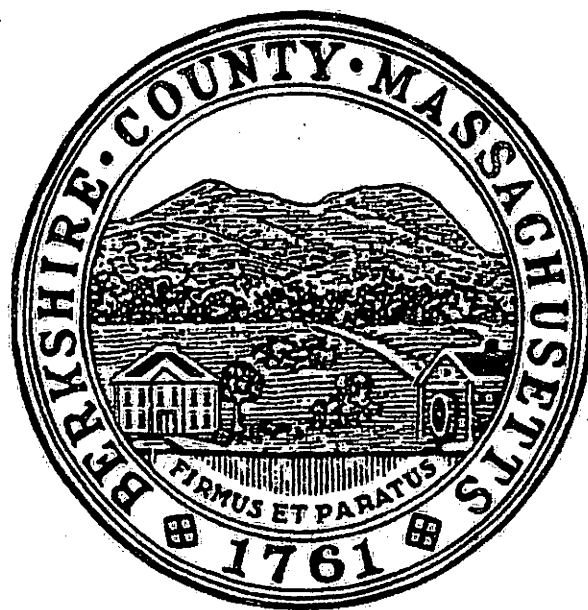


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CHURCH RECORDS - AN INSIDE LOOK

By J. Bradley Cooper

Church records have been around as long as have churches. However, such material has not been of much help to genealogists until the establishment of "Parish Registers" in England from about 1538 and on. *The Philmore Atlas and Index of Parish Registers* lists complete information on the dates the various parishes adopted the practice. As of 1597 and on these registers were supposed to be copied and sent to the Bishop of the Diocese as "Bishop's Transcripts". This chore was often neglected and inaccuracies in transcription occurred as well.

With such a background it is to be expected that this record keeping penchant would accompany the Pilgrims to New England and that the keeping of church records would become a part of daily life. It is at this point that church records came to be an important source material for the tracing of ancestors. That this is an important source, Donald Lines Jacobus wrote, "The church records supply many of the deficiencies of the public records, and the dates of baptism often have to be learned to approximate the date of birth". Stevenson in *Genealogical Evidence* states, "If the records appear to be originals, or to have been certified copies and are in the custody of the clerk of the church or some other church official, church archives or church library, the records are acceptable as long as the facts are logical".

Although not maintained for that purpose, church records are a valuable source of genealogical information. It will be worth while to consider the nature of such data, the manner in which it was generated, its message, state of preservation and availability of public access.

Church records exist to serve the needs of the particular church, with little regard for and little appreciation of the needs of researchers. The inquirer's first concern is access to the material. It can be in any imaginable condition and in any imaginable storage facility. If the records are properly maintained they will be housed in a fire retardant vault in the basement of the edifice. Only a few people will know the combination of the vault door lock. The documents may be well arranged and indexed to assist in easy finding or they may be in complete disarray. The documents themselves may be very fragile, practically self-destructing at the slightest touch. The church office may be operating with but a single secretary who can not well leave the office to try and find the files from which it is hoped the sought-for information will emerge. Even if found, the documents may be such that they should not be left, unattended, in the hands of strangers. These considerations give rise to the caveat: DO NOT attempt to view church records without first making appropriate arrangements, well in advance of a projected visit. Determine if there is a Church Historian with whom arrangements can be made. Better still, perhaps the historian may be able to assemble the information, making a personal visit unnecessary. Were the nature of the request of particular interest to the historian, there might be enhancement from other

sources. Some of the desired records may be very old and in such poor condition as to preclude further handling. In such cases the historian may have prepared transcripts suitable for reference. If there are none, it may not be possible to honor requests to handle the actual documents. Transcripts are not completely satisfactory. Many of the records are difficult to decipher due to unfamiliar handwriting, faded ink, illegible characters, quill pens and missing pieces of information near brittle page margins, or whatever. The conclusions in the transcript may be the best shot but might be far from the mark. It is well not to adopt transcript information offhand, check further. In dealing with the historian it might be well to ascertain whether the information came from the original document or a transcript. In doubtful interpretations, the historian's experience can be a better guide than one's own guess.

So much for the housekeeping details. Are church records a reliable source? If the records appear to have been generated in an orderly fashion, by someone designated to perform such tasks (often the pastor himself) and with no obvious errors - they are as reliable as the records in the town hall. Early records were often written on unruled, blank pages, in leather bound volumes. These are the "registers" with entries made by some church official at some unknown point in time. Early in the twentieth century these registers were on ruled paper with printed column headings. Here the entries were made by the actual participants in the religious ceremony, as a part of it. It would be expected that this would result in more accurate data.

Some selected entries which may be preserved in church records are:

BAPTISMS

Usually the record contains the date of the baptismal ceremony, with no reference to the date of birth. However, by custom or religious belief, baptism is likely to have occurred at an early age and from it the birth date may be approximated. Greenwood in *The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy* says, "But because of the proximity of the dates - timewise - they serve the same purpose, and they are generally kept in a much earlier time period than were civil vital records".

The nature of the records will vary with different denominations and with different churches of the same denomination. In general this will not present any serious difficulty. However, if the denomination administers baptism only on persons who have reached the age of discretion (whatever that is), this must be taken into account in calculating the birth date. In such cases there may be a "dedication" ceremony taking place much closer to the birth date and which would lead to a result analogous to that derived from a baptism near the birth date.

Some selected entries from the records of First Church of Christ, Congregational of Pittsfield are listed below to provide a flavor of what may be encountered.

6 May 1764 Lucretia daughter of Doctor Marsh
30 June 1765 Child of Moses Miller

- 1 Dec 1765 Charles b Jan 1764, Mary b 27 Feb 1759,
Abigail b 27 Feb 1762 and Luther b 26 Aug 1763 chil-
dren of Dan Cadwell
- 28 Mar More were baptized
- 20 Jan 1781 Rufus Allen
- 10 Jul 1781 Jonas, Perez, Sally, Joseph, Eliel, Betty,
Polly, children of Mr. Farr
- 17 Jun 1798 children of Widow Ensign.

Of this group, only that of Dan Cadwell fulfills the re-searcher's hope. Rufus Allen is worthy of special attention in that the absence of a statement of parentage suggests him to have been an adult. As for Mr. Farr, the number of children suggests a second marriage and the entry is inadequate for estimation of birth dates.

This sample suggests that merely asking for a date of baptism is asking for trouble. In the course of generating a computerized data base of the vital records of this church it was noted that in the period 1764 - 1800 there were 350 recorded baptisms. Of these, only four were as complete and reliable as that of Dan Cadwell above. Of these four, three (children of the pastor) even had the day of the week and the hour of the day of the birth.

Uncertainty can be minimized if the request gives a little of the background as to why it is thought that any record might reside in the church, that lacking a birth date, the baptismal date will be used to approximate one. The request should be for a transcript of the entries - not just the dates. The other data in the entry may be extremely important in reaching a reasonably accurate estimated date. Further, there may be other important bits of information contained within the item. From the samples above we have learned that Marsh was a doctor, that Farr may have been married more than once and the Widow Ensign's husband died before 17 June 1798. A simple answer to a simple question would not have revealed these additional pieces of information which may be of value to the research project.

MARRIAGES

The dates when marriages were considered a part of church records will vary from church to church. In the case of First Church in Pittsfield such recording did not begin until 1842. A few examples will show the general nature of the entries.

- 25 Oct 1842 William Walter Goodman and Mary Elizabeth
James
- 7 Jan 1843 Harlow Dewey and Louisa Noble both of
Pittsfield
- 6 May 1845 Rev. Edward Brace of Lanesboro and Elizabeth
Wilson of Pittsfield
- 22 Oct 1845 Alexander Allen of Dalton and Mary Ann F.
Carpenter of Pittsfield (colored people)
- 30 April 1849 George A. Bissell of New Haven, CT and
Augusta Talbott of Pittsfield
- 19 May 1849 Jerome Talmadge of Williamsburg and Emily

C. Lord of Pittsfield

ADMISSIONS TO MEMBERSHIP

18 Mar 1842 Henry C. Dunham
 Titus M. Roberts by letter
 3 Jul 1842 Miss Pamela Bedurtha by profession of faith
 7 Nov 1842 Charles Montague
 Mrs Martha Montague (mother)
 Mrs Harriet G. Montague (wife)

The wording of the entries is subject to interpretation, but with great caution. For example: Henry Dunham did not join by letter so there is a presumption that he was not previously a member of any church. Baptism is a requirement for church membership. Does First Church have a record of his baptism?

Titus Roberts, by letter, indicates him to have been a member of some other denomination in Pittsfield or to have come from some other town.

The Montague entries display the family relationships.

DISMISSIONS

1 Apr 1842 Lemuel G. Lloyd and wife to Congregational Church in Belchertown
 3 Sep 1842 Chloe Durrence and Thelma Burt to such church or one west they may fall in with
 11 ?? 1843 Charles Wright to Presbyterian Church in New Orleans
 19 Jun 1853 Mrs Henry Eniter (formerly Clark) to First Presbyterian Church in Hillsdale, NY under the charge of Rev. George Eniter

When church members moved to another location it was, and still is, the custom to issue a letter recommending them to a church in the new place of residence. At one time the document was accompanied by a coupon which was supposed to be returned to the issuing church. Without this, the letter is an expression of intent and requires additional evidence of actual performance.

MEMBERSHIP LIST

William Williams	8 Mar 1764	
Joseph Keeler and Jane, his wife		16 Sep 1765
Perez Marsh and wife		7 Feb 1785
Eunice, wife of Israel Stoddard		7 Feb 1765
Wife of Joshua Narrimore		19 Jan 1766
Widow Olive Goodrich		12 May 1776
John Ellis and wife and daughters		
Huldah and Elizabeth		13 Jul 1788

DEATHS

Sarah Williams wife of Col William - consumption 24 Feb 1764
 James Stiles ae 14 son of Aaron Stiles - violent nervous fever 12 Dec 1776
 Gad Merrills ae 53 of lethargy 10 Jun 1786

John French burned to death by his cloaths catching on
fire 30 Oct 1788

Lost 36 persons 14 of which were full grown 1796

The various citations are a sample of what may be revealed by the records. In many instances there is ancillary information pertaining to the question that may have been asked or which may have genealogical import. It is important to request a transcript of the entry and make one's own interpretation of it. For instance to ask for a baptismal date, and receive just that, could lead to quite erroneous conclusions.

Churches are usually short-handed and the fulfilling of genealogical requests is at some inconvenience. It is a courteous gesture to include, with the request, a small donation for the work of the church. This can have the effect of increasing the amount of research effort exerted.

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THE COLLINS LEDGER

Submitted by Moira C. Flynn

The following ledger record was provided to Ms. Flynn by her cousin Antoinette DiMashe, formerly Antoinette Bosco of Pittsfield, but now of Columbia, South Carolina, who believes the original was copied by Rebecca Collins Hood. The Collins store was located at 1206 North St., Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

April 1st, 1917 M. Collins and Sons, Pontoosuc Lake

James Rawling --	\$105.63	paid \$92.52	----	Balance ---	Due \$13.11
Alfred Lester --	\$ 85.48	paid \$ 7.85	----	Balance ---	" \$77.63
David Murry ----	\$ 19.02	paid 17.02	----	" " ---	2.00
Fred Greb -----	32.71	" Nothing---			
Frank Laird ----	7.68				7.68
Mrs. Mazzier	17.73				17.73
George Reardon	25.90	passed away			
Ben Wagner -----	34.21				
Deval -----	2.34				
Miles Hewitt ---	108.71	was murdered on Hancock Road			
Mittie Duquette-	128.27	passed away			
Fred Bills -----	38.04				
Prosper Pratt --	5.53				
Sears -----	16.25				
James Collins --	7.68	all			
E. Grant -----	14.43	passed			
I. Grant -----	33.43	away			
George Rash ----	owes 83.00	not paid			
Henry Raline -----	41.00	" "			
Charles Brooks -----	55.12	" "			
Coons -----	10.33	" "			
Jerry Bird -----	48.97	" "			
Herbert Mattoon -----	202.74	" "			

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ANCESTOR TABLES

[An asterisk preceding an entry indicates that the correspondent is seeking more information on that ancestor.]

CCXLVII. MARTIN FRANCIS FLYNN, submitted by his daughter, Moira C. Flynn, 438 Country Club Blvd., Slidell, LA 70458-1370

I.

1. Martin Francis Flynn, 1929- ; Pittsfield, Massachusetts; Louisiana.

II.

2. John Martin Flynn, 1885-1971; Great Barrington, Massachusetts; Pittsfield.
3. Charlotte Mary Collins, 1892-1962; Pittsfield.

III.

4. John Flynn, 1848-1899; Great Barrington.
5. Maria Lahey, 1848-1910; Becket, Massachusetts; Stockbridge, Massachusetts; Great Barrington.
6. Michael Collins, 1858-1916; Dalton, Massachusetts; Hinsdale, Massachusetts; Pittsfield.
7. Eliza T. Rowan, 1861-1928; Pittsfield.

IV.

8. John Flynn, -1862; Ireland; Great Barrington.
9. Ann O'Brien, -1884; Ireland; Great Barrington.
10. David Lahey, - ; .
11. Ellen Condon, - ; .
12. John Collins, -1909; Dalton; Hinsdale; Pittsfield.
13. Mary Sullivan, -1908; Dalton; Hinsdale; Pittsfield.
14. James R. Rowan, 1828-1906; Ireland; Pittsfield.
15. Rebecca G. , 1840-1902; Ireland; Pittsfield.

V.

- 16-17.
18. John O'Brien, ca1798- ; Ireland; Great Barrington.
19. Mary O'Brien, ca1798- ; Ireland; Great Barrington.
- 20-23.

24. Michael Collins, - ; Ireland.
25. Bridget Lundergan, - ; Ireland.
26. John Rowan, - ; .
27. Mary , - ; .
- 28-31.

VI.

32-63.

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CCXLVIII. ROBERT M. HAFF, 402 Lee Ave., Endwell, NY 13760-3344

I.

1. Robert M. Haff, 1924- ; Adams, Massachusetts; Springfield, Massachusetts; Endwell.

II.

2. Harry E. Haff, 1879-1954; Adams; Springfield.
3. Jessie O. Morton, 1881-1971; Dow City, Iowa; Adams; Springfield.

III.

4. George W. Haff, 1848-1918; Adams.
 - 5.*Ida M. Allen, 1858-1921; Adams.
 6. Alexander Morton, 1842-1916; Paisley, Scotland; Adams.
 7. Ellen Logan, 1842-1924; Paisley; Adams.
- IV.
8. Elisha B. Haff, 1819-1889; Adams; Cheshire, Massachusetts; Stamford, Vermont.
 9. Sarah Hathaway, 1829-1885; Adams; North Adams, Massachusetts.
 - 10.*Edward Allen, 1830-1889; New York; Adams.
 - 11.*Sylvia Cain, 1832-1892; Adams; Savoy, Massachusetts.
 12. William Morton, 1810- ; Scotland.
 13. Margaret McAllister, - ; Scotland.
 14. Alexander Logan, -ante1863; Scotland.
 15. Catherine Imrie, - ; Scotland.
- V.
16. Abraham Haff, 1792-1881; Fishkill, New York; Peru, New York.
 17. Anne Button, 1795-1828; Peru.
 18. Nathaniel G. Hathaway, 1800-1871; Adams; North Adams..
 - 19.*Mary Pratt, 1809-1838; Adams.
 - 20-21.
 - 22.*John Cain, Jr. - ; Adams; Savoy.
 - 23.*Luraine Sherman, - ; Adams; Savoy.
 24. Thomas Morton, - ; Scotland.
 25. Margaret Sterling, - ; Scotland.
 - 26-31.
- VI.
32. John Haff, 1748-1823; Fishkill; Peru.
 33. Rebecca Storm, 1753-1820; Fishkill; Peru.
 34. Elisha Button, 1772-1861; Griswold, Connecticut; Peru.
 35. Anna Yeaw, 1774-1831; Peru.
 36. Nathaniel W. Hathaway, 1770-1847; Taunton, Massachusetts; Savoy.
 - 37.*Anna Barker, 1774-1832; Savoy.
 - 38.*Nathan Pratt, - ; Adams.
 - 39-43.
 - 44.*John Cain, Sr., 1760-1833; Savoy.
 - 45.*Anna Barras, 1765-1847; Savoy.
 - 46-63.

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CCXLIX. KAROLE JEAN TURNER, submitted by Karole Jeanne Turner Stockall, 13986 Pineland Circle, Magalia, CA 95954-9438

- I.
1. Karole Jeanne Turner, 1942- ; Great Barrington, Massachusetts; New York City; Sacramento, California.
- II.
2. Donald S. Turner, 1916-1948; Stockbridge, Massachusetts; Great Barrington; Lee, Massachusetts.
 3. Margaret R. Devaux, 1917- ; Great Barrington; Stockbridge; Lee.
- III.
4. Frederick S. Turner, 1866-1947; Stockbridge.
 5. Mary Richardson, 1872-1961; Otis, Massachusetts; Stockbridge; Lenox, Massachusetts.

- 6.*Guston L. Devaux, 1890-1936; Barkhempsted, Connecticut;
Great Barrington; Housatonic, Massachusetts.
7. Agnes Shelley, 1894-1936; West Springfield, Massachusetts;
Great Barrington; Housatonic.

IV.

8. John Farnum, - ;
- 9.*Fanny Turner, - ; Otis.
10. Charles N. Richardson, 1837-1910; Tolland, Massachusetts;
Sandisfield, Massachusetts.
11. Lucelia Mary Tyrrel, 1832-1914; Monterey, Massachusetts;
Sandisfield; Winsted, Connecticut.
12. Charles Devaux, 1859-1903; France; Avon, Connecticut.
13. Mary Theresa Dirand, 1866-1936; Croom, Limerick, Ireland;
West Springfield; Housatonic.
14. William Shelley (Shiely), 1845-1923; Croom; West Springfield;
Housatonic.
15. Mary Moran, 1857-1928; Ireland; West Springfield; Housatonic.

V.

- 16-17.
- 18.*William P. Turner, 1825-1909; Great Barrington; Otis.
19. Mary Kimberly, 1826-1919; Otis; Great Barrington.
- 20.*Moses Richardson, ca1797-1878; Lyndeborough, New Hampshire;
Tolland.
- 21.*Hannah Gibbs, - ; Windsor.
22. Lewis Tyrrel, ca1802-ca1827; Monterey.
23. Eunice Langdon, ca1806- ; Monterey.
24. Frank Devaux, - ; France.
- 25.
26. Francis Dirand (Durand), - ; France.
27. Theresa Celement, - ; France.
28. John Shiely, - ; County Limerick, Ireland.
29. Bridget Fitzgerald, - ; County Limerick.
30. William Moran, - ; Ireland.
31. Bridget Morrissey, - ; Ireland.

VI.

- 32-35.
- 36.*Mix Turner, - ; Great Barrington.
- 37.*Polly Laird, ca1806- ; Great Barrington.
38. William Kimberly, ca1794-1841; Otis.
39. Matilda Webb, ca1799- ; Otis.
40. John Richardson, - ; New Hampshire.
41. Lydia , - ; New Hampshire.
- 42-63.

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CCL. LYNN EDWARD MARKHAM, submitted by his daughter, Nancy A. Hartwig, 23 Bel Air Dr., Binghamton, NY 13901-5538

I.

1. Lynn Edward Markham, 1911-1995; Oneonta, New York; Binghamton.

II.

2. Winfield Scott Markham, 1888-1943; Gilbertsville, New York;
Oneonta; Johnson City, New York.
3. Anna Augusta Doster, 1890-1980; Kingston, New York; Oneonta;

Masonville, New York.

III.

4. Frederick Reuben Markham; 1863-1919; Gilbertsville; Binghamton.
5. Harriet A. Jackson, 1866-1950; Gilbertsville; Binghamton.
6. Wilhelm Doster, 1861-1939; Germany; Kingston; Endicott, New York.
7. Marth Domcke, 1864-1900; Dresden, Germany; Kingston.

IV.

8. James W. Markham, 1828-1915; New Berlin, New York; Gilbertsville.
9. Elizabeth A. Thayer, 1831-1902; Gilbertsville.
10. Albert M. Jackson, 1831-1900/10; Gilbertsville.
- 11.*Almira , 1837- ; Gilbertsville.
12. Wilhelm Doster, - ; Germany.
13. Louzer, - ; Germany.
14. Kurt Alben Domcke, - ; Germany.
15. Caroline Berta Rieger, - ; Germany.

V.

- 16.*Charles Markham, 1789-1871; Tyringham, Massachusetts; New Berlin.
- 17.*Deborah , 1795-1852; New Berlin.
18. James Thayer, 1804-1881; Schoharie County, New York; Butternuts, New York.
- 19.*Anna Wing, 1808-1886; Rensselaer County, New York; Butternuts.
20. Hiram Jackson, 1799-1864; Wilton, Connecticut; Butternuts.
21. Harriet Bedient, 1803-1876; Butternuts.
- 22-31.

VI.

- 32-35.
36. Jonathan Thayer, 1779-1835; Williamstown, Massachusetts.
37. Barbara Comstock, -1845; .
- 38-39.
40. Daniel Jackson, 1776/84-1849; Wilton; Butternuts.
41. Cynthia , 1777- ;
42. Mordecai Bedient, 1762-1855; Wilton; Butternuts.
43. Mary , - ; Butternuts.
- 44-63.

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CCLI. ELIZABETH ANN BUCKLEY, 11339 Yonge St., Richmond Hill, Ontario, L4S 1L1, Canada.

I.

1. Elizabeth Anne Buckley, 1932- ; Arlington, Massachusetts; Europe; Canada.

II.

2. Francis William Buckley, 1902-1946; Fitchburg, Massachusetts; Arlington.
3. Catherine Elizabeth Enright, 1903-1991; Fitchburg; Arlington; Essex, Massachusetts.

III.

4. John Edward Buckley, 1868-1955; Florida, Massachusetts; North Adams, Massachusetts; Fitchburg.
5. Catherine Ann Judge, 1868-1941; Monroe, Massachusetts; Fitchburg.
6. Patrick James Enright, 1859-1903; Curraheen, County Kerry, Ireland; Fitchburg.
7. Mary Terry, 1864-1951; Ring, County Waterford, Ireland;

Fitchburg; Arlington.

IV.

- 8.*Dennis Buckley, 1827-1872; Ballyvourney, County Cork, Ireland; North Adams; Florida.
- 9.*Hanna Barry, 1838-1897; Ireland; Florida.
10. Patrick M. Judge, 1839-1911; County Sligo, Ireland; Monroe.
11. Bridget Ann Judge, 1840-1930; County Roscommon, Ireland; Monroe; Greenfield, Massachusetts.
12. Michael Enright, -1881; Manor, County Kerry, Ireland; Curraheen.
13. Bridget Daly, - ; Townaveen, County Kerry, Ireland; Curraheen.
14. Nicholas Terry, 1833-1920; Knockenpower Ring, County Waterford, Ireland.
15. Ellen Harty, -1891; Knockenpower Ring.

V.

- 16.*John Buckley, - ; .
- 17.
- 18.*John Barry, 1798-1888; Ireland; Florida.
- 19.
20. Michael M. Judge, 1798-1880; County Sligo; Monroe.
- 21.
22. John Judge, - ; County Roscommon.
23. Catherine Gardner, - ; County Roscommon.
24. Patrick Enright, - ; Manor.
25. Mary Sayers, - ; Manor.
- 26-29.
30. Thomas Harty, -1883; County Waterford.
31. Eileen Fitzgerald, - ; County Waterford.

VI.

- 32-35.
36. John Barry, - ; .
37. Margaret , - ; .
- 38-63.

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CCLII. RUTH ELIZABETH POWERS, submitted by her daughter, Joyce M. Mason, 8 Morton Rd., DeWitt, NY 13214

I.

1. Ruth Elizabeth Powers, 1912- ; New York.

II.

2. Bower Eugene Preston Powers, 1887-1978; New York; Nebraska.
3. Anna Margaret Forward, 1891-1975; Canada; New York.

III.

4. Robert Disney Powers, 1843-1916; Nebraska; New York.
5. Ruth Clarissa Arvilla Forward, 1864-1944; New York; Nebraska.
6. Luke Winchell Forward, 1855-1936; Canada; New York.
7. Catherine Ellen McGuire, 1856-1895; Canada; New York.

IV.

8. Benjamin Power, 1817-1905; Ireland; New York.
9. Hannah Sawyer, - ; Ireland; New York.
10. Silas Forward, 1830-1899; Nebraska; New York.
11. Elizabeth Brott, 1837-1887; New York.

12. Silas Forward, 1830-1899; Nebraska; New York.
13. Elizabeth Brott, 1837-1887; New York.
14. Patrick McGuire, -1864; Ireland; New York.
15. Mary Griffin Holland, -1876; Ireland; New York.
- V.
16. William Power, 1790-1869; Ireland; New York.
17. Mary Ann Disney, 1795-1875; Ireland; New York.
- 18-19.
20. Luke Winchell Forward, 1799-1852; Connecticut; New York.
- 21.
22. Nicholas Brott, -1875; New York.
23. Ruth Rogers, - ; New York.
24. Luke Winchell Forward, 1799-1852; Connecticut; New York.
- 25.
26. Nicholas Brott, -1875; New York.
27. Ruth Rogers, - ; New York.
- 28-31.
- VI.
- 32-39.
40. Jesse Forward, 1758- ; Connecticut; New York.
41. Violetta Winchell, - ; Connecticut; New York.
- 42-63.

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CCLIII. SARA MAE DAWES, submitted by her daughter, Janet Van Wyck, 14050 64th St., Alto, MI 49302

- I.
1. Sara Mae Dawes, 1910-1994; Six Lakes, Michigan; Alto.
- II.
2. Irvin Preston Dawes, 1890-1962; Wabash, Indiana; Six Lakes.
3. Anna Louellan Brown, 1889-1984; Montcalm County, Michigan; Six Lakes.
- III.
4. Milo Dawes, 1866-1935; Wabash; Six Lakes.
5. Berthena Ann Sample, 1859-1947; Xenia, Ohio; Six Lakes.
6. John Martin Brown, 1860-1939; Oakland County, Michigan; Montcalm County.
7. Eva Savilla Stearns, 1861-1912; Montcalm County.
- IV.
8. Albert Dawes, 1832-1921; London, England; Wabash.
9. Elva J. Jones, 1838-1905; Wabash.
10. Joseph Sample, 1836-1923; St. Clair County, Illinois; Xenia.
11. Margaret Mullen, 1833-1901; Wabash.
12. William Alphious Brown, 1827-1912; Montcalm County.
13. Nancy H. Close, 1835-1913; Montcalm County.
14. Joseph D. Stearns, 1827-1906; Pittsfield, Ohio; Montcalm County.
15. Sarah Elizabeth Bigler, 1834-1865; Montcalm County; Oakland County, Michigan.
- V.
16. Edwin Dawes, 1805-1849; London.
17. Sarah Jackson, 1796-1871; London; Wabash.
- 18.*John Jones, - ; .
- 19.*Zelinda Hutchins, - ; .

- 20.*James Sample, - ; .
 21.*Ann Hartsock, - ; .
 22.*Samuel Mullen, - ; .
 23.*Freby Macoral, - ; .
 24.*James Freeman Brown, 1801-1872; Oakland County.
 25.*Sally Ann Sweezy, 1805-1877; Oakland County.
 26.*Samuel H. Close, - ; .
 27.*Maggie Marshall, - ; .
 28.*Denison Stearns, 1795-1785; Berkshire County, Massachusetts;
 Illinois; Ohio.
 29.*Cleressa Waite, - ; .
 30.*John Bigler, 1803-1861; Oakland County.
 31.*Deborah Brewster, 1811-1873; Oakland County.
 VI.
 32-39.
 40.*William Dawes, - ; England.
 41.*Lydia Reed, - ; England.
 42.*Joseph Jackson, - ; England.
 43.*Martha , - ; England.
 44-63.

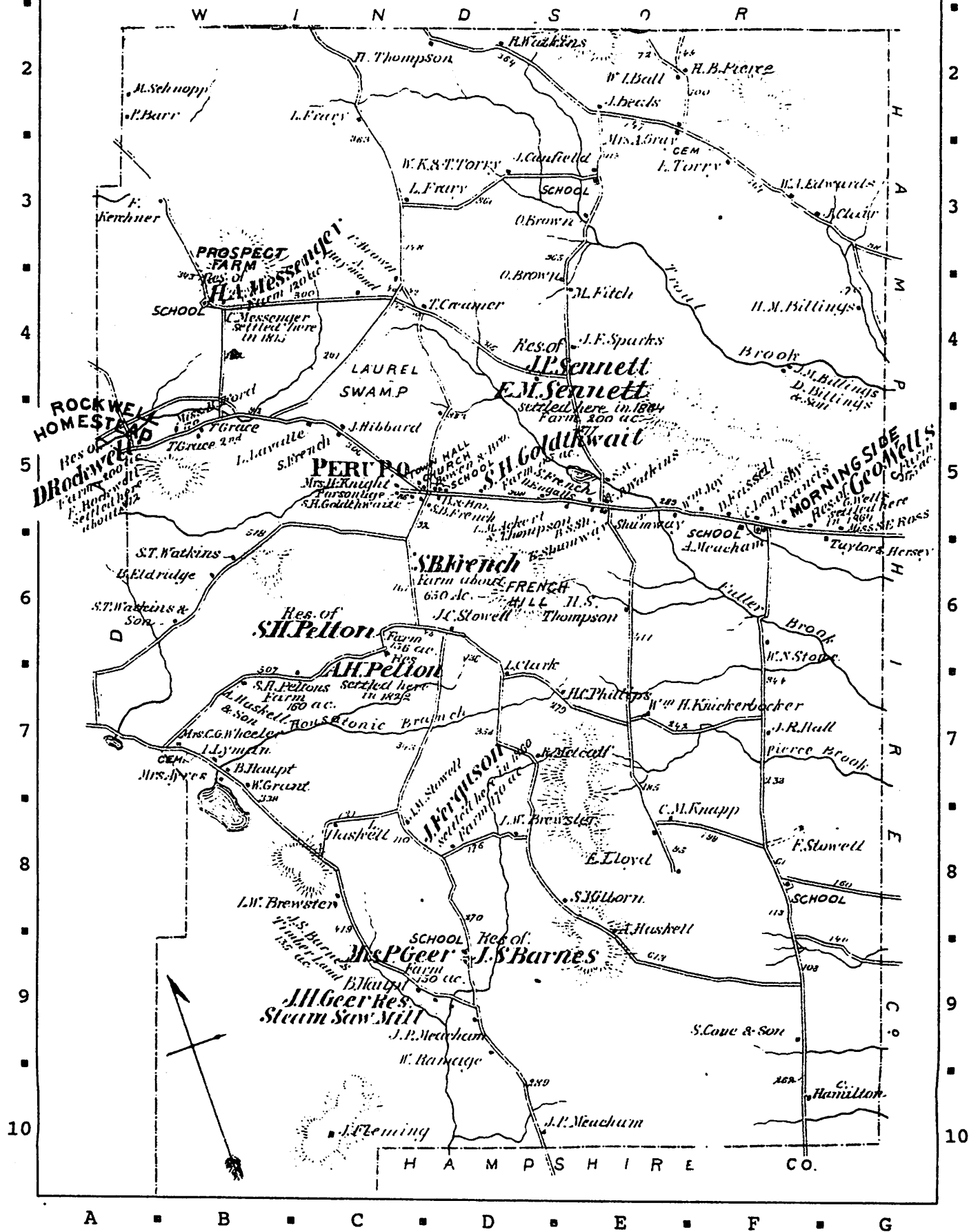
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Ayers, Mrs.	B-7	French, S.B.	D-5	Pelton, S. H.	B-6
Ball, W. I.	E-2	Frissel, D.	F-5	Phillips, H. C.	E-7
Barnes, J. S.	E-8	Geer, N. H.	D-9	Pierce, H. B.	F-2
Barr, P.	A-2	Geer, P.	D-9	Ramage, W.	D-9
Beals, J.	E-2	Goldthwaite, S.H.	D-5	Raymond, A.	C-4
Billings, D.	F-4	Grace, T.	B-5	Rockwell, D.	A-5
Billings, H. M.	G-4	Grant, W.	B-7	Rockwell, E.	A-5
Billings, J. M.	F-4	Gray, A., Mrs.	E-2	Ross, S. E.	G-5
Brewster, L. W.	D-8	Hamilton, C.	G-10	Schnopp, M.	A-2
Brown, O.	E-3	Haskell, A.	E-8	Sennett, F. M.	D-4
	E-4	Haskell, L.	C-8	Sennett, J. F.	D-4
Brown, U.	C-4	Haupt, B.	B-7	Shumway, B.	E-5
Canfield, J.	E-3		D-9	Shumway, S.	F-5
Clair, J.	F-3	Joy, William	E-5	Sparks, J. F.	E-4
Clark, L.	D-6	Kerchner, F.	A-3	Stone, W. N.	F-6
Cone, S.	F-9	Kilborn, S.	E-8	Stowell, F.	G-8
Creamer, T.	C-4	Knapp, C. M.	E-8	Stowell, J. C.	D-6
Edwards, W. A.	F-3	Knickerbocker, Wm.H.	E-7	Stowell, J. M.	C-8
Eldridge, B.	B-6	Knight, H.	D-5	Thompson, H. S.	E-6
Engalls, D.	E-5	Lavelle, L.	D-5	Thompson, R.	C-2
Ferguson, J.	D-8	Lloyd, E.	E-8	Torry, E.	F-3
Fitch, M.	E-4	Lounsby, C.	F-5	Torry, T.	D-3
Fleming, J.	C-10	Lyman, I.	B-7	Torry, W. K.	D-3
Ford, B.	B-5	Meacham, A.	F-5	Watkins, B.	E-5
Francis, J.	F-5	Meacham, J. P.	D-10	Watkins, R.	D-2
Frary, L.	C-3	Messenger, H. A.	B-4	Watkins, S. T.	B-6
Freary, L.	C-2	Messinger, C.	B-4	Wells, George	F-5
French, S.	E-5	Metcalf, R.	E-7	Wheeler, C. G.	A-7
French, S. B.	C-6				

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WINDSOR, MASSACHUSETTS MARRIAGE RECORDS, 1792-1802

Original records from the Henry W. Taft Papers, kept in the vault of the Local History Department of the Berkshire Athenaeum, Pittsfield, Mass.

This may certify that the intention of marriage hath been made publick as the Law Directs Between M^r Ebenezer Stitt and Susanah preston both of Windsor. Attest Tho^s Robinson J^r Town Clerk Windsor Oct^r 8th 1792

Joshua Bealls Esq^r Book of Record for Mariges in Windsor October ye 9 AD 1792 then joined in maridg M^r Ebenezer Stitt to Miss Susanah Preston, both of Windsor as the Law Directs Attest Joshua Bealls Just Peace

This may certify that the intention of marriage hath ben made publick between m^r Daniel Felshaw and mr^s Lydia Safford both of Windsor as the law directs by me Attest Tho^s Robinson J^r Town Clerk Windsor Nov^r 8th 1792

This may certify that the intentions of marriage hath been made publick between m^r Jonathan Bawl and mr^s Huldah Taft both of windsor as the Law Directs by me Attest Tho^s Robinson J^r Town Clerk Windsor Nov^r 27th 1792

Windsor November 29th AD 1792 then joined in maridge m^r Daniel Felshaw to Miss Lydia Safford both of Windsor as the Law Directs Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Windsor April ye 22 AD 1793 To Robert Walker Town clerk In obedience to the Law of the commonwealth I Do hereby certify that in the year Last past I have joined in maridg the foloing persons viz on October ye 9th AD 1792 Joined in maridg Eben^r Stitt to Susanah Preston on Nov^r 29 1792 Danile Felshaw to Lydia Safford and on the same 29 of Nov^r I joined in marig Jonathan Bell to Huldah Taft and on JanY 16 1793 Oliver Harwood to fere Ripley which parsons were joined in maridg Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Nov^r 29th 1792 Then jinned in maridg Mr. Jonathan Ball to Mrs Huldah Taft both of Windsor as the Law Directs Joshua Bealls Just of Peace

This may certify that the intentions of marriage hath been made publick as the law directs between Mr Oliver Herwood and Fear Ripley both of this town by me Attest Tho^s Robinson J^r Town Clerk Windsor January 19th 1793

Berkshire ss January ye 16th AD 1793 Then Joined in Maridg M^r Oliver Harwood unto Miss Fear Ripley both of Windsor as the Law Directs Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

These may Certify that the Intentions of Marriage between Asa Warner of Amherst and Mary Eddy of Windsor hath been Legally Published - Seth Coleman Clerk Amherst May 22 1793

This May Certify whom it may Concern that the Intentions of Marriage between Asa Warnor of Amherst and Molly Eddy of Windsor was made Publick in sd Windsor as the law of this Commonwealth directs - by - Robert Walker Town Clerk June 1-- 1793

This may Certify whom it may Concern that the Intentions of Marriage between Mr Nathaniel Luther and the widow Lucy Hammon was made Publick in Windsor as the law of this Commonwealth directs - by Robert Walker Town Clerk Windsor June 27 1793

Berkshire ss August 8th AD 1793 then Joined in maridg Mr Asa Warner of Amherst unto Miss Mary Eddy of Windsor in Manner as the law of this Commonwealth Directs Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Windsor Novr 5th 1793 This may Certify whom it may Concern that the Intentions of Marriage between James Dodge and Sinthey Preston both of Windsor was made Publick according to the law of this Commonwealth by Robert Walker Town Clerk

Berkshire ss November ye 6 AD 1793 Then Joinned in Marriage Mr James Dodge and Miss Sinthey Preston Both of Windsor in manner as the Law of this Commonwealth directs Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Windsor Decr 23d 1793 This may certify whom it may concern that the Intentions of Marriage between Zebulon Packard and Alletheat Banister both of Windsor was made Publick at Windsor as the law of this Commonwealth directs by me Robert Walker Town Clerk

Windsor Feby 28th 1794 This may Certify whom it may Concern that the Intentions of Marriage between Ely Fullor and Eunice Dunbar both of Windsor was made Publick agriable to the law of this Commonwealth by Robert Walker Town Clerk

Berkshire ss March ye 13 AD 1794 Then Joinned in Marige Mr Zebulon Packard and Miss Alletheat Banister Both of Windsor in Manner as the Law of the Commonwealth Directs Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Berkshire ss Windsor March ye 13 AD 1794 Then Joinned in marriage Mr Ely Fuller (of a place called ----- crossed out) and Miss Eunice Dunber of Windsor in manner as the Law of this Commonwealth Direct Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Windsor March 30th 1794 This May Certify whoom it may Concern the the Intentions of Marriag between Oliver Town and Sarah Dodge both of Windsor has remaind in my office fourteen days the Time limoted by the law of this Commonwealth and has been published by Robert Walker Town Clerk

Berkshire ss Windsor Tuesday morning it being April ye 1 AD 1794 Then Jined in marige Oliver Town & Sarah Dodge both of Windsor in manner as the Law of the Commonwealth doth Direct Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Windsor April ye 30th 1794 To Robart Walker Town Clerk
In obedience to the Law of this Commonwealth I do hereby certify that in the year last past I have Joined in marriage in manner as the Laws of this Commonwealth directeth the foloing persons (viz) On the 27 day of June AD 1793 Nathanel Luther to Widow Lucey Hammon both of Windsor. August ye 8th AD 1793 Joinned in marriage Asa Warner of Amherst unto Molley Eddy of Windsor. November ye 6th AD 1793 Joinned in marriage James Dodg unto Sinthy Preston both of Windsor. March ye 13 AD 1794 Joinned in marriage Zebulon Packard unto Alitheat Banister both of Windsor. March ye 13th AD

1794 Likewise Joined in marriage Ely Fuller unto Eunice Dunber both of Windsor. April ye 1st AD 1794 Joined in marriage Oliver Town unto Sarah Dodge both of Windsor. Attest Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace The above is a true copy of the return delivered to Robert Walker Town Clerk the Day of the Date above Written. Attest Joshua Bealls

October 27 AD 1794 Then Joined in marriage Stephen Pottor of Cheshier to Esther Harwood of Windsor in manner as the Law of this Commonwealth doth direct by me Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Windsor Oct^r 28 1794 This May Certify that the intentions of Marriage between Lt Stephen Potter of Cheshier and Miss Esther Harwood of Windsor has been made Publick in Windsor as the Law Directs and has bin Entered with me fourteen days previous to this date. Robert Walker Town Clerk

Berkshire ss Windsor Nov^r 6th AD 1794 Then Joined in marriage John Banister & Soveyah Davis Both of sd Windsor in manner as the Law of this commonwealth doth direct by me Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

Windsor Nov^r 6th 1794 This may Certify whom it may concern that the Intentions of Marriage between John Bannister and Soveyah Davis both of sd Windsor - Was made Publick in Windsor as the Law of this Commonwealth Directs and has been entered with me fourteen days previous to this date. Robert Walker Town Clerk

Cheshire October 27th 1794 This Certifieth that Stephen Potter of Cheshire and Esther Harwood of Windsor have been Published in Cheshire according to Law in Cheshire and that their Intentions of Marriage hath been entered with me fourteen days prior to this date. Attest James Barker Town Clerk of Cheshire

This May Certify whom it may Concern that the Intentions of Marriage between Simeon Newman and Betsey Cole both of Windsor was made Publick in Windsor as the Law of this Commonwealth directs and remained fourteen days in my office. Windsor April 3^d 1795 Robert Walker Town Clerk

Berkshire ss Windsor April ye 2 AD 1795 Then Joined in marriage Nathan Andrews to Polley Banister both of Windsor in manner as the Law of this commonwealth directs Joshua Bealls Justice of Peace

Berkshire ss Windsor April ye 5 AD 1795 Then Joined in marriage as the Law Directs Simeon Newman to Betsey Cole both of Windsor Joshua Bealls Justice of Peace

Windsor April ye 30 AD 1795 To Robert Walker Clerk of the Town of Windsor In conformity to the Law of this Commonwealth I do hereby Certify that in the year Last past I have Joined in marriage as the Law of the Commonwealth Doth direct the following persons (viz) in October 27 AD 1794 Jined in marriage Stephen Pottor of Cheshir to Esther Harwood of Windsor. Nov^r ye 6 AD 1794 Joined in marriage John Banister to Soveyah Davis both of Windsor. April ye 2 AD 1795 Jined in marriage Nathan Andrews to Polley Banister Bouth of Windsor. April ye 5 AD 1795 Joined in marriage Simeon Newman to Betsey Cole Both of Windsor. Attest Joshua Bealls Justice of Peace. The above is a true Coppey of a

Return maid to Robart Walker Clerk of the Town of Windsor the day & year of the above date. Joshua Bealls Justice of Peace

This May Certify whoom it may concern that the Intentions of Marriage between Nathan Andrews to Polley Banister both of Windsor was made publick in Windsor as the Law of Commonwealth directs, and remained fourteen days in my office. Windsor April 2d 1795 Robert Walker Town Clerk

Berkshire ss Windsor june ye 27 AD 1795 Then Joined in Maridge M^r Nethenel Luther to Widow Lucy Hammon both of Windsor in manner as the Laws of this Commonwealth Directs Joshua Bealls Justis of Peace

I here by Sertifey that an intention of maridge between Abiather Chafey & Meriam Clarck both of windsor hath bin Entred with me forteen Days Prior to this Date and Published in the town of Windsor as the Law Directs given under my hand this Sixteenth Day of January AD 1797 Ebenezer Cooper Clerk of Said town of Windsor

This may certify that Amos Bowen & Ruth Smith both of Windsor have been published according to Law and that their intentions of Marriage has been entered with me 14 days prior to the Date here of. Windsor Sept 9th 1798 Denison Robinson Town Clerk

This may certify that Ebenezer Blanchard of Windsor and Abigail Gillet of Savoy have been published according to Law and that their intention of marriage has been entered with me fourteen days prior to the date hereof. Windsor July 13th 1801 Denison Robinson Town Clerk

This may certify that M^r Timothy Smith and Miss Elizabeth Miner both of Windsor have been published according to Law and that their intentions of marriage has been entered with me fourteen days prior to the date hereof. Windsor Oct 27th 1801 Denison Robinson Town Clerk

This may certify that Willard Morse and Olive Convers both of Windsor have been published according to Law and that their intentions of marriage have been entered with me fourteen days prior to the date hereof. Windsor FebY 4th 1802 Denison Robinson Town Clerk

This may certify that Jephthah Turner of Cummington and Hannah Beals of Windsor have been published in Windsor as the law directs and that their intentions of marriage has been entered with me fourteen days prior to the date hereof. Windsor Nov^r 19th 1802 Denison Robinson Town Clerk

I hereby Certify that an Intention of Marriage between m^r Jephthah Turner of Cummington and Mrs. Hannah Beals of Windsor hath been entered with me fourteen days Prior to the Date hereof and hath been Published in the town of Cummington as the Law directs. Given under my hand this 15th day of November 1802. Abel Packard, Jun^r Town Clerk

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FARM DIARY OF GEORGE WALKER OF LENOX, MASSCHUSETTS

From the Rollin H. Cooke Collection

Old Capt. Mack of East was buried Dec 9-1850 very aged
 James Smith, son of Capt. Enos(?) Smith buried Oct 13-1849
 Mrs. Silas Eddy buried July 15-1850
 Child of Joseph Gravel(?) died Jan 6-1852 ae 2
 Jesse Root buried Jan 23-1853
 Henry S. Worthington d Bethany, N.Y. buried Lenox Jan 27-1853
 leaving widow. He was son of Dr. Worthington
 Abner Taylor of Lee d Feb 11-1853 ae 67
 William Porter of Lee d Feb 14-1853 ae 60
 John H. Bartlett of Lee d Elmira N.Y. Jan 29-1853 buried at Lee,
 suicide. He was son of Dr. Bartlett
 Rev. L. W. Curtis of South Carolina lost 2nd wife of consumption
 Jan 28-1853
 Old Mrs. Elizabeth Miller d night of Feb 2-1853 buried New Lenox
 Feb 4
 Mr. Julius Rockwell's mother died Feb 4-1853 ae 81 buried Feb 9
 Mrs. John Dresser 2nd drowned herself in cistern Feb 24-1853 -
 domestic affliction
 Emily Wells d Jan 1-1852
 13 persons died from Jan 1-1851 to Jan 1-1852
 H. H. Cook's dau d Jan 9-1852 ae 15 Augusta Cook
 Mrs. Betts mother of Mr. Davis d before Jan 22-1852 (prob not in
 Lenox, R.H.C.)
 Sarah Pierce of Litchfield Ct. d Jan 19-1852. She taught Mrs.
 Walker when a girl.
 W. P. Walker m Jan 29-1807
 Prof Lasell, Williamstown d Jan 31-1852
 Job Canfield, Dea. Yale's father-in-law was 88 yrs old Feb 2-1852
 Thomas Twining, Esq. & Mrs. Sarah G. Lee m Feb 17-1852
 Mrs. Linus Hall d Hudson Mar 20-1852 ae 72
 Martin Hastings of Pittsfield, son of Oziel W. Hastings of Lenox
 d Mar 28-1852 ae 28 at his father's house, having driven
 down from Pittsfield the day before
 Otis Barrett d Mar 29-1852 ae 60 "a good man"
 Andrew Clark Sen'r d in state about Apl 27-1852 funeral April 28
 Col. S. Pickett, of Otis d abt Apl 27-1852
 Mrs. Elizabeth Worthington Strong, wife of John H. Strong d
 Glendale Apl 28-1852 ae 43—
 Mrs. Emeline Main d May 8-1852
 Ovid Plumb m Miss Miles July 21-1852
 Sedgwick Mills Hull d Hartford Ct July 24-1852
 Mrs. Eunice Ingalls is 81 years old in 1852
 Capt. Origen Sabin is 80 in 1851 born Dec 20 1771
 Mr. Edward Burrall, Stockbridge is 65 yrs old 1852
 Gen'l (?) Williams, " " 62 " " "
 Capt. James Porter died Aug 16-1850 ae 84
 Benjamin Howes was 70 yrs old Mar 16-1852
 Mrs. Howes, his wife was 70 yrs old June 24-1852
 Mrs. Dea. Reuben Rockwell, of Colebrook, 80 yrs old 1852
 Mrs. William Adam, Lee 50 yrs old May 14-1852

Edward Gale 27 yrs old July 15-1852
 D.R.W. (Daniel R. Williams) 41 yrs old May 4-1852
 Joseph Palmer 28 " " 1852
 Lucy W. born 1808
 Miss Helen Cottrell b. July 17-1838
 Fanny Hotchkin June 23-1852
 Mary " June 19-1852
 W. P. Walker 73 yrs old Oct 7-1851
 Elisha Peck Esq d N.Y. Nov 26-1851 ae 63
 Dr. Worthington 60 yrs old Sep 1851
 Charles Sedgwick 60 yrs old Dec 15-1851
 William Adam b. April 17-1799
 John Chittenden d Stockport about Nov 26
 Thad Pomeroy d Stockbridge Dec 20-1851
 Henry Seeley Taylor & Fanny Davis, dau of Jas S Davis m Dec 31-1851
 Michael Broderick's dau d Aug 9-1852 ae 15
 Sarah Babcock, dau of Ezra Babcock buried Aug 11-1852
 John Brown's boy Charles d Aug 19-1852 colored
 Mrs. Eunice Ingalls, relict of late James Ingalls d Aug 20-1852 ae 81
 Miss Elizabeth Johnson, dau of Billings Johnson, d at Williams-town while at commencement, Aug 20-1852 ae 22
 Mrs. Hyde, widow of late Rev. Alvan Hyde buried at Lee Aug 29-1852
 Robert W. Adam & Sarah P. Brewster, both of Pittsfield m Sep 1-1852 by Rev. John Todd
 John Lane & Maria Peck in same day married, both couples went to Niagara Falls immediately
 Gen. Judd's son Marshall Lincoln buried Sep 23-1852
 Oziel W. Hastings Killed at Cheshire Furnace Oct 31-1852
 Col. Levi Belden aged 82 in Nov 1852
 Capt. Origen Sabin " 82 " Dec 1852
 W. P. Walker " 82 " Nov 1852
 Mrs. Leman Church, Canaan, d 2 weeks before Nov 4-1852
 Dr. Worthington has son Henry ill in Bethamy, N.Y. Dec 27-1852
 Rev. Arch C. Foss (M.E. Minister) of Lenox m. in N.Y. Aug 6-1852
 Miss Catharine H. Carpenter
 Judge Henry Walker Bishop b. Apl 12-1796 is 57 yrs old 1852
 Richard Miles b. Nov 25-1794
 John Cottrell (?) is 17 Nov 22-1852
 Abraham Hall b. Nov 3-1833
 Elijah Gates is 73 Dec 21-1852
 Freeman Gates, son of Elijah, b. May 30-1808
 Col. Levi Belden is 82 in Aug 1752
 Moza Stevens b. Aug 19-1779
 Joe Sparks (half Shaker) is 68 in 1852, his Becca (once wife) is 66 in 1852
 Mrs. Daniel Williams is 77 in 1852
 John A. Walker had dau b. Dec 4-1852
 James Collier, by 3rd wife, had twin boys b. Dec 9-1852
 Crazy Sue -- Susan Dunham d Pittsfield Dec 1852 ae 85
 Col. Mattoon d Dec 20-1852 ae 69
 Mrs. Dea. Rockwell, d Colebrook, Ct Feb 4-1853 ae 82

Capt. Enos Smith b April 2-1772
Old Mrs. Titus Parker d Sep 13-1851 ae 91
John Parsons d Troy, N.Y. Aug 31-1851
W. P. Walker m Jan 29-1807
Widow Elijah Parsons buried here Mar 11-1854
Ocrum Curtis d Dec 12-1849 ae 69
Jos. H. Gray of Boston & Maria Dewey, dau of Judge Dewey, m at
Wmstown-- Mar 10-1853
W. P. Walker brought his wife to Lenox Mar 19-1807
Miss Jerusha Worthington d Mar 28-1853 ae 76
Chas Babcock, son of Joseph M. Babcock, d suddenly in a fit Mar
29-1853
Mrs. Geer, of Pittsfield, dau of Gen. Judd buried at Lenox Apl 3-
1853
Jane Bangs, dau of late Abram Bangs Jr. d Apl 4-1853
Old Mr. Oliver Stedman died last fall at Unionville, Ct-- Apl 12-
1853
Abr Allen Metcalfe d Putnam O Apl 6-1853 ae 83-came to Lenox 1792
Old Mrs. Bangs d night before last Apl 23-1853
Child of J. Michaels (colored) buried Apl 28-1853
Accident at Norwalk, Ct. on N.Y. & N.H. R.R. May 6-1853 51 per-
sons killed
Mrs. Robbins & dau Mary killed or drowned, Accident occured at
drawbridge - Remains brought to Lenox on the 7th
Cornelius Butler drowned himself in well at his own house May 18-
1853. Has been slightly deranged for some time.
Ensign Loomis' father d May 24-1853 near 70
Mr. Clark & Minerva Mack m June 2-1853
Irishman drowned at Lee June 11-1853 funeral-large-passed on way
to Pittsfield June 12
Widow of James Smith, dau of John Cook m Winchell of Hinsdale
June 26-1853
Geo Perrin Davis b June 3-1842 son of David & Sarah (Walker)
Davis, of Bloomington
Edw. Williams' son (first) 7 ms old Dec 15-1853
Mrs. Mulkins is 66 yrs old Dec 1853
Capt. David Osborn is 73 Aug 15-1853 d Mar 13-1855
Geo Guilford of Hadley & widow of A. C. Metcalfe, late of Lenox,
m. at Pittsfield, Dec 22-1853
Webb (English) & Julia Hastings m July 8-1853
Chs H. Eddy d of consumption at Great Barrington July 23-1853 ae
37. He was husband of Electa Curtis, sister of W. C. Curtis,
of Lenox and was buried at Lenox on 25th by the order of Odd
Fellows
John Mattoon's dau died July 25-1853
Widow of late Esq. Newton d at Norman Wilcox's July 25-1853 ae 80
Edwin M. Sanders, of Pittsfield & Esther Yale m at Lenox Aug 9-
1853
Mrs. Temperance Sedgwick, wife of Asher Sedgwick d Aug 22-1853 ae
88 She was mother of Thomas Sedgwick
Timothy A. Hazen, principal of academy m Aug 23-1853 Augusta Ives
dau of Isaac C. Ives Esq.

CUMULATIVE CENSUS OF NEW ASHFORD, MASSACHUSETTS, 1790-1920

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1860	76	22	John	Casey	24	Ireland
1860	76	32	[1]James	Clancey	30	Ireland
1860	76	33	Anne	Clancey	30	Ireland
1860	76	35	Cornelius	Clancey	-1	N.Y.
1860	76	34	Ellen	Clancey	2	Mass
1910	1A	24	?	Claremont		
1850	283	10	[1]Jared	Clark	54	Rhode Island
1850	283	11	Ann	Clark	52	Vermont
1850	281	35	Ervin	Clark	24	New York
1850	284	21	Franklin	Clark	12	Mass
1850	283	12	Stephen	Clark	10	Mass
1860	79	1	[1]Ervin	Clark	35	Mass
1860	77	8	[1]Jared	Clark	66	R.I.
1860	79	5	Dianna	Clark	4	Mass
1860	79	4	Francis R.	Clark	7	Mass
1860	79	2	Hannah	Clark	28	Mass
1860	77	9	Harriet L.	Clark	33	N.Y.
1860	79	6	Jerimiah	Clark	3	Mass
1860	79	3	John H.	Clark	9	Mass
1860	77	10	Rosanna	Clark	1	Mass
1860	79	7	Sarah A.	Clark	1	Mass
1870	2	1	[1]Alanson	Clark	49	Vermont
1870	4	14	[1]Irving	Clark	44	Mass
1870	2	2	Alma S.	Clark	39	Vermont
1870	2	7	Carrie	Clark	3	Mass
1870	4	22	Charles	Clark	5	Mass
1870	4	18	Dianna	Clark	18	Mass
1870	4	23	Emerson	Clark	2	Mass
1870	4	17	Francis	Clark	17	Mass
1870	4	15	Hannah	Clark	35	Mass
1870	2	3	Jennie C.	Clark	11	Mass
1870	4	19	Jerimiah	Clark	13	Mass
1870	2	32	John	Clark	19	Mass
1870	4	16	John H.	Clark	19	Mass
1870	2	6	Leonard	Clark	6	Mass
1870	2	5	Lucy	Clark	8	Mass
1870	4	21	Lucy	Clark	7	Mass
1870	2	4	Nellie	Clark	9	Mass
1870	4	20	Sarah	Clark	11	Mass
1900	40B	55	Nellie	Clark	38	Mass

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1920	1A	36	Frank	Clark	82	Mass
1800	164	48	Jesse	Clothier		
1810	176	11	Jonathan	Clothier		
1820	192	8	Jonathan	Clothier		
1830	455	29	Jonathan	Clothier		
1840	138	12	Jonathon	Clothier		
1840	138	25	Samuel T.	Clothier		
1850	283	28	Jonathon	Clothier	65	Mass
1860	74	21	Jonathan	Clothier	76	Mass
1790	437	14	James	Cole		
1800	164	44	Ebenezer	Cole		
1800	164	40	Jacob	Cole		
1800	164	56	James	Cole		
1810	176	12	Ebenezer	Cole		
1810	176	13	James & son	Cole		
1820	192	10	Leanard W.	Cole		
1820	192	11	Otis	Cole		
1830	454	26	Otis	Cole		
1840	138	15	Otis	Cole		
1840	138	16	Samuel	Cole		
1850	283	13	[1]Otis	Cole	55	Mass
1850	283	14	Abgail	Cole	50	Mass
1850	283	16	Mary C.	Cole	23	Mass
1860	78	30	Ebbenezer	Cole	84	Mass
1850	283	15	[1]Otis	Cole Jr.	28	Mass
1860	76	14	[1]Michael	Collins	38	Ireland
1860	76	15	Joannah	Collins	38	Ireland
1860	76	18	Joannah	Collins	9	Mass
1860	76	17	Mary A.	Collins	11	Mass
1860	76	26	Richard	Collins	23	Ireland
1860	76	16	William	Collins	13	Vermont
1790	437	16	Medad	Comstock		
1880	1	40	[1]John Anson	Corliss	32	Vermont
1880	1	43	Albert	Corliss	5	N.Y
1880	1	42	Mabel	Corliss	7	N.Y
1880	1	41	Margaret	Corliss	30	N.Y
1880	1	44	Mary	Corliss	1	Mass
1790	437	17	Andrew	Cornish		
1840	138	1	Francis	Cota		
1920	1B	86	[1]William E.	Crandall	45	New York
1920	1B	93	Alice P.	Crandall	5	Mass
1920	1B	94	Doris	Crandall	2	Mass
1920	1B	89	Ella Edna	Crandall	16	Mass
1920	1B	90	Elmer W.	Crandall	13	Mass
1920	1B	92	Ethel R.	Crandall	8	Mass
1920	1B	88	Grace M.	Crandall	17	Mass
1920	1B	91	Hazel V.	Crandall	10	New York

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YEAR	PAGE	LINE	FIRST	LAST	AGE	BORN
1920	1B	87	Ida May	Crandall	36	New York
1900	40A	29	Elizabeth	Curan	21	Mass
1860	76	27	Morris	Curren	25	Ireland
1880	5	40	Phileppo S.	Dale	45	Switzerland
1790	437	19	William	Danley		
1800	162A	18	Esther	Danley		
1810	178	19	William	Danley		
1860	78	25	Charles A.	Davis	6	N.Y.
1860	78	24	Hiram	Davis	40	N.Y.
1810	178	16	Eliphalet	Dean		
1810	178	17	Isaac	Dean		
1820	192	13	Isaac	Dean		
1830	454	7	Simeon	Dean		
1850	281	2	Mary A.	Deming	9	Mass
1900	40A	8	Bernard	Deney	1	Mass
1910	2A	28	[1]Elijah	Denison		Mass
1910	2A	29	Agnes L.	Denison	59	Mass
1800	163	26	Henry	Dewey		
1810	178	18	Henry	Dewey		
1820	192	12	Henry	Dewey		
1830	454	16	Henry	Dewey		
1840	138	35	Henry	Dewey		
1840	138	30	James	Dewey		
1850	282	10	[1]Henry	Dewey	77	Connecticut
1850	282	11	Abigail	Dewey	67	Mass
1850	282	13	Henrietta	Dewey	25	New York
1850	282	12	Wm B.	Dewey	30	Mass
1860	77	18	[1]James	Dewey	56	Mass
1860	78	19	[1]William	Dewey	40	Mass
1860	77	20	Caroline	Dewey	31	Mass
1860	78	22	Charles C.	Dewey	4	N.Y.
1860	77	19	Cloe	Dewey	66	Mass
1860	78	21	Emily A.	Dewey	8	N.Y.
1860	78	20	Henrietta A.	Dewey	39	N.Y.
1860	78	23	James G.	Dewey	-1	N.Y.
1870	3	37	Caroline	Dewey	40	Mass
1870	3	38	Chloe	Dewey	77	Mass
1850	281	23	Maria	Dill	11	New York
1860	76	31	John	Dogan	24	Ireland
1910	1A	7	John	Dominick	16	
1920	1A	27	[1]Henry T.	Duval	38	New York
1920	1A	29	Henry D.	Duval	18	Mass
1920	1A	33	Madelyn	Duval	3	Mass
1920	1A	28	Nellie	Duval	37	New York
1920	1A	30	Roland	Duval	15	New York
1920	1A	32	Russell	Duval	5	Mass
1920	1A	31	Viola	Duval	14	New York

YEAR	PAGE	LINE	FIRST	LAST	AGE	BORN
1820	192	14	John	Elliot		
1860	74	1	[1]Phillip	Englesher	42	Baden
1860	74	4	Adaline	Englesher	16	Baden
1860	74	2	Margaret	Englesher	44	Baden
1860	74	5	Mary	Englesher	13	Baden
1860	74	3	Phillip	Englesher	20	Baden
1820	192	15	Ephraim	Farrington		
1830	454	9	Ephraim	Farrington		
1840	138	39	Ephraim	Farrington		
1840	137	9	Philip	Farrington		
1850	282	23	[1]Ephraim	Farrington	57	Mass
1850	282	25	Mason E.	Farrington	8	Mass
1850	282	24	Terrissa G.	Farrington	39	Mass
1860	78	3	[1]Ephraim	Farrington	62	Mass
1910	1A	40	Eva	Felton	22	Mass
1850	282	19	John	Ferdanan	33	Germany
1790	437	21	Isaac	Fish		
1790	437	22	Jonathan	Fish		
1800	164	45	Mathew	Fish		
1840	138	33	Miner	Fisher		
1910	2A	15	[1]Ephraim	Foisy	40	Canada
1910	2A	17	Arthur	Foisy	12	Canada
1910	2A	16	Rosa	Foisy	40	Canada
1790	437	20	Sarah	Foot		
1870	5	23-40	Wood choppers	Foreign names		
1870	6	8-Jan	Wood choppers	Foreign names		
1870	1	38	[1]Peter	Frank	27	Canada
1870	1	40	Joseph	Frank	4	Canada
1870	1	39	Wilhimina	Frank	25	Canada
1880	2	26	Henrietta	Franklin	43	Germany
1790	437	23	Thomas	Fuller		
1900	40B	69	[1]Louisa E.	Fuller	55	Mass
1900	40B	70	Elvin	Fuller	24	Mass
1900	40B	71	Willie	Fuller	16	Mass
1790	437	29	Jacob	Galusha		
1810	178	21	Jonathan	Galusha		
1790	437	28	Cato	Gardner		
1900	40A	7	Alice	Gardner	9	Mass
1900	40A	6	Mrs. May	Gardner	36	NY
1820	192	18	Ephraim	Gavet		
1830	454	3	Ephraim	Gavet		
1850	282	18	Simeon	Gilford	10	Mass
1910	1A	28	[1]Victor	Girard	45	Canada
1910	1A	32	David	Girard	11	Mass
1910	1A	34	Felix	Girard	5	Mass
1910	1A	31	Francis	Girard	13	Mass

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[Question marks next to age entries are those of the enumerator.]

Date of Enumeration: July 6, 1855			Enumerator: Isaac C. Ives	
302	350	Ann Moan	20 F	Ireland
303	351	Orrin Tucker	26 M	Farming
		Sarah M. Tucker	26 F	Mass.
		Leena Chapell	54 F	"
304	352	Bathsheba Bradley	66 F	"
305	353	Lyman Griffing	53 M	Farming
		Hannah Griffing	53 F	"
		Edward L. Griffing	12 M	"
		Franklin L. Griffing	10 M	"
		Robert Horget?	21 M	Teamster
306	354	Sophia Stevons	67 F	Ireland
		Henry Houghtaling	31 M	Conn.
		Olive L. Houghtaling	41 F	Laborer
307	355	Patrick Kinney	26 M	N.Y.
		Ellen Kinney	25 F	Mass.
308	356	John Whalan	23 M	Funnel? Man
		Ellen Whalan	22 F	Ireland
		Thomas N. Whalan	1 M	"
		Elizabeth Hapin?	54 F	Mass.
		Thomas Whalan	21 M	Ireland
309	357	Timothy Young	57 M	Quarryman
		Mary Young	55 F	"
		Julia Young	13 F	"
310	358	Patrick Tully	?50 M	"
		Hannah Tully	?50 F	"
		Mary Ann Tully	7 F	Mass.
		Ellen Tully	5 F	"
		Margaret Tully	3 F	"
		Elizabeth Cumaston?	?25 F	Ireland
311	359	Michael Galaher	24 M	Paper Maker
		Bridget Galaher	20 F	"
312	360	John Wilson?	44 M	Paper Maker
		Dronella? Wilson	39 F	Conn.
		Julia Ann Wilson	19 F	Penn.
		John H. Wilson	15 M	N.Y.
		Mary E. Wilson	13 F	Mass.
		Samal? Wilson	12 M	N.Y.
		Charles A. Wilson	9 M	Mass.
		Frances M. Thompson	17 F	"
313	361	Margaret Malcom?	42 F	N.Y.
		Harriet E. Malcom	14 F	Scotland?
		Samuel L. Malcom	12 M	N.Y.
		James T. Malcom	10 M	N.Y.
		Mary J. Malcom	8 F	N.Y.
362		Mary Lewis	?32 F	Ireland

	James Lewis	11 M		Ireland
	John Lewis	8 M		"
	Maria Lewis	7 F		"
363	Owen Kelly	34 M	Farming	"
	Anna Kelly	23 F		N.Y.
	John Kelly	9 M		Mass.
314 364	Thomas Aikens	?32 M	Paper Maker	Scotland
	Rosanna Aikens	23 F		Ireland
	Clara E. Aikens	2 F		Mass.
	William H. Aikens	1 M		"
	Dora Galvin	13 F		Ireland
365	Mary Kelly	?26 F		"
315 366	Thomas Piercy	53 M	Paper Maker	Scotland
	Mary Piercy	47 F		England
	James Piercy	14 M		England
	Thomas Piercy	7 M		Mass.
	William Finlay	22 M	Paper Maker	Scotland
	Elizabeth Finlay	21 F		England
	Mary Finlay	7m F		Mass.
	William Mooney	23 M	Paper Maker	Ireland
	Thomas Pire?	25 M	Paper Maker	Scotland
	Susan? Camerty?	17 F		Ireland
	Eliza Mannis	22 F		"
	Winnie? Flannagan	18 F		"
367	John Coleman	?43 M	Paper Maker	"
	Ann Coleman	?35 F		"
	Ann Coleman	4 F		Mass.
	Thomas Coleman	9m M		"
316 368	Eunice Tyler	38 F		"
	Marcy F. Tyler	9 F		N.Y.
	Elizabeth L. Tyler	3 F		N.Y.
369	George Dunn	22 M	Paper Maker	Scotland
	Ellen Dunn	18 F		Mass.
317 370	Oliver Kellogg	58 M	Labourer	Conn.
	Minerva Kellogg	47 F		Mass.
	Catharine M. Kellogg	18 F		"
	Mary Kellogg	16 F		"
	Susan Kellogg	13 F		"
	Lucy E. Kellogg	10 F		"
Date of Enumeration: July 9, 1855				
	Albert O. Kellogg	4 M		Mass.
318 371	Mary Newberry	63 F		"
319 372	Erastus C. Hall	50 M	Farmer	Conn.
	Elizabeth Hall	47 F		Mass.
	William C. Hall	19 M	Farmer	"
	Alinor J. Hall	14 F		"
320 373	Samuel B. Hall	48 M	Farmer	Conn.
	Samantha Hall	44 F		Mass.
321 374	Jerri Hall	62 M	Farmer	Mass.
	Fanny Hall	57 F		"
	Frances J. Hall	18 F		"
322 375	John Burns	30 M	Farmer	Ireland
	Mary T. Burns	26 F		"

		James Burns	4 M		Mass.
323	376	Ezra Tucker?	62 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Sophie Tucker	55 F		Conn.
		Sarah Tucker	15 F		Mass.
		Harriet Tucker	13 F		"
324	377	Lyman Foot	57 M	Farmer	"
		Emily Foot	44 F		"
		Harriet Foot	25 F		"
		Emily F. Foot	16 F		"
		John Claflin	14 M		Mass.
325	378	Patrick Ryan	?35 M	Labourer	Ireland
		Winneford? Ryan	?30 F		"
		Patrick Ryan	5 M		"
		Michael Ryan	3 M		N.Y.
		Sarah Ryan	8m F		Mass.
326	379	Lucinda Foote	74 F		Mass.
		Mary P. West	73 F		Conn.
		Cyrus Foote	44 M	Farmer	Mass.
	380	Finner Foote	58 M	Farmer	"
		Elingson? Foote	53 F		Conn.
		Volney F. Foote	18 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Virginia E. Foote	15 F		Mass.
		Alphonso Foote	13 M		"
		Emily L. Foote	10 F		"
327	381	Calvin Foote	?70 M	Farmer	"
		Phoebe Foote	70 F		"
		Eben Foote	30 M	Farmer	"
		Francis Foote	4 M		N.Y.
328	382	Thomas C. Luther	47 M	Machinist?	Mass.
		Moranda Luther	40 F		Mass.
		O? E. Luther	15 M		Vermont
		Nancy A. Luther	12 F		Mass.
		Sarah M. Luther	9 F		"
		Lydia Tooley	46 F		"
329	383	Rupet Sturgis	43 M	Shoemaker	"
		Fanny E. Sturgis	47 F		"
		Martha L. Sturgis	15 F		"
		Theodore O. Sturgis	12 M		"
		Lucy M. Sturgis	8 F		"
		Robert C. Sturgis	21 M	Paper Maker	"
		Elizabeth Sturgis	24 F		"
330	384	Mary A. Houston	51 F		Ireland
		James Houston	26 M	Farmer	"
		? M. Houston	23 F		"
		Hugh Houston	21 M	Machinist	"
		Julia M. Houston	15 F		Mass.
		George Houston	3 M		"
		John Shield	16 M	Farming	Ireland
331	385	George Doolittle	51 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Elisha M. Doolittle	49 F		"
		David Hall	77 M	Pauper	R.I.
		Frank Francis	?83 M	Pauper	N.Y.
332	386	Ransom Hinman	70 M	Surveyor	Mass.
		Lillah Hinman	54 F		Mass.

	387	Rodney Caldwell	26 M	Millwright	Vermont
		Frances S. Caldwell	25 F		Mass.
333	388	Edward D. G. Jones	30 M	Millwright	Mass.
		Nancy E. M. Jones	26 F		"
		Stacia? Jones	2 F		Ohio
334	389	Charles Barnes	39 M	Paper Maker	England
		Emily C. Barnes	37 F		Mass.
		Agnes Barnes	18 F		"
		Elizabeth Barnes	5 F		Conn.
		Martha Barnes	2 F		"
		Albert Packard	21 M	Farming	Mass.
		Emily "	17 F		"
335	390	Henry Alexander	32 M	Stage Driver	Mass.
		Clarissa N. Alexander	29 F		"
		Lucy M. Alexander	5 F		"
		Francis N. Alexander	2 M		"
		L ? D. Alexander	5m M		"
		Mary Palmer	36 F		England
336	391	William Cranston	44 M	Paper Maker	Scotland
		Sarah Cranston	42 F		N.Y.
		Sarah Cranston	19 F		Mass.
		William Cranston	15		"
		Ellen M. Cranston	14		"
		James R. Cranston	12 M		"
337	392	William H. Marceau?	28 M		Vermont
		Mary L. Marceau	21 F		Mass.
338	393	Levi Whitman	63 M	Pedlar	N.Y.
		Mary Whitman	59 F		"
		Winneford Dolan	?16 F		Ireland
339	394	George M. Bradley	31 M	Carpenter	Mass.
		Mary Jane Bradley	21 F		"
		Clara Ann Bradley	2 F		"
340	395	Barnabus Hinckley	48 M	Painter	Mass.
		Mary Hinckley	38 F		"
341	396	Abraham W. Davies	39 M	Carpenter	Mass.
		Harriet L. Davies	37 F		Conn.
		Nancy M. Davies	11 F		N.Y.
		Eliphalet E. Shane?	35 M	Pedlar	Conn.
342	397	Charles N. Couch?	29 M	Carpenter	N.Y.
		Frances Couch	29 F		Mass.
		Theodore Couch	3 M		Mass.
		Ellen Couch	1m F		"
343	398	Egbert Benedict	42 M	Labourer	Mass.
		Eliza Benedict	?32 F		Conn.
		Charles Benedict	12 M		Mass.
		George Benedict	6 M		"
		Oliver Hulett	63 M	Farmer	"
343	399	Eunice Wheeler	68 F		Conn.
		Eunice B. Wheeler	46 F		Conn.
		Francis W. Ayer	7 M		Mass.
344	400	George Stover	37 M	Carpenter	N.Y.
		Catherine Stover	32 F		Conn.
		Ida Stover	6 F		N.Y.
345	401	Horus? Perrin	48 M	Wollen Mill	Mass.

		Theresa Perrin	43	F		Mass.
		Lucinda J. "	19	F		"
		Sarah J. "	16	F		"
		Hannah "	70	F		"
346	402	Moses Strong	67	M	Farming	Mass.
		Moses Strong, Jr.	31	M	Paper Maker	"
		Emily Strong	21	F		"
347	403	James F. Allen	41	M	Shoe Maker	Mass.
		Alura Allen	40	F		"
		Henry S. Allen	19	M	Paper Mill	N.Y.
		Harriet M. Allen	17	F		N.Y.
		James F. Allen	14	M		Mass.
		Newton S. Allen	6	M		"
		Emeline? H. Allen	3	F		"
		Mary E. Allen	7m	F		"
		Daniel Bates	69	M	Labourer	"
348	404	Chauncey Hulett	65	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Electa Hulett	42	F		"
	405	Orrin Hulett	37	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Harriet Hulett	33	F		"
		Mary Hulett	6	F		"
		Allus? Hulett	4	F		Mass.
		Charles Hulett	2	M		"
349	406	Hubbard Fairchild	47	M	Farming	Conn.
		Ceterla? Fairchild	45	F		N.Y.
		Hubbard C. Fairchild	10	M		Mass.
		Hannah C.? Fairchild	8	F		"
		Linda? Fairchild	6	F		"
		Lydia Fairchild	82	F		Conn.
		Reuben Heath	47	M	Labourer	Mass.
350	407	Jeremiah J. Treadwell	34	M	M	Mass.
		Harriet Treadwell	30	F	M	N.Y.
		Edward D. Treadwell	10	M	M	"
		Elizabeth J. Treadwell	7	F	M	"
		Mary E. A. Treadwell	4	F	M	"
351	408	William B. Clark	738	M	Carpenter	Mass.
		Emily C. Clark	26	F		"
		Adelaide Clark	7	F		"
		Jane M. Clark	6	F		"
		Herman W. Clark	2	M		"
	409	William Barlow	28	M	Farming	"
		Adeline Barlow	26	F		"
		Mary Barlow	3	F		"
352	410	John W. Marks?	26	M	Farmer	"
		Laura M. "	21	F		"
		Etta M. "	2	F		"
		Harriet "	1	F		"
353	411	James Newberry	38	M	Shoe Maker	Mass.
		Thankful L. Newberry	37	F		Vt.
		Carolina A. Newberry	16	F		Mass.
		Eliza A. Newberry	9	F		"
		Ella J. Newberry	4	F		"

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THE BOOKSTALL

Review by J. Bradley Cooper

History of Northampton, Massachusetts From Its Settlement In 1664, Volume I, by James Russell Trumbull, 1898. Facsimile reprint, 628pp, hard bound, 8-1/8" x 10-1/8", maps, index of persons, places and events. Price \$65.00 plus \$6.00 S/H. Order from Higginson Book Co., P. O. Box 778, Salem, MA 01970.

The first eighteen pages present a chapter by chapter analysis of their contents.

The earliest settlers of Northampton came from Windsor, Wethersfield, Hartford and Agawam (Springfield), motivated by the abundance of tillable land, facility of trade with the Indians and a desire to improve their condition in life. The detailed account of the formation of the plantation and its development covers the purchase of the land from the Indians in 1638 and the arrival of the first actual settlers in 1654 and the subsequent organization of a town government.

The notion of witches and their activity arose in 1656 and the alleged witch was fined ten pounds, which her husband paid. The numerous allegations were quite similar to those encountered many years later in Salem.

An early example of government intervention in daily life is exhibited in the "sumptuary laws", especially the 1657 enactment which stated, "of utter detestation & dislike that men and women of meane condition, education and callings, should take upon them the garbe of gentlemen by the wearing of gold and silver lace ... or women of the same rank to weare silke or tiffany hoodes or scarves ... The penalty for the first offense shall be admonition". For further offenses, fines increasing with the number of infractions were levied.

The founding of the church seven years after the arrival of the first immigrants was soon followed by the selection of a minister and the construction of a building. There is a 1661 listing of the membership.

Treatment of the Indian Wars is extensive and in particular the Springfield massacre of 1675. These wars, with occasional nudges from the French in Canada finally culminated in the French and Indian war with hostilities ceasing in 1712.

The remaining chapters cover the development of the many governmental, commercial and social institutions, concluding with the year 1712.

This is an extremely interesting book which provides detailed insight into the daily lives of our early American ancestors. There are numerous transcripts of pertinent portions of documents as well as footnotes presenting additional data or citing sources.

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History of Northampton, Massachusetts, Volume II, by James Russell Trumbull, 1902. Facsimile reprint, 699pp, hard bound, 7 1/2" x 10-1/8", illus., index. Price \$65.00 plus \$6.00 S/H. The

set of two volumes is priced at \$125.00 plus \$7.50 S/H. Order from Higginson Book Company, P. O. Box 778, Salem, MA 01970

This volume covers roughly the period of 1700-1800 and opens with a very detailed table of contents. The first chapter describes the dwellings, furniture and customs of the early settlers.

The book recognizes four French and Indian Wars, represented by the rise and decline in hostilities, fort building, use of dogs in tracking employed by the settlers to protect their continuing existence. In all of this Northampton played a large part.

As of today, there was rising concern over the behavior of the rising generation, particularly with regard to proper decorum on the Sabbath. A special committee was "Impowered and desired to prosecute those that are disorderly in the time of public worship that are above the age of sixteen before a Justice of the Peace" The younger disturbers were to be "set before the Deacon's seat" as a public example.

In 1740 came the "Great Awakening" kindled by the evangelist George Whitefield. This eventually led to disagreement between the pastor, Jonathan Edwards, and the members of the parish. This dispute is covered in great detail and eventually was to result in the dismissal of the pastor.

There is much material on the Revolutionary War as it affected Northampton and its aftermath in Shays' Rebellion.

The appendix displays lists of soldiers in the several aspects of the French and Indian wars. Revolutionary war listings include term of service.

The index of persons relates each one to the activities with which they were associated as well as the page containing the information.

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Vital Records of Lee, Massachusetts to the Year 1850, published by the New England Historic Genealogical Society, 1903. Reprint, hard bound, 239pp, 8½" x 11". Price \$29.50 plus \$4.75 S/H. Order from Higginson Book Company, P. O. Box 778, Salem, MA 01970.

This is a compilation of births, deaths and marriages in the town of Lee, Massachusetts from its establishment in 1777 to the year 1850. The births list the name of the child, names of the father and mother and the date. Marriages list the names of the parties, often the place of residence of either or both and the date. Death listings include all sorts of information in addition to date and name of the deceased.

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Contents: Vital records of Barnstable, Eastham, Harwich, Orleans, Middleborough and Plymouth. Editorial Notes. Family names - Francis and Experience Miller. Wills & Estates: Seth Arnold, Ichabod Bartlett, Elizabeth Bradford, Neriah & Ichabod Doty, Isaac Doty, Joshua Knowles, John Paine, William Sherman, Benjamin & Sarah Soule, Elizabeth & Mary Sprout, Thankful (Sturgis) Thacher, Peter & Ebenezer Tomson, Thomas & Mary Tomson, James Warren. Historical Articles: "The Present State of New Plymouth in 1624". Miscellaneous: Bridget & Samuel Fuller deed, Society minutes.

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WALKER DIARY - from page 58

Child of Sheldon Miller's son buried Sep 1-1853
 John Hotchkin sold his farm to Henry Ward Beecher for \$4,000.
 Old Mr. William Bliss d Sep 19-1853 ae 79
 Walter Wood's funeral procession passed Sep 23-1853
 Mr. Josiah Lyman heard Sep 19-1853 of death of his father at Easthampton, M.
 Widow Nancy Strong d Glendale Sep 27-1853 buried Lenox Sep 29
 John Mattoon buried Oct 3-1853 died of consumption
 Child of Elizabeth Van Ness d Oct 9-1853
 Moriah Jenne d Oct 9-1853 funeral at M. E. Ch. Oct 11
 Son of David Thompson d Oct 10-1853 ae 20 buried Oct 12
 J. Strong's sister Fanny buried Oct 20-1853 d Brattleboro Vt at Insane Hospital
 Old Mr. Webb, an Englishman, d suddenly Oct 19-1853
 Mr. Henderson, agt at Lenox Furnace d Oct 21-1853 buried at Lee Oct 23
 Mrs. Dr. Beach of Sandisfield (Nov 12-1853 d last week)
 Mrs. Chapel living on Marshall Sears's farm, New Lenox d Dec 11-1853
 John Braddock of Hartford & Eliza Belden m Dec 12-1853
 ---- Stowe, from W. Stockbridge d in House of Correction Jan 8-1854

[To be continued]

QUERY SECTION

J. Bradley Cooper, Editor

97008

WELLS/WEBB-STILES-McLATHIN

Descendant of Experience WELLS/WEBB, b 1735 d 9 Jun 1814 Pittsfield m 23 Jan 1750/51 Northampton, Zebediah STILES. Seek info Wells or Webb family (Monument in Pittsfield Cemetery says WELLS but researchers say WEBB) Zebediah's ancestors from Westfield/Springfield, Pittsfield area. If Experience is really a Webb her grandmother was a McLATHIN. Would appreciate corresponding with others researching these names.

97009

NEAL(E)-HART

Descendant of Edward NEAL(E) b ca 1640 d 7 May 1698 Westfield m Weymouth 24 Jan 1661/62 Martha HART d/o Edmund HART. Seek info their ancestry. They had 7 children all born in Westfield 1670-1683. Would appreciate corresponding with others researching these names.

Mary Kay Stiles McDowell, 104 St. Andrews Rd., Oxford, MS 38655-2505

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97010

DARBYSHIRE-JUDD-TROWBRIDGE

Deed at Berkshire Registry pg 72 Old Book says William DARBYSHIRE of Pittsfield to Samuel JUDD of Lenox, 25 acres lying in Washington 1/2 lot #56 in the 4 tier in 2nd division, 15 March 1815. Signed by William DARBYSHIRE, Polly, Fanny & Lucinda TROWBRIDGE & Laura DARBYSHIRE wife of William for her right of dower 7 Feb 1815. Any info?

97011

DARBYSHIRE-ODELL-SNIFFEN

Wanted ancestry, siblings of William DARBYSHIRE m Bathsheba ODELL prob Dutchess Co., NY ca 1799. He b 1 Jan 1739 prob s/o Daniel DARBYSHIRE (a loyalist whose property was confiscated) & Evalina SNIFFEN.

Nancy Easter, 1388 Willow Wood Dr., Cambridge, MN 55008

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97012

CALLENDER-JEROME-STILWELL

Seek info Ezekiel CALLENDER b 4 Sep 1758 Sheffield d 1790, m Stockbridge 1783 Lois JEROME d/o Samuel & Lucy Foster JEROME. Had children: Polly m Eli SMITH, Sarah/Sally m step brother Elias Stilwell, Jr., and Ezekiel Callender, Jr. Ezekiel Rev War Berkshire Co. Militia. Seek Ezekiel Callender's parents & place of death.

97013

STILWELL-JEROME-CALLENDER

Elias STILWELL m(1) Martha and had children: Elias, Jr., Lonson and Roger; m(2) widow Lois JEROME CALLENDER and had at least one child, William, b Saratoga Co., NY 1791-1793. Elias Rev War - 22nd Reg CT militia. Seek parents of Elias and who first wife. Sue J. Goodfellow, 7602 Highbridge Road, Manlius, NY 13104

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97014

VAUGHAN

Seek info David VAUGHAN b 1733 Hancock and family including son Jabez VAUGHAN b 1766.

97015

DERBY/DARBY

Seek info DERBY/DARBY family (Sherman et al of Hancock, MA)

97016

DUTCH HISTORY

Seek info early Dutch history of Stephentown/Peterborough/Hoosac New York area.

Nancy Easter, 1388 Willow Wood Dr., Cambridge, MN 55008

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97017

WATSON-SIMPSON

William WATSON b ca 1686 d 29 Jul 1779 Becket. Lived in Rutland & Blandford, m Anna SIMPSON. Need any and all info William & Anna.

97018

JAKSON-CADY

Isabel JACKSON b 13 Jul 1747 d 10 Feb 1829 East Chatham, NY m Elijah CADY 1769. Need ancestry & birthplace of Isabel.

Lillian Stueber, 8800 Walther Blvd. #1401, Baltimore, MD 21234

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FAMILY ASSOCIATION SECTION

J. Bradley Cooper, Editor

The SHELDON FAMILY ASSOCIATION will hold its 58th Annual Meeting October 12-14, 1997 at the Fort Wayne Hilton, Fort Wayne, IN. The meeting this year will feature recently found information on Sheldon descendants and an opportunity for personal research at the near-by Allen County Public Library which is known for its extensive holdings of genealogical material.

For further details contact A. J. Hogan, 1221 Concord Ave., Drexel Hill, PA 19026. Phone (610) 449-7375.

The DESCENDANTS OF VALENTINE HOLLINGSWORTH SR. SOCIETY reunion will be held June 20-22, 1997 in Winchester, VA. For further information contact Rosemary S. Stout, 603 Cardamon Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23464-1905. Phone (757) 420-5818.

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From the *Elmer I. Shepard Collection* - a couple of examples of family alliteration coming up short.

Zuriel Cook had 14 children: Zuriel, Zeressa, Zerema, Zein-us, Zephronia, Zerotia, Zedina, Zegotus, Zelora, Zethaniel, Zeruth, Zelotus, Zedelia, and... James.

Daniel Canfield, by wives Rebecca and Ruth, had 10 children: Roderick, Ruel, Ruammi, Rama, Rufus, Rastus, Rial, Rebecca, Ruth, and... Daniel. ■

GUIDE TO INTERPRETATION OF THE 1855 MASSACHUSETTS CENSUS

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 the household was not recorded. An aid in establishing relationships exists, nevertheless, in the requirement that the enumerator arrange names in a given order:
 - (1) Master
 - (2) Mistress
 - (3) Children in order of age
 - (4) Male domestics, etc.
 - (5) Female domestics, etc.
 - (6) 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 for 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.

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