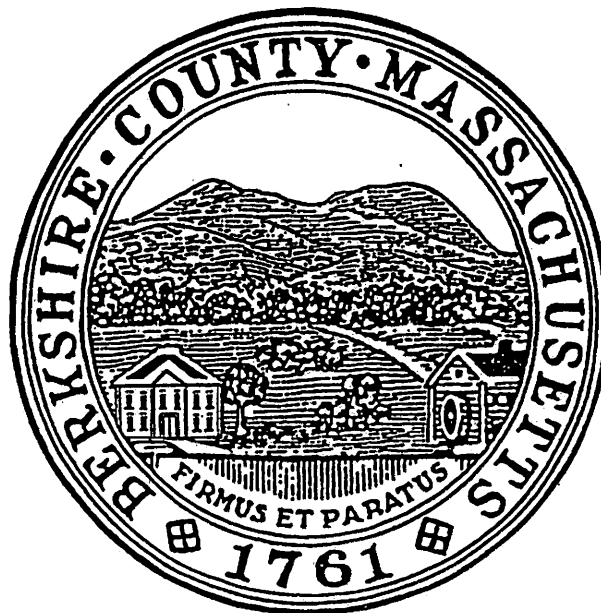


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## A BERKSHIRE CHARACTER - "CRAZY SUE" DUNHAM

From *The Berkshire Hills*, October and December 1900

Susan Dunham was the fair daughter of a reputable old-time family of Savoy 100 years ago, though some have attributed the place of her Berkshire residence as Windsor, and others as Sand Lake, N.Y., where she had two brothers. No fairer human being ever blossomed into maidenhood upon these hills than she, or lass more pretty, pert and quick witted. The misfortune of the loss of her sanity, which occurred in her earlier years, was accredited to hard study by some, to unusual religious excitement by others, and by a few to heredity. But the results were infinitely sad and touching, for this one beautiful maiden, through storm, and sunshine, summer heat and winter ice and snow, traversed the highways of this county, on foot for fully fifty years, a poor, wild, aimless and harmless being, having entirely abandoned her home and her people. These wanderings were mostly confined to the highways from Stockbridge on the south up through Lee, Lenox, Pittsfield, Dalton, Cheshire and North Adams. In this period her beautiful countenance became carved with a delicate tracery of wrinkles planted thereon by these years of exposure, hardship, hunger and vicissitude.

Catherine Sedgwick in her *New England Tales*, Crazy Sue being a frequent visitor at the Judge Sedgwick mansion in Stockbridge, alluded to her as "Crazy Bess," and represented her as having died upon the grave of her youthful lover, but this assertion was never verified and was undoubtedly a liberty allowed to the fiction of this celebrated Berkshire lady novelist and authoress. For a few years before her death she ceased her wanderings and resided with a brother in Windsor, but returned to Pittsfield in 1852 and died at the residence of Ross Hubbard on Beaver St. (Now outer East St., Ed.) who was a relative by marriage. Just before her death her reason came back to her and standing before her mirror she saw herself an old woman, and remembering her childhood, could only wonder who she was. Her funeral was held in the South Congregational Church, and her remains were taken to Windsor for burial. The Pittsfield town death record reads: "Susan Dunham, aged 85, died of old age December 14, 1852. Born at Martha's Vineyard. Parents, Cornelius and Tabitha Dunham."

The scriptures were always at her tongue's end and she was very quick and apt in the application of passages of the same. It was the universal

verdict that she was not dangerous, while she never exhibited any temper excepting when sometimes surprised in acts of petty theft of articles which she would sometimes appropriate and stealthily give to others, but which she never retained for herself. She solemnly trudged on from home to home in which she had made acquaintances and where she was always kindly received, interfering with no one in her journeys hither.

She was very sharp spoken and mischievous towards those she disliked. Her dress was of the simplest character, mostly given to her by wealthy lady friends, though always bearing the marks of careless handling and of general disorder. Her list of private-house hotels for stopping over night seemed to be deeply engraven in her memory and she was a particular in reaching them for the night's rest and entertainment as the most punctual of travelers. These stopping places were always the homes of prominent and well-to-do families, and she was always received therein the kind hospitality accorded a favored guest. Although always affording her hosts much amusement, she had to be constantly watched both by day and night on account of her eccentricities, but more especially because of her carelessness with fire and candles. On one occasion she carelessly set fire to the house of one of her kindest benefactors late at night, narrowly escaping burning it down and losing her own life also.

One cool autumn morning, when Sue was a guest for the night at the home of Abel West of Pittsfield, the latter was awakened by the roaring and crackling of flames in his huge-old fashioned kitchen chimney. Hastily jumping out of bed and full of fright he rushed out into the kitchen, where he found Sue attired in his own clothes, demurely sitting before a huge log-fire which she had kindled. "Sue! Sue!" cried Mr. West, "what in the world are you doing?" "Oh," coolly replied Sue, without turning around, "I heard that Cain had killed Abel, and I thought I might as well have Abel's clothes!"

One night at the home of Gov. George N. Briggs, the Governor was suddenly awakened from sound slumber, Sue having lighted her favorite big log fire in the fire-place, and cried out in alarm, "Sue! Sue!" when she replied, "Lord, Lord, thy voice I hear." It was to the Governor that she once gave the origin of her family name, having asserted that "the Lord made

her folks last," and that when he had concluded the great work of making everybody else and came to them, he exclaimed, "Done 'em."

Sue always displayed great fondness for children and in several instances she became so fond of babies in cradle, that she imagined their mothers were not giving them proper care, and tried to ameliorate their condition by transferring them herself to the homes of her friends having no children. To secure good behavior from their juveniles, mothers would threaten to give them up to Sue.

When practicing law in Lanesboro in his earlier years, George N. Briggs and Dr. William H. Tyler were riding home together from South Adams, and in passing through Cheshire, came suddenly upon Sue fishing in what was called Muddy Brook. She sat on the bank of the stream with her back towards them. She had a short alder pole, with a piece of string for a line and a bent pin for a hook. As the well-known lawyer and physician drove up and halted their team directly behind her, she did not look around, and gave no sign that she was aware of their presence. Presently Mr. Briggs said, "Sue, what are you doing?" "Fishing," she dreamily answered. "What are you trying to catch?" continued Mr. Briggs. "The devil," replied Sue. Mr. Briggs hesitated for a moment, but not relishing his success thus far as a questioner, then carelessly asked Sue "what are you using for bait?" "Lawyers and doctors," said Sue. She had the turn so neatly on Lawyer Briggs that he never forgot it, and the memory of it sometimes made him cautious when examining a witty witness.

Some boys happened to be standing on the platform of an old hotel in South Adams when they observed Sue passing by on the other side of the street. Here was rare game for them, and one of them cried out, "Sue, Sue, did you know that the devil was dead?" "When did he die?" solemnly asked Sue. "Day before yesterday." replied the unabashed youngster. "How sorry I am for you, his poor fatherless children," said Sue and hurried on.

If any of those to whom she seemed bound by strong ties of friendship, and there were several notable instances of this character, met with misfortune by death, disease, accident or of a financial character, her excitement over the event was marked with great intensity of sympathy and she sought to show to them her deep devotion in their sorrow and perplexity by most extraordinary actions, whose purport could not be mistaken. One of these friends who had failed in business by

generously endorsing notes to help others, having surrendered everything to his creditors, including his fine home and costly furniture, felt his misfortune most keenly. Entering his house on the day he gave it up she stuck a big knife into the center of the kitchen floor, and frantically marching around it, loudly prayed for him and that his home and property might be restored to him. It was a singular habit of Sue's to often remove furniture and ornaments from the house of one neighbor to another when unobserved, in the evident attempt to equalize the possession of household property, and thus remedy the inequality which she saw in such human possessions.

There was a good deal of glee among the olden-time wags of Pittsfield one Sunday morning at the close of service when Dr. Wright, a previous wealthy bachelor, came out of the First Church with Miss Pease, his newly-made Washington bride, on his arm. Just after descending the church's steps, the couple stopped to shake hands with a friend, when Sue pushed in between them, and taking the timid Doctor's arm, hung thereto for a long distance down East street to his residence, steadily resisting every effort of the Doctor to shake her off, and greatly to the chagrin of the newly-made wife. As Sue was as a rule modest instead of bold, no one ever knew what incited her to this mad prank.

Wandering into the kitchen of "Parson" Humphrey of the First Church, Pittsfield, she contentedly absorbed the warmth there afforded, it being quite a chilly day. This was when the inhabitants were taxed for the support of the church as well as the town in the same apportionment. On being asked by Dr. Humphrey, "Sue, why don't you go to the poor house?" she replied, "I am at the poor house - ain't you supported by the town?" This volley of the keenest wit completely silenced the worthy doctor.

Sue became very much excited at one time at the Thomas Gold house in Pittsfield, having got it into her head that two girls resident there were not well treated. One morning she made matters very lively at this home, ending up by emptying the feathers in a feather-bed from a second story window upon the head of a colored girl standing on the ground beneath it, and giving young Dinah he fright of her life.

One of Sue's stopping places was with a Mrs. Curtis in Lanesboro. Remaining there over night and getting her breakfast in the morning, she bade the family goodbye, adding "Exchange is no robbery." Wondering what she had taken they finally found in a chest an old, worn out flannel

skirt in place of a new one which she had made off in.

Dr. M. L. Woodruff of Pittsfield states his father often spoke of Sue's behavior in one of her visits to his house. Sitting down before the fireplace she lighted a newspaper she had in her hands and commenced to silently peruse it as if to get it read before the flames consumed it. Finally, when she could hold on to it no longer, she threw it with a great show of anger upon the hearthstone, and suddenly left the premises.

The late Gen. Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield, when about ten years of age, sat in his father's pew one Sunday morning in the Baptist church in Lanesboro. He was at the head of the pew and the door of the pew directly back of him was open. Into the vacant pew Sue swiftly glided as she came late into church, and commenced tapping him on the top of his head with a little willow twig as though she was reprimanding him to keep quiet. He realized who was playing this trick upon him, and was so tickled that he was in mortal agony in suppressing his laughter, though he was at the same time too scared to turn around and face his merciless tormentor.

A gentleman now resident in Great Barrington, but formerly of Lenox, states that Sue was first taken with her sad infirmity while keeping a school in the latter town. He distinctly remembers of seeing Crazy Jeffards, a queer old-time insane character of Lenox, coming down the long hill from the old Congregational church in company with Sue, and that the former was full of queer antics. This Crazy Jeffards, he says, once went down near the Lenox Episcopal church, knelt down on the ground and made a long and fervent prayer, when suddenly jumping up he ran down the street with great swiftness, excitedly yelling, "the devil is in my shoes."

Under the branches of the old elm in Pittsfield Park Sue used to spend many hours, and she was often seen here when on her visits to the town. It was here that on a bright, beautiful morning she brought to a halt a party of school girls, with their books and dinner pails, and assembled them in kneeling posture and facing the east, for prayer, having first compelled them to place their full dinner baskets in a pile in the rear. This they remained in complete silence for several minutes, waiting for the commencement of the exercises. Finally, hearing nothing, they timidly glanced backwards, when to their dismay they beheld Sue laden with their baskets stealthily gliding away from the park. On being discovered she set down the baskets, exclaiming, "Children, the good book

says you should watch as well as pray."

It was when the old Berkshire Medical College was in the zenith of its fame and at the height of its prosperity, that a young medical student therein met with a sudden and violent death. Hardly had the news of the death, which caused a great deal of excitement, spread over the county, when Sue suddenly appeared in Pittsfield. It was in mid-winter, and a season of unusual severity as well. The body was placed in the receiving tomb of the town to await orders from his distant southern relatives or friends. To the front of this tomb Sue betook herself and took her seat upon a fallen tombstone. Here she kept up her lonely vigils for many days, hardly absenting herself long enough to procure food, and often being supplied with such by pitying friends, who in vain tried to have her go home with them. This food she would place upon her knees and eat therefrom as she would seat herself upon the snow. She would never partake of food out-of-doors but in this position, and in the house at her meals would sit upon the floor in this way, never using chair or table.

Upon the top of the tomb containing the body of the unfortunate student Sue carefully spread out her old ragged apron, and as often as the snow fell on it, she would approach the tomb and shake it off and then return to her seat. The people of the town finally grew to be much exercised over her actions, and her strange persistence in maintaining her singular watch. Finally a few of the medical students, fearing she would injure herself physically by this exposure to rigorous and inclement weather, resolved to frighten her out of her uncanny freak. Shrouding themselves in white sheets they secretly stole into the grave yard on a very dark night and stealthily surrounding her, with an unearthly groan suddenly arose about the poor, crazed woman like so many ghouls. But she manifested not the slightest fear at the sight of these ghostly apparitions, and very much to their astonishment.

For awhile they stood there in silence, not knowing what to do next. Then one of the students noted for his deep bass and guttural voice, cried out, "Susan Dunham! Where art thou?" "Here dear lord!" she meekly replied, remaining as immovable as the very marble upon which she sat. The next day the parents of the dead student arrived and took the remains to their southern home. Sue soon disappeared, never again to resume her wanderings over the country, but took up her home with her brothers, until a few weeks before her decease.

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 Martin Coil  
 George Hamer  
 William H. Blair  
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 Charles R. Foot  
 M. J. Wheelock  
 Benjamin B. Whelden  
 Myron Walden  
 G. N. Smith  
 Barney Munyan  
 G. H. Daniels  
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 George Ingraham

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 Milton Haskell  
 Joseph Foster  
 Alonzo Michael  
 Adam Kimes  
 James Wood  
 William Johnson  
 William Parrot (colored)

Brace Humphreyville

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 J. Allowen  
 Charles Richards  
 George P. James  
 Dennis McDonald  
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 Lewis Leonard  
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 Philie Porter  
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 William H. Tankard (colored)

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John B. Lang	Joseph Leonard	Lucius Crosby	D. White
Thomas Burns	John R. Warriner	George Wilson	J. P. Ryan
Orrin Stevens	George Wilson, 2nd	Asa Ingraham	Dexter Phidies
Michael Casey	William Ball	Samuel G. Reynolds	H. C. Strong
Jacob Kniver	Decalvus Derby	William Manning	G. F. Ronier
Burr Calhoun	Hiram Gray	James M. Durkee	Marshall Curtis
George Dunbar	Louis Hannsch	Martin L. Dresser	Jessie Pickwick
Henry S. Brown	George Mather	John Gunn	William Peters
John Murphy	James Weed	Robert E. Willard	Henry A. Phelps
Charles Couch	James Markham	Thomas Keith	William Stewart
Edward C. Crafts	Michael Rahan	Isaac Howe	John Burke
Michael Higgins	Michael Handy	August Scench	Tyler K. Hermon
Patrick H. Quinn	William R. Plunkett	Morris Hofflin	William Reed
Martinb Maticcu	Thomas Kelly	Ed. Farrell	George Shelley
Charles Parsons	John Gorman	Thomas Adams	John Dunlap
Adams Mathes	Thomas Conkling	Thomas Farrell	Alvar H. Gaylord
James Ratcliff	Patrick Maloney	Charles Webster	Thomas Welch
Charles Hubbard	John Wesley Carhart	John Callon	John H. Bacon
George Berger	Henry Laramy	Clement Coogan	Charles S. Webster
Charles Haskell	Amos Bicknell	Cyprian Dusoe	Frederick Peck
James B. Williams	Theodore Glentz	Johnathan P. Bristol	Charles C. Howard
Job Durmley	George Abrahams	Vincent G. Rogers	Cunningham Moore
Barnard Duffey	Clark F. Hall	E. H. Nash	Nelson Durham
Perry J. Ayers	John Morrow	William Barnes	Michael Clary
George C. Dunham	George W. Clark	James Feeley	Joseph Jost
Thomas Renfrew	Hiram Proper	Augustus Brotrian	John Lelson
William Bryant	Andrew J. Fuller	Martin Dunn	Patrick H. McDonald
James Murphy	William C. Patterson	Patrick Duffy	Willard R. Booth
Dick Hunt	Hnery F. Smith	James A. Burbank	William Reinhardt
George L. Beebe	Peter Carter	Silas Sears	Alexander Gain
James Fuller	Frank Cassidy	Michael Kelly	B. Cohen
John Ayers	Thomas Quirk	John Martin	Homer B. Nash
Michael Kenney	H. A. Benton	John Larkin	Alexander Dunbar
John Wood	Thomas McAusland	Patrick Higgins	William Relly

## THE SUPPLEMENTARY DRAFT

From the *Pittsfield Sun*, June 9, 1864

Provost Marshal Morehouse has made the supplementary draft to fill deficiencies under the recent draft for the towns below:

WILLIAMSTOWN	SAVOY	WASHINGTON	Egbert Webster
Charles B. Smedley	Warner Hathaway	John Flynn	George Cheeney
Charles D. Thomas	Charles E. Seegar	William H. Hathaway	T. D. Thacher
James W. Torrey	Henry Sherinan	Michael Delany	James L. Breckenage
John Kane	Henry Haskins	Loring L. Holmes	GREAT BARRINGTON
Daniel Alcombeight	George H. Edwards	John Ward	John Vanderpool
NEW ASHFORD	Ambrose B. Perkins	Charles Parrott	John E. Dickerman
Henry Belcher	PITTSFIELD	John J. Allen	John O. Maley
HANCOCK	E. T. Williams	Ira O. Burleigh	William F. Lyons
George Phillips	Henry Prentiss	Henry I. Bill	William J. Van Deuzen
ADAMS	David Blunt	LENOX	MONTEREY
Thomas B. Brayton	Charles A. Reed	Charles Bliven	Rensalaer N. Cinch
Albert T. Witherell	Michael Daily	Bernard McLane	Egbert Van Deuzen
Henry Howes	John Garrety	John O'Brien	Reuben R. Brewer
Royal S. Hildreth	Thomas Armstrong	George Babcock	A. J. Fargo
John Fowler	William H. Bates	Thomas Divine	OTIS
Williams H. Bates	William H. Aspinwall	Martin L. Sears	Henry Spring
Joseph C. Burt	William Erdman	James Wigmore	Charles Clark, Jr.
Levi H. Jenks	Richard Dana, Jr.	Henry J. Root	Homer C. Dolphin
O. Perry Lewis	James W. Penney	RICHMOND	Schuyler Welch
James H. Hayzer	John Schott	Morris Malumpry	Henry I. Phillips
John B. Tyler	James Carllird	George A. Winchell	Milton Kibbee
William Houghtaling	James Beistin	STOCKBRIDGE	William A. Keep
CHESHIRE	Michael Davis	Theodore S. Heath	L. E. Twining
John Brache	Edward Tobin	William H. Rathbun	ALFORD
Dennis Haley	Michael Ryan	WEST STOCKBRIDGE	Luke Shedd
Francis Mason	Frederick Baumph	John Holland	John N. Love
Abner A. Perry	DALTON	William Witherow	John Conor
Alonzo Chase	Joseph M. Putnam	Philip Baker	Sanford Sperry
Henry H. Curtis	Thomas Riley	Silas L. Church	William A. Bunce
Thomas Hennessey	M. Kelley	Nathaniel C. Bunce	Andrew I. Baldwin
Edwin F. Nickerson	John Elsler	Wallace Van Horn	George S. Chapin
Charles Reagan	Michael Burk	Edwin Woodruff	EGREMONT
Patrick Cormick	Hugh Leonard	Richard Condon	Moses P. Lawton
H. T. Phillips	Frank W. Brown	Nelson Myeve	NEW MARLBORO
Peter Dooley	Lawrence Stearns	William P. Olds	Edgar Keyes
Stephen S. Bryant	Waldeen Kritchner	TYRINGHAM	Amos Coller
Norman Carpenter	Lawrence Doolan	George Rouse	* * * * *
Albert Cole	Joseph Marks	George W. Garfield	
James B. Dean	George H. Burnham	James Cheevers	
John Proctor	WINDSOR	Edgar Hallock	
FLORIDA	A. T. Barden	Goerge W. West	
Harvey B. Tower	HINSDALE	Daniel Hallock	
George M. Burnett	Thomas Hopper	Wilber Collins	

## VALUATION LIST OF THE TOWN OF LEE FOR 1904

This list contains only names that did not appear in the Valuation Lists for 1895, published in Issues 28/4, 29/1, 29/2 and 29/3. Large industrial entities have been purposely omitted. Readers may note that while the 1895 list contained many residents who did not own property and were listed only as owing a poll tax, no such names appear in the 1904 list.

- Albee, Henry A., machinery 600, 2 horses 100, laundry building 600, house lot 100  
 Abbott, Mrs., 1 cow 18, 1 house 1400, barn 800, 1 barn small 25  
 Agnew, Peter, 2 horses 60  
 Ames, Miss Isabella, money at interest 1700  
 Bradley, Edward, 1 horse 50, 22 cows 296, 1 house 1200, tenement house 200, barn and shed 500, 1 carriage house 140, improved land 1650, pasture land 500, wood 120, lot 100, waste 50  
 Berry Estate, 1 house 1000, house R.R. 600, house Taintor 400, house Dolan 450, barn 25, shed 50, house lot 455  
 Bartlett Estate, 1 house 3000, house tenement 1200, house lot 600, house lot 300  
 Burke, Mrs., real estate 550  
 Bossidy, Agnes, real estate 600  
 Boardman, W. H., estate, stock in trade 600, 7 horses 525, 2 cows 36, 1 yearling 8, 1 house 500, hotel 4000, barn and shed 300, ice house 200, club house 400, Walker house 800, 1 barn 100, barn small 75, house lots 650, pasture 950, house lot 450  
 Bossidy, Bart, 1 house 700, house lot 200  
 Benton, Mary E., 1-2 Ingersoll mortgage 235, 1 house 4400, 1 barn 250, house lot 250, 1-6 Washburn lot 52, 1-6 Sweet 25, 1-6 Childs 14, 1-6 Porter 9, 1-6 of Nye 55, 1-6 L. D. Brown 9  
 Brush, Mrs., 1 house 300, 1 barn 100, house lot 25  
 Babcock, Mrs. Rose, 1 house 750, 1 barn shed and H. house 200, improved land 500, pasture and wood 170, sprout 80  
 Breed, Thomas W., 1 horse 40  
 Breed, Mrs. Thomas, 1 house 800, 1 barn 100, house lot 150  
 Breed, Mrs. W. H., pasture lot 250, improved land 225  
 Burke, Mrs. Redmond, 1 house 500, 1 barn 50, house lot 100  
 Brown, C. C., 1 horse 40, 1 house 900, 1 barn 200, house lot 200, improved lot 150  
 Bossidy, Richard, 4 horses 160, 10 cows 180, 4 yearlings 32, 1 house 600, 2 barns and shed 350, improved lot 2100, pasture 350  
 Bossidy, Bartholomew, 1 cow 18  
 Basinait, Mrs. S., 1 house 40, 1 barn 100, house lot 300  
 Baccolini, Dante, 1 house 800, 1 house 800, house lot 250  
 Brennan, Mrs., 1 house 600, 1 double house 1500, 1 barn and shed 200, house lots 500  
 Bartlett & Oliver, stock in trade 100, 2 horses 75  
 Bossidy, P. J., 2 horses 100, 8 cows 144, 3 2-year olds 54, swine 6, 2 2-year olds 22, 1 house 500, 1 barn 500, 1 tobacco barn 100, 1 house 300, improved lot 1200, pasture 250, house lot 100  
 Brayman, Edward, 3 horses 300, 9 cows 162, 15 yearlings 120, 1 jack 50, 1 house 800, 2 barns and shed 400, 1 house 200, improved lot 1300, pasture 300, wood and sprout 300  
 Broga, Charles T., 1 cow 18  
 Broga, Mrs. C. T., 1 house 250, house lot 25  
 Buntro, Verona, 2 cows 36  
 Battles, Mrs. Frances, 1 house 700, house lot 100  
 Barber, Ed. M., 1 house 500, 2 house lots 20  
 Burns, John, 1 cow 18, 1 house 300, 1 barn 50, house lot 100  
 Bristol, Fred, 1 cow 18  
 Bastine, William, 2 cows 36, 1 house 300, 1 barn 50, improved land 250  
 Bent Brothers, 1 house 1200, house lot 200  
 Barden, James, 1 cow 18  
 Barber, Elwyn, 1 building lot 50  
 Brewer, Ira, 1 building lot 75  
 Cheney, Mrs. George W., 1 house 600, house lot 300  
 Coughlin, D. J., 1 house 400, 1 barn 50, improved lot 140, Stevens lot 125  
 Carty, Patrick H., 1 house 500, house lot 100  
 Casey Clothing Co., stock in trade 6000  
 Coles, Mrs. C. H., cow 18, house 450, barn 50, lot 50  
 Cahalen, Patrick A., house 675, barn 50, house lot 150  
 Childs, Mrs. Matilda, house 700, barn 100, house lots 300  
 Couch & Oakley, pasture lot 80  
 Cowles, Mrs. Eliza, hotel 1000, barn 200, house lot 300  
 Church, James, house 300, barn 25, horse 25, house lot 75, pasture 80  
 Clark, H. C. & Son, stock 500, machinery 3000, patterns in shop 1000, hay scale 100, shop and wheel 1800, foundry 700, pattern

- shop 200, 4 house 940, 1 barn 100, land and privilege 700, house lots 230, pasture 5  
Bostwick 100
- Clark, H. Archer, 1 horse 100
- Clark, H. C., 1 horse 40, 1 house 3500, barn 600, house lot 600
- Carty, Patrick, 2 horses 50, 2 cows 36, 1 yearling 8, 1 2-year old 11, 1 house 100, barn 50, improved land and pasture 350, wood and sprout 25
- Carty, Michael, pasture lot 75
- Cone, Mrs. Erastus, 9 building lots 1300
- Caul, Mrs. Kate, stock 3400, 1 horse 50
- Connelly, Thomas, 2 cows 36, house 500, barn 100, house lot 100
- Cutting, Miss Clara, house 400, house lot 120
- Cuene, James, horse 25, house 300, house lot 100
- Cahill, Richard, 1 horse 40
- Chapin, W. G., 2 horses 75, 2 cows 36, 1 yearling 8, 300 fowls 60, house 600, barns 400, hen house 150, improved lot 775, pasture 200
- Clark & Stratton, improved lot 180, pasture 100
- Camarco, Michael, horse 50, house 700, barn 100, house lot 150
- Cordinier, 5 horses 400, cow 18, 100 cords of wood 50, steam engine 100, house 700, barn 150, shed 100, house lot 150, improved lot 150, Hurlbut lot 50, Goose pond lot 50, pasture and sprout 100, wood lot 200
- Cook, Charles A., house 300, house lot 100
- Davies, William, estate, house 400, house lot 800
- DeVarenes, Byron L., stock in trade 800, horse 75, fixtures and pool table 80
- Deeley, Michael & Co., stock in trade 200, 2 horses 150, lime kiln 1200
- Donlin, Patrick, horse 40, house 175, house lot 100
- Dupont, Mrs. Adele, 1 house 100
- Daniel, Mrs. Mary, house 1500, house lot 800
- Debaun, Peter, house 4000, barn 800, house lot 800, Royce lot 400
- DeBaun, Charles, horse 100
- Duncan, Alvin, 2 horses 50, cow 18, house 200, barn 75, house lot 375, pasture 50
- Duncan, J. P., 2 horses 125, 2 cows 36, house 1000, barn 100, improved land 380
- Demstre, Joseph, cow 18
- Duffy, Mrs. Isabella, cow 18, house 2000, barn 200, house 500, barn 25, house lots 400, improved lot 50
- Dresser-Hull Co., stock in trade 4000, 6 horses 450, machinery 400, hay scales 100, house 800, store house 400, mill 1000, house 800, barn 250, coal shed 400, house lots 850
- Evans, Mrs. Fidelia, house 200, barn 60, improved lot 100, pasture 140, wood and pasture 10
- Farrell, Mrs. J. P., house 400, house lots 175
- Fenn, Theodore, house 900, barn 100, house lot 300
- Fenn, Harvey W., stock in trade 200, horse 50, 3 cows 54, 2 2-year olds 22, 2 yearlings 16
- Finneral, William, horse 60
- Flynn, Mrs. M., house 500, barn 100, house lot 100
- Formento, A., stock in trade 250
- Fitzgerald, Rev. E. S., horse 100, house 1900, house 1800, barn 400, house lots 1100
- Gibbs, Miss M. E., 30000 money at interest, house 3800, barn 500, house lot 1200
- Galvin, Kate, house 1200, house lot 400
- Goussett, Frank, 3 horses 100, steam engine 150, stock in works 300, cider mill 100, 1 shop 500, shop lot 200
- Graves, Carrie M., 1 house 1500, 1 barn 150, house lot 200, improved lot 90
- Gifford, H. D., estate, 2 horses 150, 7 cows 126, 1 house 300, 2 barns 200, improved lot 225, wood lot 250, pasture 100
- Griffin Brothers, 4 horses 200, 13 cows 234, 2 2-year olds 22, 4 yearlings 32, 2 oxen 100, 16 sheep 48, swine 6, 2 horses 450, 2 barns 300, 1 shop 50, improved land 480, mountain lot 75, sprout 600, pasture 255, wood 290, Couch lot 75
- Griffin, Samuel, machinery 200, mill and wheel 200, land and privilege 100
- Gardner, James, estate, house 600, barn 50, house lot 200, mountain lot 150
- Grosser, Fred, improved land 215, pasture etc. 450
- Gardner, E. C., house 200, house lot 100
- Guile, Charles, house 400, barn 25, house lot 50
- Garfield, J. & F., house 2000, 2 barns and shed 400, corn crib 50, house 50, house lot 200, meadow 225, pasture 100
- Griffin, Frank M., 1 horse 50, 1 cow 18, 1 yearling 8, 1 house 400, barn 150, improved lot 250
- Goodrich, Martha, 1 house 1700, 1 house 200, barn 100, improved land 875, pasture 300
- Gibney, Lawrence, 1 horse 50, 1 house 900, barn 200, house lot 300, building lot 500
- Haley, Catherine, house 600, barn 100, house lot 200
- Hinckley, Harriet,  $\frac{1}{2}$  house 600,  $\frac{1}{2}$  house lot 300
- Hewlitt, Orin, house 700, barn 75, house lot 100, pasture lot 100
- Hull, Adeline, estate, 3 cows 54, 2 yearlings, house 400, barn 200, hen house 50, im-

- proved lot 500, pasture 50, wood 50  
Heath, Robert, estate, 1 house 500, house lot 200  
Hayes, Michael, stock in trade 500, horse 75, house 700, barn 100, house 1200, house lot 150, house lot 400  
Hollister, Charles E., house 3500, barn 200, house lot 700, improved lot 200  
Hopkins, Mrs. Cynthia, house 500, barn 50, house lot 150  
Hall, Mary E., house 500, house lot 100  
Heebner, H. E., stock in trade 2800, horse  
Hoskins, George, horse 25, machinery 20, steam engine 75, shop 100, house 600, barn 100, house lots 200  
Hecox, Levi V., horse 30  
Hecox, Mrs. A. N., house 400, barn 50, house lot 100  
Holian, James, 1 house 500, barn 120, house lot 125  
Ingram, William, house 600, house lot 100  
Ingram, Mrs., house 900, house lot 150  
Ingalls, W. D., house 300, barn and shed 100, house lot 50  
Jones, Harvey, 1 horse 40  
Jones, John L., 2 horses 125, 8 cows 144, 4 2-year olds 44, 1 house 200, 4 barns and shed 250, improved land 600, pasture 275, waste 25, wood and sprout 25  
Johnson, E. M. & son, 5 horses 250, livery 400  
Jobert, August, 1 cow 18  
Johnson, Ward, 1 cow 18  
Johnson, Mrs. W., 1 house 400, house 700, barn 75, house lots 400, barn 100  
Kelly, John J., 1 house 900, barn 100, house lot 200  
Kelly, Thomas, 1 horse 30, 3 cows 54, 1 yearling 8, 1 house 300, 3 barns 200, improved land 300, pasture lot 225  
Kelly, M. J., stock in trade 2000, 3 horses 175, store and dwelling 2200, store lot 450  
Keefer, Joseph, 1 cow 18, 1 yearling 8, house lot 50  
Kline, George, house 100, house lot 75  
Kilmer, Mrs. Hanna, estate, 1 house 350, barn 100, house lot 150  
Keenan, William, 1 horse 40, cow 18, house 300, barn 25, house lot 50  
Leach, George W., 2 cows 36, 1 yearling 8, house 1300, barn 200, house lot 400, improved lot 300, sprout 100  
Lyons, Robert, 1 horse 30  
Lahey, Michael, 3 horses 100, 15 cows 270, 3 2-year olds 32, 4 yearlings 32, house 200, 2 barns 300, improved lot 900, pasture 250, sprout 350, wood lot 200, Packard 75  
Laird, Charles, horse 40  
Moore, Mrs. James, 1 horse  
Mooney, Charles A., house 600, barn 100, house lot 100  
Mooney, William H., house 700, barn 100, house lot 100  
Morley, Mrs. Charles S., horse 40, 2 cows 36, house 250, barn 300, improved lot 135, pasture 150  
Moran, John B., house 750, barn 150, house 1000, barn 75, 2 house lots 200  
Morin, Alfred, house 900, house lot 300  
Malley, E. A., house 800, house lot 150  
Miller, Charles, horse 40, cow 18, house 300, barn 75, house lot 100  
Marsh, Mrs. Adeline, house 2200, house lot 700, improved lot 350  
Melius, Edward S., house 600, barn and shop 75, house lot 200  
Melius, Mrs. Charles, house 300, barn 50, house lot 50  
Martin, Nelson, horse 40, house 900, barn 100, house 1800, barn 200, house 600, store and shop 600, house 200, 5 house lots 700  
McLaughlin, George E., house 500, barn 50, house lot 100  
McLaughlin, James, house 600, barn 50, house lot 150  
McLaughlin, Mrs. John, house 800, barn 50, house 100, barn 25, house lots 175, improved lot 150, pasture 150, waste 20  
Mulloy, Mary, cow, house 600, barn 75, house lot 100  
Merrill, Edgar C., 2 horses 75, 3 cows 54, 3 yearlings 24, 2 sheep 6, house 400, 3 barns and shed 200, improved land 375, pasture 200, improved 125, pasture 140  
Martin, Christopher, house 750, barn 25, house lot 50  
Mullaney, John, 1 cow 18  
Morin, Lucien, 3 horses 100, 10 cows 180, house 800, bakery 50, barn and shed 200, barn 20, improved land 800, pasture 225  
Moat, Elmer, 1 horse 50  
Monahan, Marie, house 700, barn 50, house lot 50  
Mallaher, Mary, house 700, house lot 150  
Martin, Fred J., horse 50, house 1000, barn 150, shop 75, house lot 150, 2 building lots 300  
McKay, Angus, house 500, house lot 100  
Myers, Mrs. H. C., building lot 75  
Navin, Patrick J., 2 horses 150, 2 cows 36, yearling 8, house 300, barn etc. 100, improved land 375  
Nugent, John J., house 300, house 500, 2 house lots 200

- Noonan, M. J., house 900, barn 100, house lot 600  
 Niles, Mary E., house 500, house lot 100  
 Nichols, Henry, 2 horses 75, cow 18  
 Nolan, Patrick H., house 500, barn 50, house lot 250  
 O'Hearn, Simeon, 2 cows 36  
 O'Brien, John A., horse 75, barn 40, improved land 425, pasture 40  
 O'Laughlin, John, house 600, house lot 200  
 Purcell, Thomas F., house 1100, barn 100, house lot 150  
 Perry, Miss Sarah, house 850, barn 100, house lot 200  
 Pease, Mrs. Adeline, house 1600, barn and shed 500, factory 25, house lot 1000, improved lot 300, mountain lot 34, Foote lot 70  
 Pixley, A. I., horse 75  
 Phelan, Mrs. James, house 1600, barn 200, house lot 400  
 Palmer, W. G., 4 horses 300, 11 cows 198, brood mare 50, 2 2-year olds 22, 1 swine, wood 100, house 600, house 80, barn and shed 300, horse barn 100, improved land 1450, pasture 500, wood and sprout 50, improved land 1325  
 Phelps, Fred H., horse 50, house 1300, barn 100, house lot 200, improved land 500  
 Plaquet, Jules, cow 18, 1 2-year old 11  
 Plaquet, Albert, house 175, barn 50, improved lot 125, pasture 75  
 Rogers, Ralph J., horse 40  
 Rogers, Theodore, old school house 50, house lot 25  
 Racinet, Mrs. Frank, house 1000, house lot 200  
 Roach, Mrs., house 500, barn 100, house lot 140, improved lot 180  
 Robbins, Mrs. M. T., house 1800, barn 300, house lot 350  
 Reed, George, 4 horses 200, 7 cows 126, 2 2-year olds 22, 2 yearlings 16, 5 sheep 15, swine 6, house 600, barn and shed 200, improved land 835, pasture 120, wood 100  
 Stratton, Mrs. Lucy, horse 75, cow 18, house 1600, barn and hen house 250, house lot 800, improved lot 150  
 Stratton & Mallary, Babcock lot 250, Whiting lot 450  
 Smith, Chauncey W., estate, house 1000, barn and hen house 200, house lot 400  
 Smith & Hawks, stock in trade 1000, 2 horses 125  
 Secord & Ingham, stock in trade 500  
 Shaylor, William M., stock in trade 200, 2 horses 100, 3 cows 54, 20 fowls 10, house 700, barn 100, hen house 200, house 800, improved land 450, pasture 200, house lot 100  
 Sparks, A. E., horse 40  
 Street, Charles, building lot 75  
 Smith & Smith, stock in trade 1200, horse 60  
 Savage, Mrs. A. M., house 1200, house 1700, house lots 600  
 Smith, Albert M., horse 20, cow 18, house 300, barn 50, house lot 56, improved lot 75  
 Stiquel, Adelbert, horse 25, cow 18, 1 yearling 8, house 200, barn 150, improved lot 225  
 Stevens & Hollenbeck, stock in trade 3000  
 Sutton, Edw. S., house 200, house lot 25  
 Seacord, James E., money at interest 200  
 Smith, Grove, horse 20  
 Sherrill, Alvan, Rev., horse 100, cow 36  
 Schillinger, Dr., horse 100, house 200, barn 50, house lot 50  
 Toole, James, estate, 6 horses 350, 10 cows 180, house 250, barn 50, improved land 400, pasture 375  
 Tolman, Mrs. William, house 4200, house lot 700, improved lot 300  
 Thompson, Mrs. William T., house 1000, barn 100, house lot 250  
 Vougin, Louis, house 500, barn 100, house lot 100, mountain 50, swamp 50  
 Voght, Joseph, pasture lot 120  
 Vinita, Angelo, 2 horses 125, 12 cows 216, 4 yearlings 32  
 Viale, Marco, stock in trade 400  
 Viale, Mrs. Marco, 4 horses 300, 3 cows 54, swine 6, horse 600, 2 barns 200, house 100, improved land 300, pasture 400, wood 60, mountain 125  
 Vincent, Edward C., 3 pool tables 200  
 Wright, Mrs. Julia, estate, house 2700, barn 500, store and dwelling 400, bakery and store 300, house 400, house 300, house 500, 4 single houses 1200, house lots 1100, 10 house lots 500  
 Wilson, A. C., 7 horses 350, 3 cows 36, livery 500, house 800, barn 150, shop 150, house lot 250, Twining lot 200  
 Wilson, Douglas C., horse 40, house 225, barn 25, house lot 75, improved lot 25  
 Webster, Mrs. Celia, house 400, barn 75, shop 125, house lot 200  
 Wilds, Mrs. Mary, 2 horses, house 2500, 2 barns 300, house 250, barn 20, improved land 580, quarry 500, pasture 250, Kennedy 60, Barlow 100, house lot 150  
 Woodin, Grant, horse 20, cow 18  
 Woodin, Phineas, cow, house 300, barn 25, house lot 25  
 Walker, Walter, horse 25, cow 18, yearling 8

Williams, W. H., house 1300, house lot 400  
Weed, George, cow 18, house 200, barn and  
shed 100, house lot 50  
Watson, George, horse 25, 5 cows 90, swine 8,  
house 375, barn 150, improved land 300,  
pasture 150, wood 50  
White, H. M., stock in trade 100, machinery

1800  
Willis, Fred, 4 horses 400, cow 18, lumber  
500, house 700, barn 150, house lot 250,  
wood 100  
Zimmerman, F., cow, house 300, barn 50,  
house lot 75, pasture 150

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## ANCESTOR TABLE

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

CCCXCVIII. LUCY L. SMITH, submitted by her great-great-grandson,  
Alan R. Clark, 10200 Belle Rive #48, Jacksonville, FL 32256

I.

1. Lucy L. SMITH, 1836-1910; Hopkinton, New York.

## II.

- 2.\*Elisaph SMITH, 1810- ; Hopkinton.  
3. Sarah BLANCHARD, 1811-1855; Hopkinton.

### III.

- 4.\*Isaiah SMITH, 1769-post1850; Eastham, Massachusetts; Sandisfield,  
Massachusetts; Middleton, Vermont.  
5.\*Temperance , 1778- ; Hopkinton.  
6. Amasa BLANCHARD, 1784-1843; Hopkinton.  
7. Lucy HOPKINS, 1788-1875; Amenia, New York.

## IV.

8. Phineas SMITH, -1787; Eastham; Sandisfield.  
9. Ruth DOANE, - ;  
12. Amasa BLANCHARD, 1758- ; Hopkinton.  
13.\*Edy NORTON SWEET, - ; Hopkinton.  
14. Isaac HOPKINS, - ;  
15. Lucy WATERHOUSE, 1762-1788; Amenia.

v.

24. Benjamin BLANCHARD, - ;  
26.\*Franklin NORTON, ' ;

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## HOUSATONIC VILLAGE - 1876

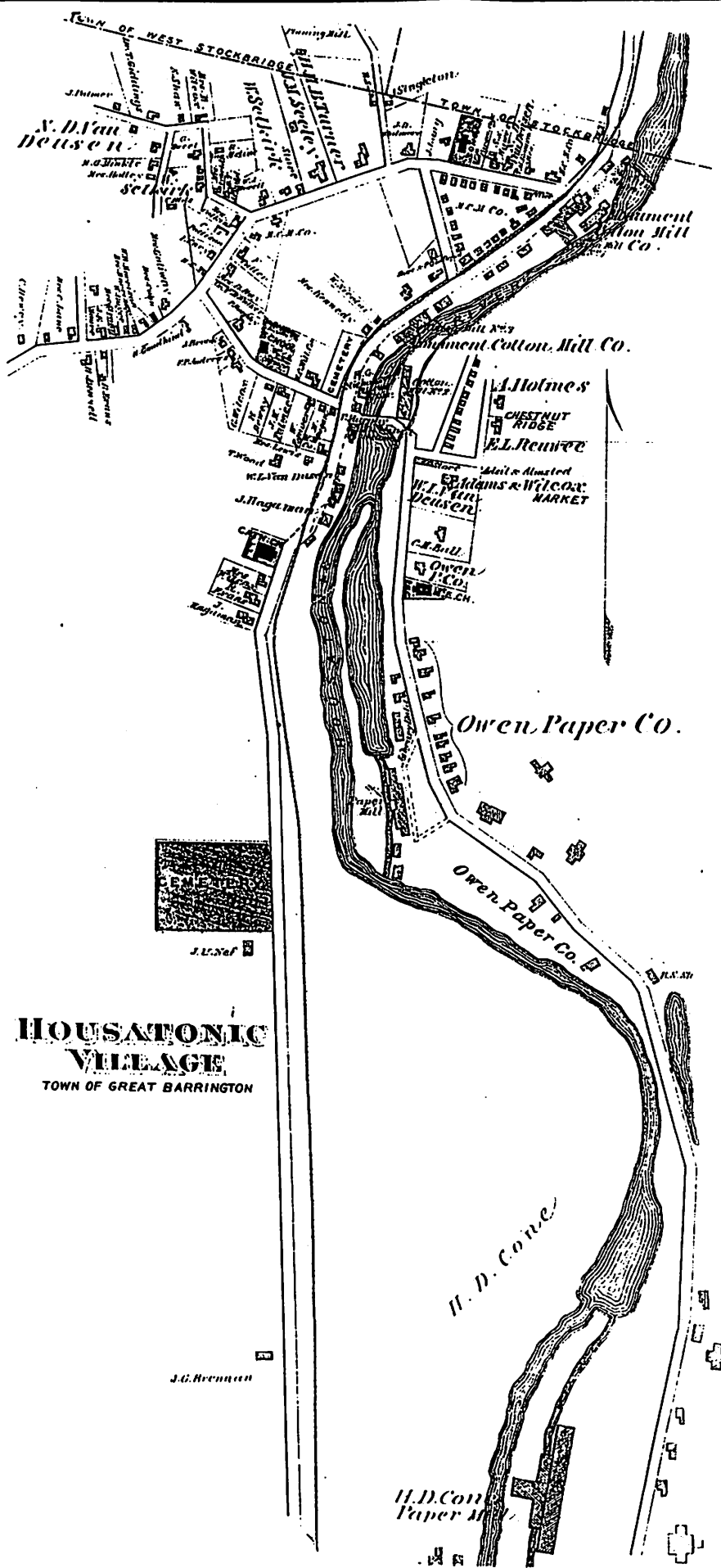
Adams	D-4	Coon, Mrs.	B-2	Hoard, B.	D-3	Nicholson, F. G.	D-3	Tuller, F.	C-2
Adsit	E-3	Day, D.	C-2	Holley, Mrs.	B-2	Olds, C.	B-2	Turner, H. M. B.	C-1
Almsted	E-3	Dewey, C.	A-3	Holmes, A.	E-3	Palmer, J. M.	C-3	VanAlstine, R.	C-1
Andrews, F. P.	C-3	Dewey, H.	C-3	Kennedy, Mrs.	C-2	Palmer, J.	B-1	VanDeusen, N. D.	B-1
Arnold, D. T.	C-2	Dugan, M.	C-3	Lane, C.	B-3	Pattison, C.	C-2		E-1
Arnold, Mrs.	C-2	Egnver, W.	C-3	Lang, J.	D-1	Ramson, T. G.	E-1	VanDeusen, W. I.	D-4
Ball, C. M.	D-4	Evans, R.	B-3	Minkle, M. G.	B-2	Reuwee, E. L.	E-3		C-4
Bennett, H.	B-3		C-4	Moore, J. E.	B-3	Seeley, J. M.	C-1	Walker, H.	C-2
Boyce, W.	B-2	Galiway, Mrs.	B-2	Morell, W. A.	C-2	Selkirk, W.	B-2	Whitmore, J. D.	D-1
Brennan, J. G.	C-9	Giddings, T. Dr.	B-1	Morrissey, Mrs.	B-2		C-1	Wilcox	E-4
Brooks, A.	C-3	Goodhind, H.	B-3	Morrison, W. H.	B-2	Shaw, N.	B-1	Wilcox, G.	C-3
Calkin, Mrs.	C-2	Hagaman, J.	C-4	Murphy, P.	C-3	Singleton, J.	D-1	Wilcox, Mrs.	C-4
Cary, L.	C-2		C-4	Murphy, P.	D-3	Strong, Mrs.	B-3	Wilcox, M., Mrs.	C-1
Cone, H. D.	D-10	Hawes, S. S.	D-1	Nef, J. U.	C-7	Sweet, G., B-1		Wood, T.	C-3
	E-8								



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## CURTISVILLE REMINISCENCES

From the *Pittsfield Sun*, November 16, 1899, a letter from Lucie B. White

The question of an electric road from Pittsfield to Lenox and on to Lee, Great Barrington and Sheffield, a project so well set forth in the *Sun* lately, is of intense interest to this picturesque village of Curtisville, so near our beautiful mountain lakes.

Railroad surveys from West Stockbridge to Lee were the theme of former generations, who knew that the water power from the lakes was the best in the county. They wanted a nearer market for the products of the four-story and spacious cotton and weaving mill. They wanted better access to the iron markets for the products of the foundry which employed forty men, in machine shops and nail factory.

The chair factory, in those days, was a busy place, with a bevy of bright girls who made the cane seats. The flour mill of A. F. Dickinson (afterward of the Chicago Board of Trade,) was where we went to "get weighed," and where the miller, John Van Bramer, used to ask us to smell of a barrel of flour and see how sweet it was, and then blow his forceful breath upon it until we were white as snow with flour and our mothers had to brush it out of hair and clothing.

At the saw mill of S. C. Curtis the hungry saw devoured the logs, and the lines of Bryant (William Cullen, Ed.) would come to mind as the great boards, with all the beautiful grains of the wood lay so still in the sunshine. Bryant writes of seeing the saw at work and wondering where the boards would go, till he taught of their use for the dead, and he says:

"Four boards I saw and shuddered  
And then the saw was still."

But now the stream goes almost idly down the valley and all these things are a sort of mythology to the present generation, who, as they go by on their wheels, see no part of the past.

When the late A. F. Dickinson, of Chicago, visited here in 1883, he found the parent pulp mill of the country under the care of Frederick Wurtzbach, where the large brick cotton mill stood and running night and day, from the water power of Stockbridge Bowl. He said that his generation, then living here,

were so interested in the dam, so watchful of the waste of water, that only Levi Williams was allowed to have the care of the gate. Mr. Williams knew just how many seconds it took to go up and shut down the gate, so that the wheel would stop for want of water, precisely at noon. They were so proud of accuracy that they gave object lessons to us children and we would see Mr. Williams go and then look at the great wheel until it stopped with the pointer of the watch exactly at 12. Electricity has no greater marvel today than this was to us of that time.

And these faithful souls, too, had their mythology of the past. They could tell us of *their* fathers, who could build homes only on the hills, for the valley was only malarial swamp, with corduroy roads of logs. They would tell us how the dams were built when the wages were from fifty cents to one dollar a day, and with wonder we looked upon Erastus Burghardt, who could have eight dollars a day and expenses to go to Virginia so far away, because he knew all about streams and water wheels and dams.

We used to hear, too, of the way Deacon Hull, father of John B. Hull, started for Hudson with his fine oxen hitched to a cart loaded with farm produce, leaving Stockbridge at 2 o'clock in the morning and returning the same day, over the turnpike and through the toll gates.

Rev. Henry M. Field, the last of the famous family, tells how, when he drove the cow home from pasture, he would wait to see the stage with four famous horses and a more famous driver - to him, the boy, the greatest man living - and wish he could be as great a man and travel as far! The genial clergyman and editor has ridden upon gaily decorated elephants in India, upon the camel of the desert, and been carried in the traveling chairs of the Japanese, but nothing has been so grand to him as the four horse stage was to the little boy watching it in awe and envy at the Red Lion Inn.

Now the generation is studying electricity, and the wheels of the Pittsfield Extension may sometime make their mysterious and wonderful progress down this valley, and be

of far more consequence and importance than is the stream which now makes but a single stop for business, at Barker's Mill.

But amid all the changes and development according to law and development because of laws of matter and force - amid it all the Curtisville church still stands with its spire pointing heaven-ward.

The church has been almost marvelously preserved in spirit and work. Was it the promise to Sargeant, the covenant with him, so faithful in his labors with the Indians that they wished to be buried near him that they might rise with him? Was it the prayer of Jonathan Edwards, who wrote his famous "Freedom of the Will" in the town and walked these fields in adoration of the justice of God and the dire effect of sin? Was it the labors of West, of Pastor Field, who not only preached but catechized from house to house, and so visited the schools and so questioned and trained them in committing to memory and in reading, that Stockbridge has been famous since for its scholars and fine speakers?

These were fine villagers, New England families, for the village had but one or two foreigners. The Stockbridge people built their church near the cemetery. Cyrus Field made a park of the old church grounds, opposite the Bement Homestead. They did not have stoves in the church and the Bement family always cut a famous pile of the best hard wood for the use of the foot stoves, that were filled at morning and noon.

Mark Hopkins, president of Williams College, in his last visit to Stockbridge left his carriage and sprang as a boy over the fence to drink at the spring in the Bement meadow, where the boys and girls used to go for water as they ate Sunday lunch under the willows, between services, in the days before Sunday schools were known.

But if Sunday schools were not yet in-

vented there were Saturday afternoons when the girls would meet at neighbors' and learn whole chapters of the Bible to recite to Dr. Field in his visitations. Woe to the schoolboy who could not recite verbatim et literatim, et punctuatim, too, at the call of Dr. Field! To read correctly, memorize properly, spell accurately was a creed with Dr. Field. He made the catechism, gospels and psalms do the work of the Latin grammar.

But who was sufficient for the work of moving the church edifice to Curtisville. There were giants in those days and the people had a mind to work. There was no electric coil. It was the patient ox and sturdy horse. David Fairchild, whose father was a deacon of the central church, was the inspiration of the work. Many left the farm as they could and went to the woods to cut famous butternut trees, the strong timbers. Mechanics with brains and concentration worked. Busy women boarded and cooked freely for the workmen in the summer heat. Mr. Wheeler, the model mill-owner, deeply interested in the intelligence and prosperity of all, gave generously, and buried two children on the hill owned by E. L. Heath, as he desired that spot for a cemetery.

The church still stands, with John E. Parsons, of St. Helen's Home, as its patron and friend. Mr. Parsons has a great love for the memories of olden days when religion cost so much to its adherents. He recognizes that it, as a church, has not as a rule filled its treasury with the proceeds of fairs and festivals, and that it will teach reverence and propriety in the future as in the past.

The business of this valley and village may go, the trolley come with its enlivening activity and convenience, but whatsoever may happen we feel that like Tennyson's "brook," the pure stream of a reverent worship and true religion will go on from this church forever.

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From *10,000 Vital Records of Western New York, 1809-1850*

Barlow Russell, 16, married Caroline Castile, aged only 42, who surrendered after a siege of three days.

Archibald Starks, 17, and weighing 99 pounds, married Rhoda How, 13, weighing 101 pounds - total 200 pounds.

John McIntosh married Deborah Eaton after a courtship of six hours with very little intermission. ■

## BERKSHIRE MILITIA UNITS

Compiled by Brian S. Barrett<sup>1</sup>

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**Lieutenant Jeremiah Hickok's Detachment, Captain William Bacon's Company, Colonel John Ashley's (1<sup>st</sup> Berkshire) Regiment. Company marched to Kingsbury during July 1777.**

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Hickok, Jeremiah	Lt	7/6-7/27	22 days, Sheffield, miles from camp home(120)
Bills, Hosea	Pvt	7/6-7/21	15 days
Boardman, Joshua	"	7/6-7/27	22 days
Cowles, Nathaniel	"	7/6-7/21	15 days
Dexter, Thomas	"	7/6-7/27	22 days
Fairchild, Ezra	"	7/6-7/21	15 days
Fairchild, Moses	"	"	15 days
Goodspeed, Anthony	Cpl	7/6-7/27	22 days, Sheffield
Hair, Francis	Pvt	"	22 days, Egremont
Holton, Thomas	"	7/6-7/21	15 days
Kellogg, Ephraim	"	7/6-7/27	22 days
Kellogg, Joel	"	7/6-7/18	12 days
Kellogg, Stephen	"	7/6-7/27	22 days
Lewis, Ebenezer	"	"	22 days
Noble, Constant	"	"	22 days
Noble, Ezekiel	"	"	22 days
Noble, Roger	"	"	22 days
Noble, Zachariah	"	7/6-7/27	12 days
Pond, Samuel	"	7/6-7/27	22 days
Root, Stephen	Cpl	"	22 days
Saxton, Jasper	Sgt	"	22 days
Seeger, Joseph	Pvt	"	22 days
Shed, Samuel	"	"	22 days
Slaughter, Amos	"	7/6-7/21	15 days
Taylor, Israel	"	7/6-7/27	22 days
Tuller, Joel	"	"	22 days
Vosbery, Isaac	"	"	22 days

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**Captain Zebulon Norton's (23<sup>rd</sup> Equivalent/Dalton) Company,  
Colonel Ashley's (1<sup>st</sup> Berkshire) Regiment at the Northward during  
July 1777.**

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Arnold, Timothy	Pvt	7/27-8/14	23 days
Bacon, Edmond	"	"	23 days
Baker, Bethuel	Lt	"	23 days
Burckard, Elisha	Pvt	"	23 days
Butts, Rufus	"	"	23 days
Closon, Jonathan	"	"	23 days, travel included
Cole, Rufus	"	"	23 days
Coy, Benjamin	"	"	23 days, travel included
Crawfoot, Mark	"	"	23 days, travel included
Demmon, Titus	"	"	23 days
Donniv, Stephen	"	"	23 days
Eaton, Alpheus	"	"	23 days
Ferrol, John	"	"	23 days
Foot, John	"	"	23 days
Franklin, Oliver	"	"	23 days
Goodrich, Wait	Sgt	"	23 days, travel included
Green, Clark	Pvt	"	23 days
Hill, Jonathan	"	"	23 days
Holiburt, Daniel	"	"	23 days
Hubbell, Jedediah	"	"	23 days
Johnson, Barachiah	"	"	23 days, Williamstown, travel (70 miles)
Johnson, Ozias	"	"	23 days, Williamstown
King, Amos	Sgt	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Lanfere, Elijah	Pvt	"	23 days
Lewis, Reuben	"	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Luce, Seth	Sgt	"	23 days
Mccornell, Thaddeus	Pvt	"	23 days
Meacham, John	Cpl	"	23 days
Morse, Joseph	Pvt	"	23 days
Nickeson, Henry	"	"	23 days
Olds, Hanford	"	"	23 days, Ashuelot Equivalent
Parker, Elisha	"	"	23 days
Pettibone, Amos	"	"	23 days
Porter, John	"	"	23 days
Rice, Nehemiah	"	"	23 days
Roberts, Ard	"	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Sewart, Abraham	"	"	23 days
Shaw, Luther	"	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Sherwood, Benjamin	"	"	23 days
Shildon, Eliakim	"	"	23 days
Slack, Joseph	"	"	23 days
Slack, William	"	"	23 days
Smith, Lemuel	"	"	23 days
Southwick, Lemuel	"	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Thomas, Elijah	"	"	23 days
Townd, Edmund	"	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Truman, Nathaniel	"	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Walker, Stephen	"	"	23 days
Warner, Nathan	Cpl	7/27	Reported deserted
Welles, William	Cpl	7/27-8/14	23 days, travel (70 miles)
Williams, Judah	Lt	"	23 days
Wright, Nathan	Pvt	"	23 days, travel (70 miles)

**Captain Zenas Wheeler's (6<sup>th</sup> - North New Marlborough) Company,  
Colonel John Brown's (2<sup>nd</sup> Berkshire Regiment. Company stationed  
at Fort Ann during July 1777.**

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Babbit, John	Pvt	6/30-7/25	26 days, Lanesborough
Baker, Bethuel	Lt	6/30-7/21	22 days, Lanesborough
Barker, John	Pvt	6/30-7/25	26 days
Barns, Asa	"	6/30-7/15	16 days
Barns, William	"	6/30-7/25	26 days
Brooks, Shadrach	"	6/30-7/21	22 days
Buck, Asa	Cpl	6/30-7/25	26 days
Closon, Jonathan	Pvt	6/30-7/21	22 days
Collins, John	Cpl	"	22 days
Coy, Benjamin	Pvt	"	22 days
Denslow, Charles	"	6/30-7/25	26 day
Evarts, Luther	Sgt	"	26 days
Franklin, Oliver	Pvt	6/30-7/21	22 days
Goodrich, James	"	6/30-7/25	26 days
Green, Clark	Fifer	6/30-7/21	22 days
Hall, Calvin	Pvt	6/30-7/25	26 days
Hall, Gershom	"	6/30-7/25	26 days; mileage (80 miles) home
Hill, David	"	6/30-7/21	22 days
Honeywell, Rice	"	6/30-7/25	26 days
Hubbell, Jedediah	"	6/30-7/21	22 days
Johnson, Daniel	Sgt	6/30-7/25	26 days, Sheffield
King, Amos	Sgt	6/30-7/21	22 days
King, Medad	Lt	6/30-7/25	26 days
Lyon, Abel	Pvt	"	26 days
Lyon, John	Cpl	"	26 days
Mason, Hezekiah	Pvt	"	26 days
Mason, James	"	"	26 days
Mason, Rufus	"	"	26 days
Mason, Shubael	"	"	26 days
Mcconnel, Thaddeus	"	6/30-7/21	22 days
Nash, Isaac	"	6/30-7/25	26 days
Nicholson, Henry	"	6/30-7/21	22 days
Northrop, Stephen	"	"	22 days
Norton, Charles	"	6/30-7/25	26 days
Parker, Elihu	"	6/30-7/21	22 days, Lanesborough
Pearse, Cales	"	"	22 days
Pettibone, Amos	"	"	22 days
Pettibone, Jacob	"	6/30-7/25	26 days
Powell, David	Drmr	"	26 days
Powell, William	Pvt	"	26 days
Rice, Nehemiah	"	6/30-7/21	22 days
Ricoson, Pelatiah	"	6/30-7/25	26 days, G' Barrington
Sheffield, Caleb	"	"	26 day
Sherman, Job	"	"	26 days
Sprague, Gideon	"	"	26 days
Stearns, Isaac	"	6/30-7/21	22 days
Stuart, Abraham	"	"	22 days
Terril, John	"	"	22 days
Whiting, William	"	6/30-7/25	26 days
Willard, John	"	"	26 days

**Captain Ephraim Fitch's (12<sup>th</sup> Egremont) Company, Colonel Ashley's (1<sup>st</sup> Berkshire) Regiment during July 1777.**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Fitch, Ephraim	Capt	7/8-8/14	37 days, Egremont
Adams, John	Pvt	7/21-8/14	25 days
Baldwin, Jacob	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Baldwin, James	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Booz, Jacob	Pvt	7/8-8/14	37 days
Bronson, William	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Callender, Ezekiel	Pvt	7/21-8/14	25 days
Colver, Samuel, Jr.	"	7/8-8/14	37 days
Corbin, Job	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Cowden, Jonathan	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Edy, Asa	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Edy, Briant	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Gilbert, Joseph	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Griffis, David	"	7/21-8/14	25 days, Alford, travel included
Gunn, John	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Hamlin, Asa	"	7/21-8/14	25 days; mileage home (74 mi.)
Hash, John	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Holland, Jephtha	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Hopkins, Ebenezer	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Hurlbert, Joshua	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Kellogg, Ezekiel	"	7/21-8/14	25 days mileage home (74 mi)
Kellogg, Ezra	"	7/21-8/14	25 days mileage home (74 mi)
Kellogg, Loomis	"	7/21-8/14	25 days; mileage home (74 mi)
Kellogg, John	"	7/21-8/14	25 days; mileage home (74 mi)
Layman, Cornelius	"	7/8-8/14	37 days
Layman, John	"	7/8-8/14	37 days
Loomiss, Daniel	"	7/21-8/14	25 days mileage (74 mi)
Omstead, Aaron	"	7/21-8/14	25 days; mileage home (74 mi)
Prat, Jacob	"	7/21-8/14	25 days; mileage home (74 mi)
Persons, Charles	Lt	7/21-8/14	25 days
Strong, Othniel	Pvt	7/8-8/14	37 days
Taylor, Thomas	"	7/8-8/14	37 days
Tremain, Philip	"	7/8-8/14	37 days, Egremont
Tremain, Reuben	"	7/8-8/14	37 days
Van Gilder, Matthew 2d	"	7/8-8/14	37 days
Webb, John	"	7/8-8/14	37 days
Wilcocks, William	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Wilcox, "Dijah."	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Willard, Dubartis	"	7/21-8/14	25 days, Sheffield
Winchel, Joseph	"	7/8-8/14	37 days

**Captain Ephraim Fitch's (12<sup>th</sup> Egremont) Company, Colonel Ashley's (1<sup>st</sup> Berkshire) Regiment during July 1777.**

Name	Rank	Period	Remarks
Fitch, Ephraim	Capt	7/8-8/14	37 days Egremont
Burnham, Charles	Pvt	7/8-7/31	23 days
Carner, Andrew, 3d	"	7/8-7/17	10 days
Carner, Andrew	"	7/8-7/21	19 days
Chubb, Gideon	"	"	19 days
Crippen, Hosea	"	7/21-7/31	11 days
Dailey, Nathaniel	"	7/8-7/21	19 days
Gider, Andrew	"	"	19 days
Holemreg, Michael	"	7/8-7/24	16 days; mileage home (100 mi)
Holms, John	"	7/8-7/21	19 days
Joyner, Asheal	"	"	19 days, Egremont, miles home (110 mi)
Joyner, Robert	Cpl	7/21-8/14	25 days mileage home (74 mi)
Joyner, William	Pvt	7/8-7/27	19 days Egremont
Kellogg, Nehemiah	"	7/8-7/21	19 days; mileage home (110 mi)
Kellogg, Ozias	"	"	19 days; mileage home (110 mi)
Kellogg, Timothy	"	7/8-7/17	10 days; mileage home (100 mi)
Loomiss, Abijah	"	7/8-7/21	19 days; mileage (110 mi)
Loomis, Ezra, 2d	"	"	19 days; mileage (110 mi)
Loomiss, Ezra	"	"	19 days; mileage (110 mi)
Loomiss, Michael	"	"	19 days; mileage (110 mi)
Old, Ebenezer	"	"	19 days; mileage home (110mi)
Orcut, James	"	"	19 days Egremont miles home (110mi)
Orcut, Peter	"	"	19 days; mileage home (110 mi)
Prior, Oliver	"	"	19 days
Reed, Daniel	"	"	19 days
Robinson, William	"	"	19 days
Root, Israel	"	7/21-8/14	25 days
Root, Isaac	"	"	25 days
Root, John	"	"	25 days
Stillwill, Benjamin	"	"	25 days
Tremain, Jonathan	"	7/8-7/21	19 days
Tuller, Daniel	"	"	19 days, Sheffield
Webb, Thomas	"	"	19 days
Westover, Jonah	"	"	19 days
Whiting, Ebenezer	"	7/21-7/31	11 days
Willard, Simon	"	7/8-7/21	19 days
Winchel, Jose	"	"	19 days
Woolsey, "Sammons"	"	"	19 days.



**Captain Amos Rathburn's (2<sup>nd</sup> Richmond) Company, Major Caleb Hyde's Detachment, Colonel Simonds' (2<sup>nd</sup> Berkshire) Regiment with the Northern Army during July 1777.**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Rathburn, Amos	Capt	7/8-7/26	19 days
Bacon, John	Sgt	7/8-7/26	19 days
Betts, Preserved	Pvt	7/8-7/20	13 days
Briton, Benjamin	"	7/8-7/26	19 days
Buel, Oliver	"	7/8-7/20	13 days
Carpenter, Simeon	"	"	13 days
Cogswell, Asahel	Cpl	"	13 days
Cook, Pitman Collins	Pvt	"	13 days, Richmond
Fuller, Calvin	"	"	13 days
Gates, James Omstead	"	"	13 days
Hatch, Stephen	"	"	13 day
Hill, Ambrose	Cpl	7/8-7/26	19 days, 97 miles from home
Hill, Frederick	Pvt	7/8-7/20	13 days, Richmoud
Ingham, Joseph	"	7/8-7/26	19 days, 97 miles from home
Keyson, Robert	Sgt	"	19 days
Lusk, John	Pvt	"	19 days
Mudge, Abel	"	"	19 days
Norton, Abijah	"	"	19 days, Richmond
Orsburn, Naboth	"	7/8-7/20	13 days
Parmalee, Rufus	"	"	13 days
Patterson, Joseph	"	"	13 days
Phelps, Hezekiah	"	7/8-7/26	19 days, Great Barrington
Raymond, Daniel	"	7/8-7/20	13 days
Raymond, Joseph	Sgt	"	13 days, 97 miles from home
Redington, Eliphalet	Sgt	7/8-7/26	19 days
Rowley, Joseph	Pvt	"	19 days
Skeele, Jonathan	"	"	19 days
Slauson, Jehiel	"	7/8-7/20	13 days
Stevens, David	"	7/8-7/26	19 days
Stow, Isaac	"	"	19 days
Tilden, Isaiah	"	"	19 days, Richmond
Tracey, Seth	"	7/8-7/20	13 days, 97 miles from home
Wattrous, Benjamin	"	7/8-7/26	19 days
Wattrous, Edward	"	"	19 days
Wells, Stephen	"	"	19 days
Wright, William	"	"	19 days

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## BERKSHIRE MEN OF WORTH

From the *Berkshire Eagle* columns by Joseph Ward Lewis, 1933-1935

James Matthews emigrated from Dennis on Cape Cod about 1719 and settled in Peru then the eastern part of Partridgefield and he had a son Thomas. At about the same time Nathaniel Stowell of Pomfret, Conn. settled in the western part of Partridgefield, later Hinsdale, and his daughter Lois, in due time was married to Thomas Matthews. They lived in Hinsdale and there was born Azel Dennis Matthews, on April 29, 1809, who later became the Brooklyn merchant prince.

His early years were spent on the farm in Hinsdale in privation and poverty. When Azel was 13 years of age his father rode horse back and the boy followed on foot, stopping over night with friends in Goshen, the boy to make his home in Conway with his father's friend, Noah Dickinson. There he lived for five years, working in summer and attending the district school in winter. His health gave out and with \$30 paid by Mr. Dickinson he made his way to Brooklyn, "to try the sea air, and to find employment suited to my feeble health." He finally secured work in a Water Street store, opened by Van Nostrand and Tolford, tanners, who sold leather and findings. He left this position in 1837 with savings of a few hundred dollars and opened a store at No. 93 Main Street and ran it for eight years. He bought for cash and sold for cash. In 1849 he moved his business and his family to Conway where he opened a country store with two partners. His small gains of many years were lost in the venture; the business was closed out and he accepted a clerk's position in the village and expected to stay there. But friends in Brooklyn urged his return to that city and in 1854 he went back to Brooklyn and entered the employ of a friend, O. D. Burtis at No. 16 Fulton Street. But 18 friends, in subscriptions ranging from \$5 to \$150, loaned him \$1470 to be returned at his convenience and he opened a retail dry goods store at 110 Myrtle Avenue. In eight years he repaid the loans and four years later moved to the corner of Fulton Street and Gallatin Place. Another removal and then as he said: "by degrees spread ourselves to the corner of Gallatin Place." His business prospered, his

name stood at the head of one of the largest, most successful and honorable mercantile firms in Brooklyn.

Mr. Matthews was an intensely religious man. He was successively a Congregationalist, a Presbyterian, and an Episcopalian and in his later years was active in the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church of which Dr. Theodore L. Cuyler was pastor. For many years he was a vice president or a director of the Brooklyn Temperance Society. He was interested in Sunday School work in Brooklyn - in 1878 his friends in Brooklyn celebrated the 50th anniversary of his connection with that cause. He attended the State Sunday School conventions and international conventions; he was for 16 years a teacher of the Brooklyn Sunday Schools and for all that period with the exception of five years when he was out of the city, marched in the annual parade of the Brooklyn Sunday Schools. He was a member of the Christian Commission which aided the sick and wounded soldiers in the camps at Washington during the Civil War. He was very generous with his money.

He registered in person at the Berkshire Jubilee in 1844. He visited Hinsdale and Peru every summer for many years, often spent the summer months there and was fond of the place and its old people. He planned to spend the summer of 1900 in Peru, stopped at the Wendell in this city for a few days, attended two Sunday services at the First Church, was taken with a chill and died at the Wendell on June 19, 1900. He was buried in Greenwood Cemetery in Brooklyn.

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The shaft at Lenox in front of the Curtis Hotel was erected as a memorial to John Paterson by his grandson, Professor Thomas Eggleston of Columbia University. Mr. Paterson was distinguished as a soldier in the Revolution, a public spirited citizen of the town, holding many offices and a merchant of high standing. He lived in Lenox from about 1774 to 1791. He was born at Farmington Conn, about 1744, the youngest child and only son of Major John and Ruth (Bird)

Paterson. In 1762 he graduated at Yale; taught school; practiced law and was a justice of the peace in New Britain then the principal village in the town of Farmington. The historian of New Britain says that judging from the honorable offices held by Gen. Paterson "he was, in these respects, the most distinguished man ever reared there."

On June 2, 1866 he was married to Elizabeth, daughter of Deacon Josiah and Hannah (Warren) Lee of Farmington. Some eight years later he removed to Lenox with the family of his father-in-law. In that year and in 1775 he was chosen to represent Lenox in the provincial congress. In both those years he was selectman and assessor. After his service in the war he returned to Lenox and engaged in business with Major Azariah Eggleston who later married Harriet, the daughter of the general, August 11, 1785. In 1785 Gen. Paterson represented Lenox in the House of Representatives and in that and the following year he was again a member of the board of selectmen and assessors.

General Paterson had large real estate holdings in Broome and Tioga counties, New York and in 1791 he moved his family to Lisle, now Whitney Point in Broome county. Shortly after his settlement at Lisle, he was chosen a member of the New York legislature for four years. In 1801 he was a member of the State constitutional convention and in 1803-05 he was sent to Congress. For the twelve years before his death which occurred at Lisle, July 19, 1808, he was the presiding judge of the county court of Broome county. He is said to have been remarkably quick and active, and a great walker. He often walked to Binghamton eighteen miles, to hold court.

Prior to the outbreak of war, Gen. Paterson was colonel of a regiment of minute-men recruited from the northern and central sections of Berkshire, in effective readiness to take the field on the most sudden alarm. This regiment and that of Colonel Fellows from the south part of the county, marched Boston-way upon receipt of the news of the battle of Lexington. They remained in the vicinity of Roxbury and Dorchester until the British evacuated Boston in March 1776 when they were ordered to New York. Gen. Paterson was a the friend and counselor of Washington. He was associated with the Polish hero

Kosciusko, with whom he formed an intimate friendship. They were at the battle of Saratoga, and made the northern campaign together and were both stationed at West Point after the escape of Benedict Arnold. While at West Point, Gen. Paterson was appointed one of the judges at the trial of Major Andre. He entered the service at the beginning of the war as colonel of the 15th Regiment and was made a brigadier-general February 21, 1777 and attached to the northern department. He took part in the disastrous expedition against Canada and in the battles of Trenton and Princeton; rendered important services at the battle of Stillwater; was present at Burgoyne's surrender and at the battle of Monmouth. He excelled as a drill officer. He served until the end of the war.

Gen. Paterson's life has been written by his grandson, Professor Eggleston. A great grand-daughter of the General married Charles Lanier, the New York banker, whose summer residence in Lenox, Allen Winden, was once one of the most attractive cottages of the place.

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Sandisfield was once one of the important southern Berkshire towns, a financial and social center. For generations the ancestors of the Lee Smiths lived and died in Sandisfield. In that town Elizur Smith was born Jan. 5, 1812 and he died in Lee April 3, 1889. He married at Lee Feb. 2, 1865 Mary Ann Smith, daughter of Henry and Hannah (Crosby) Smith.

Elizur was the sixth child of Stephen Smith, 2nd and Mary Canfield, his wife. He attended the common schools of the town, had a two years' course at Westfield Academy and at the age of 18, became a clerk in the employ of John Nye & Co., proprietors of a paper mill and of a country store at Lee. He was diligent in business and he acquired a practical knowledge of paper making. When he was 21 he became a member of the firm of Platner, Smith & Co., owners of the "Turkey" mill built at Tyringham in 1833. In 1835, on the retirement of Milton Ingersoll, the firm became Platner & Smith. The firm made money and became by far the largest manufacturers of writing paper in the United States. Mr. Smith had interests in a mill at

Ancram, N.Y., with his brother, and one at Russell with Cyrus W. Field, a native of Stockbridge who later laid the Atlantic Cable. After the death of Mr. Platner in 1855, Mr. Smith continued to carry on the business alone. In 1865 he and his nephews, Wellington and DeWitt C. Smith, son of John R. Smith, formed the Smith Paper Company. After this writing paper was no longer made in the former Platner & Smith mills which had produced the first laid paper made in the country. It is of interest to note that the paper on which the articles of capitulation signed by General Lee and given to General Grant was the product of the Columbia mill; that the paper on which Henry Ward Beecher's Star Papers were printed was manufactured at that mill and that there paper was first made from wood pulp in 1867.

Mr. Smith continued at president of the Smith Paper Company until his death but had little to do with its management for the last 15 or more years of his life. He gave much attention to the breeding of fine horses on his famous stock farm, "Highlawn" on the southerly side of Laurel Lake where he had blooded stock of over \$150,000 in value. The farm itself consisted of 700 acres of highly cultivated land and of several hundred acres of leased land. Mr. Smith was one of the first members of the New England Association of Trotting Horse Breeders. He was an active supporter of the Northern cause in the Civil War, voted with the Republican party, served in various local offices, was a representative to the General County and State Senator in 1880 and 1881; he was a devoted member of the Congregational Church, a director of the Lee National Bank, a trustee of the Lee Savings Bank, one of the founders and a trustee of the Lee Library Association, president of the Fern Cliff Association and a member of the Lee Business Men's Association.

Mr. Smith attended the Governor's annual reception at Boston in 1889; became ill, returned home and died suddenly at his residence on Franklin Street. Rev. Dr. Lyman S. Rowland preached the funeral sermon.

Two interesting facts of Mr. Smith's life may be mentioned. He became an insolvent through the stress of the times just before the '60s. In after years he paid all his former

debts, principal and interest. Many years ago he provided for an annual prize of \$20 for the winner of a Moonlight Speaking competition at Williams College held at commencement time each year. Williams gave him an honorary M.A. in 1856

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Joseph Dwight of Stockbridge and Great Barrington, lawyer, legislator, soldier and judge, was twice married, first to Mary Pynchon of the famous Pynchon family of Springfield, and after her death to Abigail, the widow of the Rev. John Sergeant, the successor to Jonathan Edwards. The general had a large and interesting family of children, four of them being especially worthy of mention. His daughter Dorothy married Jedediah Foster of Brookfield, a justice of the highest court of the State; their daughter, Ruth married General Thomas Ives and Thomas and Ruth were the grandparents of Charles J. Taylor, historian of Great Barrington.

Other children of General Dwight were Elijah who was the first clerk of the county courts; Pamela who became the wife of Judge Theodore Sedgwick of Stockbridge; and Henry Williams Dwight who lived in Stockbridge and was the first clerk of courts and register of probate for Berkshire County. A portrait of General Dwight in full regimentals, painted by Blackburn, may be seen at the Berkshire Museum.

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Among the early settlers of Hancock was Asa Douglas, a grantee in 1760, whose residence was just over the line in Stephentown, N.Y. He was the great-grandfather of Stephen Arnold Douglas, Lincoln's great antagonist.

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The old saying that "A prophet is not without honor, save in his own country," is subject to exceptions. Most proverbs fail in some respects. Susan B. Anthony was a prophet and is honored in her own country, Adams, her birthplace. The Adams Society of Friends Descendants was founded about

1910 by Mrs. Susan A. Radley of Chicago, a relative of Miss Anthony and has continued its work under the leadership of William B. Browne of North Adams, historian and genealogist. This society has accomplished much in preserving the memory of this great leader in the cause of equal suffrage and women's rights. The objects of the organization were the preservation of material dealing with the early Quakers of Adams, their genealogies, the care of the Quaker meeting house, the improvement and care of the Friends burial ground, the preservation of the Susan B. Anthony birthplace and the marking of some of the original farmsteads of the Quakers.

All of these objects of course do not directly grow out of the desire to do honor the memory of Miss Anthony, but it is worth noting that the society has marked with fine tablets the two existing Lapham farmhouses; graded and kept mowed the Friends burial ground; has made copies of all the early Quaker records dealing with the Adams section; and arranged each September for a Quaker service in the old building and for a social and literary field day, usually the day before the meeting. The society has bought the birthplace of Miss Anthony and cares for it. It is located at "Bowen's Corners" in Adams on the so-called East Road, and is about a mile east of Adams center, and is reached from the center by way of either East or East Hoosac Streets. It was probably built in 1805. It is a ten-room two-story and attic wooden structure with a one-story wing in the rear, both with slant roofs. With exceptions later noted it is exteriorly as originally constructed and in appearance is very like the better class farm and other houses now being built. There are two brick chimneys in the main structure and one in the ell. The porch is a later edition and the glass in the windows is modern. The front door with its canopy is a noteworthy feature of the house. One

enters through the door into a wide hall; at the left is a room once used as a store. The ceilings are about eight feet high. A fireplace on the first floor and a small fireplace in the room in which Susan Anthony was born have been removed. With these exceptions the interior of the house is probably as it was originally built.

Some of Miss Anthony's publications, a few autograph letters and her picture are displayed in the house. The room in which she was born has been refurnished in the style of the period of her birth, with simplicity and the atmosphere of a Quaker home. The house is well cared for and many people visit it each season.

The meeting house is at the west end of the cemetery which is located up the hill westerly from McKinley Square in Adams. It was thoroughly repaired in 1908. It is an ancient and most interesting building, erected in 1784. The date of the chimney, 1786, is an error made by masons who repaired it in 1910. It has curious and interesting architectural features. It is probably the only meeting house of its age in its original condition. The care of the building has recently been given over by the town to the Friends Society which also cares for the Friends burial ground.

When the Quakers first began to leave Adams, a large group went to Farmington, N.Y., about 25 miles southeasterly from Rochester. Mr. Brown tells me that he receives yearly report of the Quaker meetings at Farmington and finds the old familiar Adams names among the attendants. I quote this interesting paragraph from Mr. Browne's letter: "Strange to say a second migration went along from New York to Farmington, Ill. In tracking lost Adams families one usually picks up the chase in these places. Now we find them scattered all over the land."

The Illinois Farmington is near Peoria.

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#### *From 10,000 Vital Records of Western New York, 1809-1850*

Calvin Edson, the Living Skeleton, died "recently" in Randolph, Vermont. "By a post mortem examination it was ascertained that a tapeworm 15 feet in length was the cause of his ultimate death." Another paper stated "Calvin Edson is still alive and being exhibited in Portland, Maine." ■

# STATE CENSUS OF MASSACHUSETTS, 1855

## WEST STOCKBRIDGE

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Abstract by Meta L. Stark

187	Sylvester Spencer, Jr.	30	M		Mass.
	Julia A. Spencer	22	F		Conn.
	William H. Spencer	2	M		Mass.
	Francis Martelt?	18	M		Canada
149 188	William M. Kniffin	23	M	Merchant	Mass.
	Eliza W. Kniffin	20	F		Mass.
150 189	Daniel D. Bristol	43	M	Stone Cutter	Mass.
	Mary Bristol	43	F		N.Y.
	Albert W. Bristol	13	M		Mass.
	Albertine Bristol	11	F		Mass.
151 190	George W. Kniffin	49	M		
	Marietta Kniffin	47	F		Mass.
	Charles? W. Kniffin	19	M		Mass.
	Amanda Tyler	19	F		N.Y.
152 191	Robert Hunter	59	M		Mass.
	Eliza Hunter	54	F		Mass.
192	Henry Gay	60	M		Conn.
	Sophia Gay	55	F		Conn.
193	Morris Gaylord		M		N.Y.
	Sarah Gaylord		F		N.Y.
	Samuel A. Klina?	31	M		N.Y.
	Percis S. Reeve?	32	F		N.Y.
	Lewis F. Lamb	20	M		N.Y.
153 194	Lyman Bliss	52	M	Waggon Maker	Mass.
	Mariah L. Bliss	51	F		N.Y.
	Sarah A. Bliss	19	F		Mass.
	George H. Bliss	14	M		Mass.
	William D. Bliss	12	M		Mass.
	John L. Bliss	6	M		Mass.
	John M. Kellogg	3	M		N.Y.
195	Mary A. Comstock	32	F		Mass.
	Eva G. Comstock	2	F		Mass.
154 196	Henry W. Snow	34	M		Mass.
	Mary Snow	32	F		N.Y.
	Charles C. Snow	12	M		Mass.
	Edward T. Snow	8	M		Mass.
	Adelbert H. Snow	7	M		Mass.
	Edgerton E. Snow	5	M		Mass.
	Harriet R. Snow	3	F		Mass.
	Martha A. Snow	1	F		Mass.
155 197	Amasa Spencer	70	M		Conn.
	Sally Spencer	60	F		Conn.
	Eliza Stanton	50	F		N.Y.
156 198	David K. Lane	37	M		Mass.
	Amelia S. Lane	35	F		Mass.
	Emugene M. Lane	12	F		N.Y.
	Francis E. Lane	3	M		Mass.
199	George W. Stone	31	M		Mass.

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		Lucy A. Stone	27 F		Mass.
		Ellen A. Stone	7 F		N.Y.
		Francis A. Stone	4 F		N.Y.
		Harriet C. Stone	1 F		Mass.
		Eli Webster	75 M		Conn.
157	200	James P. Nicholson	37 M		Mass.
		Amanda Nicholson	36 F		Mass.
		Edgar G. Nicholson	11 M		Mass.
		Emina? J. Nicholson	8 F		Mass.
158	201	Prince Robinson	38 M Blk		N.Y.
		Ruth R. Robinson	29 F Blk		Mass.
		Robert H. Robinson	10 M Blk		Mass.
		Mary E. Robinson	9 F Blk		Mass.
		Thomas E. Robinson	7 M Blk		Mass.
		William L. Robinson	M Blk		Mass.
159	202	Anson Blinn	48 M		N.Y.
		Cyntha C. Blinn	38 F		Mass.
		Edward S. Blinn	19 M	Blacksmith	Mass.
		William A. Blinn	11 M		Mass.
		Charles H. Blinn	8 M		Mass.
160	203	David Avery	M		
		Louisa Avery	39 F		N.Y.
		Warren N. Halsey	15 M		Mass.
		E----- Halsey	13 F		Mass.
		Colonel D. Halsey	12 M		Mass.
	204	George L. Markham	24 M		Mass.
		Fanny Markham	24 F		Ireland
		William Markham	2 M		Mass.
		John McGovern	21 M		Ireland
161	205	John Conden	28 M		Ireland
		Catharine Conden	25 F		Ireland
	206	Peter S. Glover	37 M		N.Y.
		Rhoda M. Glover	35 F		N.Y.
		William Sumner	19 M		Mass.
	207	William Barry	26 M		Ireland
		Catharine Barry	24 F		Ireland
		James Barry	3 M		N.Y.
		William Barry	2 M		Mass.
		Jane Barry	F		Mass.
162	208	William Witherow	M		Ireland
		Julia Witherow	F		Ireland
		Ellen Witherow	3 F		Mass.
		Catharine Witherow	1 F		Mass.
163	209	Bridget Garnes	29 F		Ireland
		Bridget Mullanny	50 F		Ireland
		Edward Garnes	10 M		Ireland
		Thomas Garnes	9 M		Ireland
		Patrick Garnes	8 M		Ireland
		William Garnes	4 M		Mass.
164	210	Richard Welch	29 M		Ireland
		Margaret Welch	30 F		Ireland
		Mary E. Welch	2 F		Mass.
	211	Benedict Hoffay	69 M		France
		Isabel Hoffay	25 F		Canada

		Alexis C. Hoffay	5 M		Canada
165	212	Ralph B. Thompson	70 M		Mass.
		Miriam Thompson	68 F		N.H.
	213	James I. Thompson	37 M	Miller	N.H.
		Sarah S. Thompson	33 F		Mass.
		Ada M. Thompson	12 F		Mass.
		Una M. Thompson	5 F		Mass.
		Ida L. Thompson	5 F		Mass.
		James W. Thompson	1 M		Mass.
		Ira LaPoint	19 M		Canada
166	214	Thomas P. Rude	38 M		Mass.
		Elizabeth Rude	34 F		N.J.?
		Cabe? R. Rude	13 M		Mass.
		Charles F. Rude	10 M		Mass.
		Mary E. Rude	7 F		Mass.
		Theodor S. Rude	5 M		Va.
		Thomas Rude	80 M		Conn.
		Laura S. Rude	30 F		Mass.
167	215	Constant Griner?	53 M		Canada
		Agatha Griner?	38 F		Canada
		Adeline Hoffay	17 F		Del.
		Augustus Gardain	20 M		France
168	216	George Jamison	25 M		N.Y.
		Agatha Jamison	19 F		Canada
		Alice Jamison	2 F		Mass.
		Inez Jamison	1 F		Mass.
169	217	William Johnson	41 M		Ireland
		Latichie Johnson	32 F		Ireland
		Ann E. Johnson	8 F		Mass.
		William Johnson	7 M		Mass.
		Mary I.? Johnson	3 F		Mass.
		Mary Johnson	72 F		Ireland
		Patrick (Blank)	18 M		Ireland
170	218	Byron G. Tyler	29 M	Painter	Mass.
		Harriet I. Tyler	19 F		Mass.
		Ella M. Tyler	1 F		Mass.
171	219	James VanHorn	66 M		N.Y.
		Laura VanHorn	63 F		N.Y.
	220	Elisha M. Turner	33 M		Conn.
		Laura I. Turner	25 F		N.Y.
		Clarence E. Turner	1 M		Mass.
		Cornelia A. Turner	23 F		Mass.
		Eva M. Turner	3 F		Conn.
172	221	Nathan Palmer	64 M		N.Y.
		Tryphina Palmer	63 F		N.Y.
		William Branian	30 M		N.Y.
		Mary Stringer?	15 F		N.Y.
		Adele F. Son	16 F		N.Y.
173	222	Aaron Shaw	72 M		N.Y.
		Anna Shaw	62 F		Mass.
	223	George B. Hunt	29 M		Mass.
		Emma I. Hunt	23 F		Mass.
		Emma C. Hunt	1 F		Mass.
174	224	Luke Dewey	70 M	Physician	Mass.



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		Abbey Dewey	59 F		Mass.
		Mary L. Dewey	32 F		Mass.
		Edward I. Dewey	24 M		Mass.
		Francis C. Dewey	18 M		Mass.
		Walter Ellard	15 M		N.B.
		John A. Laforgur	53 M		Mass.
		Ellen Laforgur	18 F		Mass.
		William H. Griswold	34 M		N.Y.
		Sylvester Hooper	M		N.Y.
		Albert Sylvia	21 M	Tailor	Portugal
175	225	David Mountain	30 M		Ireland
		Elizabeth Mountain	31 F		Ireland
		David Mountain	8 M		Mass.
		John I. Mountain	5 M		Mass.
		William Mountain	2 M		Mass.
226		Ellen Finn	30 F		Ireland
		Thomas Finn	6 M		Mass.
227		Michael Birmingham	32 M		Ireland
		Mary Birmingham	25 F		Ireland
		Catharine Birmingham	1 F		Mass.
176	228	Patrick Ganin	35 M		Ireland
		Mary Ganin	35 F		Ireland
229		Patrick Crow	36 M		Ireland
		Catharine Crow	21 F		Ireland
		John Ryan	10 M		Ireland
230		Patrick Tidings	40 M		Ireland
		Margaret Tidings	27 F		Ireland
		John Tidings	6 M		Mass.
		James Tidings	4 M		Mass.
		Thomas Tidings	3 M		Mass.
		Patrick Tidings	1 M		Mass.
231		Martin Powers	58 M		Ireland
		Eunice Powers	60 F		Conn.
		Mariah Simon	18 F		N.Y.
		Michael Hogan	22 M		Ireland
		Patrick Lamson	33 M		Ireland
177	232	Charles R. Bissell	29 M	Physician	Conn.
		Daniel B. Campbell	52 M		Canada
		Rebecca Campbell	51 F		Conn.
		Ann E. Campbell	20 F		Conn.
		Amelia B. Campbell	18 F		Mass.
		Alexander C. Campbell	16 M		Mass.
		Charles F. Campbell	14 M		Mass.
		Henry E. Fitch	M	Lawyer	Mass.
		Henry Elky	25 M	Blk	Mass.
		Alma Lewis	60 F		Mass.
		Louisa Pomeroy	45 F		Mass.
		Charles Pomeroy	20 M		Mass.
		Erastus Castle	50 M		N.Y.
		Anna W. Hyde	25 F		Mass.
		Eddie Hyde	21 F?		Ky.
		Charles Hyde	1 M		Ky.
233		Joseph K. Hartwell	59 M		Canada
		Mary C. Hartwell	36 F		Canada

		Mariah C. Hartwell	23 F		Canada
		Hattie C. Hartwell	16 F		Mass.
		Charles A. Hartwell	7 M		Canada
		Florence C. Hartwell	3 F		Mass.
234		Franklin Tobey	43 M		Mass.
		Elizabeth C. Tobey	36 F		N.Y..
		Ellen E. Tobey	11 F		Mass.
		Amelia I. Tobey	10 F		Mass.
		Frances A. Tobey	6 F		Mass.
		Sarah M. Tobey	4 F		Mass.
		Mary E. Tobey	2 F		Mass.
178	235	Julius Moon	46 M		Mass.
		Hannah C. Moon	39 F		Mass.
		James S. Moon	14 M		Mass.
		Albert Moon	11 M		Mass.
		Eliza Thorp	15 F		Mass.
		Mary Lolan?	23 F		Ireland
236		Pearley Truesdell	47 M		Mass.
		Sancantha? Truesdell	42 F		Mass.
		Pearley S. Truesdell	14 M		Mass.
237		Reuben R. Peet	36 M		N.Y.
		Irene Peet	26 F		Mass.
		Iretta Peet	8 F		Mass.
		Frank Peet	1 M		Mass.
179	238	Theodore G. Worthy	39 M	Tailor	N.Y.
		Julia A. Worthy	35 F		N.Y.
		Etil---- Burger	18 F		Canada
		Edward T. Gordon	13 M		Mass.
		Bridget Glynn	18 F		Ireland
		Robert Appleton	40 M	Tailor	
180	239	James H. Baker	37 M	Tinner	Mass.
		Fanny F. Baker	34 F		Mass.
		Robert H. Baker	11 M		Mass.
		Mary F. Baker	9 F		Mass.
		Kate A. Baker	7 F		Mass.
181	240	Orson Bristol	52 M	Stone Cutter	N.Y.
		Roxena Bristol	47 F		N.Y.
		Hellen A. Bristol	15 F		Mass.
		Allice A. Bristol	7 F		Mass.
182	241	George R. Gorham	43 M	Shoemaker	Mass.
		Chloe A. Gorham	32 F		Mass.
183	242	Patrick Donivan	M	Blacksmith	Ireland
		Ellen Donivan	F		Ireland
		William Donivan	17 M		Mass.
		John Donivan	16 M		Mass.
		Patrick Donivan	14 M		Mass.
		Michael Donivan	13 M		Mass.
		Hannah Donivan	12 F		Mass.
		Mary Donivan	8 F		Mass.
		Charles Donivan	7 M		Mass.
		Ellen Donivan	5 F		Mass.
183	242	Johannah Donivan	5 F		Mass.

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## ANNUAL REPORT - SCHOOL COMMITTEE TOWN OF RICHMOND, 1886 AND 1887

1886

*Selectmen-* A. N. Rossiter, C. H. Dorr, W. H. Sherrill

*Town Clerk and Treasurer-* A. G. Sharp

*Assessors-* W. H. Nichols, J. H. Fairfield, C. P. Lovelace

*collector of Taxes-* Nelson C. Bowers

*Road Commissioners-* A. N. Rossiter, C. H. Dorr, W. H. Sherrill

### ROLL OF HONOR - 1886

Names of pupils who were faithful in attendance, with number of terms each was not absent, as shown by teachers' registers:

Johnny Doyle	3	Alice E. Pierson	1	Mary G. Donahue	1
Hattie Porter	3	Martha G. Pierson	1	James Keefe	1
Clara Porter	3	Alice J. Tower	1	Millie Kelly	1
Maggie McDonald	3	Lena M. Lynch	1	Annie Kelly	1
Sarah McDonald	3	Nora A. Cody	1	John Chapman	1
Robert P. Coleman	2	Katie I. Cody	1	Clelie Lherbett	1
Lillie F. Reynolds	2	Katie Kelly	1	Charlie Pheulpin	1
Mabel E. Sharp	2	Nellie M. Coleman	1	Eddie Lawton	1
Laura Stearns	2	Herbert A. Dorr	1	Ernest Truran	1
Frankie Stearns	2	George Porter	1	Howard Truran	1
Walter B. Coleman	2	Willie Flaherty	1	Nora Donahue	1
Jessie M. Tower	2	Lewis D. Barnes	1	Cora L. Tower	1
Tommy Doyle	2	Jessie Toms	1	Mary V. Dorr	1
Fanny Stearns	1	Willie Crosby	1		

Absent one day only in each of three terms - Edith M. Bowers.

Absent one day during one term - Levi B. Stevens, Mary Keefe, Mary A. Dixon, Mildred Tower.

### LIST OF TEACHERS EMPLOYED DURING THE PAST YEAR

Those marked with a \* have taught continuously the number of terms indicated:

Mr. F. A. Clement	20*	Miss Hattie M. Johnson	9	Miss Lillie I. Francis	5*
Mr. William Terrell	10	Miss Minnie C. Ives	7	Miss Carrietta Greattrax	5*
Miss Katie P. Nicholas	10	Miss Elizabeth P. Nichols	6*	Mr. C. B. Wilson	2*

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*Selectmen-* A. N. Rossiter, C. H. Dorr, W. H. Sherrill

*Town Clerk and Treasurer-* A. G. Sharp

*Assessors-* Franklin Barnes, C. H. Nichols, W. H. Sherrill

*Collector fo Taxes-* N. C. Bowers

*Road Commissioners-* W. H. Sherrill, A. N. Rossiter, C. H. Dorr

### ROLL OF HONOR - 1887

Below is a list of pupils who were faithful in attendance during the past year:

*Not absent or tardy for the year.* - Mary V. Dorr, Clara A. Porter, Mabel E. Sharp, Sarah McDonald.

*Not absent or tardy for two terms.* - Nellie Flaherty, C. Edwin Dorr, George Porter, Alice I. Tower, Bertie Dorr, Johnny Doyle, Jessie M. Tower, Annie Kelly.

*Not absent or tardy one term.* - Gertrude A. Peirson, Lillian F. Reynolds, Martha G. Peirson, Robbie P. Coleman, Edith M. Bowers, Laura Stearns, Nellie Coleman, Georgie Dorr, Mikey Cooney, Bertie Clark, Annie Obersheiner, Johnny Fairfield, Agnes Kelly, Annie Kiley, Maggie McDonald, Edward Crocker, Dora B. Donohue, Maria Hoben, Mildred Tower, Willie Crosby, Maggie Kelly, Tommy Doyle, Annie Heffron.

*Absent one-half day only for three terms.* - C. Edwin Dorr.

*Absent one day only during three terms.* - Willie Flaherty, Bertie Dorr.

*Absent one-half day for two terms.* - Tommy Doyle, Georgie Dorr.

*Absent one day for two terms.* - Edith M. Bowers, Gertrude A. Peirson, Maggie McDonald, Annie Obersheimer, Maggie E. Kelly.

*Absent one-half day for one term.* - Johnny Cooney, Johnny Killeen, A. Harry Clark, Charlie Pheulpin, Tommy Tracy.

*Absent one day one term.* - Allie Sharp, Nellie Root, Mary Doyle, Johnny Bennett, Clelie Sherbett, Carrie Tower, Dennis Killeen, Esther J. Dixon, John McDonald, Frank Stearns, Walter Coleman, Florence Hall, Hattie Porter, Minnie Truran, Johnny Killeen, Mary E. Carey.

#### LIST OF TEACHERS EMPLOYED DURING THE YEAR

Center School. - Mr. F. A. Clement.

North. - Miss Carrietta Greatrux, first term; Miss Sarah E. Blinn, second and third terms.

Northeast. - Miss Lillie I. Francis, first term; Miss Minnie D. Bague, second and third terms.

Southeast. - Miss Elizabeth P. Nicholas, first and second terms; Mr. William H. Terrell, third term.

Southwest. - Mr. William H. Terrell, first and second terms; Miss Ella A. Walsh, third term.

Furnace. - Intermediate, Miss Minnie C. Ives; Primary, Miss Hattie M. Johnson.

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#### 1855 Census - from page 140

183	242	George Donivan	2	M		Mass.
		George H. Miller	30	M	Shoemaker	Conn.
184	243	Eusebia Miller	29	F		N.Y.
185	244	Chester C.M. Thompson	39	M	Blacksmith	N.H.
		Sarah S. Thompson	36	F		Mass.
		Hubbard F. Thompson	10	M		Mass.
186	245	James Pettit	38	M		N.Y.
		Rebecca Pettit	33	F		N.Y.
		Henry Pettit	16	M		N.Y.
187	246	Nathan M. Shaw		M		Mass.
		Aseneth Shaw		F		Mass.
188	247	William H. Ploss	45	M		N.Y.
		Mary Ploss	45	F		N.Y.
189	248	Stephen R. Guy	33	M		Conn.
		Sarah E. Guy	34	F		Penn.
		Catharine E. Guy	8	F		Mass.

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## LENOX PAUPERS - 1879-1880

*From Annual Report of the town Officers of the Town of Lenox - Year Ending March 10, 1880*

Paid to: J. L. Barrett, digging grave for Patience Williams	\$6.00
digging grave for John Cloyd	6.00
Sexton services for Judith Cloyd	2.00
J. M. Burns, coffin for John Cloyd	14.00
coffin for Judith Cloyd	14.00
Alonzo Bradley, rent house Farringtons	12.50
Samantha Bradley, allowance	102.00
Hosea Coddington, keeping Mrs. Sears	55.00
C. E. Dewey, wood for D. Jaynes	18.00
wood for Margaret VanNess	10.00
wood for David Jaynes	15.00
W. J. Dodge, goods for Farringtons	1.20
Wales Edwards, care John Cloyd	17.50
Mrs. Farrington, keeping daughter	160.00
R. Gorham, medicine for Margaret VanNess	3.71
medicine for Patience Williams	5.50
medicine for David Jaynes	3.50
Doctor Greenleaf, attending John Cloyd	14.00
Doctor C. E. Heath, attending Paupers	52.50
Horton & Taintor, coffin &c. for Lyman Farrington	19.50
O. S. Hutchinson, goods for Elijah Hall	22.90
Ward, Lewis & Co. goods for John McDonnell's family	28.50
goods for Mrs. Farling	4.00
Jacob Martin's family	10.00
coal for Daniel O'Brien	7.80
Henry Mattoon, provisions for P. Williams	10.54
Joseph Marshall, wood for Daniel O'Brien	5.00
E. McDonald, cash paid out	10.88
goods for Mrs. Jacob Martin	13.63
goods for Patience Williams	38.70
goods for Margaret VanNess	49.31
goods for Daniel O'Brien	10.09
goods for E. Hall	32.31
goods for Norah Ireland	3.90
goods for David Jaynes	22.89
goods for Anna Prime	4.00
goods for Ezra Babcock	5.40
John F. Morell & Co., coal for Margaret VanNess	29.94
coal for Ezra Babcock	24.33
coal for Anna Prime	25.45
coal for Norah Ireland	16.74
Northampton Hospital, support for M. A. Curtis	174.63
Daniel O'Brien, digging grave for Mrs. Vanderpool	2.50
J. A. Parsons, meat for P. Williams	6.11
meat for Farrington family	4.98
pork for Ezra Babcock	1.05
pork for Charles Peters	1.20
pork for E. Hall	.85
Dr. Parker, attending Patience Williams	4.00
attending Ezra Babcock	1.00

attending David Jaynes	1.00
Perry & Co., coal for Daniel O'Brien	22.75
coal for the Farrington family	14.83
coal for the John McDonnell family	28.62
William Perry, goods for the Farrington family	25.00
William Pinney, coffin for P. Williams	17.00
C. Roy, rent house for the McDonnell family	20.00
Dr. Roberts, medical, attending P. Williams	10.00
W. T. Shepardson, wood for P. Williams	35.00
Francis Scott, keeping Judith Cloyd	12.00
State of Mass., keeping G. M. Bradley	56.14
E. S. Thatcher, goods for J. McDonnell family	38.50
goods for Thomas O'Brien	14.00
Town of Lee, help for John Weaver family	2.00
Town of Greenfield, help for Samantha Bradley	16.75
Mrs. Tighe, keeping tramps	1.75
G. F. Washburne, goods for Farrington family	61.40
goods for E. Hall	2.13
goods for E. Babcock	1.00
S. Washburne, wood for Farrington family	7.50
R. H. Walker, wood for Margaret VanNess	5.00
Samuel Weaver, keeping John Prime	102.00

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## THE BOOKSTALL

*Berkshire County's Army of Obstruction*, by Brian S. Barrett. This 62 page book describes activities in upstate New York between April and August 1777 and focuses on the role of the Berkshire Militia in creating impediments that slowed the advance of the British army Between Fort Edward and Fort Ann. It also describes the personal conflicts faced by many militiamen, including the author's ancestor, Private Eleazer Barrett, who chose to harvest crops rather than extend his time on the battlefield

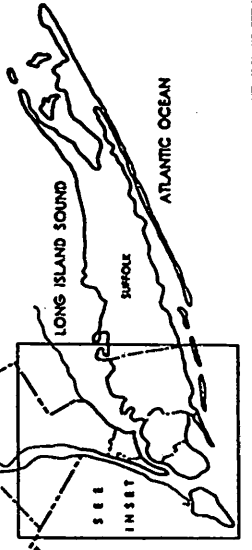
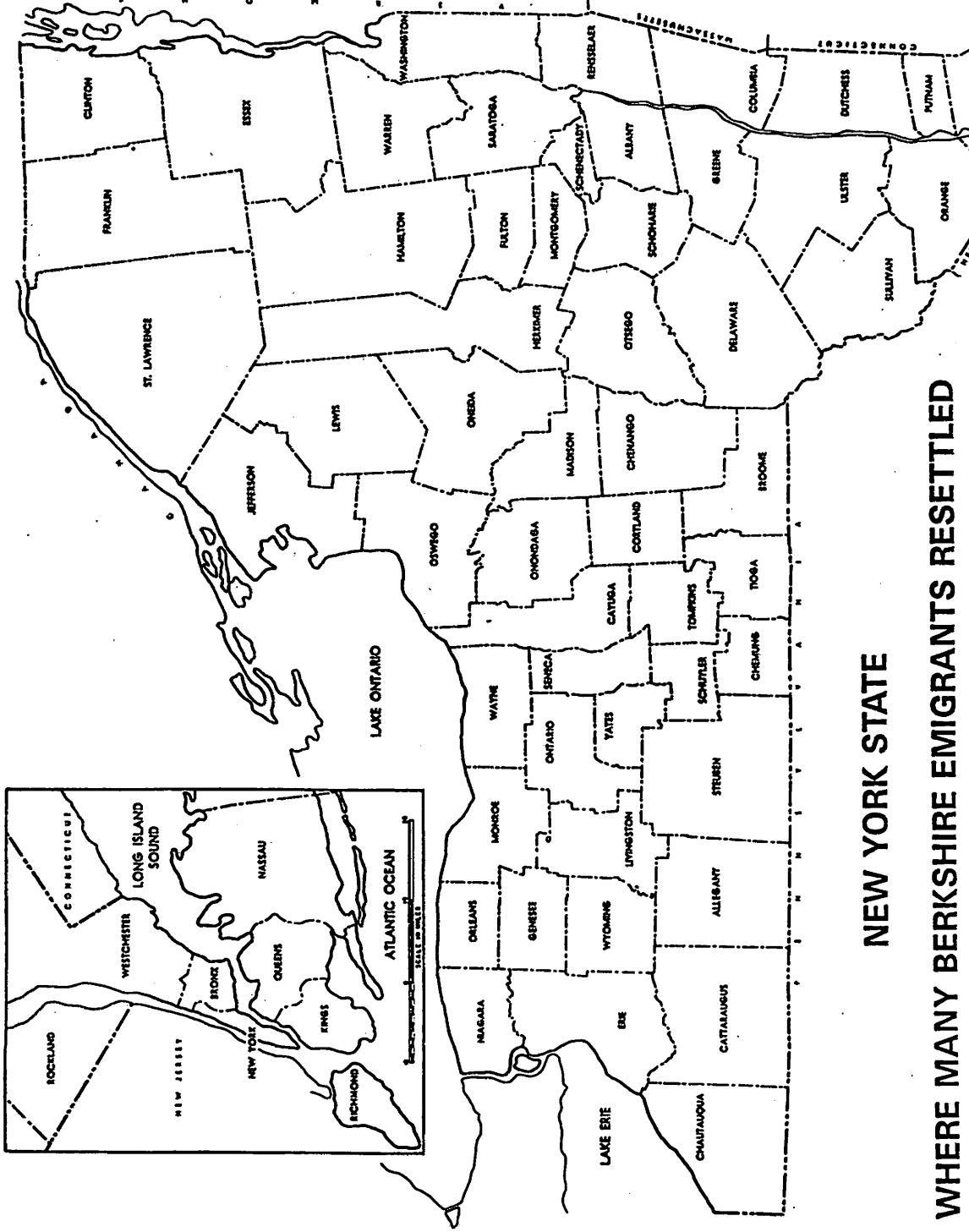
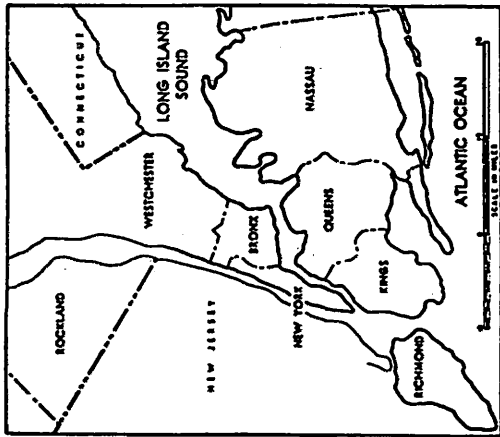
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189	248	Edward B. Guy	6	M		Mass.
		Mary E. Guy	3	F		Mass.
		William H. Guy	1	M		Mass.
		Bridget Mullen	16	F		Ireland
190	249	Harvey Granger	36	M	Harnessmaker	N.Y.
		Harriet E. Granger	25	F		Mass.
		John Powell	26	M	Harnessmaker	Ireland
		Margaret Finn	16	F		Mass.
		Hiram Munro		M		N.Y.

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