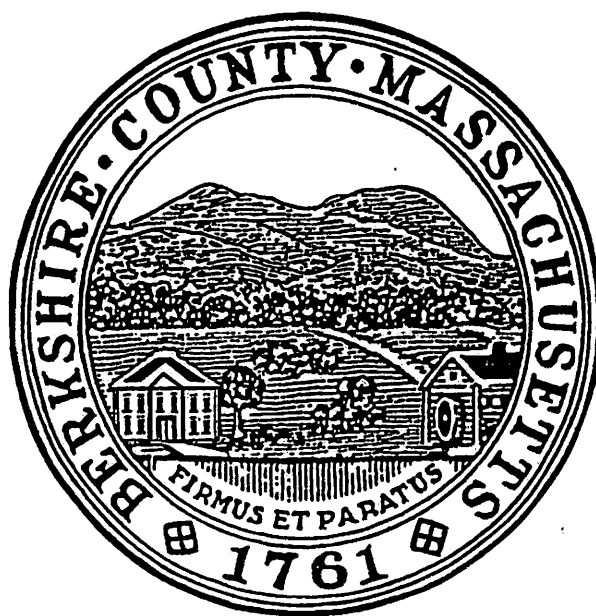


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THE NOTABLE OLD-TIME FAMILY OF JAMES GREENE OF LANESBORO

From *The Berkshire Hills*, March 1, 1904.

In the early part of the last century, a snug farm with its outbuildings lay somewhat aside from the country road among the Berkshire hills in the northeast extremity of the town of Lanesboro. It was the "old homestead" of his family, in the possession of James Greene, a descendant of the Rhode Island stock which gave the Revolutionary army one of its ablest generals. He was a tall, grave man of few words, but of uncommon intelligence. "My father," wrote Miss Greene, "was a man of strict integrity and strong sense. He attended school but a few months in his life, but with the aid of books could master any mathematical subject without an instructor. I remember him as a hard working farmer in the warm season, and in the winter as a close student of science. Algebra, calculus, logarithms, geometry, trigonometry, conic sections, etc., were instruments used in his favorite study of astronomy. For many years he distributed the county papers to subscribers - the still luminous *Pittsfield Sun* among them - passing over the route every week. Almanacs for sale, he bought in the fall in sheets, which the little daughter Francese cut, folded and stitched, a thousand a year. In religion, an old school Baptist, in politics, an old line Democrat, his neighbors knew him as a man of even justice and sincere good will, a specimen of the material that made New England a stronghold of righteousness." His wife, Olive Slaid, was the fit companion of such a man. Testimony to her character was borne in after years by her loving daughter, "She was a wise mother, a consistent Christian, a true self-sacrificing woman, training her children in habits of virtue, industry and order. In her limited circle of acquaintance she was highly esteemed and deeply loved, and I do not know that she ever had an enemy." Into this godly home of "plain living and high thinking" were born five daughters, of whom one died in infancy, a sweet blossom of tender memory to all the rest. The third, Elizabeth, and the youngest, Francese, born in 1813, lived to deserve a place in the annals of Berkshire women.

THE YOUTH OF FANNY GREENE

When three years old the little Fanny

began to go to school, and remembered being thrown into a terrible fright by the school mistress' threat of cutting off the scholars' fingers for some misdemeanor. She ran screaming to her sister for protection, but the agony of that fear was never afterwards equalled. Fifty years afterward she wrote, "I think I have never experienced the feeling of hatred in my life; I cannot in the least sympathize with the desire to see wrong doers suffer. Even the most hardened criminal, I would not willingly condemn to the suffering he inflicts upon others." At the age of six, she was taken by her parents on a journey to Herkimer in the Mohawk valley. Their trip in a one-horse wagon occupied three days. The child had never seen a log house, and she counted seventy-seven of them on the way - a characteristic piece of observation. Her refined and sensitive nature met its trials through her schoolmates, by some of whom she was occasionally jeered at or slighted, unless she was needed to make up a party in play, or they wanted help in their lessons, when the most "aristocratic would condescend to receive her aid." She recorded these experiences long after. The "little red schoolhouses" of that day held sometimes childish cruelty and injustice, as more than one could testify. In her twelfth year occurred events which left life-long consequences. That spring she narrowly escaped death from the attack of an enraged animal which inflicted a wound that necessitated a moveless position for many days and confinement to the bed for many weeks. Beloved books beguiled the monotony - the reading her father did not fail to provide and she was "comparatively content." Darker clouds were coming over the young life. The next autumn malignant typhus fever made its appearance in the neighborhood and attacked the household. First, the father was brought to death's door; then, in a few days the beloved mother was prostrated, lingered for weeks and then closed her eyes on all earthly scenes, October 3, 1826. Meanwhile the fourth daughter, the darling sister Amy, a winsome maiden of twenty, who had ministered by the bedside of her mother, took the fatal poison. When, at the funeral that mother's coffin was brought in for the last look at

the mother-face, Amy was raving in delirium, and Fanny lay sinking into the first stages of the dread disease. Five days after Amy was born to the grave and the pang for their lost sister Amy was scarce dulled in a decade of years. In the midst of these bereavements and aspects of distress, Elizabeth, their strong stay, was stricken and for weeks lay hovering on the borders of death. Was she, too, to be taken? were the heartbroken questions of the terrified survivors. But that was not to be. Slowly she came back to a long life of helpfulness, more slowly the father recovered from a relapse, and not until the child Francese was out of danger did the broken family gather around their saddened fireside. That was a lonely winter, and Miss Green afterwards felt keen self-reproach that she so little realized the burden that fell on her sister Elizabeth. The oldest one was married, having cares and toils of her own, and on these two devolved the fatiguing labors of housekeeping, missing at every turn the steps and voices forever gone. For their comfort, within a year, Mr. Greene brought to the home a second wife, who gained the respect and affection of his children. She was the daughter of Elder John Leland, and old-school Baptist preacher, whose independence and ability as a writer and speaker, his quaint humor and his vigorous fight for religious liberty made him influential wherever known. His long career belongs to the history of the Baptist denomination in all the states from Massachusetts to South Carolina.

HER CAREER AS A TEACHER AND SCHOLAR

From childhood Francese Greene was a scholar assimilating all knowledge that came her way, very little of which could have come through her limited time in the district school. Already prepared, she taught such a school the summer after she was sixteen and for five successive summers afterward. South Lanesboro, Adams, Cheshire Corners and North Lanesboro were the favored spots of these early efforts, where, of course, she "boarded round." The winters were otherwise occupied. In 1830-31 she went into Mr. Rockwell's tailor shop and learned the cutting and making of men's garments. For five years she alternated her teaching with working at her trade, going from house to house as she was wanted. While at North Lanesboro, a young lady visiting near her school told of Mrs. Willard's Seminary at

Troy. That pioneer in the cause of higher education for women was receiving young persons of limited means and promising talents as pupils, on credit, sending them out as teachers, and allowing them to pay her from their salaries. This opportunity drew irresistibly the secluded New England girl, and with her dear friend, Maria L. Curtiss, afterwards Mrs. David L. Seymour, the daughter of a prominent Berkshire family. Together they ventured to make application. To their joy it was favorably received. Miss Greene left off the last part of her teaching term, went a few weeks to a small, select school in the same building, made speedily ready her modest wardrobe and with Miss Curtiss journeyed to Troy and entered the Willard Female Seminary. It was the turning point in her life. The school had already been two weeks under way, and the room-mates could only by hard study overtake their advanced classes. No wonder they often sat up late to prepare their lessons. At the end of a year Miss Greene was sent to Northampton County, Virginia, to the family of Judge Upshur, where she took charge of his daughter Susan. The Judge was afterwards Secretary of State, succeeding Daniel Webster by appointment of President Tyler. His tragic death by the explosion of a cannon on board "the Princeton" in 1844 cast a gloom over the entire South. Her stay of two years in this high-caste Southern family revealed her intellectual ability and the extent of her acquirements, as well as the calm poise and richness of her character. Her faithfulness and success as a teacher, her sweet unassuming refinement and dignity, won for her in the family a lasting affection which she in full measure gave back. On her return to her native hills in 1837 she went first as governess in the family of Mr. Talcott who had a large boarding school for boys. In the spring she bought for \$800 a small house in the village of Lanesboro, and issued her advertisement.

A SELECT FAMILY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

The Summer Term of this school will commence on the first Wednesday in May, and continue twenty-two weeks, after which there will be a vacation of four weeks. The Winter Term will commence four weeks from the first Wednesday in October. The location is in Lanesboro, Mass., about thirty miles from the cities of Troy and Albany, and the situation healthy and agreeable. Twelve boarders will

be received into the family where every exertion will be made to render their situation pleasant, to improve them in manners and morals, as well as in useful knowledge; to furnish them with religious privileges, and to insure them wholesome air and exercise. A few day scholars will be received if the specified number of boarders is not obtained.

TERMS

For the English branches and languages, including French, Latin and Spanish, \$25 a year. For the same with the addition of Music on the Piano, \$40 a year, payable at the end of each term. For this sum the pupil will be entitled to tuition, board, lodging, washing, light, fuel, etc.

Those who are of sufficient age will be required to attend to the care and repairing of their own wardrobe, when necessary, under the supervision of the teacher.

Books and stationery will be furnished, if desired, at reasonable prices. No extra charges made.

Persons who desire their daughters admitted are requested to make application immediately to the Principal, Miss F. L. Greene, or to N. P. Talcott, Esq., Lanesborough.

Miss Frances L. Greene has spent the winter in my family, and has had the care and instruction of my little daughters. Their improvement, it gives me pleasure to say, in their manners and studies has been remarkable and in Music unparalleled; and with others I most cheerfully recommend her as competent in all respects for the undertaking and richly entitled to the confidence and patronage of those who may desire to commit their daughters to her care.

N. P. Talcott

Reference may also be had of the following gentlemen: Hon. Henry Shaw, Rev. S. B. Shaw, Hon. George N. Briggs, Franklin Sturgis, Esq.

Lanesborough, March 6th, 1838

This first circular advertisement was characteristic. It promised no more than could be verified by any who came. The establishment was expected to be mainly a Boarding School. No one familiar with Massachusetts history will need to be informed concerning the gentlemen referred to. Mr. Talcott's commendation emphasizes the fact, that, in the one year at Troy, having, probably, never seen the instrument before, she mastered the theory and

practice of piano music to an extent that made her a competent performer, an excellent teacher and able for years to lead the song service in church. She long kept up the study.

THE SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND FURNISHINGS

Far enough from present requirements were the external features of this "Select School." The house stood and still stands, in 1903, on the road to Williamstown. It was of the oblong box pattern, universal then and long after; and was painted white with green blinds. It has long been in the possession of the Whitney family, and is somewhat altered. A grassy yard lay in front, and at the side neither shrub nor flower varied its surface nor any litter. The south front room was the dining room and also the school room until one was built over the woodshed. In its corner stood a tall clock, the family heirloom; between the windows was the piano, holding the place of honor and attraction; comfortable wooden chairs; in the winter an air-tight stove and the two-leaved table completed the furniture. On the clean walls were no pictures; there were rocking chairs or lounges in the house. The table service of old-fashioned blue ware would be priceless now, and the small teaspoons garnered as souvenirs. In the chambers were wooden bedsteads hung around with the whitest valancey, soft, sweet feather beds with woven blue and white coverlets, or elaborately pieced quilts made in patterns inscrutable and charming. One set of bed-curtains and a spread of hand-woven India cotton, imported at least a century before, had immense festoons of brilliant blue flowers which after a hundred washings emblazoned the skill of the original dyer. The wash-stands of painted pine were supplied with small bowls and stumpy pitchers, and not one was without a little plate and piece of soap. The sparkling draught from those tumblers, the pure, soft water in those bowls, are long memories on the banks of Lake Erie. Every thing was spotless. There was neither dust nor stain in the house, or soot or smoke in the pellucid air. The two sisters managed the whole; the younger was the teacher, the elder was the housekeeper. During her sister's absence Elizabeth had counted lonely days; after her return, only necessity ever divided their paths. Miss Greene's teaching was of level-headed thoroughness, inspiring always to what was better and higher. There was no

sham in any thing she said or did. Inheriting her father's talent for mathematics, she made no display of it, but her pupils were trained in exactness in a manner quite unusual.

HER PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

The theology of Elder Leland, in which she believed without ever discussing it, called for extreme Puritanism in life and the utmost liberty in opinions. Miss Greene became early a member of the Baptist church in Cheshire and though she resided afterwards in distant states she never saw any other with which she wished to unite. Spiritual convictions reinforced early habit as to personal adornment. Her dress was so severely simple that it escaped singularity only because it was never in bad taste. She wore no jewelry; her silver watch was guarded by a black silk cord; the dainty color of her summer print gowns, made without ruffles or any other garniture, harmonized with her gentle manners and low voice. In the school were no public days, no marks, no set examinations. The only stimulus was the desire to learn. Her pupils were from well-to-do families of the town and these with a few boarders filled her numbers. In 1843-4 and 1844-5, she took into her family one young woman as she herself had been received at Troy; gave her a year's board and tuition, lent her a hundred dollars that she might pursue her studies at Mt. Holyoke, and most of all, granted her an undying friendship. A broad, high forehead, dark, beaming eyes, plainly arranged light brown hair, a spare figure set off by no arts, were the external features of a unique personality. Uncommon intellect and great power of loving were veiled by a shrinking reserve and a manner uniformly quiet and calm. In the years 1844 and 1845 Miss Greene, besides her school duties, was occupied in collecting and editing the sermons, addresses and miscellaneous writings of Elder Leland - a task committed to her by her stepmother who died before it could be accomplished. This work of dutiful love, undertaken with reluctance and carried out through many disappointments and vexatious delays, was published by subscription in 1845. In the meantime her own father died (in 1842), but the disheartening work was faithfully finished - a modest preface simply stating its difficulties. As a biography, it is more like a daguerreotype without embellishment. Now out of print and quite rare, it contains a reliable exposition of the early Baptist doctrines in

the works of a most able and striking pioneer preacher. One valuable chapter gives a condensed history of the denomination in Virginia from 1770 to 1836.

THE SAINTLY SISTER ELIZABETH

Miss Elizabeth lives in memory as a character no less remarkable than her sister. The love between them, mingled by their early sorrows, was a mutual respect and devotion that flowed on through the years without the slightest disturbing ripple. She was one of the tallest women of the region and at the time of the school was nearly forty, but seemed much older. Her straight, angular figure had not a line of grace, the strong features not a hint of beauty, only the clear, steady, blue eyes looked at one with a kindly smile in their depths, and the expression of inexhaustible patience. Regardless of any prevailing mode, her gowns were always of extreme scantiness, as of made of the least possible amount of material. All attempts at adding to her wardrobe by those who loved her were quietly put aside. Sunday afternoon she sat and read her Bible or the "Signs of the Times" in her "other dress" of the same style. A small, snow white collar was around her thin neck every day. Scrupulously clean was the whole attire at all times, and the dignified countenance, the stately bearing, the kind and always judicious words announced her rank in the aristocracy of wisdom. With her own hands she performed all the labor of the well-cared-for household; when, or how, one could not tell, it was so skillfully planned and carried out with such unfailing good judgment. What we marveled at was her utter unselfishness. Of her own wishes, or needs, or preferences, she never spoke. It was if she had none. Burying herself in providing for the comfort of the family, she went quietly on, day after day, never hurrying, never for a moment idle. It was impossible not to feel the strength of purpose that lay behind this continual, humble self-sacrifice, of which she was herself evidently unconscious. She would have gone undaunted to a battlefield, or a plague infested hospital to minister to distress, and would have given no sign that she could have done otherwise. Was any difficult, or disagreeable, or wearisome job to be done, it was she who accomplished it without the knowledge of anyone else, if that were possible. City girls in that family, accustomed to different domestic service, never, by word or

look, manifested disrespect to her. Supreme goodness conquered frivolity itself. Intellectually, she was not inferior to her sister. Every book in her range at that time she read and memory kept accurately facts, dates and philosophy. Keen comments on men and measures in the political world; a sane and penetrating outlook over human affairs, were shown to whoever entered the inner circle of her thought. But these were few. She spent her long life excepting the episode in the "select school," in two retired households of varying disappointments, perplexities and bereavements; adding to whatever happiness came, soothing in every sorrow, an unfailing strength, reliance and comfort. Scarce any outside these family circles ever saw her; not one ever knew her. Visits, excursions, pleasures of any kind, were unknown in her life - if it had ever been otherwise their passing had left no bitterness. That perfection of character had been attained as silently as the magnificent elm in the valley had developed its branches.

VANISHED TYPES OF THE PAST

The school has had no chroniclers. Most of those who sat in those seats are gone. If any still linger, they are on the verge of passing, but in the memory of those women must be abiding in every conscious soul wherever it may be. The contrast between the Boarding and Day School of Miss Greene in 1845 and any Educational Establishment for Young Ladies in 1902 is typical of a social revolution incomprehensible to one who has not experienced it. To have known and loved this teacher and this uncanonized "Sister" was to know by precious possession a type of character now vanished as utterly as the crystal brooks that used to run into the Housatonic.

THEIR LIVES IN THE FAR WEST

In October, 1846, Miss Greene was married to Dr. Henry Bagg, a graduate of the Medical College at Pittsfield. They went first to Lowville, N.Y., then for a year and a half were in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, but finally made a home on the pretty Wauconda Lake in Illinois. Elizabeth joined them at Lowville, but, after no long stay, returned to the sister in Cheshire where she was needed. Not until the autumn of 1852 was she welcomed, after a tedious journey to the Wauconda home, and there were no more separations until the final one. From this time the life of Mrs. Bagg

became entirely domestic, made more so by the birth of an only son. His precarious health during infancy and childhood called out all the deep tenderness of her nature. Often ill, what he owed to his aunt the mother recorded in a paper left him to be read in maturer years. "Your aunt bore with more than a mother's patience your childish whims and follies, and to your unreasoning perversity and petulance always opposed the gentle persuasion of meekness and love. She has waited upon you day and night, humored your caprices and excused your waywardness. Self-sacrifice like hers is rare in this world, and nothing less than the devotion of a son is due her." It is pleasant to write that this youth fully met the maternal wishes, and, in spite of being always lacking in physical stamina, has made a creditable career as an artist, and like his mother he is gifted as a musician.

IN THE CEMETERY AT WAUCONDA

As the wife of a physician in a region not redeemed from the virgin wild, and removed from all cultivated society, Mrs. Bagg, with the even balance of her harmonious character, could but be the center of influence for good. The Doctor engaged in successful practice in Lake County where his jovial, social temperament made him popular, and the epitaph on the stone above him was deserved, "The Beloved Physician." He died in January 1864 of an obscure and painful disease. A wild storm was raging, roads were impassable and difficulties as to burial were great. Only a few friends could reach the house, but, by her request an autopsy was held at which she was present. In it all she was collected, planning carefully for others. However weary was her heart-ache through the lonely years of widowhood, she met life with the same strong sense of right and duty, the same sweet submission as in happier days. The family soon removed to Aurora, Ill., and there Elizabeth passed beyond loving sight November 1st, 1887. Five months after, April 22d, 1888, an attack of pneumonia proved fatal to Mrs. Bagg. She met the end without a murmur, till she fell asleep. The three graves are in the cemetery at Wauconda.

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VALUATION LIST OF THE TOWN OF LEE FOR 1895

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Ingram, Elliot, poll
 Ingersoll, E. F., poll, Stevens wood lot 13 acres
 125, improved land 13 acres 205, pasture 25
 acres 500 (bal. mrg'd)
 Ingram, Elliot, poll
 Ingram, Ralph E., poll
 Ingalls, William, poll
 Jackson, E., Mrs., house 1200, 1/2 house 200,
 house lot 52 rods 400, 1-3 house lot 20 rods
 50
 Jessup, George, house 550, house 300, house
 lot 40 rods 300
 Jordan, James, poll, house 350, barn 50, house
 lot 60 rods 150, improved lot 1 acre and 80
 rods 60
 Jetter, Robert A., poll, building lot 40 rods 100
 Jackson, James, poll
 Jones, George W., poll, horse 40
 Joyce, Thomas K., poll
 Johnson, E. M. & Son, polls, 11 horses 650,
 livery stock 700
 Johnson, William, poll, cow 18
 Jackson, E. S., poll
 Jones, Calvin, poll, 3 horses 125, 4 cows 72,
 37 sheep 74, house 400, 2 barns 150,
 improved land 50 acres 500, pasture 25
 acres 100, sprout land 75 acres 250
 Jones, Ira, poll, horse 25
 Jones, Walter, poll, horse 10
 Jones, Thomas C., poll
 Jones, James H., poll
 James, William H., poll
 James, John P., poll
 Joseppi, A., poll
 Jean, M., poll
 Johnson, Charles, poll
 Kelly, John E., poll, horse 50, cow 18, yearling
 7, house 250, barn 100, improved lot 9 acres
 225
 Kelly, John B., poll, horse 50, cow 18, house
 1000, barn 250, blacksmith shop 200,
 tenement 650, barn 100, house lot 1 acre
 1100, tenement house lot 20 rods 150
 Kelly Thomas W., poll
 Kelly, John, poll
 Kelly, Thomas, poll, horse 25, 5 cows 90,
 yearling 7, house 100, 3 barns 200, im-
 proved land 20 acres 300, pasture 39 acres
 225
 Kelly, Michael F., poll
 Kelly, Patrick, Mrs., cow 18, house 600, barn
 50, house lot 3 acres 120
 Kelly, Thomas, poll
 Kelly, Dennis, poll
 Kelly, James, poll, 2 horses 90, 3 cows 58,
 yearling 7, house 250, barn 50, improved
 land 12 acres 180
 Kelly, Joseph, poll
 Kelly, James, Jr., poll, cow 18
 Killelea, Andrew, poll, house 800, house lot 40
 rods 300
 Killelea, Patrick, Mrs., house 500, house lot 32
 rods 150
 Killelea, Patrick, poll
 Killelea, Thomas, poll
 Killelea, John, Sr., poll, house 450, house lot
 20 rods 100
 Killelea, John, Jr., poll
 Kennedy, Michael, poll, horse 20, house 700,
 tenement 400, barn 50, house lot 40 rods
 200, tenement house lot 20 rods 75, im-
 proved lot 3 acres and 80 rods 180, pasture 3
 acres and 80 rods 100
 Kennedy, P. F., poll
 Kelly, James, poll, cow 18, swine 4, house 350,
 barn 50, house lot 2 acres 75
 Kane, Hugh, poll
 Kane, Michael, poll
 Kane, Anna, Miss, 4 horses 225, cow 18, swine
 4, house 200, barn 50, house 900, barn 150,
 house 300, barn and sheds 100, improved
 land 10 acres 275, improved land 3 acres
 125, improved land 8 acres 225, pasture 12
 acres 150, Hinckley land 12 acres 100
 Kilboy, Peter, poll
 Kilbon, John L., poll, horse 150, excess salary
 548, money at interest 1037, house 1800,
 shop and hen house 50, house lot 40 rods
 400
 Kilbon, J. L., trustee, 12 shares Union Pacific,
 10 shares Rock Island, 12 shares Atchison
 Kilbon, A. J., Mrs., money at interest 100
 Keenan, Martin, yearling 7, house 400, barn
 100, house lot 1 acre 100
 Keenan, Patrick, poll
 Kennedy, M., farmer, poll, 3 horses 325, 12
 cows 216, 2 heifers 28, 2 swine 8, house
 300, barn and shed 350, improved land 50
 acres 1475, pasture 16 acres 200, mountain
 lot 13 acres 75
 Kennedy, John D., poll
 Kilmer, Rivert, poll, 2 horses 125, 3 cows 54,
 yearling 7, 2 swine 8, house 600, 2 barns
 200, double house 200, improved land 14
 acres 18 rods 300, 3 acres 60, mountain lot
 9 acres 125

- Keeler, Peter, poll
 Keeler, William, poll
 Keyes, Michael, Mrs., house 300, house lot 40 rods 50
 Kerr, Thomas, poll
 King, Felix, poll, horse 100, cow 18
 Kenyon, Gregory, poll, house 50, cow 18
 Kennedy, Dennis, poll
 Kaiser, William, poll, 2 horses 100, cow 18
 Kahler, Herman, poll
 Keefe, William, poll
 King, Lee, poll
 Kennedy, P. H., poll
 King, Theodore, poll
 Kalitzky, Rudolph, poll
 King, Mark, poll
 Kelly, Michael J., poll, stock in trade 700, 2 horses 100, store and dwelling 1400, barn 150, house lot 22 rods 350
 Kennary, John, poll
 Kelly, Thomas, 2nd, poll
 Kelly, Martin, poll
 Kelly, Thomas, poll
 Kilfoil, James, poll
 Landers, Peter, estate, house 200, 2 barns 100, improved land 30 acres 500, pasture 90 acres 275, sprout land 50 acres 125
 Landers, Richard, poll, 4 horses 300, colt 30, 10 cows 180, 2 heifers 36, 2 swine 8, house 500, barn and shed 200, improved land 35 acres 500, pasture 65 acres 300, wood and sprout land 30 acres 125, improved land 15 acres 250, pasture 21 acres and 80 rods 60
 Landers, James, poll
 Lewis, John R., poll, horse 75, cow 18, house 400, barn and shed 150, improved land 20 acres 100, improved land 6 acres 160, Belding lot 50 acres 200
 Langdon, E. A., Mrs., house 675, barn 50, house lot 80 rods 150
 Lawrence, Charles, Mrs., house 300, house lot 40 rods 50
 Lahey, Mary, Mrs. horse 25, house 600, barn 100, shop 500, house lot 80 rods 150, house lot 5 rods 100
 Lahey, Thomas, poll
 Lahey, James, poll, stock in trade 50, horse 50
 Lyons, Thomas, poll, horse 75, 1-2 house 650, 1-2 barn 75, 1-2 house lot 40 rods 150
 Lewis, Daniel, poll, house 250, barn 20, house lot 1 acre and 40 rods 75
 Lewis, George B., poll, horse 25, cow 18, swine 4, house 225, barn 25, house lot 1 acre 75, improved lot 1 acre 25
 Lay, Charles H., poll, horse 100, house 900, barn 150, house lot 120 rods 250
 L'Hommedieu, J. L., Mrs., house 3500, barn 200, house lot 1 acre and 40 rods 1500
 Lewis, John H., poll
 Lovely, Walter, estate, 2 horses 150, 6 cows 108, house 200, barn 200, improved land 47 acres 350, pasture and wood land 45 acres 200
 LeRoy, Jacob, poll, house 500, barn 100, house lot 40 rods 200
 Lannon, Owen, poll, house 225, barn 50, house lot 80 rods 100
 Lyons, James H., poll
 Lathrop, Horace, poll
 Lewis, Mary, Mrs., house 600, barn 100, house lot 2 acres 100
 Langdon, E. M., Mrs., house 500, barn 100, house lot 4 acres 125, wood lot 11 acres 100
 Langdon, E. M., poll, horse 10, cow 18, swine 4
 Lee Pleasure Park, 18 horse sheds 360, grand stand 100, improved land 20 acres 600
 Lawrence, Frank, poll, house 50, house lot 80 rods 50
 Lawrence, Fred, poll, horse 20, house 200, barn 25, house lot 80 rods 50
 Lawrence, George, barn 20, house lot 80 rods 30
 Lee Creamery, machinery in building 200, c building 400, house lot 40 rods 25
 Lee, A. W., poll, horse 10, cow 18, house 300, barn 100, improved land 4 acres 100, pasture 10 acres 75
 Lee, Ira, poll
 Lee, Alfred, poll
 Lee Savings Bank, Lockhardt house 1000, barn 100, house lot 120 rods 250
 Lahey Bros., house 400, barn 300, improved land 45 acres 900, pasture 50 acres 250, sprout land 100 acres 350, wood land 60 acres 200, Packard lot 3 acres 75
 Lahey, Cornelius, poll, horse 25, cow 18, house 400, barn and shed 150, improved land 14 acres 275, pasture 17 acres 125
 Lyons, Phillip, poll
 Leary, Timothy, poll
 Lally, Michael, poll
 Lewis, William, poll
 Lyons, Michael, poll
 Lyman, Edward, poll, cow 18
 Little, Frank W., poll
 Little, William, poll
 Lyons, Dennis J., poll
 Lukocs, Steve, poll
 Leary, John, poll
 Lue, Daniel, poll
 Lorette, Prosper, poll
 Lally, Daniel, poll
 Luisa, M., poll
 Lally, Patrick, poll
 Markham, Charles, poll, house 300, barn 25,

- house lot 1 acre 50
Markham, Charles, 2nd, poll
Moore, John, poll
Moore, James E., poll
Moore, E. A., estate, 1-2 house 900, 2 barns 100, double house 1200, 1-2 house lot 80 rods 300, house lot 80 rods 300
Morgan, Patrick, Mrs., house 500, barn 50, house lot 40 rods 150
Mooney, F. J., poll
Mooney, Sarah, Mrs., house 700, barn 200, house lot 10 rods 100
Mooney, Charles N., poll
Mooney, William, poll
Mooney, Thomas, poll
Mahan, Michael, poll, horse 50, cow 18, house 700, barn 100, double house 700, house lot 1 acre and 40 rods 250, improved lot 8 acres 225
Mahan, Thomas, Poll
Morley, Charles L.
Morley, Lester T., horse 50, 3 cows 54, house 250, barn 300, improved land 10 acres 150, pasture 24 acres 150
McDermott, Hannah, estate, cow 18, house 250, barn 50, house lot 1 acre and 20 rods 100, improved land 2 acres and 8 rods 100
Mangin, Nicholas, poll, 2 cows 36, 1 yearling 7, house 450, barn 100, house lot 80 rods 50, improved land 6 acres and 80 rods 150
Morey, B. A., estate, block stores 4000, store lot 14 rods 1000
Miskell, John, poll, house 250, house lot 40 rods 100
Manion, John, poll, horse 25, house 800, Dawley house 250, barn 80, house lot 20 rods 150, house lot 120 rods 40, improved lot 6 acres 100, pasture 7 acres 100, Drout building lot 4 rods 25
Manion, Michael J., poll
Markham, George P., poll, Belding house 1500, Gardner house 600, R.R. house 1000, Park house 1100, block 2000, Belding house lot 100 rods 800, Gardner house lot 20 rods 75, R.R. house lot 10 rods 200, Park house lot 18 rods 300, block lot 10 rods 400
Markham, Lewis T., poll, horse 60, cow 18, swine 4, house 500, barn 150, house lot 80 rods 150, improved lot 60 acres 140, improved lot 7 acres 175
Markham, Walter L., poll, house 700, house lot 40 rods 100
Morin, John B., poll, horse 75, house 750, barn 100, double house 1000, house lot 40 rods 100, house lot 40 rods 100
Morin, Wilfred, poll
Morin, Alfred F., poll
Morin, Trefle, poll, house 1200, house lot 5 acres 500
Morin, Remo, poll
Mahan, Martin, poll
Meagher, E. F., poll
Moore, Charles, Mrs., house 400, house lot 8 rods 100, sprout land 4 acres 25, Barlow sprout land 21 acres 50
Mitchell, Thomas, poll, house 350, barn 50, double house 600, house lot 3 rods 75, double house lot 17 rods 100
Maley, Edward, poll, house 800, house lot 28 rods 150
Myers, Christian, poll, horse 20, house 200, house lot 8 rods, 100
McLaughlin, Martin, poll, horse 25
McLaughlin, Michael J., poll
McGinty, Dennis, poll
Miller, Charles, poll, horse 40, house 300, barn 75, house lot 4 acres 100, school house lot 6 acres and 57 rods 150
Marsh, A. H., Mrs., house 2200, house lot 1 acre 700, improved land 3 acres and 80 rods 350
Murtagh, Patrick, poll
McDermott, Peter, poll, horse 30, house 500, barn 50, house lot 1 acre 200
McDermott, John J., poll, stock in trade 100
May, Julia and Nancy, double house 4200, barn 200, Winegar house 400, yellow house 200, Rogers house 700, barn 100, Flood house 200, house lot 2 acres 450, Winegar house lot 1 acre 150, Yellow house lot 20 rods 50, Rogers house lot 80 rods 100, improved land 2 acres 55
May, H. B., poll, cow 18, yearling 7
May, William, poll, horse 40
Melius, Charles L., poll
Melius, E. L., house 600, barn and shop 75, house lot 1 acre 200
Martin, Martin, poll, horse 50, house 900, barn 100, Phinney house 500, new house 1500, barn 200, house lot 32 rods 100, Phinney house lot 40 rods 100, new house lot 27 rods 200
Martin, Louis, poll, 2 swine 8, house 200, Connors house 500, house lot 80 rods 150, Connors house lot 100 rods 200
McGirty, Frank C., poll
McLaughlin, James H., poll, horse 40, horse 18
McLaughlin, Charles A., poll, house 500, barn 50, house lot 1 acre 100
McLaughlin, George E., poll
McLaughlin, John, poll, machinery in shop 200, house 800, barn 50, machine shop and wheel 500, saw mill and wheel 150, foundry 100, DeForest house 600, barn 50, blacksmith shop 50, Ryan barn 25, Ryan house 100, house lot 1 acre 150, improved lot 6

- acres 150, pasture 18 acres 150, land and privilege 1 acre and 80 rods 800, house lot 1 acre and 80 rods 150, waste land 2 acres 20, house lot 1 acre 25
- Maynard, William, cow 18, house 250, barn 50, house lot 4 rods 50, improved lot 3 acres 75
- Morrison, John, house 450, barn 50, house lot 125 rods 75
- McDonough, Thomas, Mrs., 2 swine 8, house 400, barn 50, house lot 2 acres 50
- McDonough, Thomas, poll
- McDonough, Thomas F., poll
- McDonough, John, poll, 2 cows 36, house 400, barn 50, house lot 3 acres 75
- McDonough, Michael H., poll
- Malloy, M., Mrs., house 600, barn 75, house lot 2 acres 100
- Marsh, W. H., poll
- Marsh, C. H., poll
- Mulcahey, Patrick, house 300, house lot 40 rods 100
- Merrill, Edgar S., poll, 4 horses 250, 12 cows 216, 3 yearlings 21, 62 sheep 124, house 800, 3 barns and shed 400, improved land 40 acres 1160, pasture 75 acres 1000, wood and sprout land 12 acres 100
- McAllister, John D., poll, horse 50, house 1000, barn 150, house lot 65 rods 200, improved lot 5 acres and 65 rods 175
- Merrill, Franklin, poll
- Merrill, Egbert C., poll, 2 horses 75, 3 cows 54, 12 sheep 24
- Merrill, Franklin, Mrs., house 450, barn and shed 200, improved land 15 acres 425, wood and pasture land 12 acres 200
- Murphy, John, poll, house 750, barn 25, house lot 40 rods 50
- Morey, Harris, poll
- Mullaney, Thomas, poll
- Mahan, Thomas, Mrs., house 600, house lot 60 rods 200
- McGinnis, John, poll
- Marston, Wilbur, poll
- Morrison, Eugene, poll
- Morrells, Theodore, poll
- Marsh, Harriet, Mrs., horse 15, 7 cows 126, house 700, barn 100, improved land 18 acres 480, pasture 3 acres 50
- Moran, James, poll
- Moran, Frank J., poll
- Morris, Cora, house 850, house lot 100 rods 200
- Morris, Edward, poll
- McCarty, J. J., poll
- Morley Press Co., machinery in mill 2000, mill and wheel 1000, land and privilege 1 acre 500, pasture and sprout land 8 acres 50
- Malloy, Robert, poll
- Malloy, James, poll
- McGlynn, Michael, poll
- Maloney, William, poll
- Mitchell, Thomas A., poll
- Mossman, Alexander, poll
- McDonald, William, poll
- McDonald, John, poll
- Murphy, J. H., Rev., poll, 2 horses 200, house 1700, Sisters' house 1800, barn 400, house lot 60 rods 500, house lot 55 rods 500, house lot 10 rods 100
- Mullen, John, Rev., poll
- McDonough, Patrick, poll
- McGregor, Dugal, poll
- Morgan, C. E., poll, 2 horses 200
- Murphy, E. L., poll
- Morin, Lucius, poll, 2 horses 75, 5 cows 90, 6 yearlings 42, 2 swine 8, house 450, barn and shed 200, improved land 41 acres 800, pasture 29 acres 200
- Moore, Charles H., poll
- McElroy, Edward, poll, cow 18
- Moat, Thomas, poll, stock in trade 300, 5 horses 300, cow 18, house 600, barn and hen house 100, improved lot 1 acre 200, improved lot 6 acres 120 rods 175, pasture 2 acres 40
- Moran, Patrick, poll
- Murtough, James, poll
- McDonald, James, poll
- Madison, Frank, poll
- Myers, Julius, poll
- McPherson, C. W., poll
- Martin, Wallace, poll
- Moore, Charles E., poll
- Miller, George E., poll, stock in trade 100, horse 50
- Mullani, John, poll
- Monohan, Patrick, poll
- Maybray, George, poll
- Murray, G. M., Rev., poll
- Mullani, Louis, poll
- Morrison, William, poll
- McDowell, Thomas, poll
- McDowell, Charles H., poll
- McKern, Samuel, poll
- McLaughlin, Patrick, poll
- McLaughlin, Lawrence, poll
- McDowell, William S., poll
- McCarty, Roger, poll
- McNamee, Christopher, poll
- McDonough, Patrick, poll
- McDavitt, Andrew, poll
- Miller, Alexander W., poll
- McTigue, James, poll
- McDonough, Peter, poll, 2 swine 8
- McKegg, Isaac, poll, 2 horses 150

- Mougin, Edward, poll, horse 50, cow 18, house 400, barn 100, improved land 8 acres and 80 rods 240
- Martin, William, poll
- Mercer, Thomas, poll
- McGrath, Edward, poll
- Mulcahey, E. J., poll
- Malani, M., poll
- Martinezzi, Peter, poll
- Mondoar, Peter, poll
- McGoldrich, Peter, poll
- Navin, Patrick, poll, cow 18, heifer 18, swine 4, house 300, barn and hen house 100, improved land 15 acres 375
- Navin, John, poll
- Navin, Patrick, Jr., poll
- Navin, Edward, poll
- Northrup, M. J., Mrs., horse 25, 3 cows 54, 1 swine 4, house 700, barn and shed 100, improved land 9 acres 200, pasture 16 acres 200
- Northrup, Charles F., poll
- Norton, Thomas, poll, stock in trade 500, 4 horses 200, 8 swine 32, hotel and bakery 3300, barn and wagon house 600, hotel lot 40 rods 500
- Nye, Charles B., poll, horse 10, house 800, barn and shed 150, house lot 2 acres 400, improved lot 22 acres 625, sprout lot 12 acres 100, ledge lot 4 acres 40
- Nolan, Ann, Mrs., house 500, house 600, house lot 40 rods 100, house lot 20 rods 125
- Nolan, William, poll
- Navin, Connor, poll, horse 70, cow 18, 1 yearling 7, house 350, barn 50, house lot 20 acres 150, improved lot 34 acres 75
- Navin, Edward, poll
- Norton, J. B., poll
- Norton, J. B., Mrs., estate, house 800, house lot 80 rods 200
- Norton, James, poll, horse 25, house 400, barn 50, house lot 60 rods 100
- Nye, W. L., poll, house 600, house lot 25 rods 125
- Nash, Olin, poll
- Norman, Edward J., poll
- Navin, Michael, poll, house 500, barn 50, house lot 20 rods 100
- Norton, John, poll
- Narey, John, poll, house 800, house lot 1 acre and 20 rods 150
- Nelligan, J. J., Chadwick lot 4 acres and 120 rods 200, pasture and sprout land 63 acres 450
- Nelligan, M., Mrs., house 600, barn 100, house lot 1 acre and 40 rods 100
- Norton, John C., poll
- Norton, Michael T., poll
- Nye, C. I., cow 18
- Newton, E. J., poll
- Newman, Michael, Mrs., house 250, house lot 40 rods 100
- Nye, Henry L., poll, house 200, house lot 40 rods 50
- Norton, Michael J., poll, horse 50, house 200, shop 25, house lot 1 acre 25
- Navin, Patrick, poll
- Nichols, H. M., poll
- Niles, E. A., poll
- Nugent, John, poll
- Nugent, Morris, poll
- Navin, Michael, poll, 2 horses 20
- Nettleton, Archie, poll
- Naden, Joseph, poll
- Navin, Patrick, poll
- Navin, Cornelius, poll, 4 horses 100, 3 cows 54, 1 swine 4
- Noonan, Michael, poll
- O'Neil, Felix, poll, house 900, barn 200, house lot 3 acres and 80 rods 400
- O'Neil, Thomas, poll
- Oakley, Freeland, poll, horse 25, house 500, barn 150, house lot 1 acre 150
- O'Hearn, Edward, poll, cow 18, house 400, barn 25, house lot 40 rods 50, improved lot 3 acres 75
- O'Hearn, Simon J., poll, cow 18, swine 4, house 200, barn 50, house lot 1 acre 40
- Olds, Lewis H., poll
- Orr, James, poll
- Orr, Robert J., house 400, house lot 80 rods 150
- O'Brien, Michael, poll, 4 horses 250, cow 18, 1 yearling 7, house 150, barn 75, new barn 100, improved land 10 acres 300
- O'Brien, John, poll
- O'Brien, James, poll
- O'Loughlin, Michael, poll, horse 50, cow 18, swine 4
- O'Loughlin, George, poll
- O'Connell, Patrick poll, horse 50, 2 cows 36, house 350, barn and shed 200, house lot 4 acres 110, pasture 14 acres 100, sprout land 13 acres 50
- O'Connell, Patrick J., poll
- Oliver, Joseph K., poll, house 25, house lot 13 rods 25
- Olds, Andes J., poll
- O'Brien, John, poll, horse 50
- O'Connell, M., Mrs., house 600, house lot 80 rods 100
- O'Loughlin, John, poll
- Oriente, Joseph, poll
- O'Neil, Michael, poll
- Owen, Frank J., poll
- Oliver, Elbert, poll

- O'Brien, John, poll
 Ormsby, Frank, poll
 O'Niel, Vanard, poll
 Owen, Patrick, poll
 O'Brien, ----, poll
 O'Laughlin, Patrick, poll
 O'Brien, Joseph, poll
 O'Hare, Peter, poll
 Perry, William H., poll, 4 horses 175, 6 cows 108, 1 yearling 7, 3 swine 12, house 500, barn and shed 150, improved land 38 acres 600, pasture 110 acres 500, wood land 100 acres 1000, sprout land 127 acres 250
 Perry, Frank S., wood and sprout land 10 acres 25
 Phelps, William A., poll
 Phelps, Sarah, Mrs., house 700, barn 25, house lot 40 rods 200
 Purcell, Michael, poll, house 700, barn 100, house 1000, house lot 40 rods 150, house lot 12 rods 150
 Purcell, Michael W., poll
 Purcell, Thomas, poll
 Purcell, Perry, poll
 Purcell, John H., poll
 Perry, Sarah J., Mrs., house 850, barn 100, house lot 40 rods 200
 Pease, M. H., poll, horse 75, house 1600, barn and shed 500, factory 25, house lot 1 acre and 52 rods 1000, improved lot 6 acres and 40 rods 300, mountain lot 34 acres 52, Foote lot 15 acres 70
 Pease, M. H. & Co., stock in trade 3800
 Pease, W. A., poll
 Pease, Charles H., poll
 Peck, H. A., poll
 Phelps, H. C., poll, horse 150, colt 50, house 1500, barn 350, house lot 40 rods 1000
 Parker, E., estate, house 1700, barn 300, house 1400, house lot 1 acre 800, improved lot 4 acres 200, house lot 40 rods 400
 Pease, F. M., poll, stock in trade 4000, 2 horses 150, house 4200, store and dwelling 1800, house lot 108 rods 700, store lot 8 rods 600, improved lot 6 acres 40 rods 300
 Pease, Frank R., poll
 Parish, M. Episcopal, house 1000, barn 75, house lot 40 rods 200
 Powers, Martin, poll, house 400, barn 50, house lot 30 rods 100
 Perry, Henry J., poll, cow 18
 Peiffer, Henry, poll
 Peiffer, Earnest, poll, house 700, house lot 40 rods 200
 Payne, Michael, poll, 2 cows 36, 1 yearling 7, house 300, barn 50, improved land and pasture 7 acres 100
 Packard, Albert, poll, cow 18, house 400, barn 50, house lot 1 acre 50
 Packard, Bradford, poll, cow 18, house 300, house lot 3 acres 75
 Pope, J. D., Rev., poll, horse 25, cow 18, house 1500, barn 200, house lot 1 acre 400, improved lot 8 acres 350, sprout lot 8 acres 100
 Pultz, Daniel, Mrs., house 900, barn 100, house lot 1 acre and 80 rods 600
 Parish, Lee Congregational, house 1800, house lot 40 rods 400
 Pixley, A. J., poll, horse 50
 Pixley, I. H., poll, stock in trade 600, horse 75, house 900, 2 barns 200, store and dwelling 1100, house 300, farm house 100, barn 100, house lot 1 acre and 40 rods 400, pasture 20 acres 300, improved lot 30 acres 875
 Parker, H. D., poll, 2 horses 100, cow 18, house 550, barn and shed 200, improved land 18 acres 525, pasture 5 acres 70, building lot 40 rods 100
 Parsons, Fanny, Mrs., house 500, barn and shed 120, improved land 15 acres 420, pasture 9 acres and 20 rods 75, wood land 5 acres 60
 Pomfrey, George, poll
 Pecon, Charles, house 400, house lot 80 rods 100
 Price, George, poll, house 500, house lot 80 rods 100
 Phelps, F. A., poll
 Pope, E. F., poll
 Parsons, John A., poll, house 200, barn 25, house lot 1 acre and 123 rods 100
 Paice, Charles W., poll, horse 40, cow 18
 Phelan, John A., poll
 Phelps & Roberts, Woodard house 450, barn 75, house lot 1 acre 200
 Potter, Orrin, poll
 Plue, Orrin E., poll
 Pease, Henry, poll, 2 horses 75, cow 18
 Parsons, Curtis, poll
 Parker, Frank H., poll
 Phillipson, James poll
 Pope, Albert J., poll
 Peck, Alvin J., poll
 Pettachi, Dante, poll
 Pisapia, Vincent, poll
 Phelan, Michael, poll
 Pinto, A., poll
 Primo, G., poll
 Palni, E., poll
 Quigley, J. P., poll, stock in trade 6500, 5 horses 200, house 1800, barn 150, shed 50, house lot 108 rods 800
 Quirk, Frank J., poll

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PIONEER BERKSHIRE FAMILY

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SILAS LESTER OF NEW LONDON, CONNECTICUT

Among the industrious and respectable sons of toil who settled in Great Barrington, towards the close of the eighteenth century, there came about 1775, Silas Lester from New Lebanon, Ct. His good wife was Lucretia Comstock, a member of the family that emigrated to Great Barrington about the same time. With other pioneers their journey was made the entire distance in covered wagons drawn by oxen. By this mode of conveyance they brought their household goods, including spinning wheels, looms, andirons, hatchets, and various other necessary articles belonging to an old time family. These emigrants settled first in that part of Great Barrington called Muddy Brook. Here Silas Lester, with his wife and one child, resided in a log house with a very crude oven of stone and brick. In March, 1795, Mr. Lester bought of Moses Fargo, a part of lots number 31 and 32 in the eastern division of lots. By industry and strict economy the Lesters accumulated a surplus of money with which in December, 1798, they purchased of one John Van Deusen portions of lots numbered 16, 17, 18, in the same section of the town.

REMOVED TO SEEKONK

We now pass on to the year 1800, when Mr. Lester began to dispose of his landed estate and in a year or two, with his family, removed to the west part of Great Barrington, called Seekonk. In this neighborhood, in the fall of 1803, he purchased of Martin Hawk, and Deborah, his wife, about one hundred acres of land with the buildings thereon, where the Charles Meach family now reside. To go back a little in our sketch, about the commencement of the nineteenth century, Peter Orcutt built, or at least greatly enlarged the colonial mansion, now owned by Charles Watson, on the old road to Alford. In the fall of 1809, Peter Orcutt died, leaving a widow and five children. Rev. John Nichols, then pastor of the Baptist society in that part of the town, was appointed by the court of probate as administrator of the estate, which

after some dickering, he sold to Mr. Lester.

In the spring of the following year Mr. Lester sold his farm purchased of Martin Hawk, to Grace Beach and moved his family and personal property to his newly acquired farm. They were soon settled in their new home, which from that time to the present has been called "The Lester Place." The location is a pleasant one, on a gentle rise of ground with the Seekonk river flowing through the meadows on the north; while in the rear is the well-house, where the moss-covered iron bound bucket has swung for over a hundred years. On the portico of the house, in after years, when the infirmities of age was upon him, Mr. Lester would sit during the summer days and view his harvest fields.

THE LESTER FAMILY IN 1812

At the close of 1812 we find that the Lester family consisted of the father, mother and the following children: John, born 1790; Eliphalet, 1793; Elizabeth, 1795; Polly, 1798; Nancy, 1801; Sally, 1803; Lucretia, 1805; Hannah, 1807; Louisa, 1810; Silas, 1812. Of this family the parents were devout Baptists, while of the children all but John and Elizabeth became Methodists.

THE FIRST METHODIST CLASS

Though Mr. Lester was a Baptist, he was friendly to the Methodists, then but little known in this part of the county. On one occasion, about 1830, he attended a meeting at Great Barrington, where he heard that the Methodist circuit riders were preaching in Tyringham. He therefore sent a pressing invitation to these preachers, Revs. John W. Belknap and R. M. Little, to visit Seekonk. On their arrival Mr. Lester entertained them at his house, which was but a few rods from the old school house, where they warned sinners and proclaimed the doctrine of a free salvation. In a brief time there were several converts, among them being the members of the Lester family, previously mentioned. In this school house in 1833, during the ministry of Rev. D. Starks, a class was formed with Eliphalet Lester as its leader. The young

man was faithful in his duties, and though residing some two miles from the home of his father, on the road to North Egremont, it was his custom to visit the place two or three times a week to inquire about the members of his class. A few years after these events this faithful class leader removed to Richmond, and ultimately to Erie, Pa., where he died many years ago.

Sometime in December, 1839, the Mormon preachers invaded Southern Berkshire and quite a number of various churches were converted to that faith. At first Apostles Smith and Burnham were the chief speakers. They had but little success in Great Barrington, but secured some converts in Seekonk, Alford and West Stockbridge. Among those who deserted the Methodist faith and became Mormons were Sally and Louisa Lester, who some years previously had married Daniel Spencer, Jr., and Daniel Hendrix. Burnham preached a year or more in the Seekonk school house and in the upper room of a store which then stood in that district. He declaimed against all other denominations, and warned people to flee from modern Babylon, for in common with other Mormon preachers, he claimed to do miracles, walk on the water, cure the sick and bestow the gift of the Holy Ghost. On one occasion a baptism by immersion took place in the Seekonk river, which ran through the Lester farm, and with several others, Sally and Louisa were plunged beneath the sparkling waters. One old lady named Smith was told by the missionary that she would receive a great blessing, but when she came up out of the water her son-in-law said: "Mother, do you feel any different?" Her quick reply was, "No, I cannot say as I do."

LEAVING FOR NAUVOO

In 1841, several of the converts departed with the missionaries for Nauvoo, then the seat of the Mormon power. Among those who went were Sally Spencer and Louisa Hendrix, with their husbands. When the Mormons were compelled to flee from Nauvoo in 1847, Louisa, after giving birth to a child, died by the roadside and was buried in an unknown grave. Sally reached Salt Lake City, but the awful hardships of the journey caused her death, September 8, 1848.

LOOKED UPON AS A MIRACLE

Regarding the other children of Silas and Lucretia Lester, Polly married William Root of Egremont, a man utterly unworthy of so good a wife. She had so much trouble that she retired to her father's house, where she had a severe sickness and became so lame that she had to use crutches. While in this condition, on a certain night, she requested the Methodists, who were holding meetings in the school house, to pray for her recovery. This they did in a fervent manner and while alone in her room she threw away her crutches and was never known to use them again. The next morning her father went through the neighborhood proclaiming this modern miracle and praising the powers above for the cure. The day after Christmas, 1842, this good woman departed from earth and her mortal remains were buried at North Egremont, where in Riverside cemetery a tombstone commemorates her many virtues.

JOHN LESTER, OR "BLACK HAWK"

John Lester, the first-born of the family, a native of New London, emigrated with his parents to Great Barrington. He married Katharine Burghardt, of an ancient Dutch family, who resided in the same part of the town. He followed the business of farming all his life. As he was a great fox hunter, and had followed his hounds over the many hills and mountains of Southern Berkshire his admirers gave him the name of "Black Hawk." He was also equal to "Gulliver's Travels" in telling stories, especially when he wished to outdo some other narrator. He reared a large family and several of his descendants remain among us. He lived to an advanced age and the place of his burial was in Mahaiwe cemetery. Elizabeth Lester, better known as Aunt Betsey, married Moses Church, who after the death of her father lived for a time on the old homestead. She had four or more children and the date of her death may be found in the town records.

OTHER MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY

Nancy married Jonathan P. Tobey, while William Cullen Bryant was town clerk of Great Barrington. She was a very industrious woman and with her husband lived all her married life on a large farm about an eighth

of a mile west of her father's house. Hannah Lester, known for many years as Aunt Hannah, never married. She united with the Methodist church in 1833, while her brother was a class leader. During the greater part of her life Aunt Hannah boarded with some good family near the place of her birth. Finally in old age she retired to the home of a niece in Westfield, where she died in August, 1884. In her will she gave a small sum of money to the Methodist churches in Great Barrington and Egremont and the like amount to the late Daniel Warner, who at one time acted as her business agent. She died at the home of her niece, Mrs. C. R. Joyner, and her remains were brought to North Egremont for burial near the resting place of her par-

ents. Silas Lester, Jr., married Elizabeth O'Brien, whose parents then occupied and owned the large farm now in the possession of F. S. Pearson of New York. They settled years ago in Western New York and disappeared from our view. Regarding Lucretia Lester, born in 1805, and named after her mother, we think she died young and of her we have no trace. In concluding this brief sketch of this old time family, it is only necessary to state that Silas Lester, the father, departed this life January 13, 1849, and Lucretia, the mother, was called to the better land, December 9, 1851

- H. C. Warner, Great Barrington

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THE BOOKSTALL

Guarding Peekskill: The Berkshire Militia's Role, by Brian S. Barrett. This book describes an episode during the American Revolutionary War that involved militiamen from Berkshire County, Massachusetts; Litchfield County, Connecticut; Dutchess, Westchester, Ulster and Orange Counties in New York and regulars from the Continental Army who fought off five British warships in Haverstraw Bay during July 1776.

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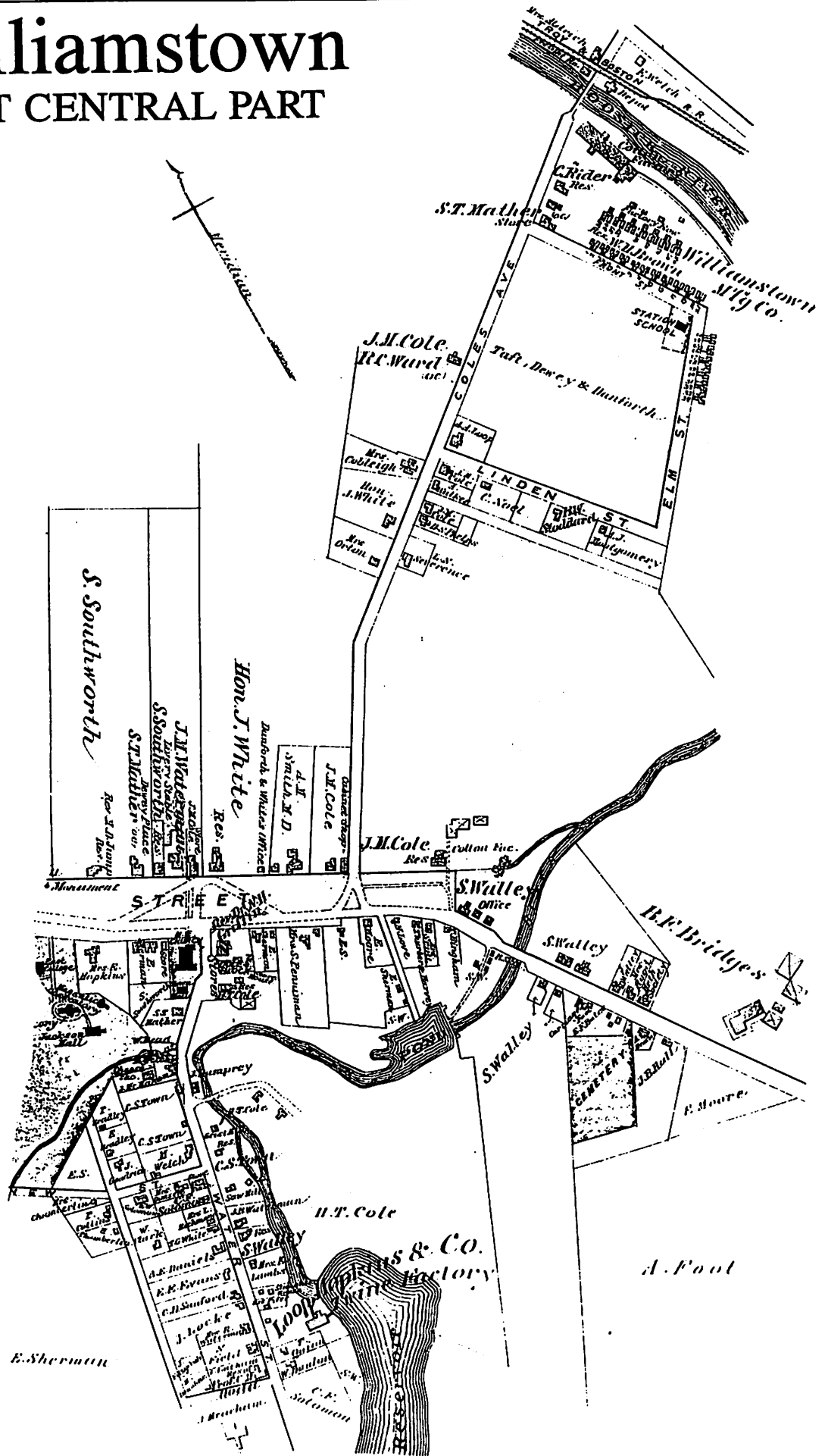
Aldrich, Mrs.	E-1	Danforth	F-3	Hickman, L.	C-9	Noel, C.	E-4	Stoddard, H. W.	E-4
Bates, E. F.	E-8	Daniels, A. E.	C-9	Hopkins	D-9	Orton, Mrs.	D-4	Taft	E-3
Bingham, T.	E-7	Dean, A.	F-8	Hopkins, E.	B-7	Penniman, S.	C-7	Thurberg	D-7
Bradley, E.	B-8	Dewey	B-6	Jump, M. D., Rev.	B-6	Phelps, H. S.	E-4	Town, C. S.	C-8
Bradley, P.	B-8		E-3	Lambs, K.	C-9	Quinn, F.	D-10		C-8
Bridges, B. F.	F-7	Dodd, C. M.	C-10	Latham	C-10	Rider, C.	E-2	Walker, A.	E-4
Brown, W. H.	F-2	Dumprey, J.	C-8	Locke, J.	C-10	Rood, Mrs.	F-7	Walley, J.	F-7
Chamberlin, H.	B-9	Dunlon, W.	D-10	Loop	D-9	Sanford, C. D.	C-9	Walley, S.	C-9
Chamberlin, Mrs.	B-9	Dunsell, Mrs.	C-9	Loop, A. A.	E-4	Scott, Mrs.	D-7		E-7
Clark, W.	C-9	Evans, E. E.	C-9	Love, N.	D-7	Severence, L. N.	D-4		E-8
Cobleigh, Mrs.	D-4	Field, N.	C-10	Mather, S. T.	B-6	Sherman, E.	B-10	Ward, R. C.	D-3
Cole, H. T.	C-7	Fifer, Mrs.	C-9		B-6		C-7	Waterman, J. B.	C-9
	C-8	Fitzgerald, J.	C-10		C-7		D-7	Waterman, J. M.	C-6
	D-9	Foot, A.	F-9		E-2	Smith, A. M., M.D.	C-6	Waterman, R.	C-10
Cole, J. M.	C-6	Goodrich, J.	B-9	McMahon, J.	B-8	Solomon, C. F.	C-9	Welch, F.	F-1
	D-3	Griffin, N. H., Rev.	C-7	Meacham, J.	C-10		D-10	Welch, M.	C-8
	D-6	Hall, J. B.	F-8	Montgomery, A. J.	F-4	Southworth, S.	B-5	White, J.	C-6
	E-4	Harvey	D-7	Moore, E.	D-7		C-6		D-4
Collins, P.	B-9	Herman, E.	B-7	Moore, F.	F-8		C-7	White, T. G.	C-9
Danforth	C-6								

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Capt. Bradley's Glass Works (20th - Lee) Company, Col. John Brown's (2nd Berkshire) Regiment at the Northward during July 1777.

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Bradley, Jesse	Capt	6/30-7/26	27 days
Allin, Joseph	Pvt	"	"
Bachhouse, Ichabod	"	6/30-7/22	22 days
Banton, Amos	"	6/30-7/26	27 days
Batman, Thomas	"	"	"
Blin, Joel	Pvt	"	"
Collins, Lemuel	Pvt	"	27 days
Crocker, Elisha	"	"	"
Culver, Daniel	"	"	"
Dunbar, Samuel	"	"	"
Dwite, Joseph	"	"	"
Foster, Jonathan	Lt	"	"
Gifford, Jess	Sgt	"	"
Gifford, Samuel	Pvt	"	"
Godrich, Allen	"	"	"
Goodspeed, Timothy	"	"	"
Hatch, Lewis	Drmr	6/30-7/22	22 days mileage home (100 miles)
Ingersoll, Jared	Pvt	6/30-7/20	20 days "
Izzarel, Eli	"	6/30-7/22	22 days "
Jarrums, Samuel	"	6/30-7/26	27 days "
Keeler, Daniel	"	"	"
Lenard, George	Fifer	6/30-7/22	22 days
Merymon, Samuel	Cpl	6/30-7/26	27 days
Miller, Moses	Pvt	"	"
Northrup, Elijah	Sgt	"	"
Nye, John	Pvt	6/30-7/22	22 days
Orsborn, Josiah	"	6/30-7/26	27 days
Stodard, Anthony	"	"	"
West, Ebenezer	"	"	"
Wheaton, Ebrnezer	"	"	"
Wheaton, Oliver	"	"	"
Willard, Elias	"	"	"
Wright, Ozias	"	6/30-7/22	22 days
Wright, Samuel	"	6/30-7/26	27 days

**Lieut. Jabez Colt's, Capt. Amos Rathburn's (1st - Richmond)
Company, Col. Benjamin Simonds' (2nd Berkshire) Regiment
at the Northward during July 1777.**

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Colt, Jabez	Lt	7/17-7/27	11 days
Barret, Joseph	Pvt	"	Roll dated Richmond
Benton, Jonathan	"	"	West Stockbridge
Branch, Vine	"	"	"
Brown, Timothy	"	"	"
Cogswell, Nathan	"	"	"
Cook, Lambert	"	"	"
Drake, Guld	Sgt	"	"
Drake, Ovid	Sgt	"	"
Finney, Bethuel	Pvt	"	Richmond
Ford, James	"	"	"
Fuller, James	"	"	"
Fuller, William	"	"	"
Gaston, David	"	"	"
Gaston, William	Sgt	"	Richmond
Hall, Joseph	Pvt	"	"
Harrison, Abel	Cpl	"	"
Hill, Elisha	Pvt	"	"
Hill, Titus	"	"	"
Hill, Zenas	"	"	"
Holly, Joseph	"	"	"
Hooper, Elisha or Seth	"	"	"
Hutchinson, David	"	"	West Stockbridge
Hutchinson, Matthew	"	"	"
Hutchinson, Samuel	"	"	"
Kneeland, Jonathan	"	"	"
Kosson, Eliphalet	"	"	"
Lamberton, Robert	"	"	"
Lewis, Benjamin	"	"	"
Miller, Ichabod	Sgt	"	"
Mudge, Micah/Michael	Pvt	"	"
Munrow, Reuben	"	"	"
Parks, Christopher	"	"	"
Parmele, Moses	"	"	"
Parmer, Caleb,	Cpl	"	"
Peirson, Nathan	"	"	"
Rawson, Jonathan	Pvt	"	"
Redington, Jacob	"	"	"
Slosson, Daniel	"	"	"
Slosson, Eliphahalet	"	"	"
Stevens, John	"	"	"
Tracy, Elijah	"	"	"
Welch, Jonathan	"	"	"
Williams, David	"	"	"
Wood, Comfort	"	"	"
Woodruff, Asaph	"	"	"

Capt. Zenas Wheeler's (6th - North New Marlborough) Company, Col. John Ashley's (1st Berkshire) Regiment. Company marched to Fort Edward, N.Y. during July 1777 and received pay at Albany.

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Adams, —	Pvt	7/21-8/15	26 days
Adams, William	Sgt	"	26 days
Alten, Jonathan	Pvt	"	26 days
Baxter, John	"	"	26 days
Berbur, Levi	"	"	26 days
Brooks, Shadrach	"	"	26 days
Brown, Eli	Lt	"	26 days
Buck, Caleb	Pvt	"	26 days
Butler, Salmon	"	"	26 days
Chapen, Elijah	"	"	26 days
Cone, Cornelius	Sgt	"	26 days, Sandisfield
Coone, Noah	Pvt	"	26 days
Coutch, Samuel	"	"	26 days
Coutch, Thomas	"	"	26 days
Cretenton, Daniel	"	"	26 days
Cuting, Zachariah	"	"	26 days
Deming, Ambrose	"	"	26 days
Deming, David	"	"	26 days
Griswold, William	Cpl	"	26 days
Haile, Francis	Pvt	"	26 days
Harmon, Uriah	"	"	26 days; mileage home (84 miles)
Holman, Thomas	"	"	26 days
Herrick, John	"	"	26 days; mileage home (84 miles)
Jackson, Joshua	Cpl	"	26 days
Manely, Luther	Pvt	"	26 days
Merick, Joseph	"	"	26 days
Parish, Nathan	"	"	26 days
Picket, John	"	"	26 days, Sandisfield
Pomroy, Phineas	"	"	26 days
Smith, Benjamin	"	"	26 days
Smith, David	"	"	26 days
Smith, Edward	"	"	26 days
Smith, James	"	"	26 days
Smith, Jonathan	"	"	26 days
Smith, Matthew	"	"	26 days
Snow, Barnabas	"	"	26 days
Spring, Amos	"	"	26 days, Sandisfield
Stanard, John	"	"	26 days
Stevens, Ebenezer	"	"	26 days
Stillman, Robert	"	"	26 days
Stilman, Josiah	Lt	"	26 days
Thorp, Moses	Pvt	"	26 days
Tucker, Isaac	"	"	26 days, Sandisfield
Wright, Charles	"	"	26 days

Capt. Job Woodbridge's (Stockbridge) Company marched under command of Maj. Caleb Hyde, Col. Brown's (2nd Berkshire) Regiment. Company marched from Stockbridge on the evacuation of Ticonderoga during July 1777.

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Job Woodbridge	Capt	7/8-7/26	19 days
Andrews, Samuel	Pvt	7/8-7/26	19 days
Andruss, Christopher	"	"	19 days
Ball, Isaac	Sgt	"	19 days, Stockbridge
Barns, Roswell	Pvt	"	19 days
Bennitt, Isaac	Cpl	"	19 days
Bishop, Elkanah	Pvt	"	19 days
Crocker, Joseph	"	"	19 days
Boughton, Hezekiah	"	"	19 days
Boughton, Nathan	"	"	19 days
Bristol, Moses	"	"	19 days
Bushnell, Josiah	"	"	19 days
Clark, Jesse	"	"	19 days, Glass Works (Lee)
Crocker, Joseph	"	"	19 days
Curtis, Enos	Sgt	"	19 days
Curtiss, Abel	Pvt	"	19 days
Deming, Eleazer	"	"	19 days
Finney, Solomon	"	"	19 days
Foot, Fenner	"	"	19 days, Glass Works
Fowler, Eliphalet	"	"	19 days
Grant, Elisha	"	"	19 days
Griswerld, Ezekiel	"	"	19 days
Ingersoll, David	"	"	19 days
James, John	"	"	19 days
Keoromb, Samuel	"	"	19 days
Nash, Moses	"	"	19 days
Norton, Benjamin	Cpl	"	19 days
Parsons, Eliphalet	Pvt	"	19 days
St. John, Nathan	"	"	19 days
Stone, Lather	"	"	19 days
Strong, Horatio	"	"	19 days
Train, Robert	"	"	19 days
West, Andrew	Cpl	"	19 days
West, Levi	Fifer	"	19 days
Wheadon, Ichabod	Pvt	"	19 days
Youngs, Nathaniel	Pvt	"	19 days
Wheedon, John	"	"	19 days
Whelpley, William	"	"	19 days
Whitney, Samuel	"	"	19 days
Williams, Asa	"	"	19 days
Williams, Stephen	"	"	19 days
Youngs, Nathaniel	"	"	19 days

Capt. Noah Lankton's (8th - Tyringham) Company, Col. John Ashley's (1st Berkshire) Regiment. Company marched on expedition to Kingsbury during July 1777.

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Allin, Nathan	Pvt	7/22-8/14	24 days
Bentley, Elisha	"	"	24 days
Bentley, John	Drmr	"	24 days
Bidwell, Adonija II	Pvt	"	"
Battle, Justice	"	"	24 days; Great Barrington
Brewer, Nathaniel	"	"	24 days; Tyringham
Clark, Samuel	"	"	24 days
Collens, Abraham	"	"	24 days
Cowles, Elisha	"	"	24 days
Culver, Nathan	"	"	"
Dunham, Matthew	"	"	24 days, Stockbridge
Gaffield, Solomon	"	"	24 days
Hall, Simeon	"	"	24 days; mileage home (80 miles)
Heath, Abijah	"	"	24 days; mileage home (80 miles)
Heath, Benjamin	"	"	24 days; mileage home (80 miles)
Heath, Isaac	Lt	"	24 days; mileage home (80 miles)
Herrick, Hezekiah	Pvt	"	24 days; mileage home (80 miles)
Hewlet, John	"	"	24 days; mileage home (80 miles)
Hubbard, Samuel	"	"	24 days
Joslen, Darius	"	"	24 days, Tyringham.
Joslen, Gideon	"	"	24 days, Tyringham
Joslen, John	"	"	24 days
Kibbe, John	"	"	24 days
Kibbe, Samuel	"	"	24 days
Lawton, Israel	"	"	24 days
Little, John	"	"	24 days
Markham, Daniel	"	"	24 days
Merrils, Abijah	"	"	24 days
Neuten, Abner	"	"	24 days
Orten, Azariah	"	"	24 days
Parks, John	"	"	"
Parrish, Joshua	"	"	"
Rathbone, Edmund	"	"	"
Roads, John	"	"	24 days
Slatter, Giles	"	"	24 days
Spink, Benjamin	"	"	24 days, Tyringham
Spink, Robert	"	"	"
Whelock, Ithamar		"	24 days

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ANCESTOR TABLES

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

CCCXCII. CLARISSA ELIZABETH KEENEY, submitted by her 2nd great granddaughter, Sharon Haskin Galitz, P.O. Box 1477, Surprise, AZ 85378

I.

- 1.*Clarissa Elizabeth KEENEY, 1828- ; Pittsfield, Massachusetts; Crete, Illinois; Joliet, Illinois.

II.

- 2.*William KEENEY, 1799-1849; New York State; Crete.
3. Clarissa DAVIS, 1801-1843; Belchertown, Massachusetts; Crete.

III.

6. Aaron DAVIS, 1754-1813; Warren, Massachusetts; Belchertown.
- 7.*Elizabeth COLBURN, - ; Brookfield, Massachusetts; Belchertown.

IV.

12. John DAVIS, 1706-1769; Brookfield.
- 13.*Elizabeth , - ; Brookfield.

V.

24. Samuel DAVIS, 1671/2- ; Northampton, Massachusetts.
- 25.*Thankful CLESSON. 1673- ; Northampton.

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CCCXCIII. ELLEN GRAY, submitted by her great-grandson, William Strathman, 2609 56th St., Des Moines, IA 50310

I.

- 1.*Ellen GRAY, 1851-1951; New Orleans, Louisiana; Andrew, Iowa; Maquoketa, Iowa.

II.

- 2.*Omer H. GRAY, 1818-1874; Williamstown, Massachusetts; Rome Twp., Ohio; Bellevue, Iowa.
3. Mary Jane DUNLAP, 1825-1916; Rome Twp.; Anoka City, Minnesota.

III.

4. Alvin GRAY, 1794-1857; Canaan, New York; Williamstown; Burton, Illinois.
5. Elizabeth READ, 1801-1859; Williamstown; Burton.
6. John DUNLAP, 1807-1880; Pennsylvania; Athens County, Ohio; Cedar Twp., Kansas.
7. Sarah SHIELDS, 1808-ante1886; Pennsylvania; Athens County; Smith County, Kansas.

IV.

8. Thaddeus GRAY, 1757-1813; Fairfield, Connecticut; Canaan.
9. Sylvia RUSSELL, 1769-1867; Wethersfield, Connecticut; Canaan; Middlefield, Ohio
14. David SHIELDS, 1764-1836; Cumberland County, Pennsylvania; Athens County.
15. Nancy McCORD, -ante1830; Athens County.

V.

16. Stephen GRAY, 1715-ante1790; Canaan.
17. Eunice BENNETT, 1718-cal800; Fairfield County, Connecticut; Canaan. ■

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1903 BIRTHS

Date	Child	Parents
Jan. 4	Dorothy Angelos Porter,	Albert and Carrie
5	Edith Lally,	Domenico and Elzevira
7	Howard Eaton Hitchcock,	Howard E. and Mary E.
12	Charles Francis Powers,	James and Annie
19	Joseph Camarco,	Leonard and Mary
23	Lawrence Willard Hawes,	Clarence R. and Bessie
Feb. 6	Adden H. Williams,	Frank H. and Ethel
7	Bernard Otto Bent,	Fred O. and Lelia
25	Mary Luceile Nugent,	John and Mary
25	----- Cahill,	Richard J. and Mary
Mar. 3	Edna May Barlow,	Lewis E. and Blanche
4	Anna Burns,	John and Anna
6	----- Antonia,	Michael and Marie
7	Thomas Raymond Flynn,	Michael and Lucy T.
12	James Francis McDerby,	James and Louise
16	Irving Joseph Cavanaugh,	Thomas F. and Catherine
17	Mildred Goodrich,	John M. and Cora E.
17	Estelle Lasher,	Delmar and Mary Jane
17	Dowd, Baby,	James H. and Marcia C.
21	Ruth Nichols,	Henry and Cassie
23	----- Hemeworth,	Edward
29	----- Sheldon,	Delos K. and Belle
31	----- Powers,	James and Annie
Apr. 18	Gertrude Lucy Tyre,	Peter J. and Bridget
23	----- Baker,	Dwight and Angie
23	Gladys R. Bent,	Rupert and Iona
25	John Henry Sires,	Henry A. and Edith C.
30	Doris Eleanor Hawks,	Charles D. and Lucy E.
May 7	John Alfred Hoxie,	Edward and Lilla
15	Catherine Hayes,	Michael H. and Catherine
15	Angelo Barea,	Gregorio and Maria
15	Mary Hannah Kellett,	Titus and Mary
24	Baldwin, Baby,	Sherwood W. and Sibyl
28	Mary Ellen Barry,	Charles and Mary
Jun. 2	----- Dollar,	John and Jennie
3	Americo Paletti,	Peter and Johanna
4	Margaret Talbott,	Frank J. and Margaret
	----- Crafts,	George and Annie
15	Mary Elizabeth Lee,	Alfred M. and Mary
19	James Kenneth Hardiman,	John and Mary
21	Stanley Dellert Kilmer,	Louis J. and Hattie
28	America Adamoli,	Valentio and Laura
Jul. 3	Veronico Fogarty,	John and Mary
22	James Dunneth Roberts,	William and Ellen
23	Leo Holain,	James and Delia
29	----- Fiaschetti,	Thomas and Carrie

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1903 MARRIAGES

Jan. 3, John H. Martin of Lee and Agnes M. Carr of Tuckahoe, N. Y. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.

Feb. 6, Joseph Keefer of Lee and Marie E. Mangin of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.

Feb. 14, Ward Johnson of Lee and Delia Navin Hines of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.

Feb. 20, Hugh R. Williams of Lenox and Nellie A. Gatley of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.

Apr. 13, Bernard E. Battles of Lee and Frances O'Connell of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.

Apr. 14, John P. Hayden of Lee and Georgiana M. Saulnier of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.

May 6, Henry F. Ross of Lee and Sarah Collins of Lee, By Rev. Herbert E. Wright, Lee.

May 9, William Trembley of Lee and Bessie Vaugh of Lee, By Rev. William Ruhl of Canaan Four Corners, N. Y.

May 28, Alexander D. Dimanche of Lee and Lizzie B. Ward of Lee. By Rev. Charles J.

Sniffin of Lee.

- Jun. 3, Henry L. Davis of Lee and Delia S. Basinait of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.
 Jun. 3, George K. Baird, Jr. of Lee and Cornelia A. Palmer of Winsted, Conn. By Rev. George W. Judson, Winsted, Conn.
 Jun. 9, Charles E. Burke of Easthampton, Mass. and Mary E. Murphy of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.
 Jun. 10, Lindley T. Howes of Lee and Lillian A. Gardner of Lee. By Rev. Herbert E. Wright, Lee.
 Jun. 17, Thomas M. Kerr of Lee and Wilhelmina Rademacher of Lenox. By Rev. T. H. E. Richards, Lenox.
 Jun. 24, Patrick H. Loynes of Sheffield, Mass. and Edith B. Chase of Sheffield, Mass. By Rev. L. S. Rowland, Lee.
 Jul. 22, John J. Carty of Lee and Margaret Cravin of Lee. By Rev. William F. Hartigan, Lee.
 Aug. 6, Ralph Chester Spaulding of West Stockbridge, Mass. and Jennie L. Beaujean of Lee. By Rev. Charles J. Sniffin, Lee.
 Aug. 20, Walter Yateman Goold of Pittsfield, Mass. and Edna Mae Parker of Lee. By Rev. Miles N. Reed, Lee.
 Sep. 1, Fred W. Shippee of Boston, Mass. and Stella E. Darrow of Dayville, Conn. By Rev. Robert P. Kreidler, Lee.
 Sep. 15, Dennis F. Buckley of Fitchburg, Mass. and Elizabeth T. Bossidy of Lee. By Rev. J. H. Murphy, Lee.
 Oct. 31, William M. Clark of Lee and Helen M. Brace of Lee. By Rev. Samuel Hopley, Lee.
 Nov. 14, Alfred L. Brasie of Lee and Ellen M. Winters of New Marlborough, By Rev. Garrett S. Stryker, Mill River, Mass.

1903 DEATHS

Date	Name	Age			
Jan. 8	Margaret F. Lewis	43	May 3	Rose E. Cannovan	24
8	Esther S. Davis	78	25	George H. Allen	47
12	Ellen McGinnis	85	28	Winnifred Malloy	78
24	John Miskell	84	Jun. 4	Mary McDonnell	62
26	Jane R. Wallace	74-5	17	Harriet A. Gifford	58-1
30	Rollin A. Webster	72-2-28	24	Michael Mahan	70
30	Elizabeth J. Nooney	70	Jul. 1	Jane Matthews	71
Feb. 8	John Manion	81	Aug. 10	Bessie W. Benton	20-6
11	Abigail L. Foote	71	13	Clarence L. Broadwick	0-7
18	Mary A. Bevins	0-2-3	26	Thomas Moat	61-3-9
21	Ann Eliza Knight	76-7-7	26	Mary Craughwell	74
23	Lucy Tyre	1-6	Sep. 4	Catherine Carr	97
27	Arnold Parker	0-3-27	10	Lewis H. Olds	45
Mar. 2	Ernest R. Baker	1-4	13	Juliet Wilson	54-11-2
3	Thomas D. Garriety	0-10	15	John Gaherty	35
8	Olgo Elouise Viale	0-10-8	19	Johannah Gamble	69
9	Mary McCue	0-9	26	Dennis Burke	68
16	Rosie Touponce	17	27	Cecelia Brown	74
18	Clayton Phillips	12-7-22	Oct. 2	John Wallace	25
22	Henry N. Norton	65-11-16	15	Ellen O'Brien	66
23	Emily C. Barnes	85-6-7	Oct. 19	Jerry A. Squires	84-2-12
Apr. 2	Patrick McDonough	70	Nov. 8	Rovilla L. Hinckley	85-8-11
6	David Ingalls	86	18	Mary C. Ingham	72-11
Apr. 10	William H. Fillio	34	24	Julia Burke	72
18	James Watson Bassett	73-5			
25	Sophia B. Culverhouse	63-0-3			

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1907 BIRTHS

Date	Child	Parents
Jan. 11	Charles L. Bradley,	Dwight and Maud
23	Gertrude Goodrow,	David and Annie
27	----- Bradley,	Patrick and Elizabeth
Feb. 2	Martin A. Craughwell,	Patrick and Mary
9	Charles Wallace Tyler,	John R. and Mary A.
11	Romeo Vanotti,	Bartolomeo and Maria
14	Gindita Masiero,	Rinaldo and Geneve
15	Frances Earl Elenshon,	Carl and Lillian
18	Peter Gelpi,	Joseph and Prelnan
18	----- Clark,	Thomas and Minnie
24	John Joseph Bachli,	John J. and Margaret
27	John Tarmey,	James and Ella
27	Syloria Albert Kent (1906),	Albert and Emma
Mar. 4	----- Steadman,	Lyman and Millie
7	Walter H. Smith,	Frank and Kate
8	Catherine Minith,	Petro and Rosa
11	Edward E. Gage,	Simon and Bessie
17	Charles E. Navin,	Cornelius and Mary
20	Myrtle Irene Plank,	Gilbert D. and Adelaid
21	Maria Orlandi,	Domonico and Barea
Apr. 5	John P. McDonnell,	John and Charlotte
9	Margaret C. Mink,	John S. and Margaret
17	Catherine Goaldi,	Vincengo and Angeline
19	Edward L. McDermott,	William E. and Margaret
22	James Roach,	James and Margaret
23	Gertrude E. Cloud,	Pearl A. and Daisy E.
28	Robert T. Hayden,	Robert and Mary E.
May 2	Julia F. Burke,	Michael and Bridget
3	Julia Vanoti,	Charles and Philomine
3	Hazel Marion Heath,	Frank B. and Maud C.
7	Margaret Phelan,	John and Mary
11	Frances E. Pierce,	Solomon and Frances
11	William E. Hines,	Mark and Mary E.
12	Margaret Faivre,	Frank and Lucy
12	Constine T. Voorneveld,	Theodore and Stella M.
15	Dora Borgiolotti,	Bertomeo and Maria
15	Alice May Dennis,	Frank and Luella
16	Albert F. Kent,	Albert and Emma
17	----- Martin,	George H. and Eugenie
29	----- Cavloni }	Twins, Giacomo and Eliza
29	Americo Cavloni }	
Jun. 5	Elsie E. Lasher,	Delmar and Mary M.
7	Joseph M. Aldrich,	Joseph and Della M.
10	Clarence J. Ryan,	Edward and Nellie
11	Frances Stiquel,	Constance and Sarah

- 14 Geneva Dorman, Frederick and Mary
 15 Bernice C. Kelsey, William and Florence
 17 Maybell V. McAllister, John H. and Josie
 20 Joseph Harte, James E. and Mary
 23 Henry G. Miller, George E. and Delia
 25 Mary M. Flynn, Michael and Lucy
 25 Ermino Farari, August and Guarda
 27 Levina Teza, Sylverno and Santa
 Jul. 1 Alice See, John and Lizzie
 3 ----- Navin, Patrick and Bertha
 10 Eva Viola Jeter, Clifford and Lillian
 22 Joseph C. Boyne, Patrick J. and Lillian
 Aug. 3 Etur Andrioli, Dominico and Rosie
 4 Victor Alonzo Bradley, Victor W. and Sadie
 12 William F. Kerr, Thomas and Willemmina
 21 Mary L. Dragon, George and Jennie
 23 Harrison Charles Kinner, George and Florence
 24 George Edward Hardiman, John and Margaret
 26 Henry Parker Savage, Henry C. and Cora
 26 Helen M. Brasie, Alfred and Ella M.
 28 Elsie E. Cline, Edward and Mary
 28 ----- Butler, George C. and Lida S.
 Sep. 3 Donis Pahner Peiffer, Ernest and Emma
 3 ----- Hecox, Leavitt and Mattie
 7 Henry M. Finnegan, Thomas and Minnie
 22 Clarabel L. Atwood, Albert and Lena
 23 Lillian J. Hunt, Pliny D. and Eva
 24 Charles N. Beach, Charles and Louise
 Oct. 4 Leon E. Pecon, Charles and Jennie
 7 Marion L. Fillio, Louis and Ella
 16 Angelina E. Biassin, Octavion and Lucia
 26 ----- Armstrong, Charles and Annie
 29 Edward P. Jaynes, Joseph and Susan
 Nov. 14 Isabel Carmarco, Leonardo and Camille
 19 William C. Church, James and Mary
 Dec. 1 Albert N. Nettleton, Archie N. and Amy
 1 ----- Lawrence, Fred C. and Jennie
 5 Justin F. Loupou, Philip and Mary
 9 Evelyn Sires, Henry H. and Edith C.
 14 ----- Carpenter, Nellie
 15 George Edward Bartlett, John T. and Mary A.
 15 Geovanni Rocingano, Rodolf and Virginia
 27 ----- Sendenotti, Anthony and Grovanine
 28 Victoria Groppe, Umberto and Emiline

1907 MARRIAGES

- Jan. 3, Marshal V. Wild of Lee to Kate W. Faxon of Lee, by Rev. John Barstow.
 Jan. 3, George G. Rood of Lee to Lettie E. Keys of Mill River, by Rev. Garret V. Stryker of Mill River.
 Jan. 16, Jacob I. Vrealand of Lee to Matilda G. Hickson of New York City, by Rev. C. A. Evans of New York City.
 Jan. 26, George J. White of Lee to Rose M. Trembley of Lee, by Charles H. Pease, Justice of the Peace.

- Feb. 12, Leroy H. French of Lee to Ida M. Risley of Lee, by Rev. William H. Williams of South Lee.
- Feb. 25, Herbert W. Barnes of New Hartford to Edith L. Butler, Burlington, Conn., by Rev. John Barstow.
- Mar. 10, William L. Easland of Lee to Margaret Ackert of Lee, by Rev. W. A. Mackey of Lenox.
- Apr. 11, Charles G. Hinckley of Lee to Edith A. Norton of Lee, by Rev. John Barstow.
- Apr. 16, Eugene Cuene, Jr. of Lee to Julia Carty of Lee, by Rev. John F. Leonard.
- May 10, Joseph Aldrich of Lee to Della Harrington of Lee, by Rev. John F. Leonard.
- Jun. 5, James Joseph Whalen of Lee to Delia Elizabeth O'Connell of Lee, by Rev. John F. Leonard.
- Jun. 12, Frank B. L. Hall of Lee to Alice E. Hayes of East Nassau, N. Y., by Rev. Charles Vickey of Westerlo, N. Y.
- Jun. 18, Frank J. Dupont of Lee to Annie J. Duffy of Lee, by Rev. John F. Leonard.
- Jul. 3, Augustus P. Mougins of Lee to Amelia White of Lee, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Jul. 10, William L. Vreeland of Lee to Edith M. Block of Lee, by Rev. Miles N. Reed.
- Jul. 11, William E. Ingraham of Lee to Minnie A. Olds of Lee, by Rev. Miles N. Reed.
- Aug. 21, John A. Vreeland of Lee to Jessie May Rullhousen of Canaan, N. Y., by Rev. Walter Austin Wagner of Pittsfield.
- Aug. 29, Henry Archer Clark of Lee to Frances Elizabeth May of Lee, by Rev. John Barstow.
- Sep. 4, John D. Kernan, Jr. of New York City to Charlotte Foote Sherrill of New York City, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Sep. 7, Frederick S. Dolphin of Lee to Carrie A. Jackson of Lee, by Robert Jeter.
- Sep. 11, George W. Roberts, Jr. of Lee to Bertha M. Arnold of Great Barrington, by Rev. R. DeW. Mallory of Housatonic.
- Sep. 12, Thomas F. Shalley of Lee to Mary Agnes Navin of Lee, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Sep. 24, Murray Goodhind of Lee to Henrietta Hawver of Lee, by Rev. William L. DeyBois of West Stockbridge.
- Sep. 26, Robert A. Jeter of Lee to Minnie M. Coaxsum of Lee, by Rev. Osmon P. Hoyt.
- Oct. 6, Otto C. Saltzman of Lee to Marcella McCafferty of Brooklyn, N. Y., by Rev. Werner L. Genzmer of Pittsfield.
- Oct. 8, William H. O'Brien of Lee to Mary A. McHugo of Lee, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Oct. 22, Peter F. Tyer of Lee to Mary E. Wickham of South Lee, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Oct. 24, Clifford A. Fillio of Lee to Mary Cecelia Patnode of Lee, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Oct. 26, Carl C. Hollenbeck of Lee to Ida Anna Nuss of Lee, by Rev. Ernest Mariett.
- Oct. 29, David Shea of Lee to Mary R. Beaujean of Lee, by Rev. William Hall Williams of South Lee.
- Oct. 29, Martin T. Carty of Lee to Hattie E. McKegg of Lenox Dale, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Nov. 6, Clarence E. Crosier of Lee to Rosana A. Goss of Putnam, Conn., by Charles H. Pease, Justice of the Peace.
- Nov. 14, Anthony J. Bevins of Lee to Mary T. Bard of Lee, by Rev. Ernest Mariett.
- Nov. 20, James Francis Cullen of Pittsfield to Margaret Ryan of Lee, by Rev. J. F. Leonard.
- Dec. 26, Frank E. Field of Leverett, Mass. to Evelyn M. Todd of Lee, by Rev. John Barstow.
- Dec. 30, William James Charles of Toronto, Ont. to Elizabeth T. Shultis of Lee, by Rev. Osmon P. Hoyt.

1907 DEATHS

Date	Name	Age			
Jan. 4	Phineas Woodin	76-11	22	Margaret M. Berry	86-3
4	Mary E. Murphy	60	27	Elizabeth F. Bradley	31
11	Delia White	16	28	Mourn Cassidy	58
20	Mary T. Haggart	63	Feb. 1	Ann Ford	83
21	Bradford M. Packard	79-4-13			

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78	98	Patrick Hickay	7 M		Mass.
79	99	James Fallen	31 M		Ireland
		Bridget Fallen	24 F		Ireland
		Michael Fallen	4 M		Mass.
		Thomas Fallen	2 M		Mass.
80	100	John McNamara	40 M		Ireland
		Catharine McNamara	35 F		Ireland
		John McNamara	6 M		Mass.
		Mary McNamara	1 F		Mass.
81	101	Patrick Murphy	28 M		Ireland
		Margaret Murphy	26 F		Ireland
		Daniel Murphy	1 M		Mass.
		John Herren	30 M		Ireland
82	102	Charles Foe	37 M		Canada
		Anna Foe	26 F		Ireland
		Frederick Foe	6 M		Mass.
		Charles Foe	M		Mass.
83	103	Michael Stanton	35 M		Ireland
		Ellen Stanton	35 F		Ireland
		John Stanton	16 M		Ireland
		Michael Stanton	14 M		Mass.
		William Stanton	11 M		Mass.
		Margaret Stanton	9 F		Mass.
		Patrick Stanton	7 M		Mass.
		Edward Stanton	3 M		Mass.
		Walter Welch	46 M		Ireland
84	104	Patrick Kenedy	37 M		Ireland
		Alice Kenedy	29 F		Ireland
		John Kenedy	4 M		Mass.
		Mary Kenedy	2 F		Mass.
		Michael Kenedy	1 M		Mass.
85	105	Hubbard Woodruff	27 M	Carpenter	Ireland
		Margaret Woodruff	22 F		Conn.
		James M. Woodruff	1 M		Mass.
		Francis I. Woodruff	19 M	Carpenter	Mass.
	106	Robert Power	30 M		Ireland
		Anna Power	31 F		Ireland
86	107	Porter Woodruff	24 M		Mass.
		Emeline Woodruff	20 F		N.Y.
		Huldah Woodruff	60 F		
87	108	Henry Wilcox	32 M		Mass.
		Harriet A. Wilcox	30 F		N.Y.
		Frances E. Wilcox	5 F		Mass.
		Ida E. Wilcox	1 F		Mass.
		Sabra Bigelow	67 F		Conn.
88	109	Solomon Blinn	46 M		N.Y.
		Mary Blinn	36 F		Mass.
		Dwight Blinn	12 M		Mass.

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		Lucy Blinn	10 F		Mass.
		George Blinn	5 M		N.Y.
		Lydia Blinn	3 F		Mass.
89	110	George Arnold	39 M		N.Y.
		Abigail A. Arnold	32 F		Mass.
		George H. Arnold	8 M		Mass.
		Adeline S. Arnold	6 F		Mass.
		Egbert A. Arnold	1 M		Mass.
		Frederick W. Stage	16 M		N.Y.
90	111	Lydia Clark	70 F		Conn.
		Abbey S. Clark	30 F		Mass.
91	112	Ezekiel Booth	40 M		N.Y.
		Mary A. Booth	39 F		Mass.
		Louisa Booth	16 F		Mass.
		David Booth	12 M		Mass.
		Charles Booth	9 M		Mass.
		Emma Booth	7 F		Mass.
92	113	Michael Mullanny	46 M	Stone Cutter	Ireland
		Mary Mullanny	34 F		Ireland
		Michael Mullanny	15 M		Ireland
		John A. Mullanny	8 M		Mass.
		Charles A. Mullanny	3 M		Mass.
		Patrick H. Mullanny	1 M		Mass.
	114	Peter Shay	28 M		Ireland
		Mary Shay	19 F		Ireland
93	115	George H. Pultz	44 M	Shoemaker	N.Y.
		Louisa M. Pultz	31 F		Mass.
		John D. Pultz	16 M		N.Y.
		Mortilon? Pultz	14 M		Mass.
		Delia? M. Pultz	12 F		N.Y.
		Frances C. Pultz	9 F		N.Y.
		George E. Pultz	6 M		N.Y.
94	116	Patrick Maloney	25 M		Ireland
		Mary Maloney	25 F		Ireland
		Patrick Maloney	4 M		Pa.
		Mary Maloney	2 F		Pa.
95	117	John Cokeley	M		Ireland
		Fanny Cokeley	F		Ireland
		Hannah Cokeley	14 F		Ireland
		William Cokeley	9 M		Ireland
		Morris Cokeley	8 M		Ireland
		Peter Cokeley	3 M		Mass.
		John Cokeley	2 M		Mass.
		Patrick Dunden	21 M		Ireland
		Richard Dunden	22 M		Ireland
		William Shay	21 M		Ireland
		John Nolan	20 M		Ireland
		John Brennan	24 M		Ireland
		James Dunden	19 M		Ireland
96	118	Michael Ford	34 M		Ireland
		Mary Ford	32 F		Ireland
		Mary Ford	9 F		Mass.

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THIRTY-FOURTH REGIMENT OF MASSACHUSETTS VOLUNTEERS BERKSHIRE COMPANIES B AND K

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COMPANY B

Captain Andrew Potter, Pittsfield
1st Lt. Lafayette Butler, Pittsfield
2nd Lt. William L. Cobb, Lancaster

SERGEANTS

1st - James L. Dempsey, Pittsfield
2nd - Wells B. Mitchell, Adams
3rd - Lemuel Pomeroy, Pittsfield
4th - James D. French, Pittsfield
5th - Henry H. Clark, Pittsfield

CORPORALS

1st - Erastus V. Lilly, Huntington
2nd - Charles F. Parsons, Great Barrington
3rd - Tyler Sprague, Pittsfield
4th - James Anderson, Pittsfield
5th - Elisha Chapin, Pittsfield
6th - Charles H. Moulton, Pittsfield
7th - Oliver Cotrell, Lenox
8th - William N. Otis - Huntington

MUSICIANS

John Grady, Pittsfield
Charles Pool, Worcester

WAGONER

T. Rufus Lyman, Huntington

PRIVATES

Andrew Adams, New Marlborough
F. H. Axtell, Huntington
John Babbist, Pittsfield
George Bastian, Worcester
Joseph B. Brown, Adams
Fred C. Blanchard, Adams
William Burns, Pittsfield
James A. Bell, Pittsfield
Joseph L. Binier, Chester
Thomas Burns, Clinton
John Casey, Dalton
William Claridge, Williamstown
P. Cummings, Lenox
E. H. Chapman, Huntington
William Cady, Huntington
William Carr, Adams
M. Canfield, Blackstone

M. Donnelly, Blackstone
Charles H. Dill, Dalton
William E. Donnelly, Lenox
William Dolan, Windsor
D. Davis, Adams
A. N. Elder, Huntington
William H. H. Eastman, Pittsfield
William Evans, Stockbridge
H. L. Ford, Windsor
J. Fisher, Lenox
Patrick Geary, Pittsfield
M. Hayden, Pittsfield
Nelson Warren, Springfield
E. J. Harrison, Pittsfield
Wilber Hart, Adams
E. M. Hubbard, Cheshire
W. M. Hanley, Windsor
A. N. Hubbard, Windsor
J. Handley, Clinton
T. Higgins, Clinton
William Jarvis, Pittsfield
W. Kelley, Pittsfield
Thomas Leeson, Pittsfield
W. Mandego, Pittsfield
J. Joslin, Huntington
J. A. Lilly, Huntington
A. C. Lervis, Huntington
J. N. Moors, Huntington
H. McCulloch, Lenox
J. Morgan, Adams
R. Morton, Lanesboro
J. Martin, Lenox
Stephen Marks, Pittsfield
I. Maloy, Clinton
H. P. Merrill, Richmond
E. Meacham, Worthington
M. McGraty, Chester
Richard Nookes, Adams
J. A. Needham, Clinton
H. Noble, Middlefield
C. Noble, Middlefield
T. O'Conner, Springfield
P. Otis, Pittsfield
J. Perlett, Adams
W. N. Phillips, Williamstown
L. Phelps, Huntington
W. L. Reed, Richmond
E. Ruwee, Great Barrington

L. B. Sampson, Williamstown
 G. H. Snell, Pittsfield
 J. Stanton, Jr., Huntington
 E. Smith, Chicopee
 L. Stephen, Pittsfield
 J. M. Sherman, Lenox
 T. Shields, Lenox
 H. W. Torrey, Windsor
 L. Trabold, Pittsfield
 E. W. Tilden, Chesterfield
 M. Toole, Worcester
 F. M. Turner, Adams
 J. Wilmot, Pittsfield
 G. H. Wiley, Adams
 N. B. Whitman, Windsor
 H. M. Whitman, Windsor
 C. F. Bennett, Dalton
 Napoleon Best, Adams
 R. Moulton, Clinton

COMPANY K

Captain William H. Cooley, Pittsfield
 1st Lt. Lyman W. VanLoan, Pittsfield
 2nd Lt. Samuel H. Platt, Pittsfield

SERGEANTS

1st - Cornelius Burley, Pittsfield
 2nd - Arthur Marks?, Pittsfield
 3rd - Franklin Hull, Pittsfield
 4th - Edward B. Emerson, Pittsfield
 5th - William Mink, Pittsfield

CORPORALS

1st - John D. Smith, Dalton
 2nd - Willis Werden, Pittsfield
 3rd - James Cowan, Pittsfield
 4th - Abraham W. Chapman, Becket
 5th - William B. Clark, Granby
 6th - Robert Gardner, Egremont
 7th - Henry C. Harmstead, Egremont
 8th - Noah A. Clark, Pittsfield

MUSICIANS

1st - George H. Carpenter, Pittsfield
 2nd - Edgar P. Fairbanks, Pittsfield

WAGONER

Julius F. Rockwell, Pittsfield

PRIVATEs

Edward B. Anthony, Pittsfield
 John M. Anthony, Pittsfield
 Charles G. Askey, Peru

Russell Bartlett, Worthington
 William Bartlett, Granby
 Charles J. Bridgman, Pittsfield
 Frederick S. Blodgett, Leicester
 James F. Brodie, Lanesboro
 Samuel F. Buck, Hinsdale
 Francis T. Bartlett, Brookfield
 Henry D. Brockaway, Hancock
 John P. Bambush, Hinsdale
 Harry Clapp, Millbury
 Nathaniel C. Chapman, Pittsfield
 Aaron B. Chapman, Pittsfield
 Almon C. Cady, Dalton
 Henry C. Cady, Pittsfield
 Edward W. Chapman, Richmond
 William W. Chase, Pittsfield
 Dwight Cleveland, Hardwick
 Ephraim R. Church, Egremont
 George A. Carlton, Hancock
 William Dennie, Great Barrington
 William Doren, Lenox
 Silas W. Edgerton, Dalton
 Nathan A. Freeland, Peru
 Darius N. Goodsell, New Ashford
 John T. Gloyd, Dalton
 Sereno G. Gloyd, Worthington
 Oren H. Granville, Pittsfield
 Michael Haggerty, Pittsfield
 Albert Howe, New Ashford
 Henry G. Hines, Lanesboro
 Otis H. Hyer, Pittsfield
 Samuel H. Hubbard, Dalton
 J. W. Hicox, Great Barrington
 George F. Ingram, New Ashford
 John H. Jones, Richmond
 Ezekiel B. Kempton, Brookfield
 Robert G. Kirke, Hancock
 John H. Kippe, Pittsfield
 Marshall C. Knapp, Hancock
 Franklin L. Knox, Brookfield
 Robert Kelland, Pittsfield
 Faltine Lape, Lanesboro
 John D. Loomis, Egremont
 Charles E. Mason, Lanesboro
 Morton Maynard, Dalton
 Michael F. Mullin, Pittsfield
 Henry McGilp, Pittsfield
 William F. Newell, Dalton
 Rufus S. Newton, Brookfield
 Edward H. Norton, Richmond
 John Owen, Hinsdale
 Elijah Plass, Lenox
 William F. Pease, Granby
 Thomas Powell, Pittsfield

Samuel D. Peck, Hardwick
 Joshua Phillips, Lanesboro
 Thomas J. Phillips, Hancock
 William H. Potter, Pittsfield
 Horace Putnam, Millbury
 Nathaniel L. Robinson, Pittsfield
 George A. Robinson, Worthington
 James Rawdon, Leicester
 William B. Starke, Egremont
 Harlan P. Stowell, Hinsdale
 James S. Smith, Dalton
 Edwin Shumway, Peru
 Newell P. Stone, Peru

Robert M. Smith, Granby
 George A. Smith, Hinsdale
 Hugh Stuart, Lanesboro
 James Smith, Pittsfield
 Ensign M. Smith, Dalton
 James R. Taylor, Hancock
 Dexter Taylor, Hancock
 William H. Tucker, Hardwick
 Freedom N. Upham, Brookfield
 Caleb S. Vickery, Hancock
 Chapin Warner, Granby
 Jacob Watson, Brookfield

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96	118	Margaret Ford	7	F	Mass.
97	119	Patrick Coburt	34	M	Ireland
		Mary Coburt	28	F	Ireland
		John Coburt	5	M	N.Y.
		Andrew Coburt	2	M	Mass.
		Patrick Barry	50	M	Ireland
98	120	Patrick White	42	M	Ireland
		Catherine White	38	F	Ireland
		John White	14	M	N.Y.
		Margaret White	10	F	N.Y.
99	121	Michael Holden	43	M	Ireland
		Bridget Holden	37	F	Ireland
		Mary Holden	18	F	Mass.
		John Holden	16	M	Mass.
		Johanna Holden	13	F	Mass.
		Anastatia Holden	6	F	Mass.
		Catherine Holden	2	F	Mass.
		Morris Cusin	25	M	Ireland
		Daniel Cortney	22	M	Ireland
		John O'Brine	40	M	Ireland
		Michael Locklin?	26	M	Ireland
		Michael Carty	35	M	Ireland
		John Hollen	30	M	Ireland
		Patrick Tye?	30	M	Ireland
		Thomas Geagin?	26	M	Ireland
		Thomas Smith	26	M	Ireland
		John Headen?	22	M	Ireland

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1903 Deaths - from page 62

25	Mary E. Webster	72-5-28	8	Margaret Malloy	37
27	Otis P. Clapp	64-6	8	Catherine Mahan	61
30	Sarah Cranston	90-4-22	13	Celina H. Sparks	62-10
Dec. 5	Mary Donougher	72			

THE ARNOLDS OF NORTH ADAMS

From *The Berkshire Hills*, June 1, 1904.

THEIR NOTABLE MANUFACTURING CAREER

No one family in North Adams played so important a part in its early history in manufacture as that of the Arnolds. Of these three brothers, Oliver was the oldest, and was born in Natick, R.I. in 1801 and a few years later removed with his father to a farm in the Notch. Here in 1806 Harvey Arnold was born, and a few years after, the half-brother of the two, John F. Arnold. Oliver Arnold entered the employ of Alvin Sanford who made cotton and woolen machinery for Giles Tinker and two years afterward became a partner with Sanford and Dr. Isaac Hodges, a skillful physician of capital, for the manufacture of cotton goods. These hired part of a factory in the Union, placing therein fourteen looms and the requisite machinery for carding and spinning, continuing the business for five years.

Harvey Arnold, who had been educated at the Wesleyan Academy, commenced the study of medicine with Dr. Hodges and afterwards became his son-in-law. Compelled by ill health to abandon his studies in the spring of 1828 he entered upon his notable career as a manufacturer by associating himself with his brother Oliver and Nathan Blinn in the firm of Arnold, Blinn & Co., having purchased the machinery and interest of the former Union firm and occupying the same premises for three and a half years. In 1831 they purchased a higher mill privilege in the Union and erected a stone factory of two stories with a basement and attic, which was the original Eclipse Mill in which in 1832 they ran 21 looms, which capacity was soon doubled, when Mr. Blinn retired and the firm became O. & H. Arnold.

In 1836 this firm bought of Hodges and Sanford the brick Slater Mill, which had been erected just above their factory. Up to 1837 this firm had furnished its entire production to Turner and Laflin, who were carrying on the Union Print Works on the present site of the Windsor plant. In the failure of this firm in 1837 it was so indebted to the Arnolds that they also were forced into liquidation.

The business was soon started up again however by John F. Arnold, the younger brother, a skillful accountant and financier, and was continued under the firm name of John F.

Arnold until 1843, when the three brothers formed a partnership as O. Arnold & Co., each owning a one-third portion.

In 1844 the Union Print Works being idle the Arnolds hired the same, taking Jerome B. Jackson and Johnson D. Stewart into partnership in the printing department, and this business was carried on by the firm of Arnolds, Jackson & Co. In 1856 A. W. Richardson & Co., manufacturing print cloths at the Eagle mill, purchased the Union Print Works property of James E. Marshall, and contracted with O. Arnold & Co., to bunch their print cloth manufacture with their own until 1861, and to supply the Union Print Works with cloths, each firm to share its profits pro rata of the cloths supplied by each, and equally as to print cloths purchased from the outside.

It was in the great financial panic of 1857 when all manufacturing and commercial business in the country was so thoroughly at ebb tide, that it seemed that there could never be a change, that Harvey Arnold and his print works associates so skillfully conducted these works as to keep all the print cloths mills of the then village in operation, to so market its product of calico as to keep afloat these plants, and tide not only these, but the entire business of the place over a period of the most severe financial depression ever experienced in Northern Berkshire. In the early years of the Civil war it was Harvey Arnold, at the head of the Arnold Print Works, who with his great financial ability repeated this grand service to North Adams and its population, and with the same marked success. Really, down to this day, under the able management of his able business succession, the Arnold Print Works has, as formerly, stood as a firm bulwark of safety when adverse tides of business prosperity have swept over the land and often dashed up madly against manufacturing prosperity on these Berkshire streams.

In 1856 Abial P. Butler having purchased the Phoenix mill and a large tract of land bordering on Marshall street and extending northward to the north branch of the Hoosac River, sold the property to Jerome B. Jackson and he disposed of it to the Messrs. Arnolds. The mill of 100 looms was run by Arnold & Ray and other portions of the original premises were sold by them. In 1861, on the northern portion of this tract, the Arnolds built the first

portion of this tract, the Arnolds built the first structures of the Arnold Print Works in whose main office a fine portrait in oil of Harvey Arnold, who died in 1876 is mounted.

After the retirement of all the Arnolds from the Arnold Print Works and it passed into the hands of a corporation, Harvey Arnold did not long survive. John F. Arnold, the first to retire from the firm of O. Arnold & Co., thereafter confined himself to financial and mercantile pursuits and at one time was the owner of the Wilson House Block. He was a man of decided

social instincts, of fine carriage and appearance, helpful, sympathetic and generous, and of great popularity. Late in life he married a Miss Fields of Conway. Oliver Arnold, the mechanic and manufacturer, was twice married and lived to a ripe old age. Harvey and Oliver both had children by adoption, and John F. also left no immediate kin. All the large properties of which these three notable brothers were once owners have now passed into the possession of others, including spacious residences on Eagle and Church streets.

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1907 Deaths - from page 65

Feb. 2	Jesse Ackerman	58-2-28	Jul. 10	Annie Irwin	55
4	Chauncey P. Cutting	83-2-18	16	George Aldrich	63
7	Margaret A. Ferry	73	20	Edward L. Melius	87-9
8	Isadore C. Curtis	65	24	Terresa Avigo	0-0-8
12	Jason S. Webster	87-8-1	30	Sarah O. Young	69-7-5
12	Gertrude E. Wright	32-2-15	Aug. 5	Elizabeth J. McElroy	72-11
15	Pearl G. Burke	25	7	Stella Cavalane	0-2
15	Sarah McManus	85	16	Julia Vanotti	0-4-14
17	Sarah J. Falkner	81	17	Thoma F. O'Connell	48
21	Dennis Kennedy	56	22	Eliphalet Wright	90-4
21	Catherine Ryan	46	26	Mary Healey	70
26	John J. Bachli	0-0-2	30	Caroline O. Richardson	84-0-2
Mar. 5	Lucy A. Richmond	39-10	Sep. 3	Ansel Bassett	81-11-5
10	Hazel L. Wheeler	4-9	9	Julia Wickham	50
13	Bridget Mooney	69	11	John Zufelato	51
13	James Crerar	60	22	Clara May Atwood	8 hours
23	Susan Coffin	46	29	Myrtle Littleton	0-3
Apr. 3	Josephine E. Trembley	15	30	Amanda L. Dresser	77-3
26	Ellen Morgan	90	Oct. 1	Ernest A. Bradley	43-5-11
30	Leda Katherine Stevens	18-4-27	7	Abram See	34
May 13	John Stallman	78-4-2	21	Catherine Dooley	75
13	William F. Lyons	73	26	----- Armstrong	0-0-0
15	Carl F. Elsensohn	0-3	26	Ellen Conway	80
16	Frances E. Bassett	87-9	31	Edward P. Jaynes	0-0-2
26	Louie DeFour	70	Nov. 6	Elizabeth Steadman	87-11-6
30	Michael J. Grogan	56	10	George W. Olds	72-0-20
Jun. 3	Catherine Jane Hitchcock	76-6-5	19	Winifred Flynn	80
8	Harvey Cooley Hitchcock	82-3-3	21	John E. Kelly	47
9	Walter J. Arment	0-11	23	Winnifred C. Navin	30
23	Henry G. Miller	0-3	24	Mary Mitchell	82
25	Eugene Mouhat	17	25	George P. Markham	78-11
29	Robert M. Merriman	8-6	Dec. 7	Matthias Brennan	76
Jul. 3	Timothy A. Tucker	84-7-8	10	Ellen H. Cahalan	33
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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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