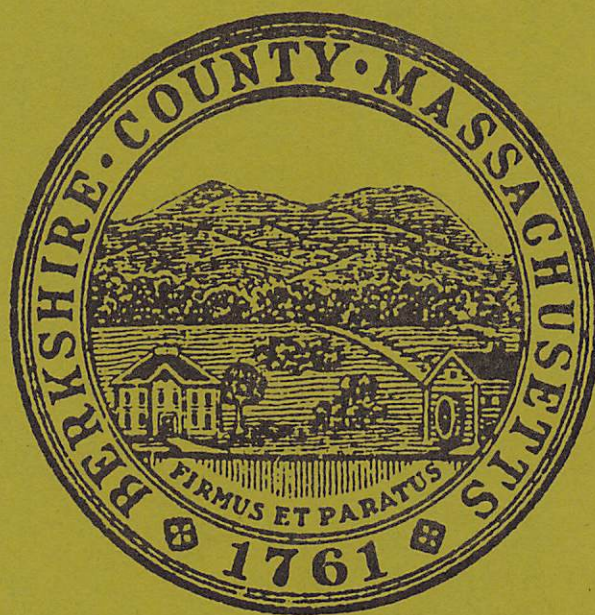


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STATE CENSUS OF MASSACHUSETT, 1855: BECKET

Abstract by Meta Stark

Introduction by Marcia Eisenberg

The taking of a census in 1855 was mandated by an act of the General Court of Massachusetts, 21 May 1855. The act provided that a census of each city and town be taken between 1 June and 1 October 1855. The census was to be "as of" the first day of June of the census year.

Reports on the taking of the census stated that the instructions were generally "well observed." Some enumerators, however, were so negligent or heedless that their reports were "scarcely fit to be received." Cautions, still appropriate, were given against relying too absolutely on the census because of "the great liability to error" and the "usual difficulty of arriving at the truth" arising from ignorance and prejudice.

To secure uniform reporting, blank forms were provided and the following data were to be recorded:

1. Dwelling houses numbered in the order of their visitation.
2. Families numbered in the order of visitation ("family" being all those living in one house, public house, or institution).
3. Name of every person whose usual place of residence was in this family 1 June 1855. Note: Excluded were those born after 1 June. Included were those who had died after 1 June and those temporarily absent.

Relationship of household members to the head of family was not recorded. An aid in establishing relationships exists, nevertheless, in the requirement that the enumerator arrange names in a given order: master first; mistress second; children in order of age third; male domestics, etc., next; female domestics, etc., next; and lastly boarders, etc.

4. Age. To be given as of last birthday unless next birthday would be within four months, then age at next birthday.

5. Sex.

6. Color. B for Blacks, M for Mulatto, no entry for Whites.

7. Profession, occupation, or trade of each male over fifteen. For clergymen, initial letters of denomination.

8. Place of birth. State or territory if native born; country if foreign born.

9. Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.

BECKET, MASSACHUSETT, 1855 STATE CENSUS

1	1	Lorenzo G. Robbins	44	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Dollyann Robbins	37	F		"
		Joseph G. Robbins	11	M		Ohio

		Lorenzo A. Robbins	8 M		Ohio
		Lydia M. Robbins	4 M		Mass.
2	2	Putnam Ames	55 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Minerva D. E. Ames	44 F		Conn.
		Nial Ames	25 M	"	Mass.
		Rufus Ames	23 M	"	Mass.
		Caroline Ames	11 F		Mass.
		Lent B. Ames	8 M		Mass.
		David F. Ames	6 M		Mass.
		Betsey C. Ames	2 F		Mass.
3	3	Henry Taylor	33 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Arubah C. Tayler	29 F		Mass.
		Catharin J. Tayler	10 F		Mass.
		Henry W. Tayler	8 M		Mass.
		Charlotte C. Tayler	5 F		Mass.
	4	Joel Ames	58 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lucy Ames	56 F		Mass.
4	5	Wm S. Cross	39 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Susan F. Cross	35 F		Mass.
		Wm J. Cross	12 M		Mass.
		Orvill W. Cross	8 M		Mass.
		Mary E. Cross	3 F		Mass.
5	6	Henry Town	43 M	Wood Choper	N.Y.
		Malissa Town	23 F		Conn.
6	7	O. L. Merrifield	55 M.	Farmer	Mass.
		Sophia Merrifield	56 F		Mass.
		Chester Merrifield	27 M	Farmer & Lumberman	Mass.
		James Jones, Jr.	23 M	"	N.Y.
		Wm. Gilmore	27 M	"	Mass.
		Wm. Bersavis	22 M	"	Mass.
		James Espy	27 M	"	Ireland
		Westley Cross	25 M	"	Mass.
		John Obrion	20 M	"	Ireland
		John Chamberlain	21 M	"	England
		Stephen Ross	28 M	Wood Choper	Mass.
7	8	Charles E. Wait	37 M	Farmer & Teamster	Mass.
		Sarah Wait	41 F		Mass.
		Sarah M. Wait	16 F		Mass.
		Elisabeth Wait	14 F		Mass.
		Seth Wait	12 M		Mass.
		James Wait	11 M		Mass.
		Charles E. Wait	6 M		Mass.
		Julia A. Wait	4 F		Mass.
		Hellen M. Wait	2 F		Mass.
		John H. Wait	3mos M		Mass.
8	9	Patrick Dinah	38 M	Farmer & Teamster	Ireland
		Margiret Dinah	44 F		Ireland
		Patrick Dinah, Jr.	14 M		Ireland
		Mary Dinah	12 F	Farming & Choping	Ireland
9	10	John Kidgell	29 M	[see line above]	Ireland
		Mary Kidgell	23 F		Ireland
		John Kidgell	2 M		Mass.

(to be continued)

GENEALOGICAL RESOURCES IN BERKSHIRE COUNTY LIBRARIES

by Charlotte P. Davis*

MASON LIBRARY

Main Street, Great Barrington

Miss Marlene Drew, Librarian

The Mason Library Genealogy Department is in a special room on the ground floor - one must ask at the desk for admittance. In a pleasant, bright room one finds all the genealogy and related books as well as a microfilm reader. The material available is truly outstanding and varied.

Separate genealogies cover the following Great Barrington families: Averell-Averill-Avery; Avery; the Groton Avery Clan; Fairchild and Park; S. Putnam Avery; N. Barker of Sandisfield; Benjamin; George Dewey; Dexter; Ellis; Fairchild; Field; Goodrich; Graham; Gross; Hallock; Haven; Hooker; Hopkins; Huntley; Joiner; Knight; Koger; Lawrence; Leavenworth; Loomis; Mason; Mills; Munsey; Newhall; Noble; Partridge; Patterson; Pier; Pixley; Pomeroy; Pulsifer; Pyncheon; Rhodes; Robinson; Sahler; Seymour; Spragues; Steevens; Van Deusen; Van Deursen; Vosburgh; Weaver; Whiting; Wadhams; Ward; Washington; E. Washburn; Wickware; Wrinkle; and Wood.

Partial family genealogies are kept in a vertical file for: Adams; Alexander; Barstow; Bemis; Berkett; Bradley, Bump; Burghardt; Carr; Cary; Chatfield; Church; Cobb; Crofut; Dewey; Drake; Eaton; Eddy; Graham; Gray; Hawley; Heath; Hinkley; Hopkin; Hopkins; Howland; Hubbard; Hudson; Hutchinson; Ingersoll; Jones; Kensman; Knight; Koger; Lindley; Lord; Messinger; Miller; Parks; Patterson; Pier; Pond; Porter; Preston; deRosset; Sears; Smith; Shepard; Steele; Spoor; Spaulding; Temple; Thompson; Turner; White; Winchell.

Newspaper records: The Berkshire Courier has been printed in Great Barrington since 1834. The library has an almost complete run of the Courier from 1834 to 1900. The originals, stored in acid-free paper, are not available.

Church records in bound volumes: early records of Great Barrington's First Congregational Church (1740-); St. James Episcopal Church (1740-); and a small volume of Sheffield, Mass., early church records.

Cemetery records: volumes of tombstone inscriptions for Great Barrington, Sandisfield, Egremont, Monterey, Mount Washington; Bordertown Cemeteries which includes Granville, Tolland, Sandisfield, Southwick, Sheffield, Otis, Stockbridge,

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West Stockbridge; Revolutionary soldiers' graves in South Berkshire County prepared by the DAR.

School records: reports of the School committee 1865-1888; extensive collection of Searles High School year books; bound school records showing pupils and teachers 1891-1902.

Town reports of Great Barrington 1886 to present; Fire District history.

There is an outstanding collection on Connecticut history, vital records, and genealogy. There are books on the early history of New York, Pennsylvania, and Virginia.

Bound volumes include a complete set of the the New England Historic Genealogical Society Register dating from 1847; the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society Record 1915-1933; Mayflower Descendant 1899-1937; Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolution; individual volumes on different regiments in the Civil War; many histories of Massachusetts and Berkshire County. Among the extensive collection on genealogy and heraldry was noted the Rottenberg book on Jewish genealogy.

Not to be overlooked: records of the quarterly courts of Essex County 1636-1683; probate records of Essex County 1635-1681; and many volumes of the Acts and Resolves of the Massachusetts legislature.

Great Barrington was included in series Massachusetts Vital Records to 1850. The library has the volume for its town and 194 of the other volumes of that series.

Arrangements can be made with the librarian if photocopies are needed. Genealogical inquiries are answered if extensive research is not involved; personnel is limited. A donation for such service is appreciated.

Hours: Monday-Thursday 10 AM to 6 PM Friday 10 AM to 8 PM
Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM Closed Sundays and holidays
Telephone: 1-413-528-2403

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TYRINGHAM LIBRARY

Main Road, Tyringham

Mrs. Irma Clark, librarian

Here is a small town library at its best, where many residents are working, under expert guidance, toward a goal. The town Historical Commission has assembled in one small room in the library all the history and genealogy of the town and its people. Everything is systematically arranged and filed. The townspeople are working together to assemble books, records, early town

histories, scrapbooks, journals, pictures, hand-written genealogies, etc. The commission is in the process of indexing this material - making it invaluable to the researcher.

Tyringham, fortunately, was included in the Massachusetts Vital Records to 1850 series. The library has 168 volumes of this set, covering almost that many towns and cities. In addition to their printed Tyringham Vital Records to 1850, all the town vital records from 1762 to 1980 have been photocopied from the original town books, an excellent, inexpensive way to make this information accessible to the genealogist.

A Family Genealogy file has material on the following families: Battle, Binney, Canon, Chadwick, Clark, Gardiner, Garfield, Gilder, Hale, Heath, Langdon, Lankton, Moore, Myers, Northrup, Palmer, Rouse, Thompson, Tucker, Van Rensselaer, West, and Wilson.

Church records: the Tyringham Baptist Church records 1827-1912; Methodist Episcopal Meetinghouse in Hopbrook records 1825-1826, 1899-1919; Tyringham Federated Church records 1912-1920 and the Ladies Aid Society records of this church 1913-1916; the Cheshire Baptist Church report of 1901; and the History of the First Congregational Church of Monterey 1900.

Town Reports from 1859 to 1977. All Tyringham town histories, namely, Tyringham Old and New (1905); Hinterland Settlement (1963); and Old Tyringham, a Pictorial Record (1979). Histories of a few nearby towns.

Other pertinent Tyringham items: a History File for every year from 1900 on; photo albums, postcards, and picture file; the town census photocopied for the years 1790, 1830, 1850, and microfilm of all federal censuses for the town through 1900; scrapbooks of local activities and Mrs. Lucian Moore's journal from 1841-1901.

Several prominent writers have lived in Tyringham: Jean Webster, who wrote Daddy Long Legs there, Richard Watson Gilder, and Francis Leupp, to name a few. A collection of their books has been started.

Standard genealogical reference books: Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors; Confederate Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines; Savage's First Settlers of Massachusetts; Berkshire County histories by Beers, Birdsall, WPA Writers Project; Child's Gazateer, the Minister's history, and the Biographical Review. A few unusual ones- Ghosts of Berkshire and Berkshire Hills Historic Month-ly Magazine, 1900-1906. Also five volumes of Records of Massachusetts, 1633-1686 and Plymouth County Records 1633-1692, including laws, acts of the Commissioners, etc.; Massachusetts histories by Pope, Hale, and Nutting.

Upstairs: Massachusetts Acts and Resolves from 1829 (a few missing) and Massachusetts Public Documents from 1861 to 1910.

Newspapers - the Valley Gleaner from 1857-1870 and a few for early 1900's. Atlases - Berkshire 1870; Massachusetts 1884-88; Boundaries of the Towns of Berkshire County 1915.

Mrs. Clark answers genealogical question by mail if possible.
Hours: Monday 3:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. (If a holiday, Tuesday.)

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NEW MARLBOROUGH LIBRARY

Mill River

Miss Eleanor Stalker, Librarian

The town of New Marlborough covers a large area and there are five sections of the town - Mill River, New Marlborough, Hartsville, Clayton, and Southfield. The town library in Mill River is in a fine building near the Town Hall. The very active historical association has headquarters in the Town Hall. Genealogical material exists in each building.

The library has its historical and genealogical books in a small room, reserved for safe keeping. A locked chest holds the following record books: History of the Southfield Congregational Church; Mill River Church Aid 1851-1875; New Marlboro Congregational Church 1870-1910 and the Pastor's Record for that church 1909-1913; Mill River Congregational Church Records 1871-1960 (when it joined the United Church in New Marlboro). Also records of Seymour Library Association of Southfield (now merged with Mill River Library). There is a ledger for a meat business in the 1800s, no name or exact date; a town meeting record for New Marlboro for 1794; town treasurer's book 1847-1850; and another town record book 1794-1860. This chest may soon go over to the Historical Association rooms.

Town histories: New Marlborough Bicentennial History; one by Turner. Histories of Berkshire County by Beers and Adams, Child's Gazateer and an interesting Picturesque Berkshire, published in 1893 (one of a series on counties by Eaton and Chamberlain).

Other standard reference books: Bradford's History of Massachusetts; Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors (14 volumes); Civil War Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines; Massachusetts Records of War of 1812; Biographical Review 1899; four volumes of New England States 1897; and Historic Markers of Massachusetts Bay Colony, 1930 Terecentenary Edition. Also, Biography of Major General William Francis Bartlett (Civil War hero) and details of the statue by Daniel Chester French and its dedication at the Massachusetts State House.

In the attractive main room of the library is a special

bookcase with bound volumes of the newspaper Berkshire Courier from 1862 to 1888. In the attic are the Acts and Resolves from 1952 to 1980; Journals of the Senate from 1952 to 1958.

Library hours: Winter-Tuesday and Thursday 1:00 - 5:00 P.M., Saturday 9:00 A.M. - 12 Noon. Summer - same hours, plus Tuesday and Thursday 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Telephone 413-229-6668.

Genealogical material is also available at the Historical Association room in the Town Hall. There is an index of those buried in the thirteen cemeteries of New Marlborough; a fine collection of old photographs - families, schools, graduating classes, etc.; a file of New Marlborough families as follows: Adams, Alexanders, Bergmann, Blackmer, Brennan, Brewer, Casson, Conners, Cook, Dodge, Doyle, Freeman, Frost, Gibson, Hart, Hollister, Hudner, Huntley, Joyner, Kair, Keyes (Sen. Loren P.), Moran, Palmer, Pease (Dr. Seth), Rhoades, Rogers (Marcus), Shea, Sheldon, Sisson, Smith, Stanard, Stevens (Ebenezer), Stevens, Turner, Underwood, Ward, Wronkle; town reports from 1872; several family scrapbooks; many fine historical antiques. The room is open by appointment with Mr. John Sisson or the Rev. Mr. Thomas Bigham.

The vital records of the town are available in the same building at the Town Clerk's office. They date from 1734 and have been recently been microfilmed. Office hours are Monday - Thursday 9:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

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AT THE ATHENEUM

GIFTS TO THE LOCAL HISTORY DEPARTMENT

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BOOKS: *Tanguay, Cyprien. Dictionnaire Genealogique des Famille Canadiennes. 7 volumes.

PERIODICALS: *Detroit Society for Genealogical Research Magazine
Genealogical Computing
Genealogical Helper
The Genealogist
National Genealogical Society Quarterly
*Rhode Island Genealogical Register
Toledot

MICROFILM: *Corbin Collection: Reels 37-40 Berkshire County
Reels 44-49 Comprehensive Genealogies
Reels 50-51 Miscellaneous Genealogy

MICROFICHE: *Westfield, Mass., Vital Records, 1669-1854, 70 fiche

* indicates material is on order but not yet received.

ANCESTOR TABLES

(Rules for submission of ancestor tables are in Berkshire Genealogist, Volume 4, Number 3, Summer, 1983.)

III. Meta Lenore Maher Stark, Berkshire Trailer Park, Lenox, MA
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I

1. Meta Lenore Maher Stark, 1919- , Flushing, N.Y.; Bermuda; Mass.

II

2. Albert Louis Maher, 1887-1976, Brooklyn, Flushing, Richmond-ville, N.Y.

3. Lenore Irene Leys, 1886-1921, Corona, Whitestone, N.Y.

III

4. Michael Albert Maher, 1861-1917, St. John, N.B.; Brooklyn, Corona, N.Y.

5. Hannah Amelia Golden, 1857-1935, Brooklyn, Corona, Flushing, N.Y.

6. *Robert Howat Leys, 1856-1942, Brooklyn, N.Y.

7. Mary Angeline Lowerre, 1861-1906, Whitestone, N.Y.

IV

8. Michael Whelan Maher, 1830-1905, St. John, N.B.

9. *Mary Green, 1832-1910, Eastport, Maine; St. John, N.B.

10. Valentine Golden, 1814-1895, West Farms, Brooklyn, Glenwood Landing, N.Y.

11. *Mary Hendricks(on), 1821-1858, Brooklyn, N.Y.

12. George Cruikshank Leys, 1828-1882, Aberdeen, Scotland; Brooklyn, N.Y.

13. *Mary Howat, 1828-1871, Dumbarton, Scotland; Brooklyn, N.Y.

14. *Platt Willis Lowerre, 1839-1903, Flushing, N.Y.

15. Caroline Matilda Wright, 1840-1894.

V

16. Edward Maher, - , County Carlow, Ireland; St. John, N.B.

17. Catherine Whelan - .

18. *James Green, - , Ireland; Eastport, Maine.

19. *Elizabeth ---.

20. Isaiah Golden, - , West Farms, Brooklyn, N.Y.

21. Sara Ward, - .

22. Robert Hendricks(on), - .

23. Abby ---.

24. George Leys, - , Aberdeen, Scotland.

25. Isabel Cruikshank, - .

26. John Howat(t), - , Dumbarton, Scotland.

27. Hannah Blair, - .

28. Charles Peck Lowerre, 1803-1872, Flushing, N.Y.

29. Angeline Brown, 1811-1887.

30. --- Wright, - .

31. *Phoebe Ammerman, - .

VI

32. Daniel Maher, - , County Carlow, Ireland.

33. Mary Coady, - .

- 34. John Whelan, - , County Carlow, Ireland.
- 35. Catherine Hynes, - .
- 36.*--- Green, - , Ireland.
- 37-55.
- 56. John B. Lowerre, 1767-1831, Long Island, N.Y.
- 57. Elizabeth Fowler, 1780-1844.
- 58-63.

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IV. Donald Leonard Lutes, Jr., P.O. Box 780, Pittsfield, MA 01202

I

- 1. Donald Leonard Lutes, Jr., 1931- , Pittsfield, Mass.

II

- 2. Donald Leonard Lutes, 1904-1973, Winchester, Pittsfield, Mass.
- 3. Pauline Marie Peck, 1893-1973, Pittsfield, Mass.

III

- 4. John Leonard Lutes, 1870-1943, New Brunswick; Winchester, Mass.
- 5. Mary Jane Shaw, 1871-1922.
- 6. Donelson Messer Peck, 1862-1930, Pittsfield, Mass.
- 7. Matilda Cecilia Montville, 1863-1958.

IV

- 8. Moses Lutes, 1841-1912, Albert County, New Brunswick.
- 9. Rachel Steves, 1843-1905.
- 10. John N. Shaw, 1849-1922, Beech Hill, New Brunswick.
- 11. Catherine Garland, 1848-1942.
- 12. Washington Peck, 1839-1872, Wabash, Newcastle, Indiana.
- 13. Henrietta Taylor, 1835-1874, Pittsfield, Mass.; Newcastle, Ind.
- 14. Mitchell Montville, 1815-1902, Quebec; Pittsfield, Mass.
- 15. Mary Gaucher, 1825-1911, West Stockbridge, Pittsfield, Mass.

V

- 16. William Lutes, 1809-1879, Dawson, New Brunswick.
- 17. Catherine Steeves, 1803-1892, New Brunswick.
- 18. Solomon Steeves, 1811-1873, New Brunswick.
- 19. Arizena Steeves, 1815-1888.
- 20. Charles Shaw, 1809-1885, New Brunswick.
- 21. Lucy Steeves, 1806-1882.
- 22.*William Garland, - , New Brunswick.
- 23.*Jane Mitton, - .
- 24. Erastus Peck, 1802-ca.1881, Canfield, Ohio.
- 25.*Mary Lewis, - .
- 26. Luther Taylor, 1810-1888, Lowell, Pittsfield, Mass.
- 27.*Phebe Berry, 1812-1846, Winchendon, Pittsfield, Mass.
- 28.*Alexis Mandeville, - , Vercheres, P.Q., Canada.
- 30.*Francois Gaucher, ca. 1798-1848, Quebec; West Stockbridge.
- 31.*Mary DuPaul, ca. 1799-1892.

VI

- 32.*Peter Lutes, - , New Brunswick.
- 33.*Mary Ricker, - .
- 34. John Steeves, 1773-1858, New Brunswick.

- 35.*Jennie Beatty, 1774-1848.
- 36. Jacob Steeves, -1832, New Brunswick.
- 37.*Sarah Ricker, -
- 38. Lewis Steeves, 1760-1827, New Brunswick.
- 39.*Elizabeth Porter, 1770-1827, New Brunswick.
- 40. Duncan Shaw, 1768-1843, Angushire, Scotland; New Brunswick.
- 41.*Martha Hamm, 1778-1818, Portland, Maine; Sackville, N.B.
- 42. Henry Steeves, 1780-1852, New Brunswick.
- 43.*Nancy Hopper, 1777-1856.
- 44-47.
- 48. Abijah Peck, 1776-ca.1845, Litchfield, Conn.; Canfield, Ohio.
- 49.*Mary Blinn, -1845.
- 50.*Thomas Lewis, 1764-1832, Virginia; Fairview, Ind.
- 51.*Mary Rea.
- 52. Ebenezer Taylor, 1761-1835, Amherst, New Hampshire.
- 53. Lucy Weston, 1772-1834.
- 54.*Benjamin Berry, 1769-1833, Winchendon, Royalston, Mass.
- 55.*Jane Poor, - , Winchendon, Mass.
- 56.*Alexis Mandeville.
- 57-59.
- 60.*Francois Thomas Gaucher.
- 61.
- 62.*Baptiste DuPaul.
- 63.*Julie Trudel.

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RUTH TOOMBS DEGENHARDT

Ruth T. Degenhardt (Mrs. Richard N.) is the newly appointed director of the Local History and Genealogy Department of the Berkshire Athenaeum, the Pittsfield, Mass., public library. Mrs. Degenhardt, a native of Shrewsbury, Mass., is a graduate of Boston University, College of Liberal Arts, with a degree in history. A resident of Berkshire County since 1959, she was at one time a member and one of the directors of the Worthington Historical Society. Mrs. Degenhardt has been a member of the staff of the Reference Department of the Athenaeum since 1974. A member of the Berkshire Family History Association from 1979, her major interests are history and family history, antiques, herbs, music, and skiing.

The Berkshire Family History Association wishes to extend a warm welcome to Mrs. Degenhardt and to assure her of its best wishes in her new position and the continuing cooperation of the Association in furthering the best interests of the department and the tradition of a close relationship that has proven of mutual benefit to the department and the members of the society.

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HISTORY OF WEST STOCKBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

by Edna B. Garnett

In place of a long history, I will give here a brief synopsis of my early, more complete history, West Stockbridge, Massachusetts, 1774-1974. The most recent history of this town is included in The Berkshire-Litchfield Legacy, by Willard A. Hanna, published in 1983 by Universities Field Staff International, Hanover, N.H.

Environmental factors played a very important role in the development of our early towns. The Berkshire Barrier begins just west of the Connecticut River and extends twenty miles westward to the valley of the Housatonic River and the Taconic range to the New York line. It is a high, rolling plateau rising abruptly from the Connecticut River valley, dropping down again in northern Berkshire into the valley of the Hoosic River.

This barrier was described as a "hideous howling wilderness" and, because of the terrain, transportation was most difficult so that it was not settled until about a hundred years later than the eastern part of the state. When the settlers finally overcame the difficulties, they found the area beautiful as well as rich in natural resources.

They brought with them the intelligence, the "know how," and the willingness to work hard to develop these natural resources. The terrain in West Stockbridge, which has mountains bordering on the east and west with the Williams River and its tributaries lying between, prompted the early building of dams for milling lumber to build their homes and grist mills to grind their grains for flour. The area became an agricultural and milling community. Later other mills were built: saw mills for sawing the marble found in the area, fulling mills, tanneries, etc.

The destruction of most of the forests began with the making of charcoal for the furnaces in West Stockbridge and Richmond that were used in the smelting of iron mined in those towns. These forests have now regrown, following the demise of those industries.

The town in its early days was a part of Stockbridge, or Indiantown, and was called Queensborough or Qua-pau-kak. Its boundaries were within the six-mile-square town to be settled under the guidance of John Sergeant, Indian missionary, who with four chosen white families, was to make the town a model for the Indians. Owing to political/religious problems, this village separated from its mother-town in 1774, during the same period when our country revolted from its mother-country.

The town was made up of various hamlets: West Stockbridge Center (now West Center), Maple Hill, State Line, Williamsville,

Rockdale, and Freedleyville. The northern and western parts were settled earlier than the present-day village (where Elijah Williams, son of Ephraim Williams, one of the four white families chosen to settle in Stockbridge, built a dam and iron works).

The earliest settler in West Stockbridge Center and the "Gore" area in 1758 was John George Easland (Islein on the Proprietors' map). This is where Kingsmont Camp is now located, an area abutting Austerlitz, New York, on the west. Augustin Bryan (or Bryant) of Caanan, Conn., settled in State Line on the southeastern edge of "King's District" in 1764. The name "Queensborough" was derived from its proximity to that town, thus complementing that name which later became Caanan, N.Y. This area is a natural mountain pass to the Williams River. Easland was soon joined by many other settlers.

Proprietors' meetings were held, including both Indian and white settlers, and the entire town was surveyed with the exception of the Gore. The Gore had already begun to be settled by persons from the New York colony and the boundary line was in dispute for more than a century, bringing intervention by both King and Congress, until it was finally settled in 1787 and boundary markers were placed in 1797.

A very incomplete roster of early settlers, which may aid some researcher in genealogy is:

State Line area: Increase Hewins and his son, Joseph; Joseph Hull; Joseph Arnold of East Haddam, Conn., and sons Josiah and Asenath; Jonathan Woodruff of Farmington, Conn., and sons Roger, Asaph, and Amasa; Amos Smith of New Marlboro, Mass. Amos Smith's son Obadiah married Asaph Woodruff's daughter, Lucy, and they still have descendants in town. Peter Hull came from Killingsworth, Conn., in 1767, and his son Peter, Jr., married his neighbor Esther Parmelee, and had a family of ten children.

West Center area: Icabod Miller of Litchfield, Conn.; Simeon and Moses Parmelee, who had a grist mill with the Mudges (David, Reuben, Samuel, and possibly Jarvis) in 1773 on the Whitwood Brook where the old stone bridge was built. At this point a road turned east (before the bridge was built) to Maple Hill, where early settler Simeon Gillett from Winterbury, Conn., lived.

Others from the West Center area: Elijah Slosson, a cousin of Ann Lee (founder of the Shakers), and son Eliphalet. Eliphalet married a neighbor, Rebecca Gillett, and both became Shakers. Elisha Coan, who married Joseph Hull's widow; David Skeel of Claverack, N.Y.; John Ford of Farmington, Conn.; Jonathan and Esther Rawson; Matthew Benedict from Ridgefield, Conn.; Theophilus Westover; Caleb Palmer; Lambert Burghardt; Christopher Brazee from Mt. Washington area; Benjamin Culver; Jacob, Lewis, and Alvin Arnold; Isaac McNeil of Litchfield, Conn.; Kileon and John Minkler; Ambrose Collins; Caleb and Elias

Palmer; Jonus Standish and Christopher Parks. These settlers were from the oldest part of town.

On Maple Hill: Benjamin Lewis and son Samuel H. of Farmington, Conn.; Augustus and Festus Drake; Ovid and Naomi Drake; Moses Roots; Johannis and Nicholas Race (or Reese) of Egremont and sons Isaac and Abraham; Simeon Hooker; Benjamin Johnson of Durham, Conn.; Josiah Stevens; Amos Fowler; and John Deming from Canaan, Conn.

With the advent of the railroad, West Stockbridge truly grew by leaps and bounds because of its industries and potential growth factors. The first railroad into Western Massachusetts was the Hudson and Berkshire Railroad, constructed 1836 to 1838, running from Hudson, New York, to State Line. Freightin marble, iron ore, etc., was the stimulus and backbone of the enterprise. Many other railroads soon followed. With their coming, the center of town shifted until most of the business and industrial life and much of the home life settled into the present village. it was the first Western Massachusetts town to become a railroad center.

Dairy farms abounded in the early part of the twentieth century but the trend in more recent years has been to earn a livelihood in other ways and to reside on the old farms. More recently, housing developments have taken over much of the farm land. Changes taking place on the main street of the village have brought the commercial area back to life. Life here is still good and the town perhaps a better place to live.

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FORMATION DATES OF BERKSHIRE COUNTY TOWNS

Adams 1778	New Ashford 1782
Alford 1773	New Marlborough 1759
Becket 1765	North Adams 1878
Cheshire 1793	Otis 1810
Clarksburg 1798	Peru 1806
Dalton 1784	Pittsfield 1761
Egremont 1775	Richmond 1785
Florida 1805	Sandisfield 1762
Great Barrington 1761	Savoy 1797
Hancock 1776	Sheffield 1733
Hinsdale 1804	Stockbridge 1739
Lanesborough 1765	Tyringham 1762
Lee 1777	Washington 1777
Lenox 1767	West Stockbridge 1774
Monterey 1847	Williamstown 1765
Mount Washington 1779	Windsor 1778

BERKSHIRE COUNTY WILLS AND ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES,
 PROBATE RECORD BOOK I, 1761-1773
 [Continued from page 50]

The following abstracts are by Joseph Guertin.

BOARDMAN Joshua Boardman, late of Sheffield, deceased. Inventory of estate includes such personal items as Great Coat, Leather Breeches, Beaver Hatt, Wigg; details of household furnishings including Pewter, Beds, and Bedding, Great Spinning Wheel; farm animals and farm implements. Total value over 140 pounds. Other assets: 100 acres Homestead and Meadow adjoining House and Barn; 24 acres of meadow east side of River [unnamed]; 40 acres swampland adjoining Jared Goodrich homestead; 12 acres west side of Town Street; 93 other acres. Note from: Benat Jones for 36/3d from 19 Nov. 1759; Constantine Noble 6/; Elijah Stetson 3 pounds; Thomas Whitney 9:15 York money; Lieut. John Pells 15 pounds. David Walker, a note from deceased 23/. Samuel Loer, note 33/5d from 29 Sept. 1760. Abraham Miller 54/4d, a doubtful debt. Neats Leather 22/10. A sign for an Inholder 15/. Apprizers: Aaron Root, Jared Goodrich, William Coit. 17 Sept. 1761. Approved by Daniel Boardman and Amey Boardman, executors, 1 Oct. 1761. Pp. 9-11

HUBBELL Ithamer Hubbell, of Sheffield, deceased, intestate. Power of administration given to John Pell of Sheffield and Asahel Dewey of Great Barrington. 31 Oct. 1761. Pp.[12]-13.

FREMAN Will of Eli Freman late of District of New Marlborough presented for probate 10 Nov. 1761. Bequests. To wife Anna Freman, twenty Lawful Money and one third of all real and personal estate. To son Silas Freman, double portion of real and personal estate and twenty four sheep. To daughters Seibal Freman, Sheba Freman, Marcy Freman, Mary Freman, and to sons Eli Freman and John Freman an equal portion of the remainder of his estate. Executrix: Anna Freman, wife. Witnesses: Eli Wright, Charles Adams, Ebenezer Hide. Will made 30 Dec. 1760. Wright and Adams appeared 15 Sept last past and attested to the writing of the will. Pp. 13-14.

JACKSON John Jackson of Township No.1, Berkshire County, deceased. Inventory of estate made 17 Oct. 1761 at No.1. Inventory of estate details personal items including sundry old books, farm equipment and animals, draught chain, bushels of grain, gallons of wine. Assets included notes against Henry Spring 66:6:0, Zachariah Thomas 8:11:1, and the Province Treasurer, 25:7:0. Real estate being 66 acres in No. 1 with buildings, value 299:0:0. Total value of estate 481:12:5. Apprizers: John Chadwick, Jacob Brown, Josiah Smith. Beulah Jackson, administrator. Pp. 14-[14A].

JACKSON Caleb Jackson of No.1, Berkshire County, deceased.

Appraisal of estate at No.1, 17 Oct. 1761. Inventory included Purse of Money 15:3:11; clothing valued at 9:1:8; stock, gun, old Bible, valued at 27:11:6; debts due him 19:7:10; total 71:4:11. Value of 37 acres in No.1 was 120 pounds. Apprizers: John Chadwick, Jacob Brown, Josiah Smith. Giles Jackson, administrator. P.15.

JACKSON Samuel Jackson, late of No.1, Berkshire County, deceased. His Apparell valued at 7:3:6; Books and Armour, 2:0:0; tools, grain, live stock. Total personal estate 29:7:0. One hundred acres in No.1, 125:0:0. Total estate value, 154:7:0. Apprizers: John Chadwick, Jacob Brown, Josiah Smith. Giles Jackson, administrator. Inventory made 7 Oct. 1761. P.[15A].

JOYNER Willaim Joyner, late of Egremont, deceased. Inventory of estate includes a dwelling house and orchard with 83 acres of land; household goods; livestock; notes against Nathan Smith, Josiah Graves; total value 359:13:8. Not included were grain, farm animals and tools previously sold by widow, Sarah Joyner, total value 384:11:8. Notes included Robert Joyner, Oliver Wattson, Asahel Dewey, Nathan Smith, Priscilla Smith, Barholomew Hoogooboom, Andrew Loomiss, Joseph Jacobs, Timothy Kellogg, David Rough, and Eliza Brazee. Appraisers: Jonah Westover, Samuel Winchel, Junr., Timothy Kellogg, freeholders. Appointed 8 Sept. 1761; reported 19 Nov. 1761. Sarah Joyner administrator. Pp.16-17.

HIGGBY Daniel Higgbay, late of Sheffield, deceased, intestate. Power of administration given to John Fellows, gentleman, of Sheffield. 27 Nov. 1761. Inventory made by William Coit, Jonathan Jillett, Michael Holcomb, appointed 27 Nov. 1761; includes house and 120 on which it stands; 160 acres west of Highway [not named]; one Dutch blanket. Recorded 28 Jan. 1762. P.17. [page 17A not abstracted]

Capt. John Fellows, administrator of the estate of Daniel Higbee, late of Sheffield, signer of the inventory, swore that it was just and true. 21 Jan. 1762. P.18.

GOODRICH Abraham Goodrich, late of Pittsfield, carpenter, deceased, intestate. By desire of Lydia Gustion, highest relative, power of administration granted to Phinehas Belden, yeoman, of Pittsfield. 9 Feb. 1762. P.18.

DAVIES Gilliam. Benjamin Heath, yeoman of No. 1, appointed guardian unto Gilliam Davies of No.1, minor, daughter of Jabez Davies, late of No.1, deceased, as to estate and person. 15 Feb. 1762. P.18.

SHAW Ezra, minor and son to Israel Shaw, late of Egremont, deceased. Mary Shaw nominated guardian as to estate and person. 20 March 1762. P.18.

GOODRICH Inventory of goods and real estate of Abraham Goodrich, late of Pittsfield, deceased. Clothing, tools, and 25 acres of land were valued at 39:14:8. Inventory made 23 Feb. 1762, by Stephen Crowfoot, Abner Dewey, Josiah Wright. Phinehas Belding, administrator. Reported 19 April 1762. P.[18A].

JACKSON Ebenezer Jackson, minor, son of Mr. John Jackson, late of Tyringham, deceased. John Chadwick of Tyringham nominated guardian to person and estate. 26 April 1762. P. 19.

ROOT Stephen Root, minor under 14, son to Jonathan Root, late of Sheffield, gentleman, deceased. Abraham Root of Sheffield appointed guardian to estate and person. 4 May 1762. P.19

WADKINS Henry Wadkins, minor, son to Peter Wadkins, late of Westfield, Hampshire County, deceased. Henry Walker of Number four, Berkshire County, nominated guardian of Henry Wadkins who now resides in Number four. 11 May 1762. P.19.

HIGGBEE Rachel Higgbie, minor between the ages of two and three, daughter to Daniel Higgbie, late of Sheffield, deceased. Christian Higgbie of Sheffield nominated guardian to person and estate. Second Tuesday of June 1762. P.19.

HIGGBEE Daniel Higgbie, late of Sheffield, deceased. Citation to John Fellows, administrator, and to all heirs, from Joseph Dwight, Esq., Judge of Probate, to appear at his dwelling on Tuesday, 13 July next, to render account of affairs, heirs to hear the account and make any objection. Christian Higgbie appointed to serve citation. Same date as above. P.19-[19A].

HIGGBEE Daniel Higgbie, minor above the age of fourteen, son to Daniel Higgbie, late of Sheffield, deceased. John Fellows of Sheffield, gentleman, appointed guardian to estate and person. Levinah Higgbie, minor above the age of fourteen, daughter to said Daniel. John Fellows nominated guardian to her also. Edward Higgbie, minor above the age of fourteen, son to said Daniel. John Fellows of Sheffield nominated guardian. 10 Aug. 1762. P.[19A].

ROBERTS William Roberts, late of Egremont, deceased. Power of given to Daniel Webbster of Egremont, wheelwright. Samuel Winchell and Jonathan Darby of Egremont and John Tullar of Sheffield appointed to take inventory. 13 Aug. 1762. Pp.[19A]-20.

REW John Rew, yeoman, late of Stockbridge, deceased, intestate. Power of administration given to Mercy Rew, widow and relict. Timothy Hopkins, Jonathan Nash, John Hamlin, all of Great Barrington, appointed to take inventory. Mercy Rew appointed guardian of Hezekiah Rew, Ephraim Rew, Lot Rew, Rejoice Rew, all minors under fourteen, children of John Rew, deceased. 14 Sept. 1762. P.20.

The following abstracts are by Thelma Wells.

WILLARD Last will and testament of John Willard of Stockbridge, deceased, presented for probate. To son Elias Willard twenty pounds to be paid by sons Benjamin and Joseph out of his personal estate. Sons Benjamin and Joseph, the rest of estate except twenty shillings to "my kinsmen" Stephen Brown and Lydia Bronw, children of my deceased daughter Lydia, late wife of Samuel Brown, Junr. Executor: son Benjamin Willard. Witnesses: Timo. Woodbridge, Johannis Morrison, Robert Hungrau-want[?]. Codicil, same date as above: my well beloved wife Margaret Willard, being accidentally forgotten, I give her right of dower, one third of my estate. Written 19 July 1762. Presented for probate 18 Sept. 1762. Pp.[19A]-20.

REW Jedediah, minor above fourteen, son of late John Rew, late of Great Barrington. Samuel Hopkins of Great Barrington, clerk, appointed guardian. 10 Nov. 1762. Appraisers of estate appointed 4 Nov. 1762. Inventory included farm implements, milk tubs and churn, farm animals, use of farm they live on for one year at 10 pounds; one right of land in Andrews Township. Appraisers: Jonas Nash, Timo. Hopkins, John Hamlin. Mercy Rew, administratrix, approved inventory, 10 Nov. 1762. Pp. [21]-22.

ADDAMS Charles Addams, late of New Marlborough, deceased. Power of administration given to Judith Addams, widow and relict. Appraisers: Seth Strong, Phinehas Brown, Zenas Wheeler, all of New Marlborough. 25 Nov. 1762. P.[22A].

SPAULDING Power of administration on goods and chattels of Jonathan Spaulding, late of Sheffield, deceased, given to Theophilus Spaulding of Sheffield. Appraisers: Anthony Austin, John Westover, William Spencer, all of Sheffield. 30 Nov. 1762. P. [22].

(to be continued when more material is available)

THE QUERY SECTION

BY J. Bradley Cooper*

Unless otherwise specified, all locations are in Massachusetts.

83017 SEYMOUR - POMEROY
Hannah Seymour, daughter of Richard and Hannah (Woodruff) Seymour, married Joseph Pomeroy, 1692, Suffield, Conn. Need Hannah's birth and death dates.

83018 SEYMOUR - WOODRUFF
Richard Seymour married Hannah Woodruff ca. 1669, Hartford, Conn. Need their marriage date and Richard's birth and death dates.

83019 WOODRUFF
Matthew Woodruff married Hannah --- in England. He died 1692. Need Hannah's surname and ancestry.

83020 RUSCOE - SEYMOUR
Mercy Ruscoe married Richard Seymour, 1631, England. Need Mercy's death date and place of death.
Elizabeth Fjetland, 609 Main Street, Farmington, MN 55024

83021 FREMAN - CURTIS
Will of Eli Freman of Berkshire County, 1760, mentions daughter Marcy Freman. Could she be the same Marcy Freman who married Ebenezer Curtis 4 Dec. 1760, according to Kent, Conn., vital records?
A.G. Teague, 5266 Balfour Road, Detroit, MI 48224

83022 ALBEE
Benjamin Albee, born ca. 1600, England, possibly Norwich, was in Braintree 1641, Medfield 1641, and Quinshipaug Plantation (Mendon) 1664; married Hannah ---. Need Benjamin's date and place of death. Who was wife Hannah?

83023 ALBEE
Benjamin Albee, grandson of first Benjamin Albee, born 1671-1680, married Abial ---. Possibly lived in South Milford. Who was Abial? When did Benjamin and Abial die?

83024 ALBEE
Obadiah Albee, born 29 Oct. 1705, married Jean ---, and probably lived in Mendon. Who was wife Jean? When did Obadiah die?

83025 ALBEE
Eleaser Albee married Mercy Shippee, had children baptized 1756-1760. He was son of Obadiah above and they probably lived in Milford. Who were the Shippees? Need birth and death dates of Eleaser and Mercy.

Mrs. H.L. Anderson, 2611 Phyllis Lane, Apt. 56, Billings, MT 59102

83026 BRADWAY/BROADWAY - BRITTAIN/BRITON
Jeremiah Bradway or Broadway, born Smithfield, R.I., son of Thomas and Mercy or Mary Angell, married Patience Brittain or Briton in 1769. Need birth and death dates of both and names and data on their children. Family lived in Woodstock, Conn., Lanes-

boro and Hancock, Mass.

83027

BRADWAY/BROADWAY - PARKER

William Bradway, sometimes Broadway, born 11 April 1777 in Lanesboro. Moved to Oneida County, N.Y., ca. 1800. Married Fanny Parker. William died 6 Dec. 1853 in Denmark, N.Y. Need information on his parents, brothers, and sisters.

Georgene M. Olson, 6N151 Keeney Road, Roselle, IL 60172

83028

COOK - PETTIBONE

Hannah Cook, born 29 Jan. 1725/6 Windsor, Conn., died before 1764, married 1752 Goshen, Conn., as first wife of Roger Pettibone, Sr., who died 1794 Lanesboro. Their children Abel, Eleanor, Elisha, Roger, Hannah. Hannah Cook's sister Phebe married Roger's brother Eli. Need Hannah Cook's parents and ancestry.

83029

BLACKMAN - PETTIBONE

Olive Blackman, born ca. 1764, married Roger Pettibone, Jr., 4 May 1786, St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Lanesboro; had children John, Roswell, Lyman, Olive born 1795 Lanesboro, Zolmon, Milton, and Hannah. Need Olive Blackman's parents and ancestry.

Marcella S. Whaley, 1270 Lakemont Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15243

83030

COLVER/CULVER

Seek correspondence, including lineage charts, with all descendants of Edward Colver or Culver, born 1600 Middlesex, England, died 1685, New London, Conn. Collecting information for a book.

David C. Brecht, 20 Partridge Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201

83031

MOSS - FOSKETT

Mirab Moss, born 17 Aug. 1783, in Massachusetts, died 8 May 1861, probably around Canandaigua, N.Y., married Thomas Foskett of Mass. 22 Sept. 1803. Both lived in Berkshire County. Need parents of both.

83032

FREEMAN - SPAULDING - MOSS - FOSKETT

Freeman Spaulding, son of Aaron and Sybil (Freeman) Spaulding, born 7 May 1806, New Marlboro, died 19 Feb. 1887 around Canandaigua, N.Y. He married Caroline Foskett, daughter of Thomas and Mirab (Moss) Foskett, born 28 May 1806, Sheffield. Need information on Aaron and Sybil.

83033

ALLEN - NORTON - CANFIELD

Ira Allen, Sr., born 1790 possibly Massachusetts, Vermont, or Connecticut; died 1871 Manchester, N.Y.; was in War of 1812. Married Nancy Norton, daughter of Giles and Mary or Polly (Canfield) Norton, born 1800 Springwater, N.Y., and died 10 March 1858 Manchester, N.Y. Family reported to have moved to Virginia or West Virginia. Seek parents of Ira, Sr.

Mrs. Dorothy Guy, 46 North Main Street, Canandaigua, NY 14424

83034

ALLEN - HOAG - NIECE

Ira Allen, Jr., born 11 Feb. 1835, Wayne County, N.Y., lived around Farmington and Manchester, N.Y., died December 1911. Married Hannah Hoag, born 1836. Had children: William Eli ca.

1858; Sarah ca. 1861, who could have married a Niece and moved to Michigan; and Mary born ca. 1864. Seek information on Ira, Jr. How does Raymond D. C. Niece fit into this family?
Mrs. Dorothy Guy, 46 North Main Street, Canandaigua, NY 14424

83035

WHITE

John White, son of Isaac and Elizabeth Perry White, born 17 Nov. 1756, Greenwich. Enlisted in Revolutionary War from Williams-town, and after War lived in Adams. Married Betsey ---, born 13 April 1762, and moved to New York 1788. Need maiden name and ancestors of Betsey.

83036

WHITE

Marcy or Marcia White, born 2 July 1738, Brookfield, daughter of Isaac and Elizabeth Perry White. Did she marry? Need any data on Marcy.

Mrs. Elnore M. Farquhar, 10440 Apache Road, richmond, MA 23235

83037

BALL - DUTTON

Jonas Ball on tax list Pittsfield, 1798. Daughter Mary Campbell Ball, born 20 June 1798, Pittsfield; married in Vermont, 1828, Rufus Dutton, and moved to St. Lawrence County, N.Y. Jonas appears in 1800 and 1810 Pittsfield census. A Jonas Ball appears in Madrid, St. Lawrence Co., N.Y., in 1820 and 1830 census. Need all data on Jonas and wife.

Joseph L. Druse, 677 Virginia, East Lansing, MI 48823

83038

THOMPSON - HEWINS - HADLOCK

Samuel Thompson, Sr., born 1755 Canton or Stoughton, married Sarah Hewins at Sharon, 5 July 1781. Settled in Cummington ca 1803 and died there 24 Nov. 1837. Buried in Bryant Cemetery. His daughter Meriam married John Hadlock 13 Sept. 1798. Need ancestors and any information on Samuel.

83039

WHITE - WALCOTT

Nehemiah White of Williamsburg married Elizabeth Walcott 1776. He died in Williamsburg 1828. She died in Ohio. Need ancestors, place and date of birth of Nehemiah.

Mrs. Hazel Sederquist, Rolling Hills Village, Hinsdale, NH 03451

83040

STONE - PANGBORN

Adam Stone, born ca 1791 Canada, married Martha ---, born ca 1794 in United States. Lived in Stanbridge Missiquoi, Quebec. Son Hiram Booth Stone married Emily Pangborn of Montreal. Need parents and death date of Martha.

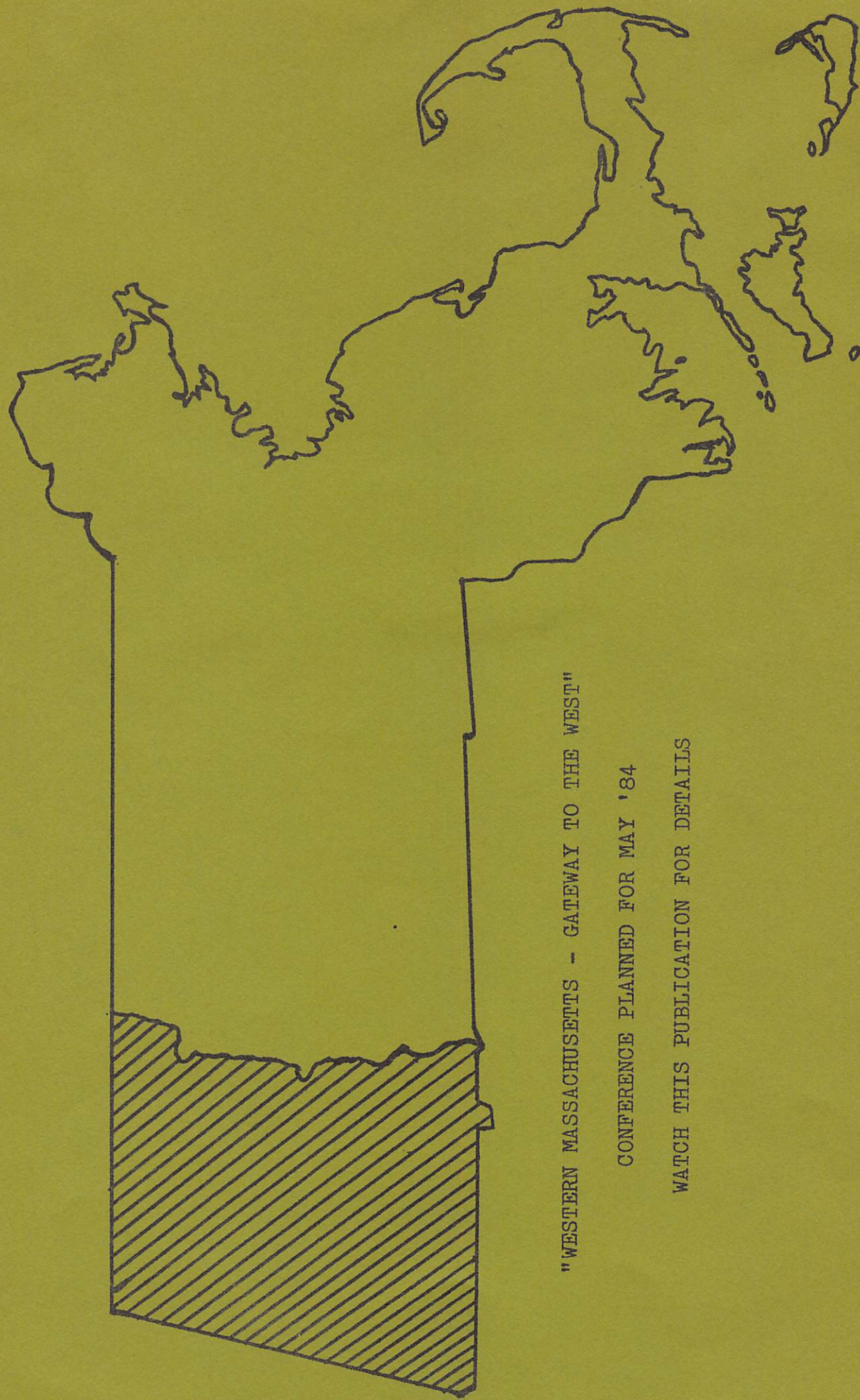
Lamora Magdaleno, 965 Evergreen Lane, Port Hueneme, CA 93041

83041

GREEN - WINANS

Researching Eseck Green, born Williamstown ca.1805, son of Jacob and Renecca (Young) Green and grandson of Henry and Sarah (Sherwood) Green. Married Esther Winans. Where? Eseck slain in hunting accident in Livingston Co., Michigan, 1814. Had son Almond Chester Green. Any help appreciated.

Patricia Kirkwood, 2750 West 232 Street, Torrance, Ca 90505



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