute and appoint **George L. Clark** of the town of Plattsburgh in the County of Clinton and State of New York my true and lawful attorney to prosecute this claim, and by these presents authorize him to receive and receipt for any draft or certificate payable to my order that may issue, for whatever sum may be allowed on the same deponent says her Post Office address, Dannemora N.Y. and she has no record evidence of their said marriage.

Her Victoria X Ladue

Also personally appeared **Daniel Hooey** and **Pausulett Leroux**, residents of Plattsburgh, N.Y. persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw **Victoria Ladue** sign her name to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and they further state that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim. They said **Leander Ladue** (sometimes called **Leon Ledoux**) lived with said **Victoria** as husband and wife and were so separated as she believes her statement above as to the names and ages of her and his children are correct.

David Hooey

Her
Victoria X Ladue
Mark

Sworn to subscribed before me this 30th day of June A.D. 1865; and I certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim and that said declaration and affidavits were read and explained to said declarant and affiants and understood by them. Applicant's post office address: Dannemora N.Y. Witness my hand and the seal of said Courts and Country **June 30, 1865**

H.W. Stelson

Clinton County Clerk

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

Washington D.C. December 27, 1865

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt from your Office of application for Pension No. 100,550, and to return it herewith, with such information as is furnished by the files of this office.

It appears from the Rolls on file in this Office, that **Leander Lado** was enrolled on the 18th day of July, 1864, at Cambridge Mass in Co. I, 57th Regiment of the Massachusetts Volunteers, to serve 3 years, or during the war, and mustered into service as a Private on the 26th day of July 1864, at Readville, Mass in Company "I" 59th Regiment of Mass. Volunteers to serve 3 years, or during the war. On the Muster Roll of the Co. I of the Regiment, for the month of March and April dated 1865, he is reported "Missing in action since **May 6, 1864**" No evidence of death as of June in this office.

I am, Sir, very respectfully, Your obedient servant.

State of New York County of Clinton

Richard Maloney of Plattsburgh in said county being duly sworn says that he is a priest of the Roman Catholic Church and is in charge of the Irish Catholic Church in the village of Plattsburgh of which church Rev. James Rooney, was formerly Pastor. That he has examined the Records of said church relating to marriages and that the following is a copy of said record so far as the same relates to the marriage of Leander Ladue and Victoria Brunelle, and is as deponent believes, in the hand writing of said Rev. James Rooney = viz:

"Feb. 23, 1846 – Leo LeDoux and Victoria Brunelle – Witnesses Raphael Olier and Francis Durocher" –

and deponent further says that he has no doubt but what **Leo. LeDoux** named in said Record was meant for the same person now known as **Leander Ladue** the late husband of Mrs. **Victoria Brunelle** – deponent further says that he has no interest whatever in the claim of said Mrs. **Leander Ladue** for Pension or for Bounty and Back Pay – nor in its prosecution.

Richard Maloney

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 22nd day of July 1867 and I certify that said witness is a Priest of the Catholic Church in good standing and fully entitled to credit and that I have no interest in said claim.

Alfred Guibord

Notary Public Filed O.H.P.

State of New York **County of Clinton**

Victoria Ladue widow of Leander Ladue late of Co. "I" 57th Reg't Mass Vols. being duly sworn says that she is still the widow of the above named soldier and resides at Dannemora in said county and is an applicant for Pension claim numbered 100.550.

That Leander Lado her husband was missing in action as appears by the letter of the adjutant general of the state of Massachusetts herewith enclosed and by all the information she has been able to obtain and she has no doubt whatever but what he was killed in the Battle of Spottsylvania Court House, Va. on the 12th day of may 1864, as she has never heard one word from him since that date. Deponent further says that she has endeavored by every means in her power to obtain from his officers or some of them some further information in relation to her said husband and contain none. That she has three children still living under 16 years of age at the time her said husband was killed as aforesaid on the 12th day of May, 1864 and is poor and much in need of this Pension to aid her in their support.

Her

Victoria

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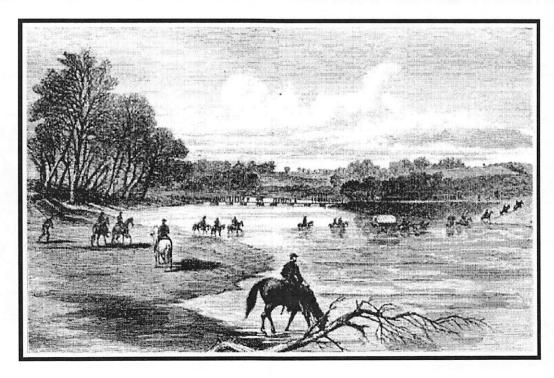
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 27th day of May, 1868, and I certify that the same was read to and fully understood by said affiant and that have no interest in said claim.

Guibord

Notary Public

Witnesses

George ----A. Guibord



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State of New York County of Clinton

C.F.M. Sallaz of Plattsburgh in the County and State aforesaid being duly sworn doth depose and say that his age is 45 years, that he is Parish Priest of the Roman Catholic Church at Plattsburgh and Dannemora, N.Y. – and has charge of the records of births or baptisms and marriages from said church – that he is acquainted with **Victoria Lado** or **Ladoux** widow of **Leander** or **Leon Lado**, who died in the service of the United States as deponent is informed and verily believes to be true.

That deponent finds a record of the baptism of **Louisa Lado** and **Elizabeth Lado** children of said **Victoria Ladue** and **Leander Ladue** of which the following is a true copy:

On the 1st of July, 1860, the undersigned priest missionary baptized **Louisa** born on the 6th of April last from the lawful marriage of **Leo Ledoux** and **Victoria Brunelle** of the parish of St. Joseph, Dannemora. The sponsors were **Hilay Labrecque** and **Angela Ledoux**.

Claudius F.N. Sallaz O.M.J.

On the 31st of August 1862, of the undersigned priest missionary baptized **Isabela** born on the 7th of June last from the lawful marriage of **Leo Ledoux** and **Victoria Brunelle** of the parish of St. Joseph of Dannemora. The sponsors were **Edward Fournier** and **Julia Ledoux**. **Leo Ledoux** sometimes called **Leander Ledoux**.

Claudius F.N. Sallaz O.M.J.

Deponent further says that he has no interest whatever in the claim of said **Victoria Ladue** for a Pension nor in its prosecution and further deponent saith not. Sworn to and subscribed before me this **20**th **day of August 1868**, and I certify that the above was read to and understood by said witness before the execution thereof, and that said witness is respectable and entitled to credit, and that I have no interest whatever in said claim not in its prosecution.

Claudius F.N. Sallaz O.M.J.

Eli Livingston

Father Sallaz, third from the left, was the affiant in the above affidavit. He was a missionary priest from France who recognized the need for French-speaking congregations in Clinton County. He is photographed with his confreres on the porch of the rectory in Redford. All are priests from surrounding parishes.

The picture at the right is in the "Annals of Notre Dame Church of the Assumption of the BVM - Redford" by Rev. E.C. Laramee, on the extreme right, who was the Rector in Redford from 1896 to 1932





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WIDOW'S PENSION CLAIM - ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE

Filed by **George L. Clark**, Attorney Plattsburgh, New York

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE

State of New York County of Clinton

On this 26th day of August, 1868, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County and State, Victoria Ladue, who, being first duly swom, on her oath doth depose and say, that she is the identical Victoria Ladue widow of Leander Ladue deceased, who was a Private in Co. I, 57th Reg't, Massachusetts Volunteers; that she has made application for Pension under provisions of the act of July 14, 1862, which said claim is numbered, is pending claimant at the Pension Department in Washington, D.C. 100,550: that in order to obtain the benefits of the provisions of the second section of the act entitled, "An Act Increasing the Pensions of Widows and Orphans and for other purposes," approved July 25, 1866, she further declares that she has not remarried since the death of her said husband, but to this date remains his widow; and that the following are the names and dates of birth of all the children, under sixteen years of age, of the said deceased soldier and his deponent, viz:

Louisa Ladue, born the 6th day of April, 1860 Elisabeth Ladue, born on the 7th day of June, 1862

And that she, the claimant, has never abandoned the support of any one of the above-named children under sixteen years of age, nor permitted any one of them for whom increase is claimed to be adopted by any person or persons whatever; that they are the only legitimate children of herself and her deceased husband, now living; and that they reside with her at Dannemora in said County of Clinton and she hereby appoints **Leo. L. Clark** of Plattsburgh, N.Y., as her attorney to prosecute this claim. Witnesses

Her
Victoria X Ladue
Mark

Loren Chappel Allen Chappel

Also personally appeared **Loring** Chappel and **Allen Chappel** of Dannemora in the County of Clinton and the State of New York persons known to me as respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being by me duly sworn on their oath say they were present saw her make her mark and saw her sworn to the foregoing statement; and that they are, and have been both personally acquainted with her and her whole family for some 6 years past, and know from their own personal knowledge that she, the said, **Victorian Ladue**, has never remarried since the death of **Leander Ladue**, her late husband, not abandoned the support of any one of the above-named children under sixteen years of age: nor has she ever permitted any one of them to be adopted by any person or persons whatever, but retains them with her residing. And they further declare that they know the deceased soldier, and the applicant; and they have no interest whatever in this claim.

Loren Chappel Allen Chappel

Sworn and subscribed before me, this **26th day of August**, **1868**; and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim; and that the contents of the above was carefully read and explained to applicant and witnesses before signing the same.

M. Van Dervort

Justice of the Peace

DECLARATION FOR ARREARS OF PENSION

State of New York County of Clinton

On this 28th day of September, A.D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight, personally appeared before me a County Clerk and Clerk of the Court of Record within and for the county of and State aforesaid, Victoria Ladue aged 39 years, a resident of Dannemora in the State of New York who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the identical Victoria Ladue, to whom was granted pension certificate No. 118,888, payable at the agency in Albany, NY and dated September 17, 1868, that under the limitations of the act of Congress of July 1866 she was denied a pension for the three children Josephine Ladue, Elisabeth Ladue and Louisa Ladue from the date of the death of Leander Ladue her said husband although all three of them were under 16 years of age and believing she is entitled to the same; under the 6th section of the Act of July 27, 1808, she makes this declaration in order to secure the arrears accrued thereunder. And George L. Clark of Plattsburgh, county of Clinton and State of New York, is hereby constituted her Attorney irrevocable, to prosecute this claim and is authorized to receive any check, draft or certificate issued therefor., Post Office address is as follows: Dannemora, Clinton Co. N.Y. Witness:

Victoria

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Ladue

Mark

Allen Chappel Edward Fournier

Also personally appeared Allen Chappel and Edward Fournier residents of Dannemora County of Clinton, State of New York, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and she, being by me duly sworn, say that they were present and saw Victoria Ladue sign her name (by making her mark) to the foregoing applicant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and they further state that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

Allen Chappel Edward Fournier

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 28th day of September A.D. 1868; and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim. Witness by my hand and official seal.

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By 1870, daughters Josephine and Julia had left home and were married. Josephine married Francis Houle (Rule). She lived with her mother for a while and in the 1910 Census, it shows that she was living with her daughter Josephine and her husband, David Brothers, in Plattsburgh. Julia married Edward Fournier. After having several children, she died on December 19, 1870.

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Form of Declaration of Guardian of Minor Children for Pension Under Act of June 6, 1866 State of New York County of Clinton

On this 25th day of August A.D. 1874, personally appeared before me, a County Clerk of Said County, Frank F. Hathaway, aged 29 years, a resident of Plattsburgh, in the County of Clinton, and State of New York and whose Post Office address is Plattsburgh, in the County and State aforesaid, who, being duly sworn according to law, doth on oath make the following declaration, as Guardian of a minor child...and whose Post Office address is Plattsburgh in the County and State afcresaid, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on oath make the following declaration, as Guardian of the minor child of Leander Ladue deceased, in order to obtain the benefits of the provision made by the eleventh section of the act of congress approved June 6, 1866, granting pensions to the minor child or children under sixteen years of age of deceased officers, soldiers, or seamen, who have left a widow still surviving, and she having abandoned the care of said child or children, or having been declared an unsuitable person to have charge of the same. He further declares that he is the Guardian of Louisa Ladue only minor child of Leander Ladue now minor surviving whose father was a Private in Company "F" 59th Regiment of Mass Volunteers in the war of 1861, and that the said Leander Ladue died at the Battle of the Wilderness on or about the 12th day of May, A.D. 1864 having been killed in Battle as declarant is informed and believes, that the mother of the child, aforesaid, Victoria Ladue who drew pensions and such widow of Pension Certificate No. 118,888, who to the time of her remarriage on the 27th day of October ,1873 to Horace Van as declarant verily believes, and the date of birth of said ward is as follows: - viz. said Louisa Ladue was born April 5, 1860, as deponent is informed and believes, but refer for proof to the evidence on file in the application for Pension Certificate No. 118,888.

Refer to evidence on file.

I hereby constitute and appoint **George L. Clarke** of Plattsburgh, N.Y., my true and lawful attorney, to prosecute this my claim, with full power of substitution and revocation, and obtain the Pension Certificate that may be issued.

Frank S. Kathaway

Certificate of Witnesses

Also personally appeared W. Ira Winters and Byron P. Drown residents of Plattsburgh, in the county and State aforesaid, persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, say that they were present and saw, Frank L. Hathaway, sign his name to the foregoing declaration; and they further swear that they have every reason to believe, from the appearance of the applicant and their acquaintance with him, that he is the identical person he represents himself to be, and that they have no interest in the prosecution of the claim.

Witnesses

W. Gra Winters

Byron P. Drown

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 25th day of August 1874, and I certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim.

W. G. McCaffrey

Clinton County Clerk August 27, 1874 Filed by George L. Clark, Plattsburgh, N.Y.



The village of Dannemora looking east down Cook Street. This is how it must have looked toward the end of Victoria's life in 1901. Her daughter, Louise was living not far from here on Saranac Street facing Bouck Street. They lived with her husband, Eli's, father Louis Alexander. Louis was a blacksmith, who had come to the United States in 1839. The Alexander family compound with blacksmith shop can be seen on the 1869 Beer's Map of Dannemora at: http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~clinton/dv.jpg

State of New York County of Clinton

In the matter of the claim for pension of **F.F. Hathaway** as guardian of **Louisa Ladue** minor child of **Leander Ladue** deceased lat of Company "I", 57th Regiment, Massachusetts Volunteers.

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the aforesaid County **Stephen Stackpole** and **Peter Brown**, citizens of the County of Clinton and the State of New York, reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid claim, that they were acquainted in his life time with **Leander Ladue** above named who died in the late was as the verily believe and were also and still are each acquainted with the surviving members of the family – viz – his wife **Victoria Ladue** now married to **Horace Van** – and the children of said deceased soldier – That said **Leander Ledoux** left at his death four children – viz – **Julia**, **Josephine**, **Louisa** and **Elizabeth**. That **Julia** and **Elizabeth** have since died. That **Elizabeth Ladue** died at her mother's in Dannemora in December 1869. And that said **Leander Ladue** had only one child surviving him under sixteen years of age – viz – **Louisa Ladue** who is still living – and resided with her said mother of Dannemora, N.Y. aforesaid –

They further declare that they have no interest in said claim, and are not concerned in its prosecution. The words "Edward Furnier and" are struck out and "Stephen Stackpole and" interlined before execution heretofore.

X

Signature of

Stephen Stackpole

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Affiants

Peter Brown

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above named affiants; and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiants, and acquainted them with its contents before they executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said claim, nor am I concerned with its prosecution. Witness my hand this 29th day of November 1875.

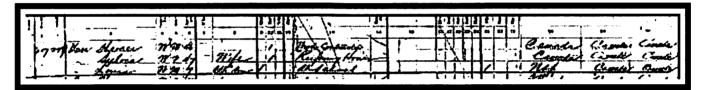
M. Van Dervort

Justice of the Peace

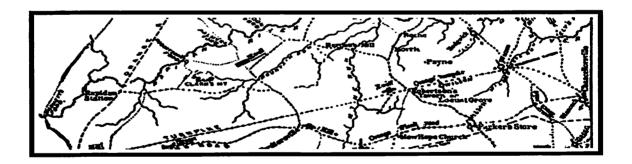
Will we ever know the true story of what happened between Horace Van and Victoria Ladue? In the 1870 Census of Dannemora there is an Orstile Van (35) living with Sylvia (36) - both born in Canada. According to the 1880 Census of Marquette, MI there is a Horace Van (45) living with Sylvia (46) - both born in Canada. They have with them Louis, their son, born in 1873. They are undoubtedly the same couple. There is only one Horace Van in history of the United States censuses. According to the affiants, Turner and Hart, in their affidavit of July 8, 1889, Horace Van had gone to Michigan but with Fifi Lamora. I wonder why Victoria's daughters didn't come forward with their affidavits? They probably knew the true story. Maybe those affidavits are some of the missing documents.



1870 Census Dannemora, NY



1880 Census First Ward, Marquette, MI



Leander's Company fought near Parker's Store during the Battle of the Wilderness

State of New York Clinton County

Frank F. Hathaway of Plattsburgh in said County being duly sworn says that his is the Guardian of the minors in Pension Claim Number 216,918, now on file in the Pension Office. Deponent further states that when he made the declaration in said claim, he stated from information there received from Victoria Van, formerly widow of said Leander Ladue that her said marriage to said Van took place on the 27th day of October 1873, when in fact as deponent has been since informed and has no doubt whatever but what the fact is, said Victoria Ladue was married to Horace Van her present husband on the 5th day of November 1873 and that said discrepancy occurred from forgetfulness or ignorance of said Victoria Van, she being wholly unable to read or write and deponent wholly upon her statement at the time he made said declaration and further saith not.

Frank Kathaway

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13th day of December 1875,

H. E. Barnard

Notary Public Signature of affiants

Victoria Van (Late)

Stephen Stackpole X

Victoria Ladue

State of New York **Clinton County Clerk's Office**

I. William J. McCaffrey, Clerk of the said county of Clinton, and of the Courts of Record thereof, do hereby certify that H.E. Barnard, Esq., before whom the foregoing affidavit, was made and who has thereto signed his name, was at the time of so doing a Notary Public is and for said County duly elected or appointed and sworn; that his official acts as such are entitled to full faith and credit. And further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of the said Notary, and verily believe his signature thereto to be genuine. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 14th day of December 1875.

W.G. McCaffrey

Clerk

General Affidavit State of New York County of Clinton

In the matter of the application for restoration of the Pension of **Victoria Ladue** widow of **Leander Ladue** late of Co. F. 59th Reg't Mass Vols.

Personally came before me, a Justice of the Peace, in and for aforesaid County and States, **Charles S. Turner**, aged 60 years and **James H. Hart**, aged 55 citizens of the Town of Dannemora, County of Clinton, State of New York, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to the aforesaid case, as follows:

That are well acquainted with claimant, Victoria Ladue widow of Leander Ladue and have known her upwards of 35 years. And were acquainted with Horace Van in his lifetime when he resided in the Town of Dannemora, N.Y. Deponents well recollect that about the year 1874 claimant went with Horace Van to his house said Van alleging that they had been married. That to the best of deponents' recollection said Victoria Ladue was at the home of said Van about 8 or 10 weeks. That while claimant was at said Van's house deponents were informed and believed that said Van had got possession and sold some of the personal property of said claimant which fact was quite generally understood. That at the time that claimant was at said Van's house and for in to subsequently thereto said Van was living with one Fifie Lamora and that said Fifie Lamora afterwards removed to Michigan where they lived together as husband and wife to the best of deponents' information and belief. That from their long acquaintance with said clamant deponents have always believed claimant to be an honest straightforward woman although uneducated and uninformed as to the ways of the world and easily deceived. That said Horace Van was known as a sharp, immoral and unscrupulous man. That from their acquaintance with the claimant and said Horace Van, and their knowledge of facts and circumstance of the two persons, it is the opinion of deponents that the alleged marriage, getting claimant to his house and disposing of her little property, was simply a plot and scheme on the part of said Horace Van to get possession of claimant's personal property. That aside from the above stated facts they have never heard of anything immoral in the life and practices of the claimant. That in their opinion she was the dupe of an unscrupulous man and is in needy and destitute circumstance with no one but the Town to rely upon for support. We further declare that we have no interest in said case, and are not concerned in its prosecution.

Signature of Affiants

Charles 5. Turner Games H. Kart

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above named affiant; and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, and acquainted them with its contents before they executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant are personally known to me; that they are creditable persons and so reputed in the community in which they reside and that they were personally acquainted with the Parties **Victory Ladue** and **Horace Van** and know these statements to be true. Witness my hand and official seal this 8th day of July 1889.

Sign here:

George W. Meader

Justice of the Peace

The 1880 Census shows that Victoria, her daughter, Josephine, and Josephine's four children are all living together in Dannemora.

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General Affidavit State of New York County of Clinton

On this 12th day of September A.D. 1889, personally appeared before me, a Justice of the Peace in and for the aforesaid County, duly authorized to administer oaths, John O'Brien aged 48 years, whose Post Office address is Dannemora, County of Clinton and State of New York, well known by me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn declares in relation to aforesaid case as follows: That he has lived in Dannemora for the last 40 years; that he was personally acquainted with said Victory Ladue and her husband Leander Ladue before the war of the Rebellion, has known said Victory Ladue ever since was personally acquainted with Horace Van knew him to be an unprincipled man, knew years before he claimed to be married to Victory Ladue, know that he lived with Fiffie Lamora as man and wife for years before he claimed that Victory Ladue was his wife and knows that they went away and lived together in and near Lake Superior in the State of Michigan as reported to him by those that saw them there; he says he never believed that Horace Van was married to said Victoria Ladue he knows that said Horace Van was legally married to a girl by the name of ——Vassar in the Catholic Church in Dannemora some years previous to his alleged marriage with Victoria Ladue, never, never knew Victory Ladue to be called by any other name since her husband died; believe her to be of good character.

Deponent further declares that he has no interest in said case and is not concerned in its prosecution. He says he believed at the time of the alleged marriage with **Victoria Ladue** is was a plot of **Horace Van** to get her property.

John O'Brien

General Affidavit State of New York County of Clinton

In the matter of the claim for restoration of pension of **Victorine Ladue**, widow of **Leander Ladue** Certificate No. 118.888

Personally came before me, a Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court, in and for aforesaid County and State, William A. Jones, aged 51 years and a citizen of the Town of Plattsburgh, County of Clinton, State of New York, well known to me to be reputable and entitled to credit, and who, being duly sworn, declare in relation to aforesaid case, as follows: That he has been for 35 years last past an attorney and counselor at Law in regular practice for the Superior Court of this State. That he was well acquainted with Horace Van in his lifetime who formerly resided in the town of Dannemora in this county. Deponent states in the above mentioned case that he never held any position of any kind that gave him any authority to perform any marriage ceremony between Horace Van and Victorine Ladue, or did any act or said any word that could in any way be construed into any act or word of marriage between them or any other person or persons in any way pretended or held out to them or any other person or that they were in any wise married. That under no circumstances would be guilty of any such unlawful act for them or any other person. That any pretense made by said Horace Van or any other such person of any such act or pretended act upon his part is wholly false and groundless.

I further declare that I have no interest in said case, and am not concerned in its prosecution.

Signature of affiant

Wm. R. Jones

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day by the above named affiant; and I certify that I read said affidavit to said affiant, and acquainted him with its contents before he executed the same. I further certify that I am in nowise interested in said case, nor am I concerned in its prosecution; and that said affiant is personally known to me that he is a creditable person and so reputed in the community in which he resides.

Witness my hand and official seal this 29th day of January, 1890.

Sign here:

W. Landry

Deputy Clerk of Clinton County, N.Y.

From the Plattsburgh Press Republican, March 31, 1947.

The obituary of Eli Alexander of Lyon Mountain shows that Louise, went on to marry the son of Louis Alexander who was a blacksmith in Dannemora. They had fourteen children, nine of whom were living at the time of Eli's death. The fact that Louise's father was killed in the Civil War was deemed worthy of notice.

OBITUARY

BLI: ALEXANDER

Funeral services for Eli Alexander, who died March 17 at the home of his daughter. Mrs. George Robinson, at Lyon Mountain, were held at St. Bernard's Church, that village, on Thursday, March 20. at 9:30 o'clock. Rev. Robert J. Arquett, assistant to the pastor, was celebrant of the solemn Mass of requiem. Rev. Floyd Brown of Chateaugay was deacon; Rev. Donald S. Gallagher, pastor of St. Bernard's, sub-deacon.

The palibearers were six grandsons of the deceased. Floyd Robinson. Claude Adexander. James Dowd, Otis Macy, James Alexander and Charles Hansen. Interment was made in the family plot in St. Bernard's cemetery. Mr. Alexander was a native of West Platisburgh. He was born on April 6, 1858, a son of Louis and Philomena (Frenier) Alexander. As a child he moved to Dannemora with his parents. On October 18, 1871, he was united in marriage to Louise Ladue, a daughter of Victoria (Brunelle) Ladue whose husband had been killed in the Civil War. To this union 14 children were born. Nine survive.

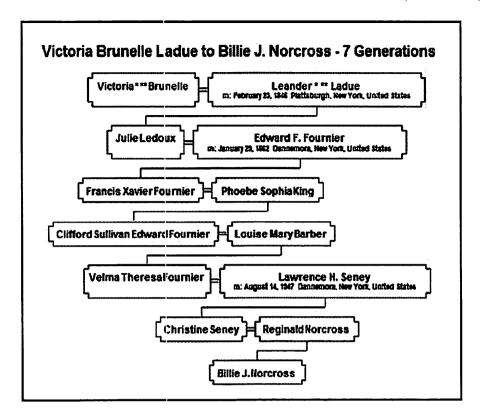
In 1873 Mr. and Mrs. Alexander moved to Lyon Mountain, where Mr. Alexander entered the employ of the Chateaugay Ore and Iron Co., working there until his retirement some years ago.

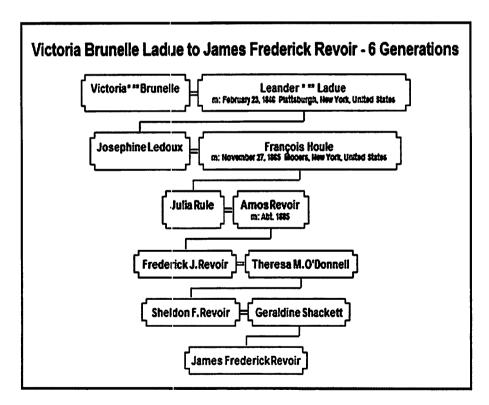
Mrs. Alexander died on August 22, 1904. Mr. Alexander is survived by six daughters and three sons, Mrs. Jennie Farrell of Irvington, N.J., Miss Lillian: "Alexander of Troy; Mrs. Victoria Robinson, Mrs. Eva Macy, Mrs. Lauretta Russon, Bronxville; Mrs. Catherine Dowd, Louis, Silas and Clifford Alexander; also 37 grandchildren; 31 greatgrandchildren, and one great-greatgrandchild.

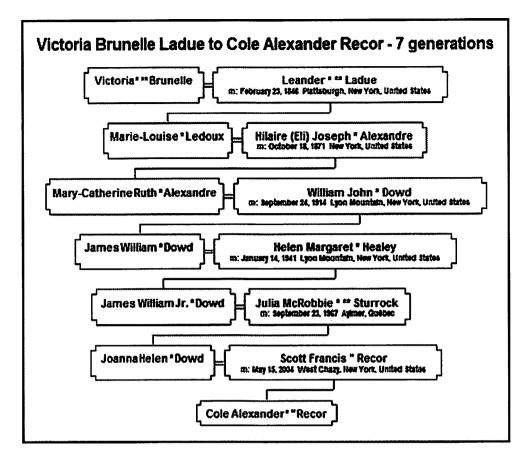
Today, there are hundreds of Victoria's descendants thriving in the North Country thanks to her tenacity. Some of them carry the family names of Alexander, Robinson, Golovach, Dowd, Denny, Hansen, Farrell, Defayette, Martin, Mostwill, McDonald, Bourey, Siskavich, Derusha, Macey, Rasco, Rabideau, Chase, Billings, Gonzales, Smith, Stewart, Chilton, LaValley, Carter, Recor, Lamere, Ladd and Petrashune. It's hard to find someone in Clinton County who isn't somehow related to her.

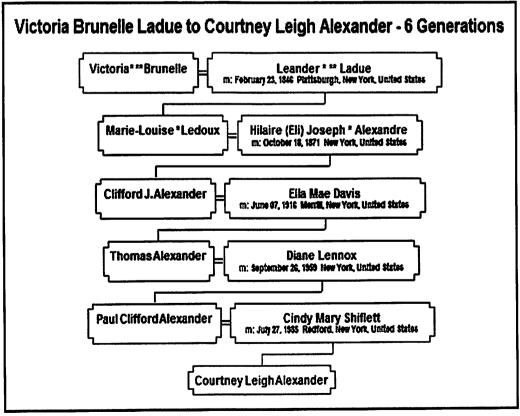
This article is dedicated to Courtney Leigh Alexander, a descendant of Victoria Ladue, who died in a tragic car accident, March 31, 2009.

Seven generations from my grandson, Cole Alexander Recor to Victoria Ladue. Another descendant, Cole's sibling, is due in August.

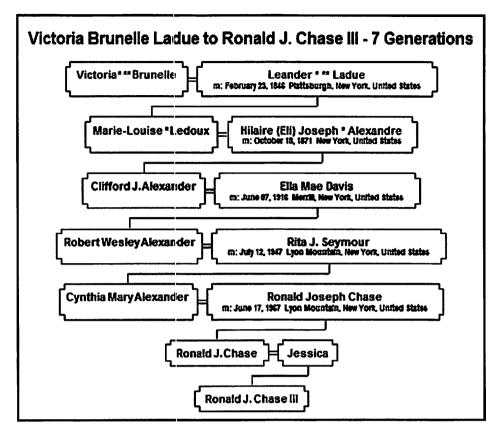


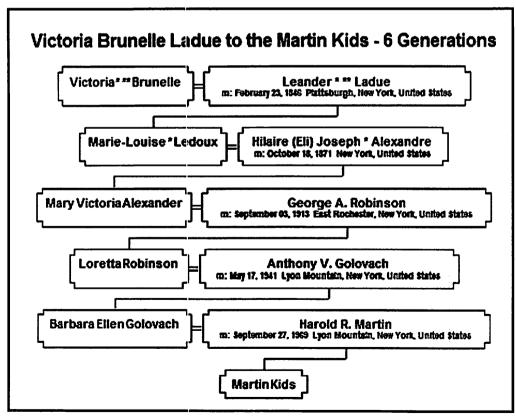


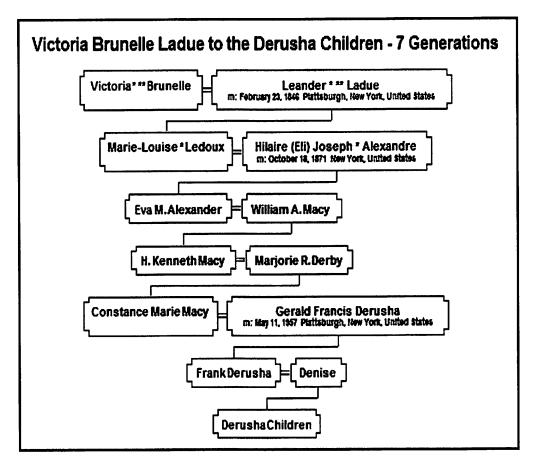


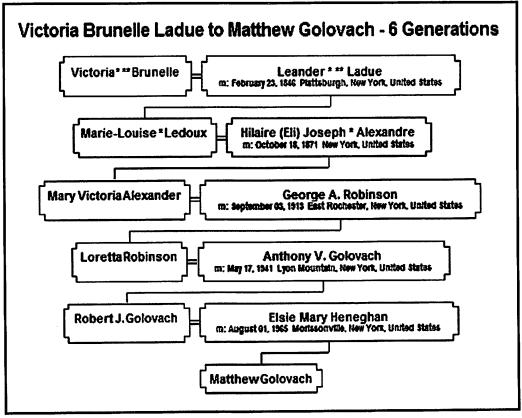


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~ Left My Bed and Board ~

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A selection of public notices from men reporting that they would not longer support their wives. The notices are from Clinton, Essex and Franklin County newspapers from the 1800s - Plattsburgh Sentinel (PS), Plattsburgh Republican (PR), Ticonderoga Sentinel (TS), Essex County Republican (ER), Frontier Palladium (FP), Malone Palladium (MP), and the Franklin Gazette (FG).

Maybe you didn't know about his part of your family history - the wives might have gone back home and resumed their normal lives. Just reading these clippings makes one wonder about the stories behind them. It seems that some men wanted their wives and children back. A couple of women took out notices of their own explaining their side. Too bad we don't have more rebuttals. There are many more on the Northern New York Library Network site - www.nnyln.org - Search by "left my bed and board".

April 1816 - (PR) - Whereas, **Cynthia**, my wife, has left my bed and board, and refuses to live with me - this is to apprise the public that I shall pay no debts contracted by her. **Joshua A. Wells**

January 1818 - (PR) - Whereas **Anna**, my wife has left my bed and board, I hereby forbid all persons

trusting or harboring her on my account, as I will not pay any debts of her contracting after this time. **J. Day**

April 1840 - (ER) - To the Editor: In looking over the columns of your paper I found, (to my astonishment) under the epithet of Elopement; my name placed there by **Amos Densmore**, forbidding all person to trust me on his account, as he would pay no debts of my contracting after the date thereof, as I had left his bed and board without any just provocation. Alas, poor Susannah! Now let the people know the facts and I shall be uninjured by his posting. As to leaving 'twas himself that took fire from the tale of his imagination and want off comet like and left me to plod my way through the world unassisted by him who in youth swore to be my protector and nourisher through life, till death separate us. As to bed, We had but one and that was mine and I have not left it. Board, he provided none. Paying his debts he always refused and he will of course refuse to pay mine. But the most unkindest cut of all, and of which I now complain, is his forbidding any person to harbor me on his account. Alas! What new course of anguish must rend this heart anew. **Susannah Densmore**, Essex, NY

December 1850 - (FG) - Whereas my wife, **Adeline La Roque**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, this is to give notice to all persons not to credit her on my account, for I will not pay any debts of her contracting after this date. **Allsaint La Roque**, Fort

Covington, NY

October 1851 - (FG) - My wife, Betsey Bracy, (with a girl about one year old), having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, notice is hereby given that I shall pay no debts of her contracting, as I am able and willing to support my said wife and child if they are disposed to return to my home. George Bracy, Chateaugay, NY

April 1852 - (FP) - Notice is hereby given that my wife, **Lucy Castle**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, and I forbid all persons harboring or trusting her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Horace Castle**, Dickinson, NY

March 1853 - (ER) - Whereas my wife, **Hannah**, has left my bed and board without any just cause or provocation on my part. Notice is hereby given forbidding all persons trusting or harboring her on my account as I will pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Ezekiel Chapman**, Black Brook, NY

December 1861 - (FP) - Whereas my wife, **Elizabeth D. Town**, has left my bed and board without provocation, this is to forbid all persons trusting or harboring her on my account, as I shall Pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Richard Town**, Malone, NY

August 1862 - (FP) - Whereas my wife, **Marceline Laclare**, has left my bed and board without any just cause or provocation on my part. Notice is hereby given forbidding all persons trusting or harboring her on my account as I will pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Joseph Laclare**, Malone, NY

April 1863 - Whereas my wife, **Permelia E. Gilbert**, has left my bed and board without any just cause or provocation on my part. Notice is hereby given forbidding all persons trusting or harboring her on my account as I will pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Ebenezer Gilbert**, Bangor, NY

January 1864 - (MP) - Whereas my wife, **Lovica Shutts**, has left my bed and board without provocation, this is to forbid all persons trusting or harboring her on my account, as I shall Pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **J. F. Shutts**, Belmont, NY

March 1868 - (MP) - My wife, **Jane Eliza**, having left my bed and board without cause or provocation, this is to forbid all persons trusting or harboring her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Eli Spence**, Fort Covington, NY

September 1871 - (MP) - Notice is hereby given that my wife, **Eliza Bushey**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, and I forbid all persons harboring or trusting her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Wallace A. Bushey**, *Lifelines* Northern New York American-Canadian Genealogical Society

Dickinson Center, NY

May 1872 - (MP) - Whereas my wife, **Orsula McDonald**, has left my bed and-board without just cause or provocation, this is to fcrbid all persona harboring or trusting her on my account, as I shall pay no debts on her contracting after this date. **John McDonald**, Fort Covington, NY

November 1873 - (PS) - Notice is hereby given that my wife, **Emma St. Dennis**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation and the public are forbidden to trust her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting. **Lewis St. Dennis, Jr.**, Plattsburgh, NY

November 1880 - (PS) - Notice - Whereas my wife, **Mariette Charland**, has left my bed and board without just cause of provocation, I hereby caution all persons against harboring or trusting her on my account as I will not pay any debts of her contracting. **David Charland**

January 1881 - (MP) - Notice is hereby given that my wife, **Viola Merrick**, has left my bed and board this day without any just cause or provocation, and I hereby forbid any person or persons harboring or trusting her on my account after this date. **Willfull B. Merrick**, Brandon, NY

April 1882 - (PS) - Whereas, my wife, **Amelia**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid all persons from harboring or trusting her on my account for I will pay no debts on her contracting after this date. **Levi Holt**, Ellenburgh, NY

July 1883 - (PS) - Notice is hereby given that my wife, **Minnie Taylor**, has left my bed and board this day without any just cause or provocation, and I hereby forbid any person or persons harboring or trusting her on rny account from this date. **Phillip Taylor**, Mooers, NY

February 1884 - (PS) - Whereas my wife has, without cause or provocation, left my be and board, this being the second time, and sole reason therefore being that I reproved her for visiting at a neighbor's, all persons are forbidden to trust her on my account, as I shall pay not debts of her contracting after this date. **Stephen Gibbo**, Peddler Belmont, NY

June 1885 - (PS) - Whereas, my wife. **Abigail M. Book**, has left my bed and board, without just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid all persons harboring or trusting her on my account from this date. **Geo. E Book** Mooers, NY

June 1886 - (PS) - My wife, **Georgianna Etherington**, has left my bed and board without any just cause or provocation, I forbid all persons harboring or trusting her on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting. **George W. Etherington** Mooers, NY

April 1888 - (PS) - NOTICE - My wife, **Ella Thew**, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, all persons are warned not to credit or trust her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Willard Thew**, Peru, NY

January 1890 - Notice is hereby given that my wife, **Laura**, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid any person trusting her on my account, as I will pay no debts or her contracting. **Alexander Lamay**, Westville, NY

April 1891 - (PS) - Notice Is hereby given that my wife, **Lavina**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation and all persons are forbidden to trust her on my account after this date. **Andrew Tromblee**, Ellenburgh Centre, NY

November 1893 - (PS) - Notice is hereby given that my wife, **Lizzie Burleigh**, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid any person trusting her on my account, as I will pay no debts or her contracting. **Alexander Burleigh**, Plattsburgh, NY

December 1891 - (PS) - My wife, **Celina Normandin**, having left my bed and board without cause, all persons are forbidden to trust her on my account, and I will pay no bills of her contracting after this date. **Edgar P. Normandin**

July 1892 - (PS) - To whom this may concern: This is to certify that my wife, **Angelina Domana**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid any person trusting or harboring her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting after this date. **Moses Domana**, Mooers Forks, NY

June 1893 - (TS) - Whereas my wife Josephine has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, all persons are hereby forbidden to trust or harbor her on my account, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting hereafter. **W. O. Measeck**, Ticonderoga, NY

Her reply:

No bed or board as yet we've had From William O. or William's dad, Since last September, when we were wed, Have furnished him both board and bed; And for just cause and provocation Have sent him home to his relation.

Mrs. Josie Measack

April 1894 - (PS) - Whereas my wife, **Delia Duclaw**, has left my bed and board without cause or provocation, also serving a written notice on me that she would not return; now, I hereby notify all persons not to harbor or trust her on my account as I will not pay any of her debts hereafter. **John Duclaw Jr.**, Schuyler Falls, NY

July 1895 - (PS) - NOTICE is hereby given that my wife, **Mary**, having left my bed and board without any just cause or provocation, all persona are forbid to trust her on my account, as I will pay no debts of her contracting. **Benjamin LaValley** Irona, NY

- (TS) - Whereas, my wife, **Libbie E. Smith**, has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation. This is to notify all persons from harboring or trusting her on my account, as I shall not pay any debts of her contraction after this date. **George Smith**, Schroon Lake, NY

February 1899 - (TS) - Whereas, my wife **Edith A. Hudson**, has left my bed and board without just cause, I forbid all persons trusting or harboring her on my account. I shall pay no bills which she may contract. **Wm. J. Hudson**

P. S. A home is offered her at any time she can live where I have employment or business. **Wm. J. Hudson**, Schroon Lake, NY



Farm in Peru, NY, April 2008. Photo by Anastasia L. Pratt



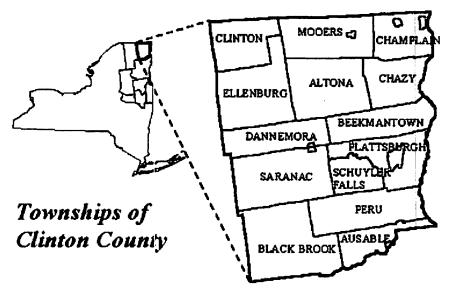
Clinton County, New York

Anastasia L. Pratt

The exact origins of settlement in Clinton County, New York, are unknown. Local lore points to Jean La Framboise as the first settler, though historical records are unclear on the matter. Many of the early settlers were of French-Canadian descent, having followed the pathways first established by Samuel de Champlain and his fellow explorers south along Lake Champlain to establish houses and towns in the northern part of the area that would become Clinton County. Other settlers, generally of English origin, traveled north along the lake and settled in the southern portion of the county.

By 1788, enough people resided in the area to warrant the creation of the county, with a governmental seat in Plattsburgh. Named for Governor George Clinton, the county was carved out Washington County and originally included the land that would later become Essex (1799) and Franklin (1808) County.

Seignories were developed along Lake Champlain, but most of the modern settlements follow the grid established by land grants and patents. Included in these were the Smith and Graves Patent (now in Champlain), Dean's Patent (near Chazy), Beekmans Patent (in Beekmantown), The Canadian and Nova Scotia Refugee Tract (winding north from Plattsburgh to the border), the Old Military Tract (in the eastern part of the county), Duer's Patent (west of Chazy), Plattsburgh Patent, Cumberland Head Patent, Frizwells Patent, Necomb Patent, Stewart's Patent, Watson Tract, etc. (More information about these patents—including a map of the patents—can be found in H.K. Averill, Jr.'s Geography & History of Clinton County, New York, 1885, copies of which are held by the Clinton County Historian's Office and the Clinton County Historical Association.)



Map from "Fishing Spots in Clinton County – NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation," http://www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/38246.html. [Accessed May 14, 2009]

As is to be expected, a wide variety of significant events have occurred within the county. Beginning with the Battle of Valcour (October 11-13, 1776), the county's military history has been especially rich. As a result of the Battle of Valcour, the British were forced to retreat for the winter, allowing the Colonies to recharge and eventually win the war. Similarly, the battles at Plattsburgh during the War of 1812 helped to turn the tide of the war and defeat the British finally. Beginning during the first winter of the Civil War, the Plattsburgh Barracks helped to train soldiers. That legacy continued through 1992, when the Plattsburgh Air Force Base officially closed and ended the longstanding military presence within the county. While the barracks and base were open, however, thousands of soldiers were trained and quartered here.

Economically, the county went through several periods. Farming has always been a major component of the local economy. Potato farms, apple orchards, and dairy farms helped early settlers establish lives within the boundaries of the county and continues to support the economy of the area. Other industries have developed, though. In conjunction with potato farming, starch factories were developed. Mills were created along the Saranac, Au Sable, and Chazy rivers. Iron mines sprang up wherever ore deposits were discovered, namely in Au Sable, Keeseville, Peru, Black Brook, Dannemora, Lyon Mountain, Standish, and Churubusco. Manufacturing ventures ranging in size and scope from a shirt factory to a car-manufacturing corporation to canal boat production also emerged. Currently, the county boasts several manufacturing facilities.

Town	Settled	Early Settlers	Date of township
Altona	1800	Simeon Wood, Daniel Robinson	1857
Au Sable	1787	Edward Everett, John and Jehiel Beardsley, Matthew Adgate	1839
Beekmantown	1783	Benjamin Mooers, Thomas Treadwell	1820
Black Brook	c. 1825	Zephaniah Palmer, William Finch	1839
Champlain	1788	Pliny Moore, Samuel Ashmun, Elnathan Rogers, William Beaumont	1788
Rouses Point	1783	Jacques Rouse, Edward Thurber	
Chazy	1790	Nathaniel and John Douglass, Ezra Graves, Lester Sampson	1804
Chazy Landing	1783	Jean La Framboise, Joseph Monty, Timothy Sullivan, Matthew Saxe	
Clinton	c. 1817	Junio Howard, Asa Smith	1845
Dannemora	1836	Phineas Hooker, George Brown, Peter Darouch	1854
Ellenburg	1803	Abner Pomeroy, Lewis Ransom, Aaron Broadwell	1830
Mooers	1796	Josehua Bosworth, Curchill brothers, John Shedden	1804
Peru	c. 1792	Jabez Allen, George Heyworth, John Hackstaff, john Cochran	1792
The Union	1790	William Keese and family, Peter Hallock	
Plattsburgh	1785	Chaires Platt, John Addomst, Melancton Woolsey, Kinner Newcomb, Peter Sailly	1785
Saranac	1802	Russel Case, Ezekiel Pierce, Nathaniel Lyon	1824
Schuyler Falls	1794	Ezra Turner, John Roberts, Daniel and Roswell Johnes	1848

Source: Helen Allan et al. *Clinton County: A Pictorial History*. Norfolk, VA: The Donning Company Publishers, 1988. P. 19.

Socially, the county has followed traditional rural practices. A county fair celebrating agriculture has been held since 1819. Various fraternal and religious organizations have developed alongside churches, one synagogue, and many businesses. For most of the county's history, one main newspaper has been produced. (Those newspapers may now be accessed through the Northern New York Library Network website, www.nnyln.org.) Dramatic productions, concerts, parades, debating societies, charitable organizations, and community service groups have all existed in a variety of versions.

County government was composed of a Board of Supervisors (composed of 14 town supervisors and 2 city supervisors) until 1968, when a Supreme Court decision caused the county to consider its options in establishing a "one man, one vote" division of power. At that point, the county divided into equal population districts that allowed each legislator to represent approximately the same number of people. Today, Clinton County has ten legislative districts, some of which encompass more than one municipality.



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Those interested in researching within Clinton County need to keep a few basic ideas in mind:

- 1) Records from before 1880 are generally unavailable. Although there are exceptions to this rule, researchers will often find that birth, marriage, and death certificates are only available through church records.
- 2) Local communities hold more vital statistics records than the county. Since the local hospital has long been within the confines of the City of Plattsburgh, many birth and death records are held by the City Clerk.
- 3) A variety of circumstances (including flooding and building fires) has further limited the county's resources. Please be patient when asking various local offices for assistance. The person to whom you are speaking might NOT have access to the records you need. (Some examples of these disasters...in 1869, court records burned along with the courthouse; in the 1930s, tax records were lost when a building was flooded.)

At the County Clerk's Office, you will find: Bonds; Civil Actions; Corporations; Doing Business As Certificates; Judgments; Land Records; Liens Against Real Property; Naturalization Records (Aliens Admitted books); Notary Public; Nuptial Agreements; Release of Tax Liens; Seal Orders; Soldiers Discharges; Separation Agreements; and Uniform Commercial Filings

In the Surrogate Court Library, you will find probate records and wills.

The county also has Certificates of Conviction (1893-1906), County Court Judgment Rolls (beginning 1790), Coroner's Inquest Decisions (1797-1896), County Jail roll books (c. 1830-c. 1960), and County Poorhouse records. To see any of these, please visit the Historian's Office.

Sources of local history:

Allan et al, Clinton County: A Pictorial History
Averill, H.K. Geography of Clinton County, New York.
Hurd, The History of Clinton and Franklin Counties, New York

To visit Clinton County by web:

http://www.clintoncountygov.com/

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Scenic Clinton County is located in the Northeast corner of New York State, bordering on beautiful Lake Champlain. With the majestic Adirondack Mountains and numerous lakes, rivers and tributaries, it is an ideal place to live, work or visit. Enjoy fishing, skiing, swimming, boating, hiking, camping or virtually any outdoor activity in our County. We are the home of Plattsburgh State University College, Clinton Community College, and PARC (Plattsburgh Airbase Redevelopment Corporation -; formerly Plattsburgh Air Force Base). If you like fresh air and beautiful scenery, Clinton County is for you!

From that same site, you can visit the Historian's Office.

Welcome to the Clinton County Kistorian's Office

Researchers interested in topics ranging from genealogy to geology, commerce to fraternal organizations, New York State laws to local lawmakers, farm life to industrialization, military service to scrapbooks, and newspapers to photographs will find records in this office. Designed to collect, record, and preserve the history of Clinton County, the Historian's Office maintains archival holdings for virtually every facet of the county's history. Along with a library of secondary sources related to local, state, and national history, we preserve significant primary sources, including: the correspondence and notes of Judge Healey; the records of the Clinton County Jail and Poorhouse; the blueprints, photographs, and selected records of the Plattsburgh Air Force Base; the blueprints, photographs, and reminiscences of the Clinton County Government Center; various local scrapbooks, photograph albums, and postcards; various local ledgers (private and commercial); and various correspondence (personal and legal) between local citizens.

All of our materials are available for public use in our office. Please visit us on Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, or schedule an appointment by phone or e-mail. Questions may also be directed to us by phone or e-mail; we will happily suggest ways to find information or resources, though we are unable to conduct extensive personal research.

Local history museums include:

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Battle of Plattsburgh Association: www.battleofplattsburgh.org
Champlain Valley Transportation Museum: www.cvtmuseum.com
Clinton County Historical Association: www.clintoncountyhistorical.org

Kent-Delord House Museum: www.kentdelordhouse.org

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For additional information on membership contact Gloria Pratt at 518-561-5728

Q-2501 CARTWRIGHT-SWEET

Looking for information on **John CARTWRIGHT**, born about 1806/08 in NY, married **Elizabeth/Eliza Ann SWEET**, born about 1812/13 in Pierrepont, St. Lawrence County, NY. Children: (1) **Samuel**, born about 1832 in NY, married **Debra HARRIS**; (2) **Louis**, born 1835 in NY, married **Esther PHILLIPS**; (3) **John Elroy**, born 18 January 1838 in NY, married **Eleanor**?; (4) **William Wilbur**, born 14 November 1841 in NY, married **Betsy Ann SMITH**; (5) **Calvin**, born in NY; (6) **Alvin**, born 1844 in NY; (7) **Washington**, born 1848 in NY; (8) **Henry**, born 1851 in NY, died 30 November 1870; (9) **Debora**, born 1828, NY; (10) **Charles**, born 1857 in Wisconsin; (11) **Caleb**, born 1858 in Wisconsin.

Q-2502 BONNER-STEPHENS

Looking for information on **Joseph M. BONNER**, married **Matilda STEPHENS**, would have been born between 1780 and 1795, possibly born in NY. They had a son, **Joseph M. BONNER**, born 17 May, 1815, in NY, and another son, **John BONNER**, born 10 March 1823, possibly Jefferson County, NY. Looking for information on these **BONNERS**. Anyone with information, please contact me via e-mail and please be sure to put "Bonner" in the subject area. Bkeen1@charter.net

Q-2503 ASHLINE – ASSELIN – JOYAL – RECOR – RICARD – RICHARD I am trying to find out the family line of my great-grandfather Isaac RECOR/RICARD/RICHARD and Philena ASHLINE/ASSELIN.

Isaac RECOR's parents were Magloire RICARD, born about 1810-1820, and Agathe JOYAL, born about 1810-1820 in Canada. Isaac's parents were married about 1839.

Some of Magloire's children include:

- (1) **Isaac RECOR**, born 3 March 1847 in Chazy, NY, died 22 November 1921 in Barre, VT, married **Phelina ASHLINE**, born 20 April 1861 in Chazy, NY, died 28 January 1951 in Springfield, VT. Her parents were **Prisque ASHLINE/ASSELIN** and **Mary PLANTE**.
 - (i) Lillian RECOR, married Frank CUTLER
 - (ii) Edith RECOR, married James LAMB
 - (iii) Alice RECOR, married Charles OWENS
 - (iv) Edna RECOR, died at age 3 ½
 - (v) Fern Agnes RECOR, married Harry M. LASELL (my grandparents)
 - (1) Henry Max LASELL, died a few days after birth
 - (2) Harry James LASE:LL (my father), married Pollyanna JONES
 - (3) Harvey Lee LASELL, married Elizabeth MURRAY
 - (4) Hallie Lena LASELL, married (1) Fred POTTS; (2) Raymond BUSKEY

- (5) Louise LASELL, married Paul ROBBINS
- (6) Rosemary LASELL, married Jesse WATKINS
- (7) Fern Ada LASELL (Babe), married Charles AUST
- (8) Max Henry LASELL, married Elizabeth ELY

I am willing to share any information I have, as well as pictures, and want to thank you in advance for any help you are able to give. My e-mail address is b jrose@hotmail.com

A-2503 ASHLINE – ASSELIN – JOYAL – RECOR – RICARD – RICHARD

Bonjour: I found the following in the Fonds Drouin:

Magloire RICARD, born 4 March 1815, baptized 5 March 1815 at St-Jacques, St-Jacques-de-L'Achigan, Quebec. Father: Jean-Baptiste RICARD; Mother: Marie-Suzanne MOUSSEAU; Godfather: Joseph GAUDET; Godmother: V/n/rande LEBLANC.

Agathe JOYAL, born 4 August 1819, baptized 4 August 1819 at Ste-Geneviève, Berthierville, Quebec. Father: **Pierre JOYAL**; Mother: **Agathe LAFRENIÈRE**; Godfather: **Claude DESROSIERS/LAFRENIÈRE**; Godmother: **Reine-Angélique MONDION**.

Submitted by Richard Pelletier, Richardpelletier2003@yahoo.ca

Q-2504 GETTYS

James C. GETTYS, born 1839, married Mary, born about 1840 in Canada. I would appreciate any information regarding the wife of James C. Gettys. Her name was Mary and the census records indicate she was born in Canada. James and Mary sold their holdings to GETTYS brothers and moved to Mower Co., MN, around 1866. They had a daughter, Edna, born 1867 in MN, and soon returned to NY, where they had another daughter, Elizabeth, born about 1869-1870. Mary GETTYS and daughter were living with James's mother, Eliza Jane GETTYS, in Beekmantown in the 1880 U.S. Census, but there is no word about James. I would like to learn the maiden name of Mary and any other information pertaining to this family.

Q-2505 ANTOINE and BOLDUC-BOUVIER

Looking for marriage record between **George ANTOINE**, born 1865 in NY or Canada, son of **Nicholas** and **Adaline GIBAULT/GIBEAU/GEBO** and **Delphine BOLDUC-BOUVIER**, born 1873 in Plattsburgh, daughter of **Magloire BOLDUC-BOUVIER** and **Octavia BERGEVIN-LANGEVIN**. Children were: **George**, born in 1894 in Plattsburgh, NY and **Elizabeth May**, born in 1896 in Plattsburgh, NY. Please contact me at jonwg1@earthlink.net.

Q-2506 LAVIGNE and CHARTIER/ROBERT

Looking for marriage and parents of **Alexander LAVIGNE** and **Mathilda CHARTIER/ROBERT**. They had a son **Magloire**, who married twice (1) **Rosalie LOISEUX/BIRD** and (2) **Julia TREMBLAY**. I have information on **Magloire** and wives and am willing to share. Gloria Pratt, NNYACGS, PO Box 1256, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. Member #599F.

FIGHTING TWO FOES -- THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC OF 1918

Julia Dowd—Dunott@aol.com

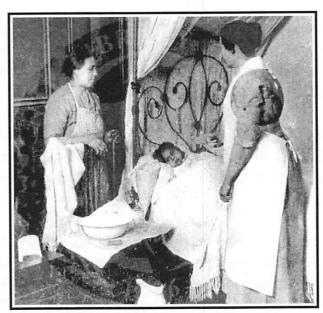
In 1918 the war in Europe wasn't the only one being fought. The war against influenza was being fought all across this country, mostly by women volunteers. Courses were offered in home nursing then volunteers took their lives in their hands to go out to help others. Most often they survived, but there are instances of area women who went out to nurse others, took ill, and died within a few days.

Schools, churches, dancehalls and theatres were closed and large gatherings were discouraged. Funeral notices stated "strictly private" so that the disease could not be spread.

Women across the country set up committees to fight influenza and minister to those who fought not only the disease, but its deadly complication, pneumonia. The following is a report from Dannemora, but it is typical of reports that were made all over the United States when the women went out to do battle. It makes you wonder how some of these women found time for their own families.



"Family only" funerals became the norm



Volunteer home nurses were the "local heroes"

INFLUENZA REPORTS

Plattsburgh Sentinel - December 17, 1918

Red Cross Branches Report on Work Done to Suppress Spread of Epidemic The following is the report of work done by branches of the Plattsburgh Chapter of the Red Cross to suppress the influenza epidemic in the sections in which they are located.

Dannemora Report of Influenza Committee

Sunday, October 20, a special meeting of the Board of Health and the Red Cross was called by Dr. Ross, Deputy Health Officer, to organize volunteer nurses and to assist Dr. Van Derzee in caring for cases of influenza where help was very much needed. Dr. Ross ordered that everyone wear masks, all public meetings were prohibited and printed health rules were distributed freely.

The following volunteer nurses started work October 20:

PEOPLE CARED FOR

Mrs. T. Kelly, 17: Miss N. Madden, 7: Mrs. Carney, 6: Miss A. Trombley, 3: Miss E. Trombley, 10: Mrs. Cummings, 6: Mrs. Conboy, 7: Mrs. J. Kelly, 9: Mrs. Wilson, 33: Mrs. Brennan, 9: Mrs. Bailey, 14.

VISITS - DAY AND NIGHT

Mrs. T. Kelly, 20: Miss N. Madden, 4: Mrs. Carney, 2 ½: Miss A. Trombley, 4: Miss E. Trombley, 4: Mrs. Cummings, 7: Mrs. Conboy, 7: Mrs. J. Kelly, 9: Mrs. Wilson, 33: Mrs. Brennan 9: Mrs. Bailey, 14.

DEATHS

Mrs. T. Kelly, 1: Mrs. Carney, 2: Mrs. Cummings, 1.

Mrs. Severance had charge of all work done by volunteer nurses and called at the homes where she directed the work.

A diet committee was appointed as follows:

Mrs. J.B. Ransom, Chairman: Mrs. J.B. Trombley, Assistant Chairman: Mrs. Manogue, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Sheehy, Mrs. W. Farrington.

A great many families had every member sick, and no one to prepare any nourishment. The nurses and doctors reported these cases, and Mrs. Ransom carried broths and ice cream to 115 patients at the expense of the committee in charge.

One thousand one hundred and sixty-five masks were made at a private home by the following committee who had no illness in their families: Mrs. LaFountaine, Mrs. Mitchell, Miss Mirick, Mrs. Carney, Mrs. Haskell, Mrs. Sheehey, Mrs. Signor, Mrs. Dexter.

On November 7, the following committee was appointed to visit every house and estimate the number of cases that had been in town to date, and secured the following data: 353 cases fully recovered, 27 still ill, but improving, and 7 deaths - Mrs. Millington, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Burdick, Mrs. Haskell, Mrs. Sheehey, Mrs. Dexter.

Signed: Mrs. Roger Dexter, Chairman

Mrs. Roger Dexter was the wife of the First Assistant Physician at the State Hospital in Dannemora.

Here are some people with Clinton County connections who died in the Flu Epidemic of 1918 taken from the Plattsburgh Sentinel of October 1918. According to statistics, there were 30 deaths attributed to influenza in the first 25 days of the month of October, most of them between 20 and 40 years of age. Imagine the double nightmare of worrying about relatives in the military and those fighting for their lives at home.

October 1, 1918

Frank Parks of 30 Lorraine Street Sunday received a telegram from Camp Meade, MD informing him of the death earlier in the day of his son Private **Herbert Parks** of pneumonia following an attack of influenza, a disease very prevalent in the training camp at the present time. The telegram stated that the re

mains would be sent to Plattsburgh and asked if it was the desire of the parents that a military escort should accompany them.

October 04, 1918

Relatives of **Frank Bailey** of Ausable Forks have received a telegram from the military authorities, at Camp Meade informing them of the death at the camp at 3 o'clock Monday morning of the young soldier, influenza, the scourge of so many of the training camps at the present time, being the cause of his death. The young soldier's mother died when he was but a mere lad, and he had from that time spent a great deal of time with his grandparents.

Lena Longtin Shaw passed away on September 24 in her 31st year at Canton, Mass., where she has been staying with a sister, Mrs. **Ida Morgan**, formerly of Plattsburgh. On the occasion of the embarkation of her husband's company for the States from Hawaii, Mrs. Shaw accompanied him to Georgia and when he left for France she came north, making her home with her sister until stricken with influenza from which she speedily succumbed.





Everyone was encouraged to wear masks that were often made by local volunteer groups

October 08, 1918

On Tuesday, Oct. 8th, Mrs. **E. J. Goodell** who was ill for about four weeks, most of the time a patient in Physicians' Hospital, Plattsburgh, N.Y., passed away. Her remains were brought to her home here and the funeral was held in the Riverview Cemetery, on Friday p.m. on account of the Quarantine for Spanish influenza. Mrs. Goodell was a very accomplished woman and will be missed very much in her home where she leaves her husband and two children; a son and daughter, and the church will miss her; she was always willing to help in every way she could.

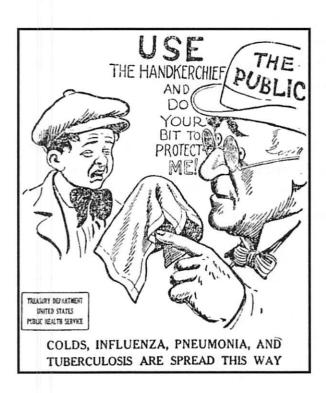
Mrs. **Mary Gaskill** received word that her grandson, **Halsey Gaskill**, passed away after on illness of a few days of pneumonia, resulting from the influenza. Mr. Gaskill was the oldest son of Mr. **Burton Gaskill** and lived in Lowell, Mass.

October 10, 1918

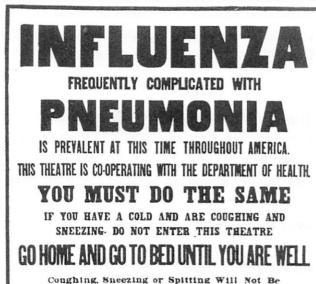
Montreal, Oct 10 — **Giuseppe Santy**, a gravedigger, at the Cote des Neige cemetery, was run down and killed by a team of horses which, frightened by something on the road, ran away with the big hearse they were drawing. Santy at time of the accident was at work, preparing a grave, close by the roadside. Up the road the hearse was returning from the funeral of a Spanish influenza victim. The horses were restive and a bit of paper frightened them into run. Soon they were tearing down the inclined roadway, the heavy

hearse swaying from side to side. Seeing that it was impossible to stop them, **Adolphe Robillard**, the driver, jumped and escaped injury.

Dashing down the path, the team came to the place where Santy was working. There, he attempted to stop them but the horses going downhill were not to be stopped, and Santy's body was trampled under their hoofs.



Posters like this were found all over the country



Permitted In The Theatre. In case you must cough or Sneeze, do so in your own hand-kerchief, and if the Coughing or Sneezing Perststs Leave The Theatre At Once.

This Theatre has agreed to co-operate with the Department Of Health in disseminating the truth about Influenza, and thus serve a great educational purpose.

HELP US TO KEEP CHICAGO THE HEALTHIEST CITY IN THE WORLD

JOHN DILL ROBERTSON COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH

October 11, 1918

The funeral of Private Oscar Archambrault, who died of Influenza at Camp Meade, MD, on Friday, was largely attended from St. Peter's Church Wednesday morning. The casket, which was draped in the American flag in the service of which he died, was borne by members of Company F, of the State Guard.

Word has been received here that **Bert Stratton**, formerly of Chazy, is dead in Massachusetts, from pneumonia following influenza. Mr. Stratton was well known in this vicinity. He was a brother-in-law of **James O'Neill** of Beekmantown.

Another Clinton County boy has fallen victim to the epidemic on influenza which is scourging the cantonments at the present time. Mrs. **Rosalie Soulia** of Peru received a telegram on Saturday informing her of the death of her son, **Oliver L. Soulia**, of pneumonia following influenza. The young man left Peru for Camp Meade, MD, on July 22nd.

October 15, 1918

Richard P. Cottrill, a former resident of Plattsburgh, died at his home in Washington, DC, last Wednesday evening, after an illness of little more than a week, one of the many victims of the prevailing epidemic of Spanish influenza. Mr. Cottrell was born August 7, 1883, in Keeseville, but passed the greater part of his life at Plattsburgh where his father, the late **William F. Cottrill**, was a well-known jeweler. His mother, Mrs. **A.C. Cottrill**, survives him.

October 18, 1918

The remains of **Arthur L. Burnett** who died at E. Paso, TX, arrived in Altona, NY Wednesday morning. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. **N. B. Burnett** of Altona. He is survived by his parents an three brothers one of whom, **Louis**, is in France in the Engineering Corps. He was only twenty-six years old and his death was caused by influenza.

Mrs. A.L. Cross, wife of Dr. Cross of Swanton, VT, died at her home in that village at 6:30 o'clock Monday morning of pneumonia following an attack of Spanish influenza. Mrs. Cross was formerly Miss Emma Lapelle, and was born in Plattsburgh February 22, 1968, a daughter of the late Alfred Lapelle. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Mildred Cross, who is doing government service in Washington, and Lucille, wife of Lieut. George B. Suter, stationed at Fort Ethan Allen. She is survived by a brother, Francis D. LaPelle of Swanton. Mrs. Dan Denton and daughter, Mrs. Randel Denton and Miss Jennie Lamay attended the funeral of Oliver Soulia, who died of influenza at Camp Meade.

Mrs. **Mary Gaskill** received word that her grandson, **Halsey Gaskill**, passed away after on illness of a few days of pneumonia, resulting from the influenza. Mr. Gaskill was the oldest son of Mr. **Burton Gaskill** and lived in Lowell, Mass.

Mrs. Hawley White (nee Charlotte St. Louis) died Sunday, Oct. 13th of pneumonia following an attack, of influenza. She was the first victim of the disease in Keeseville.

The body of **Walter Calkins**, formerly of Keeseville, was brought here for burial on Thursday last. Mr. Calkins was a victim of pneumonia following influenza and died at a hospital in Philadelphia where he was employed. Mrs. Calkins is reported very ill at the same hospital.

Spanish influenza has claimed another victim in this city, Miss Leda Dubray, aged 13 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Dubray of Saranac, a student of D'Youville Academy, having died of the disease Friday forencon about 10 o'clock. This young victim of the epidemic had been ill for several days and her parents were with her when the end came.

EXTERNAL TREATMENT FOR INFLUENZA Mutton suet, ½ pound: white petroleum ointment, 1 small bottle: spirits of turpentine ½ teacup: kerosene ½ teacup: kerosene ½ teacup: spirits of camphor ½ teacup: alcohol ½ teacup: spirits of ammonia ¼ teacup.

Heat and apply by dipping the hand into the hot mixture and rubbing the patient's chest, back, sides, spine and region of bronchial tubes. Afterward dip flannel cloth large enough to cover the chest in the hot solution, squeezing out all the surplus fluid. Pin the hot saturated flannel over the patient's chest, next to the body, letting the cloth reach from collar bones to stomach. Apply morning and night until the patient is perfectly well. If weather is cold and damp wear flannel vest next to skin and keep hot brick or hot water bottle at patient's feet. Swab the nose three times a day with equal parts menthol, white petroleum ointment and carbolated petroleum ointment.

Published in the Plattsburgh Sentinel 1918

Chazy, NY, September 26, 1918, **Treflay Henry**, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. **Charles Lucia**, aged eleven months, after an illness of three days with influenza.

October 22, 1918

Friends of D'Youville Academy were shocked Friday morning when they learned of the death of Rev. **Sister Callista**, for the past two years in charge of the boarding students of that institution. Few knew of the illness of the Reverend Sister, and those who had been informed of the fact that she was suffering from Spanish influenza did not realize her condition was serious until late Thursday afternoon. She became ill on Wednesday and was removed to the Champlain Valley Hospital about noon Thursday. After her removal to the hospital her condition rapidly became more serious and during the evening hope for her recovery was practically abandoned. Sister Callista was in private life, **Ella McGuire**. She became a member of the Order of the Grey Nuns in Ottawa about thirty years ago.

The angel of death laid a heavy hand, on the members of St. Peter's parish when it took from them their beloved pastor, the Rev. **Father Plaissance** on Sunday morning at ten o'clock. The Rev. Father **Walter Plaissance**, came to St. Peter's parish as pastor a year ago last August from Washington, DC. Details of his life are hard to obtain, as at the present time every priest connected with St. Peter's church is ill in bed with the exception of Father Paquette, who while sick himself, is still able to aid his confreres.

Harry C. Myers, postmaster at Ellenburgh Depot for the last three years, died at his home in that village Saturday morning about 3 o'clock after an illness of a week with Spanish influenza. Mr. Myers was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Myers, and he is survived by his wife and one child.





Doctors and nurses at Camp Meade, MD, worked hard to provide cures and comfort to the soldiers

Mrs. **Myrtle Pillsbury** died of influenza at Groton, Vermont, October 19th. She was 33 years of age and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Henry Thornton** of Saranac and spent her childhood there. She leaves a husband and five small children in Groton and was a niece of **Robert Baker** of River and Broad Street and Mrs. **Chester Everleigh** and Mrs. **Hanna Broadwell** of Plattsburgh.

October 25, 1918

"Bill Hart is dead." Thus the news passed from mouth to mouth in this city yesterday afternoon soon after a telephone message was received from Lyon Mountain announcing the death of William J. Hart of that village, he having fallen a victim of pneumonia following an attack of influenza after an illness of a week. Mr. Hart was well and favorably known in this city and throughout the entire county, and was one of the most popular residents of Lyon Mountain. For seven years he had been justice of the peace in the town of Dannemora and was holding the office at the time of his death. Mr. Hart was a frequent visitor to this city and was last here eight days ago. He is survived by his wife, six children, his father, mother, six brothers and four sisters, all residents of Lyon Mountain.

Lake Placid was in mourning Wednesday, and the people of Plattsburgh are shocked over the announcement of the death of **Rev. George J. Savage**, pastor of St. Agnes' Catholic Church, Lake Placid, who passed away this morning, a victim of his devotion to his sacred calling, for it was while administering to the sick of the parish that he contracted influenza, which terminated in pneumonia. Father Savage was born in Moira, NY, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. **Thomas Savage**. He is survived by three sisters and four brothers.

For the third lime within a week the Press is called upon to chronicle the death of a priest well known to the people of this city and northern New York. Influenza has claimed another victim

in the person of **Rev. J.P. O'Rourke**, pastor of St. Philip Neri's church Westport, who died about 2.30 o'clock yesterday morning of pneumonia, following an attack of the prevailing epidemic.

Frank Irwin, a young man well known and liked in Peasleeville, died of influenza at his home in Rome, NY last week.

On Thursday, Oct. 17th, occurred the funeral of **Howard Thwaits**, who passed away from pneumonia following the influenza, on October, 15th. On account of the quarantine the services were held at the graveside in Clintonville cemetery.

Mrs. Hattie McCarthy died at the Physician's Hospital Wednesday morning about 9 o'clock of pneumonia, following an attack of influenza, Mrs. McCarthy was taken sick last Monday and was at once taken to the hospital for treatment; She is survived by her husband, John McCarthy, and three small children, John, Florence and Ruth She was 33 years of age and was the daughter of William McKinney who resides on Cornelia Street.

October 29, 1918

The epidemic of influenza at Lyon Mountain is slowly subsiding. There have been over 400 cases since the inception of the disease on October 1st. Those who have fallen victims to the disease are **Wm. J. Hart**, who leaves a wife and six small, children, Mrs. **George Hall** and two of their children also her brother, **Ezra Cook**, all four of whom lived in the same house. An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. **Charles Bushey**. **John Zolinsky** a young Polish miner who was single and was a member of the Lyon Mountain band. **Wilfred Barcomb**, a young single man whose parents reside in Ellenburgh. Mrs. **Asahel Bruso** who leaves a husband, and four, small children. **Emit Tatro** who leaves a wife and one small child.

Bourgerie - At Plattsburgh, N.Y., Oct. 21, 1918, from Spanish influenza, **George Bougerie**, aged 22. He is survived by his father and three sisters, Mrs. **Fred Raby** and Mrs. **Nelson Barber** of this city and Mrs. **Joseph Baker** of Rockland, Mass., and one brother, **William Bourgerie** of this city.

Mrs. **Nelson Barber** died at her home in this city at an early hour Monday morning of pneumonia following influenza and was buried yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Barber was a daughter of **Peter Bourgerie** and a sister of **George Bourgerie**, whose funeral was held on Saturday, following his death from pneumonia.

The funeral of **Cross Tufenkjian**, who died in Albany on Friday evening, was held from his home on Broad Street, Sunday afternoon at two o'clock. He is survived by his wife, the former Miss **Mary Dougherty** of Plattsburgh.

Fournier—Chazy Lake, Oct. 24, 1918—Mr. Otis T. Fournier aged 19 years, son of Mr. and *Lifelines* Northern New York American-Canadian Genealogical Society

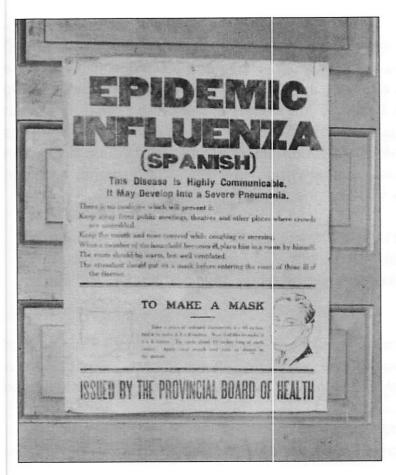
Mrs. Francis Fournier of influenza. Interment at Dannemora today.

As you can see, the pandemic of 1918 showed no discrimination in its victims. There were very few families who did not have members who had been ill or who had died. Talk with your families about the epidemic and listen to their stories about influenza and other illnesses. Maybe you'll even hear about relatives you never knew existed.

INFLUENZA ENDS FAMILY LINES

One of the nurses who worked with influenza patients for only a short time in 1918 was Mrs. Mary E. (Lavery) McCann of Chateaugay. Sihe took sick and died at the home of a friend, Nellie Mills, leaving her son, Lester, an orphan. Hers was an unfortunate family in that, her husband, Daniel J. McCann Jr., had died a just few years before, in 1913 at age 29. A few years later, in November of 1925, Lester died in a hunting accident in Earlville at the home of his grandfather, Charles Lavery, thus cutting off that branch from the McCann family tree.

Another branch on the McCann family tree was broken by influenza in March of 1918 with the death of her husband's brother, Arthur F. McCann. He died while serving in the Army Dental Corps at Camp Upton, Yaphank, Long Island.



A poster issued by Alberta's provincial board of health alerting the public to the influenza epidemic. The poster gives information on the Spanish flu, and instructions on how to make a mask. *NA-4548-5*

www.glenbow.org/exhibitions/online/libhtm/flu1.htm



Meetings of the Past...

101 AT FAMILY REUNION AT COOPERVILLE HOME

Plattsburgh Press Republican - July 8, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Anthlene Laurin of Cooperville were hosts at their lakeshore farm on Sunday, July 3rd, at a family gathering.

One hundred and one relatives met in the grove, fields and on the beach for their fourth annual basket picnic.

Those present were the families of Paul Laurin, Gardner, Mass.; Alphonse Laurin and Leo Gagnon, Pittsfield, Mass.; Leith family of Valleyfield, Quebec; Mr. Audet, Sorel, Quebec; Gerard Papillon, Donat and Laurier Laurin and Boucher families of Montreal. From St. Ours, Quebec, the Isabelle and Vary families. E. N. and John Lansbury families, Amsterdam, N. Y.; Armand and Marcel Laurin families, Chazy; Anita Laurin, Champlain; Gerard Tetrault family and Rita Pilger, Rouses Point; Lily and Constance Ouimette, Plattsburgh.

Long tables, chairs, hammocks, baby carriages and bassinets, in the shade of tall trees, furnished enjoyment for the four generations present, ranging in age from two weeks to the great-grandmother of seventy-five.

DILLON FAMILY REUNION HELD

Plattsburgh Press Republican - August 4, 1980

FERN LAKE - The first of the Dillon family reunions in a great many years was held at Ernest and Linda Bedard's camp on Fern Lake on July 19 and 20.

The event started when Patricia Dillon Brown began doing Dillon genealogy. Due to the efforts of Linda, Ernie, Pat, Sue and Marion and Charles Dillon, the event was a great success. More than 40 people attended.

Many of the younger family members met cousins for the first time.

All are descendents of Richard Dillon who came to the United States from County Antrim, Ireland in 1825. Little Jennifer Adams, 8 months old, was the youngest member there.

Swimming, boating, playing volleyball, and just catching up on activities of the family made up most of the day. A bounteous buffet was served later in the afternoon.

Kinfolk came from Vermont, Yorktown Heights, Waterford, Stillwater, Saratoga and locally.

REV. AND MRS. L. C. MA'TTOON MARRIED 54 YEARS; OCCASION OBSERVED AT FAMILY REUNION

Plattsburgh Press Republican - April 14, 1954

The home of Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Mattoon on Route 1 was the setting for a family gathering last evening the occasion being in observance of their 54th wedding anniversary. The actual anniversary date was April 11.

Rev. Mattoon is a native of Clinton County and Bessie L. Hill, a daughter of Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Hill were united in marriage in 1900 in Forestdale, VT where the bride's father was serving a pastorate.

In 1905 Rev. Mr. Mattoon became pastor of his first charge in the town of Macomb, St. Lawrence County. He served churches in the Champlain Conference until 1915 and for 14 years thereafter served in the Lockport Conference, returning to the Champlain Unit in 1929.

For ten years prior to his retirement in 1943, Rev. Mr. Mattoon was minister of the Wesleyan Methodist Church in West Chazy.

The Mattoons have five children. Three of whom were with them for the anniversary.

Those attending were a son, Irwin, of Route I, city; Mrs. Myrtle Burke of Amityville, Long Island; and Mrs. Mabel Tabor of Mount Morris, N. Y.

The others who could not attend are Mrs. S. H. Miller of Valley Stream, Long Island and Mrs. R. S. Woodhead of Plymouth, Indiana.

FAMILY REUNION AT EDWARD CROTEAU HOME

Plattsburgh Sentinel – August 24, 1923

A family reunion which was remarkable from the fact- that .there were present five generations on one side of the family and four from the other, was held at the home of Edward Croteau, 76 Lafayette Street,

Sunday. A dinner was served to the guests and a general good time renewing of family ties took place.

On the one side of the family were represented Mrs. Charles Herbert of Montcalm Avenue, 92 years old, grandmother, Mrs. Libby La Mondy, of this city Mrs. Peter Golden of Wolcott, Vt., and her daughter and grandchild. On the Croteau side of the family were represented, Jerry Croteau, 78; Edward Croteau, Ernest Croteau and his child.

FAMILY REUNION AT WADHAMS, NY

Plattsburgh Sentinel - July 19, 1929

A family reunion was recently held at the home of George White at Wadhams when twenty guests including Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Lassell of New York. Alvah Lassell and three children, Alvah Jr., Doris and Robert, Mrs. Fanny Fleming and daughter, Arlene, of Ottawa, ON, Mrs. Muriel Lasell of Plattsburgh, Mrs. George Brooks and son, Warren, also Mrs. Kenneth Brooks all of Utica, Mrs. G. H. Mallatralt of San Francisco, CA and Mrs. Edmond White and son, Robert, of Plattsburgh. Three generations were represented.

During the day, a very enjoyable time was spent picnicking in the grove.

The guests motored home by way of the Lakeshore Road returning to Plattsburgh all declaring the day well spent.

A FAMILY REUNION

Plattsburgh Sentinel - September 5, 1890

On Tuesday, Sept. 2nd, the children and grand-children, of Mrs. Martha Bates, pensioner of 1812—met at the residence of Mrs. J. D. Everest, in Schuyler Falls, to celebrate her ninety-second birthday, as is their custom each year. She is the mother of thirteen children. Of the eight living, five were present; Mrs. J. D Everest, Mrs. Charles Mason, Mrs. Elvina Hammond, Mrs. W. W. Mead and E. L Bates. The remaining three reside in the West.

Mrs. Bates is the oldest woman in the Town of Schuyler Falls, and retains all her faculties to a remarkable degree, is always found busy sewing or knitting, and will relate incidents with wonderful accuracy that occurred when only eight years of age.

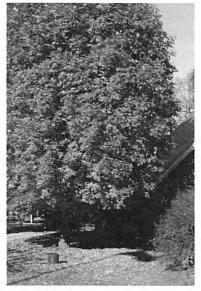
The tables were sumptuously spread and handsomely decorated with flowers.

At a seasonable hour all said good-bye and departed in high spirits.

FAMILY REUNION AT HOME OF MRS. TELLSTONE

Plattsburgh Sentinel - August 21, 1923

Quite a family reunion was held at the home of Mrs. George Tellstone, 34 Main Mill Street, during the past week. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hammond of 64 Bancroft Street, Reading, MA, spent the week with Mrs. Tellstone who is Mrs. Hammond's mother. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Haney, 172 Federal Street, St. Albans, VT, with their two children also spent the week with Mrs. Tellstone who is Mr. Haney's sister. The two families motored from St. Albans to Pittsburgh, Saranac Lake, Lake Placid and Vermontville. This is Mr. Hammond's first trip through Vermont and the Adirondacks. He found the scenery in Vermont magnificent but the roads were dirt and in some places rough. From Plattsburgh to Saranac Lake, he said the roads were wonderful, the macadam in good condition and the scenery most inspiring. The party took several snap shots of Ausable Chasm, Wilmington Bridge and also Wilmington Narrows. Others were taken at Lake Placid and Saranac. They had a hard time in getting a room at Saranac Lake as all the hotels were filled and many of them booked for the rest of the month. They visited many of the points of interest in Plattsburgh and found them most interesting. Sunday, three cars with the Ransom and Tellstone families and their guests went to Canada Line and all had a wonderful trip and a picnic supper at the line.



Picture taken at the Shelburne Museum, Vermont, October 2008. Photo by Anastasia L. Pratt.

Family Reunions

Opportunities to meet family members today...

The Fortins are gathering next July in Laval (Quebec)

Laval, Québec, April 14, 2009 – The Association des Fortin d'Amérique (AFA) will hold its fifth Gathering next July 10th, 11th, and 12th at the Sheraton Hotel in Laval (Highway 15, North of Montreal). Based on this event's previous successes, the AFA expects some 200 members and their families—all related to the Fortins, Quebec's ninth founding family of importance. Many of these members are direct descendants of Julien Fortin dit Bellefontaine, who arrived in Quebec around 1650.

Mister André Fortin, President of the AFA, commented on Laval's selection as host city to the AFA's 2009 Gathering in these words: "We are delighted to gather in th welcoming city of Lval, within immediate reach of Metropolitan Montreal and its millions of residents, as well as being appreciably close to those States where so many Fortins emigrated to the United States during the great 'Textile Exodus' of the late nineteenth century."

Heartfelt celebrations

The AFA has planned numerous activities, such as: genealogical and artistic exhibitions, guided tours of Laval's flora and fauna and of Montreal's Museum of Fine Arts, where many of Marc-Aurele Fortin's paintings are exhibited, followed by the festive Saturday Dinner among newly found as well as established 'cousins.' The traditional Sunday Mass will take place at the historic Saint-Vincent-de-Paul church on the morning of the 12th of July.

Anyone interested in the Fortin family's genealogical and historical background and wishing to participate in this event are invited to visit the AFA's Web site at www.afa.fortin.com, or to contact the AFA via its main Email address (afa@fortin.com).

Founded on March 1st, 2002, the 'Association des Fortin d'Amérique' is a Non-Profit Organisation (#603239) registed at Québec's 'Registre des entreprises' (#1160639911). For additional information, please contact Pierre Fortin, Regional representative, (514) 377-4201, pierre.fortin@ca.inter.net

The Lamountain/Tatro/Gadway Family Reunion is scheduled for July 4, 2009.

The reunion will be held at the Saranac, NY, Town Hall, from 12:00 noon to whenever. Try and bring a dish to share and whatever you want to drink. <u>Altonagal@yahoo.com</u> says the more the merrier; she can't wait to met everyone, and plans on bringing name tags so we will all know who we are. Contact her if you plan on attending so that she can get a rough headcount.



How wonderful to have a direct line back to old Quebec or Acadia – How sad that the name stops here.

Etienne Racine to Anne Marie Racine

m May 22, 1638 Québec City, Québec Étienne Racine 📗 Marguerite Martin

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mc April 18, 1717 Ste. Anne de Benupré, Québec

mc Movember 15, 1762 Lapraine, Québec François Racine . Angélique-Marie Deniger

Noël Racine .. Louise Sarrazin

mr February 86, 1889 St. Luc, Québec

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Anne Marie Racine

Guillaume Trahan to Amie Trahan

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Jean-Charles* Trahan _ Marie-Catherine* Boudrot

Jean-Baptiste Trahan Marie Hébert

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Jean-Baptiste Trahan . Marie-Madeleine Clouatre

Jean-Baptiste Trahan . Marie-Josephe Terrien

Eusèbe Trahan Rosalie Richard

m: February 07, 196 St. Jean, Quebec

Jules Tirahan Louisa Côté

m: July 03, 1250 St. Jean, Quebec

Henry N. Trahan - Mamie Poulin

Leo Joseph Trahan . Ruth Kaufman

w: December 20, 201 Philisburgh, New York, United States

Randall Paul Trahan Suzanne Sergott

ii: July 04, 1975 Ulica, New York, United States

Randall Paul Trahan - Sarah Steadman

Amie Trahan

Isaac-Urbain Brossard to Karen Brassard

Isaac-Urbain Brossard Urbaine Hodiau

ac April 19, 1980 Montreal, Québec

Claude Brossard _ Barbe Hébert

m: June 14, 1706 Montreal, Québes

Claude-Charles Brossard _ Marie-Marguerite Bisaillon

m: May 16, 1740 Laprairie, Québec

Paul Brossard Marie-Anne Lefebyre

m: November 15,1773 Laprairie, Québec

Geoffroy Brossard Josephte St. Marie

m: March 05, 1810 Laprairie, Quétec

Edward Brassard _ Clothilde Lefebvre

m: October 20, 1905 Laprairie, Québec

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ac September 20, 1200

Frederick J. Brassard _ Marcelline Monette

m: September 14, 1921

Arthur Brassard _ Irene Marie Nephew

n: November 23, 1942 Micoens Forks, New York, United States

Gene Brassard

Mary Coryea

m: May 29, 1965 Dannemora, New York, United States

Karen Brassard

Nicolas Boule to the Boule Daughters

Nicolas Boule - Jeanne L'Escalier

Robert Boulé ... Françoise Garnier

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Jacques Boulet Françoise Fournier

m: April 21, 1626 Montarapsy, Québec

Paul Boulé Claire Miville

m: November 26, 1731 Montmagny, Quebec

Abraham Boulay _ Thérèse Fournier

m: February 15, 1773 Montin aguy, Québec

Nazaire Boulay _ Marguerite Lussier

m: June 01, 1924 St. Hyacinthe, Quétec

Étienne Boulay Virginia Nolette

m: November 11, 1265 Keeseville, NY, United States

Louis Boulé

Emma Richard

m: August 23, 1890 Keeseville, New York, United States

Leonard Alfred Boulé

Mildred Signor

m: December 26, 1917 Keeseville, New York, United States

Milton Étienne Boulé _

Rose Fasanella

m: April 23, 1946 Trenton, New Jersey, United States

Boulé Daughters

Websites of Interest

In this electronic age, websites often provide us with a great place to seek information on our ancestors. Beginning with this issue, we will discuss FREE and useful websites submitted by our members. If you have a favorite website for research, please let us know!

<u>Huntingdon County GenWeb, Gleaner Extracts, 1863-1951.</u> (Site submitted by Richard Seymour.) http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~gchuntin/gleaner

The "Huntingdon Gleaner Extracts" offers birth, marriage, and death announcements of English-speaking families in the area surrounding Huntingdon County and the Chateauguay and Beauharnois seigniories. Based on records from *The Gleaner*, an English language newspaper that was first published in 1863, the site has extracts of articles; full-text versions of the articles can be found at the Library and Archives Canada.

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The site may be searched by word (including exact phrases and sound-alike matching) or by year.

McLellan Cemetery Records Online Index.

http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nyclinton/cemindex.html

The "Cemetery Index" offers the possibility of looking for a particular surname within Clinton County's many cemeteries. Individual cemetery listings may then be ordered from Special Collections, Feinberg Library, 2 Draper Avenue, SUNY Plattsburgh, Plattsburgh, NY 12901.

Clinton County, New York Tombstone Transcription Project.

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~frgen/clinton/clintonindex.htm

The "Northern New York Tombstone Transcription Project" offers exact transcriptions of cemeteries. The McLellan cemetery records are included in this site. However, the site also includes information unearthed by later researchers.

Ellis Island - FREE Port of New York Passenger Records Search.

http://www.ellisisland.org

The "Ellis Island" site offers a wealth of interesting research options. Besides passenger names, the site offers timelines, accounts of immigrant experiences, photographs, charts and forms, and scrapbooks. Passengers are searchable by name (through new, saved, and advanced searches) and by ship; results can be saved in a personalized Ellis Island file. The site also provides a detailed history of the Island and the people who passed through it on their way to America.

Registration is required for this site. However, all that is necessary to sign up is an e-mail address and password.

NEW ACQUISITIONS 2009

This year we have been very fortunate in acquiring new material for our library. Most of the books and periodicals were donations. Thanks to all of you.

A story from one of our donors who was going to mention us with a gift of books in the will - The lawyer said that each book had to be itemized. Rather than do that, the donor gave us the books directly so that they could be used immediately, rather than sometime in the future. Another donor gave us back issues of periodicals. She only keeps two years back and has no space for the older ones. We love those old periodicals – they fill in the spaces of missing issues. Other donors give us their volumes after they have finished researching with them. They know where to find them if they need them. Thanks again.

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August is Quebec Archaeo Month—2009.

This year, the Battle of Plattsburgh Association will participate, offering two presentations:

"The Archelogical Importance of Pike's Cantonment"
"Rediscover the HMS Confiance Anchor"

The events, to be held on August 8th and 15th, at 10:30 and 1:00 on each day, are free and open to the public.

For more information, call 518-566-1814 or e-mail manager@battleofplattsburgh.org

For more information about Quebec Archeo Month, please visit http://www.archeoquebec.com/archaeomonth/e-home.html

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REMEMBER THESE GROCERIES - AND PRICES?

From the Plattsburgh Daily Press - November 22, 1935



SIDDONS STORE - MORRISONVILLE

Frank F. Siddons and his wife co-managed their general store in Morrisonville from 1915 until they retired in 1947. They sold the store in 1948 and it became Powell and Fishers. Before establishing the business, Frank worked at the pulp mill at Kent's falls. He was born in Morrisonville on August 18, 1879, the son of James Siddons and Sophronie Rock. He married Susan Bates, daughter of Truman Bates and Sarah Roberts on October 12, 1903, in St. Alexander's church rectory in Morrisonville. Susan was born in Lyon Mountain on April 10, 1882. They had two daughters Inez Naomi, who married Curtis Sanders, and Ruth Helen, the wife of Howard Grant.

JEFFERSONS MARKETS - CHAMPLAIN AND ROUSES POINT

The Jefferson families of the Town of Champlain were originally Geoffrions who settled in Coopersville.

TOLOSKY'S STORE - DANNEMORA

Jacob J. Tolosky was a contractor for Chateaugay Iron and Ore before he moved to Dannemora in 1922. He first owned and operated a general store then he added Tolosky's Liquor Store with his wife, Edith Rabideau Tolosky, from 1933 until January 1978. She was the holder of the vending license from the state as can been seen in the Press Republican of September 26, 1957. When Edith and Jacob were married on October 1, 1935, St. Joseph's in Dannemora, she became the stepmother of Jacob Jr., Mary, Anthony and James. Jacob died on May 12, 1978 and Edith died a few years later on April 5, 1989.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that license number L 3225 has been issued to the undersigned to sell liquor & wine at retail in a Liquor Store under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at Dannemora, Clinton County, New York, for OFF premises consumption.

EDITH TOLOSKY
d/b/a Tolosky's

Wine & Liquor Store
Cook Street
Dannemora, N. Y.

LAPORTE AND LESPERANCE - KEESEVILLE

Victor Laporte and Roy Lesperance were in partnership in this store in Keeseville. Victor was born in Peru, NY, September 6, 1892, the son of Hypolite Laporte and Celanire Petit. He married Geogianna McGee on July 3, 1911 at St. Augustine's Church in Peru and was married for over 60 years. Victor worked at the store for 37 years until his retirement. The couple had one son, Sherwood Laporte who married May Hickey. Victor died on May

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15, 1973. Georgianna, the daughter of Beauregard McGee and Anne Jordan was born on January 9, 1892 and died on February 18, 1977.

Roy Henry Lesperance was born on October 11, 1896. He was married to Rose Sigouin (Signor) on April 26, 1920 in St. John's church, Keeseville, NY. The record says he was 23 years old. Roy was the son of Joseph and Exilda Dionne and Rose was the daughter of Alfred Sigouin and Henriette Menard. They had one child, Annette Barbara Lesperance who married John Nicholas Clarke on June 18, 1955, also in St. John's church, Keeseville. There is one grandson, Mark Clarke.

The following Independent
Stores in town of Peru will
be closed ell day Sunday,
starting Mey 23d.

PAUL L. McGEE
DUBUQUE BROS,
H. E. BOSWORTH

McGEE'S STORE - PERU

Paul L. McGee was part of a loose association of grocers in the middle of the last century. He was born in Peru, NY, November 05, 1913 and died June 04, 1991 in Plattsburgh. He married Winifred P. Darrah who was born October 8, 1919 and died on May 31, 1983. In 1945, they bought Herbert P. Sanders' two-story block on Main Street in Peru with all its contents for \$16,000. The building was next to the grocery store and meat market owned by Paul's uncle, Ray E. McGee. Paul had previously worked for his uncle for 15 years before striking out on his own. Herbert Sanders had owned the building for at least 30 years before McGee bought it and worked there for 15 years before turning it over to his son, Curtis. Herbert Sanders bought the store from the James Lyons estate. Mr. Lyons had operated a meat market there for many years. Paul McGee was the son of Alfred McGee and Della White. His wife, Winifred was the daughter of Stephen Darrah and Mary J. Brunell. They had one child, Sandra McGee.

LABOUNTY AND WOOLEVER - WEST CHAZY

On August 28, 1930, a horrendous accident took the life of a West Chazy grocer, Harry S. LaBounty, his wife, Ella M. LaHue, and their

daughter, Ruth. Also killed in the car-train accident was Olivia Garceau, their daughter-in-law, and wife of Albert G. LaBounty. Albert went on to become partner in the West Chazy grocery store with Francis J. Woolever, his sister Gertrude's husband. They retired in 1969.

NORTH STAR COMPANY – LYON MOUNTAIN

Mildred Linney Blanch was the co-owner and manager of the North Star Company from 1943 to 1960. Her brother, Robert J. Linney was her partner. After 1960, her step-son, Jerry Blanch Jr. became the manager. In 1962, the North Star Company management ordered him to liquidate the stock and sell the store. It was quite a shock to the town because it was the only store left in Lyon Mountain. Previous to being a privately-owned grocery and general store, it was the company store owned by the Chateaugay Ore and Iron Company. Mildred's father was Joseph Robert Linney, General Manager of the same company. In 1952, the Sorrell-Woodward Post No. 1623 received title to a large warehouse owned by the North Star Company and a section of the company store. The buildings were dismantled and the Legion Home was built on the corner of Rte. 374 and the Bradley Pond Road.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that license number 11 EB 269 has been issued to the undersigned to sell beer at retail in a Tavern under the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law at Lyon Mountain, Clinton County, New York, for ON premises consumption,

NORTH STAR

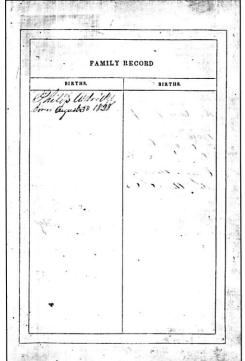
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Plattsburgh Press Republican - July 27, 1957

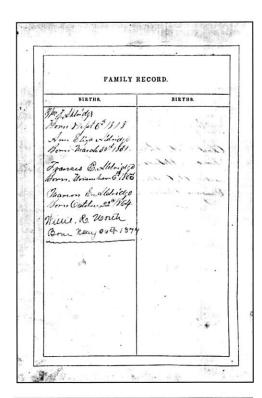
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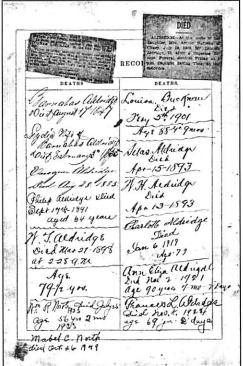
These family records can be found in the original in the Clinton County Historian's Office, They were compiled over the years by the prior historian, Addie Shields. Some are bible records and some are trees submitted by families. Richard Ward, a board member of NNYACGS and inveterate collector, donated most of the material. It's always interesting to see records written in the hands of our ancestors.

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ALDRIDGE MARRIAGES

William T. Aldridge m. Ann Eliza Minckler Charles H. North m. Frances L. Aldridge W.R. North m. Mabel C. Chisholm June 14, 1853 December 23, 1872 August 10, 1898

ALDRIDGE BIRTHS

William T. Aldridge Ann Eliza Aldridge Frances L. Aldridge Marion E. Aldridge Willie R. North Philip Aldridge Born September 6. 1818 Born March 30, 1831 Born November 6, 1853 Born October 22, 1864 Born May 26, 1877 Born August 30, 1828

ALDRIDGE DEATHS

Barnabas Aldridge

Lydia wife of Barnabas Aldridge

Emogene Aldridge Philip Aldridge W.T. Aldridge William R. North Mabel C. North

Louisa Buckman Silas Aldridge

W.H. Aldridge Charlotte Aldridge

Ann Eliza Aldridge

Frances L. Aldridge

Died August 17, 1847 Died February 3, 1855

Died August 28, 1885

Died September 17, 1841 Aged 64 years

Died March 27, 1898 at 2:28 am Aged 79 1/2 years

Died July 25, 1933 Age 53 years 2 months

Died October 26, 1949

Died February 5, 1901 Age 88 years 9 months

Died April 15, 1893 Died April 13, 1893

Died January 6, 1919 Age 79

Died November 2, 1921 Age 90 years 7 months 2

days

Died November 08, 1922 Age 69 years 2 days

Attached to the Bible entries were two clippings.

Plattsburgh Sentinel—December 14, 1894

Plattsburgh Daily Press July 20,

1939

At Point au Roche, October 6, 1894, Mrs. LURA CONNER MINCKLER, in the 95th year of her age.

Three children survive to mourn her death, two daughters—Mrs. Wm. Aldrich of Chazy, and Mrs. Helen Harris, at whose house the mother resided, and one son, Mr. Wm. H. Minckler, Sr., of Chazy. Mrs. Minckler's early home was on south Hero.

ALDRIDGE—At the home of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Narreau of Chazy, July 19, 1939, Mr. Lincoln Aldridge, 78, after a lingering illness. Funeral services Friday at 3 p.m. Daylight Saving Time, at the residence.



Book Reviews

Herkalo, Keith A. September Eleventh 1814: The Battle of Plattsburgh. Self-published. 2007. Hard cover. 292 pp.

Written by Keith Herkalo, a charter member of the Battle of Plattsburgh Association, this book focuses on the battles at Plattsburgh during the War of 1812. The author's stated intentions are:

- 1) To "complete, in so far as is possible, the work of Dr. Allan S. Everest as it relates to the Battles at Plattsburgh." Everest wrote *The War of 1812 in the Champlain Valley*. "Recent events in which I have had a hand (the positive identifications of the sties of Pike's Cantonment and the burial area on Crab Island) and the location of what I believe are overlooked and/or little-referenced primary documents, shed new light on the work of this noted historian and complete some of his long-sought quests." (5)
- 2) To "bring to consciousness the size and scope of the Plattsburgh-area battlefield events made evident by the archaeological certainties now available." (5-6)
- 3) To "address numerous errors and unsubstantiated 'facts' which have made their way into contemporary works regarding this subject. My aim is to present the events leading to and about the Battles at Plattsburgh with accuracy and a minimum of assumption."
- 4) To bring the War of 1812 back to the historic consciousness and treat it with the gravity it deserves.
- 5) To "present some rather curious items which I've happened upon in the course of discovery."

In order to achieve these goals, Herkalo tracks the War of 1812 from its beginnings through the September 11, 1814, battles at Plattsburgh and their aftermath. Using personal and military journals, contemporary newspaper accounts, and other original source materials, the author argues that the battles at Plattsburgh were the most important of the war. Victory ensured access to Lake Champlain, a clear pathway to New England. Though other battles receive greater attention, it was the fighting at Plattsburgh—undertaken by a small contingent of regular army and naval personnel, some members of the New York Militia, a few thousand Vermont Militia, a few Native Americans, some Veteran Exempts (men who were too old for military service), and a group of boys from the Plattsburgh Academy—that saved the United States.

The book includes extensive endnotes and an index.

Copies of the book are available at the Battle of Plattsburgh Association Offices, Interpretive Center, War of 1812 Museum, and History Shoppe, 31 Washington Road, PO Box 2645, Plattsburgh, NY 12901. www.battleofplattsburgh.org. Part of the proceeds from the book directly benefit the Battle of Plattsburgh Association and "its efforts to interpret the history of the Battles of Plattsburgh and the War of 1812 in general."

Martin, Marcel. An Ordinary Man: The definitive biography of Joachim Martin, one of Canada's earliest settlers. 1636-1690. Trans. Dick Martin. Orange Park, FL: Quintin Publications, 2007. Paperback. 169 pp.

An Ordinary Man, written by 10th generation descendant of Joachim Martin, is the English translation of *Un Martin en Amérique* (1997). The book tells the story of Joachim Martin, son of an itinerant French farm laborer who arrived in Canada in 1656. Martin's life in Canada, which included two marriages and eight children (five daughters and three sons), is detailed throughout the work.

Considered "story behind the story – how even an ordinary life is shaped by its times and how it imperceptibly shapes the lives that follow," *An Ordinary Man* relies on marriage contracts, acts of concession, notary's records, letters, maps, images, and other primary documents to tell the story of Martin's life. The author explains that "to have come to New France in what is now considered a heroic era and to have left a name that has lasted to our day was probably not Joachim Martin's only distinction. But it is the one that gave him a place in history." In that sense, the book is useful both for those interested in the Martin surname and for those interested in the early history of Canada, as settled by the French.

Included in the work are a fairly thorough background of life in 17th century France and Canada, several maps and images, a three generation chart, and brief biographies of Alexandre Petit and Marie Martin, and an index. Translated versions of original documents are also included. This book offers extensive footnotes and translator's notes for those who wish to pursue further research.

Copies of the book are available through Quintin Publications, PO Box 65546, Orange Park, FL 32065, www.QuintinPublications.com.

Masella, John P. and Erik Pinsonnault. Of the People: A History of the Office of the Clinton County District Attorney. Self-published, 2008. Paperback. 63 pp.

As part of a summer project, John Masella and Erik Pinsonnault—with the assistance of Katherine Kopita and Erick Rigby—researched and wrote *Of the People*. The book traces the history of the Clinton County District Attorney's Office, from its earliest iteration with a traveling District Attorney to the present District Attorney. A biography of every District Attorney is offered, along with a brief accounting of the term of office. The history of Clinton County, family histories of any of the District Attorneys, and the legal history of the county are all offered within the text. Special attention is paid to murder trials in the county.

The District Attorneys included in this volume are: John Palmer (1818-1832); J. Douglass Woodward (1832-1838); Lemuel Stetson (1838-1843); Lorenzo D. Brock (1843-1850); Thomas Armstrong (1850-1853); Jesse Gay (1853-1856); Charles E. Everest (1856-1859); Henry S. Johnson (1859-1862); James Averill (1862-1865); George Henry Beckwith Lifelines Northern New York American-Canadian Genealogical Society

(1865-1868); John G. McDermott (1868-1871); Henry E. Barnard (1871-1874); S. Alonzo Kellogg (1874-1878); Lucien L. Shedden (1879-1883); Wilmer H. Dunn (1883-1892); Samuel Wheeler (1892-1896); Ebgert C. Everest (1896-1899); Henry E. Barnard (1899-1902); Charles J. Vert (1902-1908); Arthur S. Hogue (1908-1913); John K. Collins (1913-1918); Harold A. Jerry, Sr.; B. Loyal O'Connell (1924-1929); Andrew W. Ryan (1929-1938); Kenneth Holcombe (1938); Robert S. Long (1938-1941); Allen M. Light (1941-1942); Sherlock E. Haley (1942-1950); Thomas R. North (1950-1972); Ara Asadourian (1972-1975); Joseph W. Kelley (1975-1986); Andrew W. Ryan, Jr.(1987-1988); Penelope Clute (1989-2001); Richard E. Cantwell (2001-2005); and Andrew J. Wylie (2006-present).

A bibliography and illustrations are included.

Copies of the book are available at the Clinton County Historian's Office (518-565-4749) and at the NNYACGS library.

An interesting find... related to the **Hodgon** or **Hodgson** family

Rene Joseph Cusson, Jr.

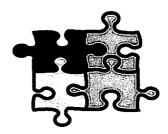
I went hiking in Morgan Hill State Forest near Shackham Pond, just off Shackham Road in Onondaga County, NY. About 150 to 200 yards off the road, just along the path, there were four standing tombstones and one smashed one made of a different, white stone on the ground. I could read two of the stones that were standing there as clear as day. One was facing a tree and cleared the trunk by only an inch or two. It was dated 1823 belonging to Lydia Hodgon (or Hodgson...the last name is something close to that. I'm afraid I forgot.) The other was just a few years later with the same family last name. They are located on a small peninsula with trees all around. I was very interested in the extremely large tree on Lydia's grave and how close it was to her stone's face, and of course at the clarity of a stone etched so long ago.

Organizing Your Research

Every genealogist has a preferred method of organizing and recording information. Since no one form is "the best" or "the right" one, we will include a variety of free forms, available for use by anyone interested. If you have such a form, please consider sending it to us for inclusion in a future journal.

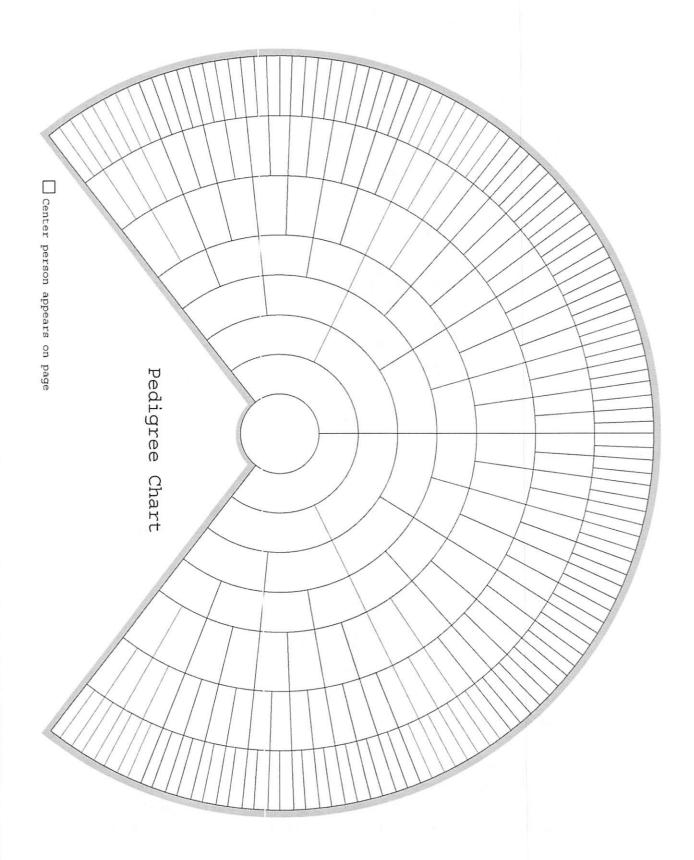
The following four forms come from a website called "The Bailey's Free Genealogy Forms," http://www.cs.williams.edu/~bailey/genealogy/ Mary Hagstrom Bailey and Duane A. Bailey kindly posted these forms, developed for use in their own genealogy research. The forms allow for the collection of particular types of information.

Name of Form	Type of information included
Family Record Sheet	One nuclear family's birth, marriage, and death dates. Often baptismal dates are included for Christian families. Parents of the parents (grandparents) are listed briefly in order to allow for connections between one nuclear family and another.
Pedigree Chart	Generations of a family, beginning with one ancestor and proceeding into the future.
Pedigree Fan Chart	Generations of a family, beginning with one ancestor and proceeding into the future. As the name implies, this chart takes the shape of a fan, with the ancestor in the central point.
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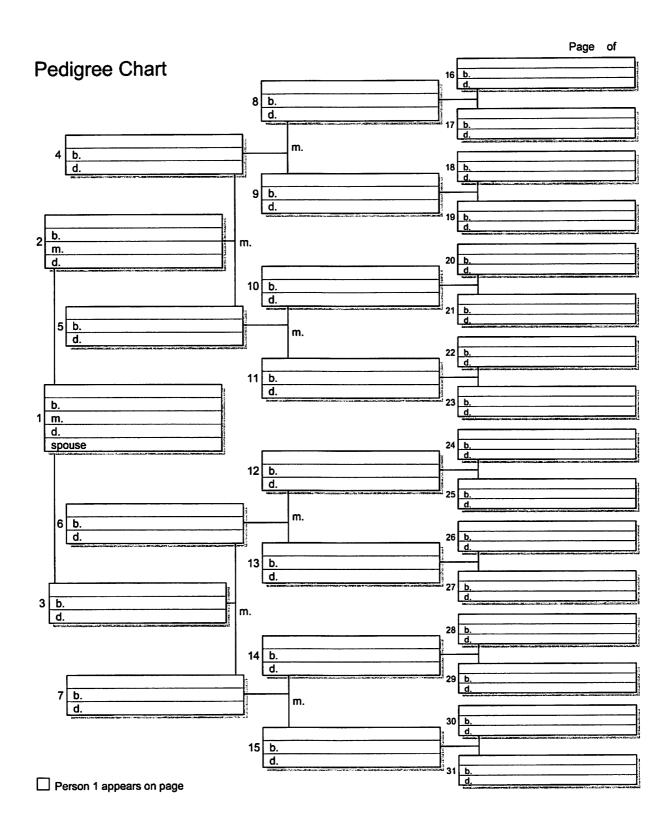


Remember to keep track of and cite your sources!

Whatever method you choose, be sure to keep track of your sources. Besides allowing you to retrace your steps (and find more elusive ancestors!), this will allow others to verify your information. If you are seeking membership in a group like the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), this is especially important as unverified sources will be disregarded.



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In Memoriam

Charles V. Fantoni

EAST BARRE—Charles V. "Charlie" Fantoni, 81, of Hillside Avenue, died Monday, April 6, 2009, at the Central Vermont Medical Center in Berlin.

Born on May 10, 1927, in Barre, he was the son of Carlo and Angela (Tamborini) Fantoni. He attended both Brook Street and Mathewson Elementary Schools and graduated from Spaulding High School, all of Barre, in the class of 1945. He furthered his education in highway engineering through the International Correspondence School.

From Sept. 28, 2950 to June 29, 1953, he served with the United States Army 278th Infantry in Iceland during the Korean Conflict.

On August 27, 1955, he married Barbara E. Smith in the East Barre Congregational Church. Following their marriage, they made their home in Barre before moving to East Barre in 1966.

Charlie had worked for the State of Vermont as an engineer at the Agency of Transportation for 30 years retiring as chief of survey party. During his employment, he was actively involved with the planning and constructing of Interstate 89 from its beginning to the end of completion.

Charlie dedicated many hours to civic matters in Barre Town for over 40 years, including elementary education, fire prevention, financing town government, transportation infrastructure and the potable water supply. While serving on the East Barre Fire District #1 Prudential Committee for 35 years, he was involved with the East Barre Hose Company and the original East Barre Fire Station and later assisted with the merger of the East Barre Fire District and the Barre Town water system. He was a familiar face helping in the kitchen at the annual fire department chicken barbeques. He was also Barre Town's representative to the Barre City Water Rate Committee. Skilled as a fiscal watchdog, he applied his expertise by serving two terms on the Barre Town Budget Committee, the Barre Town Elementary School Expansion Study Committee in 1971, Barre Town's Unified Water System Study Committee from 1979 to 1983; and the Barre City/Barre Town Utility District Study Committee from 1988 to 1989. He was elected to serve as a Barre town selectboard member from 1988 to 2000, two terms as a justice of the peace, and a member of the Board of Civil Authority. His transportation knowledge had been put to good use in his role as a member of the Barre Town Ancient Roads Committee.

The State of Vermont House of Representatives passed House Resolution "H.C.R. 23" to honor Charlie for his state and community public service and the State of Vermont Library Board designated the new traffic roundabout at the intersection of Routes 302 and 110 in East Barre as "The Charles Fantoni Roundabout" in recognition of his more than 40 years of consistent community Service.

His memberships included the Retired Vermont State Employees' Association, the Vermont Alliances for the Retired, the American Legion, the Army 278th Regimental Combat Team Association, and the Mutuo Inc. of Barre in which he was a life member. He served on the board of directors for Boy Scouts Troop 1 of Barre. Charlie was a railroad enthusiast, very knowledgeable about steam engines, and volunteered with AMTRAK.

Besides his wife, Barbara S. Fantoni of East Barre, survivors include two sons, Aldo Fantoni and his wife Jodie of Derry, N.H., and Kim Fantoni of Grand Isle; four grandchildren, Daniel Fantoni, Aleta Fantoni, Maria Fantoni and Gina Fantoni; and Bagalio cousins. He was predeceased by his parents.

Family and friends will gather at the East Barre Congregational Church on Friday, April 1o, 2009, from 4 to 6 p.m. for a time of fellowship and refreshments. There are no calling hours. A graveside service will be held in the Hope Cemetery in Barre at the convenience of his family with the Rev. Tim Sargent, pastor of the East Barre Congregational Church, officiating.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the charity of one's choice.

The Hooker and Whitcomb Funeral Home, 7 Academy Street, Barre, is in charge of the arrangements.

1968 Plattsburgh City Directory

Two pages, at random.

A great deal of information can be found by looking at city directories. What follows are the exact transcriptions (including abbreviations, spelling errors, and boldface print) of two pages of the 1968 Plattsburgh City Directory. Type of residence, occupation, and place of residence are all listed. With this information, the genealogist can often trace a family geographically, and then look to land records for more information.

King Chas (Linda) asst innkeeper Holiday Inn of Pburg Upper Cornelia res inq do

*King Clarence E T/Sgt USAF h7104D lowa cir PAFB

King David J Jr (Christine A) h 156 Sharron av

King Donald J (Doris R) elec G-PCorp h38 Standish

King Edw (Leah M) junk dlr 56 S Catherine h do

King Emily (Mrs Adrian T) bkpr Radio Sta WEAV h41 S Prospect av

King Emma A Mrs r 100 Oak

King Eva r96 Mickle

King Floyd H (Mabel M) applicator Tilo h3 Robinson ter

King Geo custodian Our Lady of Victory Academcy r 168 S Catherine

King Jas (Betty Ann) stu h 198B Margaret

King ohn F (Eliz A) emp NYS Hwy h 31 Mildred blvd

King Judith h9 Peru (3)

King Karl (Brenda) emp IPCo h 42 Main Mill

King Lawrence emp Vanity Fair h20 Elm

King Lurline h1 Mildred blvd

KING LYNN L (Theresa B) correction officer Dannemora alderman Ward 3 chm Audting Committee chm Police Committee member Finance Committee member Beach Committee and member Rules Committee h25 Lorraine

King Mabel M (Mrs. Floyd H) waitress Altamont Dairy Bar h3 Robinson ter

King Mary E (Mrs Walter C) emp Avon h79N Catherine

King Patti A r25 Lorraine

KING RICHARD A (Lena D) chief Plattsburgh Fire Department h 86 Waterhouse

King Robt A (Geraldine M) emp NY Tel Co h4 Lorraine

*King Robt L Lieut Col USAF h118A U S Oval PAFB

King Shirley J (Mrs Emmet) receptionist Traynor-Marcus Agency Inc res Peru RD2

King Thos A (Sharon W) mech McLennan h1 Robinson ter

King Walter C (Mary E) emp PPD h79 N Catherine

King Walter E (M Ethel) pntr h1 Durand

King Wane A (Sandra) drfts E W Tompkins Co Inc res Peru

King Wayne H (Sheila) emp NYSE&GCorp r35 Cogan

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Kinne Petronille M (Mrs Lionel M) emp Country Fare h59 Prospect av

Kinney Leeward J (Anna V) retired h8 N Beekman

Kinney Shoe Corp Robt E Griffin mgr 38 Margaret

Kinsey Lois M r 95 Oak

Kirby of Plattsburgh David A Kirsch dist vacuum cleaners 2 N Beekman

Kircher Raymond F (Margt T) operating mgr MW&Co h1 Deepdale rd C H

*Kirchoff Ralph E col USAF h126 U S Oval PAFB

Kirk Ann N (Mrs Fred F) emp Welcome Wagon Interanational h81 Park av

Kirk Carl C (Ethel) emp Concrete Bldg Supply Co Inc h85 Rugar

Kirk Carlton O (Susan) emp Saranac Dining Hall h80 Oak

Kirk Fred R (Ann N) prin Jr High Sch and prop Kirk's Driving Sch h81 Park av

Kirk Gail E r85 Rugar

Kirk Rose Mrs r85 Rugar

Kirk Susan (Mrs Carlton O) emp F W Woolworth Co h80 Oak

Kirk's Driving School Fred F Kirk prop 81 Park av

Kirsch David A (Carol A) dist Kirby Cleaners res Peru

Kirschbaum Margt nurse CV&PHMed Cen h24B Olivetti pl

Kirsh B (Marsha) mgr Trebor Mfg Co h8 Crescent dr

Kistner Geraldine E (Mrs Lawrence C) tchr JHS h13 Morrison av

Kistner Lawrence C (Gerlaldine E) clk PO and sec U S Civil Ser Examinations h 13 Morrison av

Kistner Martha stu r13 Morrison av

Kistner Steph L stu r13 Morrison av

Kitchen John (Barbara J) emp Municipal Lighting Dept r75 Oak

Kitchen Wm L (Alice E) bldg cont h28 Grace av

KIVETT WILLIAM E public health engineer Clinton County Health Department res Peru

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Kline Lorraine F (Mrs Wm H) sr clk Board of Supervisors res Lyon Mt

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Klowski Michl emp PAFB h7 Cumberland av

Kmottek Joann tchr PAFB h104 Court

KNICKERBOCKER EDWIN D (Dorothy) dis mgr Metropolitan Life Insurance Co res Cumberland head Mounted Route 8

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*Knowles Wm J Jr A/1C USAF h5008A Idaho av PAFB

Knuffke Beatrice R (Mrs Edw W) (Variety Flower Shope) h5 Marcy la

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Knuffke Mary Mrs h22 Mickle

Knuffke Patricia A clerical aide Metropolitan Life Ins Co r5 Marcy la

*Koch Fredk B S/Sgt USAF PAFB res 1410 Salmon River rd

Koch Geo B (Lillian B) office mgr Cotey's Office Equipment h137 Beekman

Koch Susan R stu r 137 Beekman

*Kochan Rarl S T/Sgt USAF h5565B Montana dr PAFB

Koebrich Candace P stu r54 Olivetti pl

Koebrich Kenneth L (Martha A) emp Eastern Airlines h54 Olivetti pl

Koebrich Lisa A stu r54 Olivetti pl

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Kahlhagen Janice (Mrs Brian R) cashier Grandway h42A Standish

Koin Kleen pres Frank Lawson sec-treas Mrs Margaret Lawson Sharron av

*Kolb Wm H S/Sgt USAF r Bks 1940 Rm 311 PAFB

Kollinger Elisabeth (Mrs Karl) pres Willow Beach Motel Margaret Route 9 North h do

Killinger Karl (Elisabeth) v-pres Willow Beach Motel Margaret Rte 9 North h do

Konik Louise phys 20 Grace h do

*Koopmann Gary 1st Lieut USAF h6356C Maryland rd PAFB



ADDIE L. SHIELDS

One of our charter members and the former Clinton County Historian, Addie Shields recently completed her book *Survival of Families in Beekmantown, NY in the First Half of the 20th Century.* NNYACGS published the book for Addie. What follows is an excerpt from that book.

Cast:

Michel Dupeux (1634-1679) - The first immigrant from France to Acadia

Germain Dupuis (1689-1776) - Escaped up the Chaudière River to Beauce in the Acadian

Dispersion in 1775. He was the progenitor of the Dupuis/Dupee line in East Beekmantown

Louis Dupuis and Agatha LaCosse - Crossed "La Grande Ligne" to the LaPlantes in

Beekmantown in 1839

Louis Dupuis (1842-1929) - Born a US citizen, became Lewis as a Civil War veteran. Married Mary Carl

Their children:

Lewis Albert (Bert) (1869-1936) - Brass foundry worker, Dracut, MA
Olive (1872-1930) - Dressmaker with cousin, Imy Duval, Pearl St., Burlington, VT
John (1874-1955) - Steel structure man, married Minnie Briggs, Tewksbury, MA
Mary Ellen (1877-1943) - Also known as Mamie. Married John Pelletier, Nashua, NH
Charles (1880-1937) - Linotype operator. Married Beatrice Gallant
Laura (1884-1906) - Worked in shirt factory. Died of diabetes in Plattsburgh, NY
Agness (1891-1938) - Married Howard Lawrence

Edward (1893-1961) - D&H Telegrapher. Married Ruby Patten of Westport, NY

John Kirby - Married Esther, daughter of Assemblyman Henry McFadden

Matilda (Miranda) Douglass Howes (1843-1922) - Wife of Samuel Howes (1832 -1908)

Howard Lawrence (1891-1957) - Son of Clifton Ichabod Lawrence and Addie Eliza Walcott, grandson of Putnam and g-grandson of William Lawrence, Chazy, NY

Helen Lawrence Marshall - Daughter of Putnam Lawrence

William C. Scribner - Owner of a neighboring farm. Wife Etta Barber Scribner

William C. Scribner - Owner of a neighboring farm. Wife Etta Barber Scribner Web Barber (1856 -1920) - Son of Catherine Scribner and Solomon Webster Barber, cousin to William C. Scribner and uncle to Etta Barber Scribner

Ernest (1911- 2001) - Son of Addie's brother, Fred Walcott, adopted becomes Ernest Walcott Scribner.

Harry and Hermie Rogers - Owners of houseboat in Champlain Canal at Whitehall Emile Perfontain - Son of Mary and a ship's carpenter, owner of two houseboats built from distressed canal boats

Mr. and Mrs. Bloxam - Tourists at Twin Maples, tourist home of Clifford Ichabod Lawrence

From France to Acadia

Were Michel Dupeux's first listening hours filled with tales of the wonders of the New World? Did the seeping of this lore into his mind program him for the life he was to lead? Was he just part of the dull demanding conscription of workers supplying the replacement needs of the Colony as time took its toll on the frontier laborers of the mid-17th century; or was he just a part of the order of things and lucky that his slot was not to fill the battle ranks of the self-oriented, indulgent kings of Europe?

The long thin blue line of the coast of New France with its emerging miles of palisades of twisted black coal and its contrasts of blood-red and yellow sulfurous rock seemed to appear from the hazards of the treacherous foggy water of the Bay of Fundy. They welcomed settlers through the Gut into the placidity of Port Royal Basin with its protection of the long terminal moraine, North Mountain.

Great endeavors were expected of Michel, who was blessed with the name of St. Michel, the patron Saint of France. Here in a sheltered cove of the River Dauphin in the barracks built of huge thick logs, Michel lived and worked, enjoying the yield of the arable, diked fields, the fish weirs, and the forest. Little did he know that this crook of land stood offshore from Britain's menacing colony in America and was feared by Bostonians lest it upset the economy and the peace of the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

The lure of a better life had brought Michel Dupeux as one of the first colonizers in Port Royal, Acadia, and the first immigrant to bear the Dupeux (Dupuis) name on the American continent. In 1654, with Michel hardly twenty years of age, his soul and mind suffered a yank from a horrendous attack on his people by the British. This resulted in the ultimate capture of Port Royal and the killing of his superior father. Then came the order to, "Clear the French from Acadia." Had the decades of toil, frustration and sorrow of his forbears in serfdom to kings in his homeland steeled him to endure this upsetting onslaught?

These Acadians had faithfully and steadily built dykes up-river to recover arable lands from the tides. The response from nature - the clams, the fish from the weirs, and the yield from the newly made land had always made their efforts worthwhile. Their subjugation was eased from the barking, demanding, unyielding manners of the British, with the continuation of their former working habits. They used hard work as a means of getting them out from under the thumbs of their conquerors. They continued to be industrious, building inland and upstream, and the land always responded to their efforts in abundance.

All these genealogical lines start with Michel Dupeux. In the, "Etat des Habitants du Port Royal", the first Acadian Census taken in 1671, Michel is found married to Marie Gautrot. He is working two acres and has four children and six cattle. He has established his family in Grand Pre. The Governor of the Colony reported that this was an industrious colony, and that the *Lifelines* Northern New York American-Canadian Genealogical Society

Acadians were the happiest people in the world. From 1654 to 1667 there had been the rustle of drums by the British which gave these people a worrisome time, but it became unimportant. Marie's parents, the Gautrot family lived nearby. They worked hard, went to church, prayed, danced, hunted and fished. There was always food. The Abenaki and the Micmac Indians were friendly.

Unfortunately, Michel did not live to be old. He died at forty-five leaving his firstborn son, Martin, head of the family at fifteen. Martin's brother Pierre was ten. Jean was four and sister Marie was only an infant. Michel was buried in an unmarked grave in Port Royal after 1680.

Martin (1665-1713) had been working by his father's side with the men and continued to do so. He was a reliable, supportive person, and was part of the planting, harvesting and the building of dykes. He drew the respect of those kneeling at mass, and visiting and frolicking on the green after. Not only was he admired; but also he grew to admire. He married Rene Landry's daughter, Marie, who was five years younger. Martin was from a family of fifteen children - eight boys and seven girls. Marie had a brother, Jean, who was four years older; when the older boys went to the field with their father, he had been her playmate. She and Jean had grown up together. Jean was just a year younger than Martin. Apparently, Martin and Marie truly loved and idolized him, because they named their firstborn son, Jean, who was now truly their blood brother.

In 1688, Marie bore Martin his second son, Antoine, named after Marie's oldest brother, Antoine Landry, who was five years senior to Martin. That same year, 1688, war broke out again. There had been twenty good years since the British occupation of 1654-67. The land of Acadia had been returned to France in 1667. What had been only a memory of British occupation now became a great fear. News came with the trading vessels that England and France were at war again. After the mass, the priest spoke at great length. Oldsters revived the stories of bravery and survival; but they were so happy! The earth had responded to their touch giving both flax and the best of food. Fish and wild life were abundant. Their animals were growing; as were their children, not only, growing; but also beautiful! Marie was pregnant again. In 1689, she bore him her third son and named him Germain Dupuis, after her brother, Germain Laundry.

Then came the day a fleet of British warships sailed into the harbor of Port Royal. Four hundred soldiers under Sir William Phipps came ashore, disarmed the tiny garrison, and herded the families into the church. Under threat of taking them prisoner, they were forced to swear allegiance to England. Furs and provisions were confiscated from the warehouses, twenty houses were set on fire and the cattle were slaughtered.

The Acadians had heard of this man, Phipps, who had been knighted by the King of England for recovering gold treasure from the hull of a sunken galleon in the Caribbean. He had been born an Anglo-American; and was no better than they. However, Sir William Phipps went off in triumph taking with him their Governor, their parish priest, and the thirty soldiers from their fort.

They had suffered a great shock, but life went on. The earth recovered verdant green and fruitful. The toil, frustration and sorrow of these Acadians in serfdom to the Kings had not

altered the gene flow of these people that gave them endurance for their present occupation. Their love for one another, their Creator and all He created carried them forward. The Acadians avoided trouble by moving further up river. In May of 1697, Acadia was given back to France.

The Wars continued. In May of 1704, three warships, four transports and thirty-six other vessels attacked Port Royal. In 1710 Port Royal became Annapolis Royal in honor of Queen Anne of Great Britain. The mainland of Acadia had been under British Rule since 1713. No attempt was made by the British to interfere with the language, religion or local self-government of the Acadians; but they still firmly declined to admit British sovereignty. They were neutral. Sometimes they were hostile. At Grand Pre, the Acadians had smashed their dykes leaving the British transports high and dry and making it impossible for them to disembark. The British resented this hostility. It was decided they must be punished, driven out from this land: deported.

At twenty, Martin married Marie Landry. They had thirteen children. Five were sons and eight were daughters, bringing them eight sons in-law with the surnames Babin, Hebert, Blanchard, Leblanc, Robichaud, Aucoin and Trahan. There were fourteen male heads of households in this Dupuis Family in 1712. They had established themselves at Saint Charles Des Mines. The Dupuis Family had become a powerful clan by Martin's death in 1713.

Martin's first-born son, Jean, (1687-1713) married Monique Richard. They had ten children. Martin's second son, Germain (1689-1776) was born in Grand Pre and died in St.-Jacques-de-L'Achigan, Quebec. He was married at St. Charles des Mines to Marie Granger. They had ten children. Germain's oldest son, Ambroise, was born in 1718.

Jean, Antoine and Germain were a team reinforced by the addition of brothers-in-law, Blanchard, Hebert, LeBlanc, Robichaud and Aucoin. The British destroyed the strength of this family with the Dispersion in 1755.

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MY BRICK WALLS

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When I'm looking for genealogy, I find the best thing to start with is the census records. This usually tells me where people lived, who was living with them, and their age (not always right). Sometimes their in-laws or parents are living with them.

The next step is checking repertoires, for Catholic churches in the areas where the lived. Unfortunately, there are few Protestant records. My bibles are the Headstone Inscriptions and the Obituary Information books by Clyde Rabideau. Headstone Inscriptions tell you where people are buried, where the cemetery is located and where their stones are located. If your ancestor has no tombstone, then they will not be listed in this book. The Obituary Information will tell who the parents are, the day of birth, the death date, and the spouse. It also tells you the page on which the obit appeared and the date it appeared in the paper. The dates for these books are 1955 to 2004.

Checking the Loiselle File for marriages would be my next stop. Loiselle is a file for Marriages for Canada and some of the US, but mostly Canada. If you're lucky enough to find them there, this will give you their parents' names as well as their first or second spouse, and where they lived a the time of the marriage.

Once you get back to 1799 there are PRDH, Drouin, Jette, and Tanguay. Drouin is for marriages only, but again it tells you the parents' names and a first spouse. PRDH is for baptisms, deaths, and marriages from 1799 back. Jette and Tanguay are families before 1630.

The most important thing to remember is to keep an open mind and to check "dit" names. "Dit" names are other names by which people were known. By keeping an open mind, you will find other spellings of the names you are researching.

We will be running this column monthly. If you have ever reached a brick wall—and have found a way around it!—please send us your story

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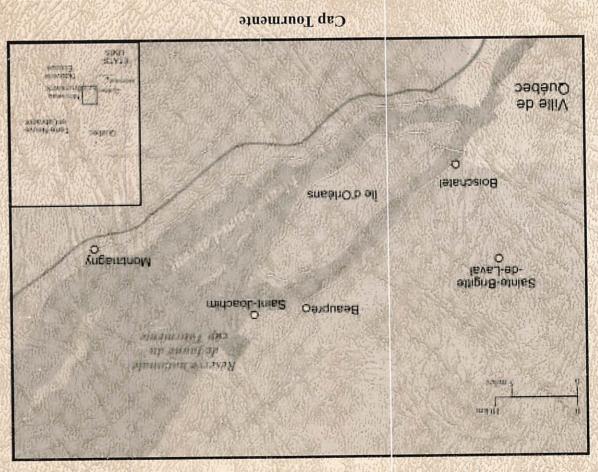
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