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PITTSFIELD IN 1846

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In 1846, the building so long known as the Backus Block, was owned by the Willis Bros., and was occupied as a general store with offices on the second floor and the office of the Berkshire Whig on the third. The Whig was a weekly paper edited by Henry Hubbard, and printed and published by his son Douglas S. Hubbard. The two upper floors were reached by an outside stairway on the South Street side, which was removed but a few years ago. Next east of this block on Bank Row was a small building lately used for a bicycle store, but then occupied as a tailor shop, and which now seems to be fast going to decay.

Next to the east, on the site of Martin's Block, in which *The Berkshire Hills* historical monthly has its publication office, stood the famous old Campbell Coffee House, a large three-story wooden building adorned with first and second floor piazzas. and which remained for fifty years on this site. This structure was built in 1805 by Captain Daniel Pepoon who moved from Stockbridge to Pittsfield in 1800, where he had been an inn holder and a merchant, to take charge of the store of Dwight & Co., of which he was the silent partner. In 1803 Captain Pepoon purchased the whole of the Bank Row Square, from the site of the present Old Ladies' Home on South Street to the John Chandler Williams property on East Street, which latter took in the present site of the County Court House and the St. Stephen's Rectory, latterly the Edward A. Newton estate. Upon the side of the Backus Block was the John Stoddard store and post office, built by his brother-in-law, Ashabel Strong, previous to 1800, and on the south end site of the present Backus Block stood a structure originally built by Dr. William Kittredge and used by him and others as a tavern when it was sold by Capt. Pepoon to Capt. Henry James in 1805, with the proviso that no tavern should be kept therein for 10 years. Capt. Pepoon, after building his coffee house commenced to boom his Bank Row property, erecting next east Dr. James & Co.'s medicine store, afterwards the store of Buell & Colt, the bookstore of J. & R. Warriner, the Berkshire Bank Building, afterwards occupied by the Agricul-

tural Bank, and the first banking institution in the county. On the present site of the Athenaeum he built a structure for the Pittsfield Female Academy, afterwards occupying the site of the Home for Aged Women, the West building on the corner of South and Reed Streets, and so long presided over by Miss Clara Wells, now being continued on Broad Street as the school of Miss Hall. These were all wooden buildings and in one of them was the office of the Berkshire Reporter, an organ of strong federalist tendencies. Through the failure of the Berkshire Bank, in which he was a director, this Bank Row property passed from Capt. Pepoon's hands, and he removed to Hudson, N.Y., and thence to Stockbridge, where he died at the age of 65.

Captain David Campbell purchased the tavern in 1812 and it took the name of the Campbell Coffee House, which it always retained. He was a prominent merchant, innkeeper and farmer, and conducted the tavern until 1826, when it was given the name of the Eagle Hotel and was run by the Messrs. Russell while the old Berkshire House was building, and after their removal it was for a time unoccupied. In 1829 it was opened as a summer hotel, and in 1830 put in complete repair and opened by John Pomeroy as the Pomeroy Coffee House. From 1832 to 1841 it was presided over in turn by Spencer and Charles Field and Lourin Brown, when it was closed as a hotel. Capt. Campbell having deceased in 1836 at the age of 77, his son-inlaw, Calvin Martin, bought out the other heirs and from 1841 to its removal to lower South Street in 1850 it was used for business purposes by Welcome S. Howard, C. T. Fenn & Son & Bliss & Fenn & Carter. It was then removed to the corner of Broad and South Streets to make way for the present Martin Block, where it was for a number of years used as a boarding house for summer visitors by the late Mrs. Backus.

Since the death of Mrs. Edwin Clapp, a daughter of Calvin Martin, and his last survivor, her daughter, Miss Mary, has had it torn down to make way for the building of residences on its fine site. Though having outwardly gone to decay its main timbers were

found to be in an excellent state of preservation for its almost 100 years of age. It is but a few years ago that the old Campbell Coffee House barn and stables in the rear of Martin's Block, were torn down, having been used as a livery up to the time of their demolition. It was on the lot in which these old structures stood that the first circuses and menageries. which visited Pittsfield were held, and it was here that the first elephant appearing in the county was exhibited.

The site of the old Campbell Coffee House on Bank Row is truly historic ground. The old tavern was the scene of many a military, political, civil, and social event, the memory of which has gone hastening down the stream of time unchronicled and unpreserved. After the war of 1812, Gen. Riall, who was captured at the battle of Lundy's Lane, was quartered here as a prisoner. Here, in 1823, a public dinner was given that eccentric character of old-time Pittsfield, Joseph Shearer, in recognition of his having presented the old town its first town clock, which still ticks off the minutes and hours and strikes the record of time in the tower of the First Church. In a room in this old Coffee House the Berkshire Agricultural Society, the oldest in the United States in conception and continuous active existence, was organized, and it was in this structure that the Pittsfield Fire Department had its birth. It was in the old dining room of this structure that the first Commencement Dinner was spread for the teachers, graduates and students of the old Berkshire Medical College in 1824. Besides this, way up under its roof, was the first Lodge Room of Mystic Masonic Fraternity, of whose older officers and members there is neither written or traditional knowledge, but of its first Worshipful Master.

Of still greater historic interest is the fact the Col. James Easton, who built the Pomeroy homestead on East Street about 1770, was the proprietor of Easton's Tavern on a site on the south end of the present Backus Block in 1775. That the master spirits in Connecticut who conceived the idea of, and raised the money to attempt the capture of Fort Ticonderoga on Lake Champlain, met in Col. Easton's little tavern in 1775 with Rev. Thomas Allen, Col. John Brown, Col. Easton and other revolutionary patriots of the town and locality and talked over and perfected the plan

for that expedition. That it was on this historic spot that the preparations for this memorable capture were made and central Berkshire pledged its aid in soldiers to accomplish it. Col. Easton, who was then at the head of a regiment, raised a company of men and with volunteers from other Berkshire towns went up to Lake Champlain where Ethan Allen and his forces captured this notable stronghold. demanding its surrender in the "name of Jehovah and the Continental Congress." It was also in this old tavern and store of Col. Easton's that the preliminary arrangements were made which hastened the Pittsfield troops to the Bennington battle with Parson Allen at their front. There is no trace of this historic spot on which was inaugurated the two stirring events of the Revolution in which Pittsfield and Berkshire took so prominent a part, but the old Easton tavern well. This old well, whose curb is covered by a great flat slab of rock an now be found on the south edge of the driveway between Backus Block and the old Campbell residence. It was this Col. Easton who had partially erected the Edward A. Newton house, or St. Stephen's Rectory, on the site of the present front Court House lawn, who just after the Revolution, on account of pecuniary embarrassment was forced to sell it to John Chandler Williams, from which location it was removed to its present site. The celebrated Dr. H. H. Childs was a grandson of this old patriot.

In 1846, next to the Coffee House was the brick store building now owned by E. M. Wood, which was then three stories in height with its gable end to the street, and which has been raised to four stories and was given a modern front. Next beyond was the James Warriner store, the Agricultural Bank and a tin and stove store, all wooden structures, which occupied the rest of the row, and ended at the grounds of Edward A. Newton, whose house, now St. Stephens' Rectory, then stood on the spacious front lawn of the Court House.

South Street, in its general appearance is perhaps less changed now than any of the four streets which in 1846 radiated from the Park, though many old buildings have been removed therefrom and new and more elegant have taken their place. The South Church now stands on the site of the old lecture room, and the Home for Aged Women, where a large

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three story brick building once stood which was built for the Pittsfield Female Academy. This was a boarding school and in turn was run by a board of trustees, and of its old principals were Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan L. Hyde, Rev. Eliathim Phelps, Rev. Ward Stafford, Nathaniel L. Dodge, and which was not discontinued until 1839. It was afterwards conducted as a young ladies school by Miss Clara Wells, and afterwards was run as a boarding house. When occupied as a Female Academy it was used for rooming and boarding its students, the old lecture room, then on the site of the South Church, being used for class on recitation purposes. It was in this old Female Academy that many of the old time mothers of Pittsfield were educated and at that time it was to the young ladies of the county what the gilt-edged old Lenox Academy was to the young county men in the first quarter of the past century. Since 1846 several new streets have been opened from South Street, but in breadth, lawn, shade and structures it still retains its primitive welcoming aspect, giving the stranger a pleasant impression of Pittsfield as he enters it from the south. While business to a greater or lesser extent has appropriated to its use the other three streets leading up to the Park, it is hardly probable that it will ever make much inroad upon this always delightful highway, even though the electrics have claimed and gained right of way through its length and breadth and thus somewhat citified it and improved its roadbed as well for travel.

In 1846 West Street was almost entirely a residence street. Next west of the Berkshire Life Insurance Company building site Julius P. Rockwell kept a general store and ran a livery directly across the way. There was a cabinet shop next west, founded by one Barnes, for whom the late William P. West of Sandusky, Ohio, used to work for eleven cents a day taking his pay out of Buell & Colt's store. The street had a sharp descent from the park and a steep climb to the highway bridge which then crossed the Boston and Albany or Western Railroad. The recent decease of Mrs. Edwin Clapp and the removal of her daughter Mary to Wendell Avenue, takes from this street the last of its old time occupants, and with the exception of five dwellings it is entirely given up to business.

Center Street and New West Street in

1846 were not. Now what is almost entirely covered with business industries and dwellings was then a broad meadow, some portions of which were very wet and swampy. It was then a tradition with the oldest inhabitant that this meadow had never been mowed without bringing on a rain, and this record was never broken until it was opened up for building.

In 1846, the old Park itself, centered with the famous old elm, which only with two other trees had been spared by the pioneer woodchopper, all its other foliage having been transplanted from the surrounding forests, presented a very unkempt and disreputable appearance, although it was then, as ever before and afterwards, the pride of the town. A sentry line of weather beaten posts connected together by well worn and well gnawed rails, surrounded it. No outside foot-walk separated it from the traveled path of the highway, and its post and rails furnished excellent facilities for horse-hitching and were crowded with all descriptions of equines and hitch-ups on pleasant days in all seasons. Its inner walks were mere foot paths formed by treading feet, untrimmed and with no pretense to regularity. The lawn-mower was undreamed of and the landscape engineer and gardener had not yet come to the front. The Park may have been run over with a scythe once or twice in the year, but as a general thing it was a bit of nature in a populous center, which the hand of man had touched only to disfigure. The old elm, largely shorn of its spreading branches, which once had made it an object of beauty, was still tall and stately even in its decaying old age, and it was an occasion of widespread and general regret when public safety demanded its downfall.

Judge Colt in once looking out upon the Park after it had been put in its present condition, from the Berkshire Life Building, and who had not been a very enthusiastic advocate of the great and radical change which had been wrought therein, remarks, "well that man knew what the old Park wanted more than I did, and he has done his work well." Though it would be unjust to place any close restrictions upon the Park as it exists today, and one citizen has as much right therein as another, it seems a pity that what would otherwise be a delightful resort for ladies and children in the warmer months, should be appropriated as to its benches and curbstones

by a gang of idlers from early morning until late at night, while their wives are probably toiling at the wash tub to supply their wants for tobacco and beer, as well as for their families.

In 1846 Bank Row and Exchange Row were the principal places of business. Shops had then just begun to find their way up North Street, while Fenn Street, which originally reached but to Second Street, had been opened through to Beaver, and was well lined with dwellings on either side. The territory north and west from the present railroad station. formerly the Dr. Childs farm, and on which the mansion constructed by him still stands, and then called the Jubilee Hill tract, had been purchased by James Francis, S. V. R. Daniels and others, streets had been laid out, and building lots plotted, but it was as yet sparsely occupied. Boarding on the west side of North Street, on the site now occupied by the Ryan Block, the narrator frequently straved from his house through the fields in its rear to the river, and in the bend of the stream opposite the present brewery of Gimlich & White took his morning bath unobserved and perfectly secure from any intrusion.

Outside of the central village the town has of course changed proportionally less, but even here is to be found a notable difference between the Pittsfield of fifty or sixty years ago. Between the old Drake blacksmith shop. recently torn down to make way for the spacious grounds of the new House of Mercy, and the old flouring mill on the banks of the river on the east side of Wahconah Street. there was but one building in 1846, which is still standing. On the west side ran a fence constructed from the roots of trees and nearly its entire length. The Pontoosuc Woolen Mills, since so greatly enlarged, were in active operation, steadily contributing as they have for so many years to the wealth and prosperity of the town and city.

The ruins of an old iron forge and gunshop littered the present site of Taconic Mill, and Bel Air was then standing with machinery as silent as at present. The Pecks were making warps at what is now the greatly enlarged lower mill, the Russell Brothers had just commenced manufacturing in a small mill just across the road, and above them there was no other industry. It was about this time that the tannery of Osborn & Dean was converted

into a paper mill, which through a process of evolution and conflagration has become the Crane & Co., Government paper mill near the eastern limits of the town. The cotton mill in the southeast quarter of the village was then operated by Thomas F. Plunkett, who subsequently took one or more partners into the business, of whom was James Van Sickler. Barkerville was an active suburb with busy mills and a thriving population, while Stearnsville was also the scene of a flourishing industry. In the heart of the village, but well out of sight of the principal streets, was the noted carriage shop of Jason Clapp & Son, whose manufacture had a wide reputation in the United States and other countries, which gained for them the distinguished honor of making the inaugural carriage of President Franklin Pierce. Besides these works had drawn from sections of Massachusetts and New York a large number of skilled mechanics who made the town their home and but few of whom if any are now living. From first to last the prosperity of Pittsfield has depended on its manufactures. The streams which have given the town motive power run wide apart, giving a broad space between for her public buidings, business and residence, thus hiding from view the main sources of her prosperity. At this period, now very busy and thickly settled Morningside was entirely devoted to pasturage and woodland.

In 1846 the town had about 5,000 inhabitants, about one-half of which resided in the village proper. Its business men were enterprising, active and prosperous. Its one Bank was managed by one man, Cashier Colt, with no clerk, teller or messenger. If perchance the books did not balance at the close of the day's business he would work on far into the night, and then with the keys of door and vault in his pocket, would alone and unguarded take his solitary way through the darkness, made more dense by the overhanging foliage, to his home on South Street, and strangely enough he was never disturbed.

In 1846 the pulpits of the town were ably filled by Dr. John Todd, then recently from Philadelphia, Rev. Edward Ballard at St. Stephens and Rev. Bradley Miner at the Baptist, while there was preaching at the Methodist church. At this time St. Joseph's church was in a small wooden structure on Melville Street. At this period the town

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lawyers ranked high at the Berkshire bar. Hon. Julius Rockwell was a Member of Congress, and Gov. George N. Briggs had recently moved here from Lanesboro. The medical profession, headed by Dr. Childs, was well represented, while there were from 70 to 100 students at the Medical College under the instruction of Doctors Childs, Palmer and Clark. Dr. Childs was the owner of one of the two two-horse pleasure carriages owned by private citizens, though such could be found at the town livery stables.

In 1846 the Maplewood School for Young Ladies was at the zenith of its prosperity, and pupils from every section of the country were in its classes. It also had a large attendance of day scholars, who were gathered up each morning in the winter on a large sleigh, which was driven from house to house for that purpose. It was not an uncommon event for that sleigh to be stopped and sometimes overturned by a huge snow drift which every season threw a barrier across the street at the entrance of the school grounds. The Maplewood Commencements were great public days in the town and many dignified scholars from all sections of the country used to be present. It was Rev. Dr. Peters of Williamstown, filling the position of Chairman of the Maplewood Examining Committee, who once commenced his report, "We have spent two and one-half days in the family of the Principal of Maplewood Seminary, embracing some fifty young ladies, and several of their teachers.

The Cattle Show, held on North Street, near the railroad, was the great holiday of the year. The address and delivery of premiums was made in the First Congregational Church, and a Fair was always held in the Town Hall on the evening of the closing day. North Street was lined with booths and peddling carts and the Park was the Tattersalls for trading and selling horses, wagons and harness in the last stages of decrepitude.

Two trains a day either way passed over the Western Railroad, only one of which was a through train between Boston & Albany. The train stopped at every station giving five minutes for refreshments at six places on the route, in addition to ample time for a hotel dinner at Springfield. In the fall of 1846 the railroad was opened to North Adams and two daily combination passenger and freight trains were run over it. Those wishing to go over the Housatonic railroad had to stage it to West Stockbridge or spend a night at West Stockbridge or State Line. There was no gas. electric light, elevators, telegraph, telephone, aqueduct water or furnace and steam heated houses. People lived contentedly without them and were apparently as happy as now, when none of these could be conveniently spared. No eight hour law for labor had been invented, and all classes worked faithfully until their day's work was done. Late hours as a rule were avoided, and at nine o'clock in the evening when Sexton Fairbanks rang the First Church Curfew Bell the streets of Pittsfield were still and quiet.

It was Mrs. Stowe who wrote of the character of Sam Lawson that "Every New England Village must have one or more donothings, and that they were as essential as the school house or the meeting house." Pittsfield has never been lacking in such, and was not in 1846. One such character, known through the length and breadth of the town was Jason Jones. He was of African descent, a colored gentleman of unlimited leisure, of a bibulous tendency and hungered for an occasional fight. He essayed to eloquence and much of his conversation was tinctured with a decided oratorical tone. Though never at a loss for a word, he sometimes introduced such which had never appeared in the dictionaries of the period. John Lane, meeting him one day, said: "Jason, I heard you talking a while ago about echoes. What on earth is an echo, Jason?" "An echo," Mr. Lane, "an echo, sir. Why you stand on a distant hillside with a valley between. You cry aloud; it takes up prolongs and lays down echoes and sound afar off." Politics finally proved fatal to poor Jason as it has in one shape or another to many another man. An election day came on in which the parties were very evenly divided and the result was very doubtful. Jason's vote was equally doubtful, he had received much attention from both parties during the day, and ended up in the evening with a very confused brain and a pair of new election boots. He started to walk home on the railway track and while attempting to cross the dry bridge near the Pomeroy satinet mill, missed his footing and was precipitated twenty feet to the frozen roadway beneath, and exit Jason.

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SOME OLD-TIME TAVERNS

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THE OLD HALL TAVERN IN LANESBORO

In the days of the Revolution a famous old time tavern in Lanesboro stood on the old hill-climbing highway hardly a half mile from the New Ashford south line in North Lanesboro. It was a large two-story building with a high roof, fronted with a spacious green and surrounded with a row of huge silver poplar trees. It was entered from the south from massive stone steps and stood upon a fertile farm of many acres. It was on the pioneer acres of Captain Jabez Hall, who came hither for residence from New Fairfield, Conn., who was named Jabez after the great fighter of Bible history, and who was true to his namesake in his warlike proclivities. In the early French war antedating the Revolution there came a sudden call in the night for the enlistment of a company of Lanesboro men to go to Canada and fight the French. Captain Jabez Hall was a colonial officer of the crown under King George. Early the next morning the able-bodied men of Lanesboro assembled in front of this old Hall tavern, when Captain Jabez came out with a black bottle of rum in each hand. Though small in stature he was a great athlete, of wonderful courage and great muscular power. Leaping into the air he struck his heels together three times before coming to the top step, also clashing the two bottles together three times above his head. Then he shouted "Who goes with me to Canada?" A full company was immediately enlisted and of its members were his two sons, Gershum and John, while Lyman, being but nineteen years of age, accompanied his father as a valet.

This company went to Quebec in the fall and immediately after the death of Gen. Montgomery. Their sufferings from the severity and hardships of a northern winter were indescribable, to which was added the horrid disease of small pox. Capt. Jabez was suddenly taken down with the disease soon after his arrival in the Canadian city. He was pronounced as convalescent, but suddenly died in the night when a townsman named

Tirrell was his nurse. Though it was never proven it was always suspected that he was poisoned, as this attendant had been heard to threaten him, on account of something which had happened in the collection of the King's taxes in Lanesboro. Both Gershum and John returned home, as also Lyman, the latter recovering from the small-pox, though having been at the height of the disease drenched to the skin in an open boat the following autumn on Lake Champlain, on which lake on the return home the American soldiers suffered great privations. Though after his arrival home he was in a low state of health and his constitution was much impaired, he again took up arms, received the commission of Lieutenant Colonel and continued to serve his country at New Haven, Fort Stanwix, Johnstown and Fort Schuyler in the Revolutionary War. At its close he returned to Lanesboro where he conducted the old Hall tavern for many years. He deceased at the age of 88 years at the residence of his oldest son, Gen. Jabez Hall, at North Adams. He was the father of the late Mrs. Dr. William H. Tyler of North Adams and an uncle of Mrs. Gov. George N. Briggs of Pittsfield. The old Hall hotel was destroyed by fire during the latter half of the past century.

There was a large ball room in the roofstory of the old Hall tavern out of which were two bed, or dressing rooms. Gen. Jabez, a grandson of the pioneer Jabez, was also a collector of taxes, and his best friend was Col. William Waterman of Williamstown. Returning from a collecting trip with a good deal of money, Jabez went up to one of these bedrooms to sleep quite early in the evening, being greatly wearied. Col. Waterman arrived very late, having an appointment with the sleeper to attend a general training at Pittsfield the following day. After a lunch Col. Waterman stripped off his boots and was slyly stealing up the stairs into the ball-room to give Jabez a surprise but when he touched the top stair he found himself elevated in the air in the iron Taverns 81

grasp of Jabez, and would have been hurled down the flight had he not gasped out: "For God's sake Jabez, don't," when he was recognized.

The next day these two old worthies were in command at the general training in Pittsfield, decked out in gorgeous uniforms. Gen. Jabez rode down on his own war horse, while Col. Waterman, who was to borrow a horse in the old town, was brought down on Col. Lyman's buckboard wagon with the landlord's colored boy for a driver. The training passed off without much excitement and in fact with too little to satisfy these old time military jokers. Consequently, in the afternoon, they entered into a wordy altercation in front of the old Coffee House, which caused a great crowd to gather about them. Then they suddenly clinched, fell into the roadway quite exhausted, and commenced laughing, when the badly sold spectators fled in all directions in perfect disgust at the trick played upon them.

On the return to Lanesboro Gen. Jabez rode ahead of the buckboard and he and the Colonel kept up a string of merriment much to the edification of Jake, the colored boy, who forgetting his driving tipped the buckboard over on the side of the road. Glancing backward, Gen. Jabez witnessed the accident, which was so ludicrous, it having deposited the Colonel and Jake in a muddy ditch, that striking into a great guffaw, he unconsciously drove his spurs into his horse, which leaped out from under him and left him sitting in the middle of the road. Both horses went wildly galloping to the old Hall hotel, that of Jake having the buckboard wheels attached to him. Fears of a terrible happening stirred up the energy of Col. Lyman and his hired men, and they hastened southward with a double team and soft robes and blankets to carry the victims home upon. To their surprise they finally came up to the General and Colonel who had improvised a litter with two poles and were carrying Jake on the same, whose eyes were closed and who seemed to be in much agony. The party and the Negro were conveyed home and the latter carefully bedded down on the bar-room floor. Col. Lyman, after a while knelt down by the prostrate Negro and critically examined him for broken bones or other injuries. All at once he suddenly arose, took down a huge black leather whip and gave Jake two vigorous cuts with the lash on his legs, whereupon the black boy gave a fearful yell and jumped up as spry as a cricket. What had really happened in the overturn and sudden dismounting, in which no one was injured, was this. These two incorrigible wags feeling ashamed of the happening had made poor Jake believe that he was terribly injured and was past recovery, in order to escape the personal ridicule otherwise sure to fall upon themselves.

It was these two worthies who having attended a Masonic banquet on a certain night at North Adams, played a great joke on Deacon Samuel Browning, whose house is still standing about a mile below North Adams on the west road to Adams. The front door of this house opens into a small entry-way into which inside doors open from the north and south. Coming upon a young calf in the highway, they forced him into this entry-way, closed the door and sped southward for Lanesboro. Locks and bolts and window fastenings were unthought of at this period, so trustful were the people of that day. Along in the first of the morning Mrs. Browning was sure she heard a strange noise in this entry, but Deacon Samuel, who was afraid of nothing either in daylight or in darkness, ridiculed the idea. Finally to show her that she was mistaken, he arose in his night shirt and without lighting a candle opened the door into this entry. To his great fright and horror he felt a cold, moist and clammy object touch his bare legs, jumped back and slammed the door and aroused the whole household. Finally with an iron poker in hand and backed up by his several sons armed with billets of wood and holding several lighted candles, he again opened the door. There stood the poor little calf, trembling with fright and beginning to bleat for its dam. The finale was too much for Deacon Samuel, who at once spotted the author of this miserable mischief and loudly exclaimed, "Dod rot that pesky Jabez Hall. I am good minded to swear, but I won't."

THE NATE ANGELL TAVERN

The south village of Lanesboro finally succeeded the north as the church and business center, and in the first quarter of the past century Lanesboro was the aristocratic town of the county. It was during this period that "Nate" Angell built a long three-story wooden hotel on the main street west of the Congregational church, between the George Presby store on the north and the store and post-office of Capt. Richard Whitney on the south. It had a broad plank platform in front of which both the Albany, Boston and Williamstown stage passengers alighted from the coaches. The Albany stage connected with the east and west at Hancock and the stage which later was driven by Mr. Ames up to 1880 connected Pittsfield with Williamstown. While an extra stage load of commencement passengers, crowding the inside and outside, was being driven from New Lebanon to Williamstown previous to the appearance of railway accommodations, the whole rig was thrown down upon the rocks in Green river in Williamstown by the collapse of the defective old "Scott Bridge." Many persons were seriously injured and a lawsuit which followed has become historic as it cost the town of Williamstown many thousand dollars, when a few hundred expended on the structure previously would have prevented the catastrophe.

From 1830 to 1840 the Angell Tavern, which had a large stage barn and livery stable attached, was most popular under the management of Harry W. Brown, and was a favorite resort for all the region round about and the scene of many red letter banquets and festivities, both of a political, military and social character. After the removal of Mr. Brown to North Adams, where he became the landlord of the old Berkshire House, the Angell Tavern was leased to the veteran landlord John D. Hall, who hailed from Savoy. He ran the same for several years, when he removed to Buffalo to conduct a hotel, having transferred his interest to his brother George. Returning from Buffalo John Hall ran a hotel on the old Gorham place in Great Barrington, but finally returned to Lanesboro and with his brother George, bought the old hotel of Nate Angell for \$2100. They conducted the same together for a time when they dissolved partnership, George retaining the property and John going elsewhere. The structure was finally destroyed by fire and its last owner committed suicide, since which time there has been no public house in the old town.

MEDAD KING'S IN IN CHESHIRE

The first public inn in lower Cheshire was a low gambrel-roofed building fronted by huge poplar trees and kept by Medad King. It was erected in 1768. At the time of its construction David Smith, who was postmaster, kept a tavern on Stafford's Hill which was called the Half Way House, Col. Remington and Joel Stafford being old landlords on this summit. Here passengers in the old red and yellow painted stage coaches running from Albany to Northampton stopped all night, exchanging the wide green and red morocco cushioned seats for comfortable feather beds. At this time John Burt owned the route from Stafford's Hill to Hancock, and Otis and Porter Peck were drivers from Northampton through Deerfield, Plainfield and Savoy to this point.

MOSES WOLCOTT'S INN

The second hotel in Cheshire and its most famous, was constructed in 1795 by Moses Wolcott, who on account of his diminutive size was then and has always been known as "Little Moses." In 1790 Moses was keeping a small country store in the Sally Heath house and was full of nerve and energy. His tavern was situated at the head of Main street and a driveway ran up to the marble-stepped entrance and wooden platform between these and a giant row of Lombardy poplar trees. Fronting the house was a pole forty feet high on the summit of which was a tavern sign, reading: "Wolcott's Inn. Refreshment for Man and Beast." The hotel was two stories in height with a broad hall running through the centre from east to west, the front door being adorned with a huge brass knocker. On the first floor were the best room, the dining and barroom and the kitchen, in all of which were huge old-fashioned fire-places. On half of the second floor, bed-room partitions were so arranged that they could be hooked up to the ceiling, thus extemporizing quite a good size ball room, in which were held many famous banquets and festivities. In the north wing of the structure was Moses' country store, the platform leading from its steps to those of the hotel. This store was attended by Moses and his second wife, Freelove, who also did all the cooking for the tavern. It was an old-fashioned model inn of

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the highest respectability and as presided over by Little Moses and his wife, Aunt Freelove, was one of the very best of the olden time. It was kept by this worthy couple until 1825, when it was rented for a year to Alpheus Smith, afterwards the notable landlord and war selectman at North Adams. In 1826 Moses and Freelove again took charge of it, when in 1827 it was leased and run by Nathaniel Waterman until 1835, and they contented themselves thereafter in running their store where they acquired a fortune. Little Moses also owned many farms and dairies and made much money by shipping large quantities of cheese by team to the Hudson river and thence by sloop to New York.

Allen Tucker then leased the tavern having hailed from Milford and after a while moved to Pittsfield. He was succeeded by Gilbert Dresser, who upon the opening of the Pittsfield and North Adams railroad ran the first cab to the depot and up to 1859. Then Dexter and Nathan Angell conducted the tavern for several years when in 1862 it passed into the management of Daniel Morey, and was closed for hotel purposes in 1864. It was then fitted up into a dwelling by Felix Petiteler and occupied by him during his life and is still standing, the structure being 105 years old. The first Irish resident of Cheshire and the only one for may years, lived in a large cheese house, on the tavern grounds which was altered over into a dwelling in the earlier days, and where he reared up a large and industrious family. As late as 1823 stages from Albany, Stephentown, Hancock and Lanesboro used to come whirling into town through a settlement called "Thunder," in which was a school house and blacksmith shop and thence through the "Kitchen" past the Six Principles church up to the steps of the Wolcott tavern, and at one period there were stages which stopped here which ran from Troy and crossing over "Jones' Nose" in the region of the Greylock mountain "Bellows Pipe" in new Ashford, continued on to the then two Adams villages.

Of course history has chronicled the ambuscade of the Berkshire men by the Indians and their white allies at the battle of Stone Arabia. In this fight and flight there were quite a number of Cheshire pioneers. Among these were Nehemiah Richardson, a

man of great muscular build, long legs, very tall, and our landlord Little Moses Wolcott. The Cheshire soldiers in the fight for life were fast leaving Little Moses in the rear. when he grasped the skirts of Nehemiah, who could not be shaken off, and firmly holding on thereto was rapidly dragged from the field, yelling, as Richardson tried to drop him off, "I snore! I snore! Nehemiah! That's wrong now Nehemiah to throw a neighbor off. Don't you do it. Don't you do it. Don't you jump me!" In remembrance of this narrow escape and the method in which he made it, Little Moses always kindly cherished Nehemiah and his family as well, and there was nothing too good for them.

When people tried to poke fun at Little Moses on account of his small stature he would sing out, "I snore, I snore, like a fourpen-sappenny among a lot of pennies - bigger than all of 'em." When Calvin Hall opened his rival tavern to the north of the Wolcott Inn, Little Moses was very wroth and fell into a brown study on how to keep customers away from the opposition landlord. One day Dr. Brown came along and hailed him with, "Well, Moses, got a new tavern in town, eh?" "Yes," screamed out Little Moses, "and pretty soon we'll have a new doctor."

CALVIN HALL'S TAVERN

The next Cheshire tavern was built by Calvin Hall, opposite the Baptist church on the hill, and in the store attached, the first post-office was opened in 1810 by John D. Leland, a son of the noted elder, and son-inlaw of Mr. Hall, as postmaster. The postoffice remained here until 1816, when it was removed to Scrabbletown with Edward Foster as postmaster. Calvin Hall was a brother of Ezra Hall who built the Baker tavern in Lanesboro, and filled a very important place in the early history of the town and in the development of its pioneer industries. This hotel building is still standing, having been remodeled over into the present C. C. Cole residence. It was also the site of the first Masonic Lodge of Cheshire of which the Upton Lodge of today is a worthy successor.

Calvin also built a home residence on the hill to the south of his tavern, which is still standing and in good preservation. He sank a deep well on these premises at which it is

related of Mercy Barnes, his wife, that while drawing water with a sweep and bucket her treasured string of gold beads unclasped from around her neck and fell to the well bottom. That thereupon she coolly placed her feet on the moss covered bucket, and descended to the depths below and recovered her valuable ornaments. Minna, their only daughter and wife of John D. Leland, removed with her husband to Utica, N.Y., where they were soon followed by Calvin and wife, and where both men became very wealthy. Luther, the only son of Calvin Hall married Sally Brown of Cheshire, a sister of "Aunt Lucy," who died quite early in life, and his son Calvin finally joined his grandfather at Utica.

THE PRESENT CHESHIRE INN

On the site of the old Hoosac Valley House in Cheshire Captain Daniel Brown built a fine residence in 1797. It was first kept as a temperance public house by a Mrs. Olin. After this it was known as the Foster homestead, when it was sold by Mrs. Foster to James Richmond and by him to Dean and Martin. Perry Jenks, Frank Jenks, Holmes and Meher and Frank J. Jenks kept the place as a hotel in succession, when it was badly damaged by fire. It was then remodeled and enlarged by George Z. Dean, named the Cheshire Inn and sold two years ago to McMahon & McAuley of Adams. Its present landlord is T. Callanan.

NICHOLS' DALTON TAVERN

The first settlement in Dalton was in the southern portion of the town. An old time tavern was located in this section of the road leading to Lenox. It was a place of great resort and was kept by Anson Nichols, who deceased a few years ago at Richmond. It was afterwards remodeled over into a dwelling and is said to be still standing. Nothing of note ever occurred at this old time hostelry, but a tough scrimmage which finally led to its being closed up. On a certain evening there was a big crowd here who were making very merry over a drink known as "flip." This was a mixture of small beer, rum and sugar, into which a red hot iron was thrust which cooked it, when the receptacle containing the liquor was passed around and every one took his fill. The decotion (sic) was rather a raw one and the cost of the ingredients therein, outside of the Satanic proclivities it engendered, was about six cents. The instrument with which this preparation was stirred was called a "loggerhead," and consisted of a rod of iron with a wooden handle. The iron was heated red hot in the live coals in the fireplace and then thrust into the raw flip. All having become too mellow, a big traveler having pitched into a small one, all took a hand in a rough and tumble melee, in which an eye was lost, a thumb bitten off and many rough blows delivered and in which the "loggerhead" proved to be a very damaging weapon in the hands of a man whose wits had gone astray.

THE OLD HOLDEN INN

The second hotel was in the west part of the old town and stood on the site of John D. Carson's residence in Craneville. It resembled as to its exterior the present Eagle Hotel in the upper village and was called the Holden Inn. It was in the midst of a nest of wooden buildings, one of which was used as a blacksmith shop, but which long ago disappeared. It was owned and kept by Warren and Varnum Holden. Warren was very eccentric and very odd, while Varnum, who was the real business partner and landlord was too fond of old cider for his own good. Warren leaned on and looked up to Varnum and used to say, "Good God, what 'Varn' don't know ain't worth knowing." After the death of Varnum the inn ran down under the management of Warren and a man named Fuller, who lived there several years. The old weather-beaten wooden sign of Holden's Inn can be found preserved in the Berkshire Athenaeum. The structure was finally torn down.

THE EAGLE HOTEL STILL OPEN

The prominent tavern in the upper village and north of Weston's Block has been run by its present genial and model old time landlord, John C. Chamberlin since 1865, and though far past his prime he still manfully holds the helm. This Eagle Hotel was built by Ephraim Clark, a blacksmith, who conducted it for twelve years. Rowland Foot and Alvah Cleveland then ran it for two years each, when it passed into the hands of Joseph Chamberlin. Grove W. Branch, who was born in Richmond, conducted it from 1834 to

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1853, and it was then called "Branch's Hotel." Erastus Allen, of Cummington took it in 1854, and after he retired it was closed for one year. John D. Hall then took hold of it for nine years, until 1863. It was then run as a hotel and harness shop until 1865 by

Joseph Burbank.

There cannot be learned much about this old tavern's early history, excepting that it was much frequented by the older inhabitants and was the favorite stopping place for those traveling by highway from the mountainous towns at the north and east, its sleeping and eating accommodations being thoroughly supplemented with a large and commodious barn and stables. It was here that a man was once choked to death by a piece of beefsteak, being suffocated before surgical aid could be procured. It was also here that a stranger from no one knew where, who had been stopping at a Pittsfield hotel for some time, undertook to commit suicide. He had seen a beautiful young lady from Dalton in the streets of Pittsfield, had driven out to Dalton and asked her in marriage, which she refused. Thereupon he put out his team at Branch's, ordered a supper which he ate and then returned to a chamber. He was accidentally discovered lying clothed upon his bed with an empty vial of laudanum upon a table near it. He was lifted from the bed in an unconscious state and medical aid summoned. Antidotes were administered by Dr. Ferry, who afterwards with Parson Sears got him out into the fresh air and walked him for a long time up and down the road in front of the hotel, but without much effect. Finally Dr. Knowlton appeared on the scene and acting on his suggestion, his face was placed under the spout of the old pump in front of the hotel and the handle was vigorously wielded. The cold water soon aroused him into wakefulness, he went into the hotel and paid his bill, drove off, and that was the last that was ever heard of him.

KNOWN AS THE MITCHELL TAVERN

The two-story building opposite the residence of Mrs. Byron Weston, with double-decked piazzas its whole length, was a hotel in the older days, though it had long been used for a dwelling. It was built and owned by Gideon Bentley. It was first managed as a hotel by Clark Mitchell of Cummington,

whose daughter married David Carson. He was succeeded as landlord by a man named Torrey. It was finally purchased by Joseph Burbank and is now owned by his heirs. After it had been changed into a dwelling it was most fatally visited by one of the most severe old time typhoid fever epidemics which ever visited the town.

SEVERAL OTHER OLD INNS

There were several other old time taverns or inns in Dalton, of which there are at hand only traditional remembrances, and which cannot be described as some older citizen may have left to his descendants some account of them. One of these was kept by Joseph Russell between Dalton and Hinsdale. Another was Cleveland's Inn, built by Alvah Cleveland, in the region of the year 1800, on the street leading to Wahconah Falls, which was then nicknamed "Pig street." This street was then well populated and the locality of the brickmaking industries of Millen Gallup and several others. Also upon the street was the old Red Tavern, which was built about the same time upon the property now owned by Fred G. Crane.

THE ELEGANT IRVING HOUSE

The site of the Irving House was for many years that of the boarding house of the Carson, which is now the celebrated Old Berkshire paper mill. This was a large wooden structure and for many years accommodated the mill girls for a comfortable home. Passing into the hands of the Messrs. Zenas and W. Murray Crane the Irving House was built and the town's necessities met with a first-class public house. The first structure having been destroyed by fire the hotel was rebuilt in colonial style and of brick, on a more extensive scale, fronted with a broad veranda, supplied with every modern convenience and richly furnished and appointed. It has become a most popular summer and autumn resort for families from the greater and lesser cities and is a great favorite with the traveling public. It has for its able and popular manager, Mr. E. E. Morris.

OLD HINSDALE INNS

There were in the older days two old hotels on Maple street, but of one of them

these however, and was once run as a tavern by Theodore Mack, who probably had charges of the toll gate on the old turnpike, which fronted the building. An invitation to a ball held at this tavern is still preserved, being printed on the back of an old-fashioned playing card.

The old Peru Inn was on the summit of Peru hill. Previous to its construction about 1825 by Deacon Ebenezer Phillips, that gentleman had entertained guests at his home directly opposite. He conducted the tavern but a short time when he sold it to Col. David Tuttle. He was a noted officer in the old state militia and his granddaughter, Miss Tuttle of Hinsdale, still carefully preserves his commissions as Lieutenant, Captain, Major and Colonel, and his once elegant military dress coat resplendent with bright brass buttons and of the finest blue broad cloth. Col. Tuttle was succeeded in this hotel by John Milton Tuttle, who removing to

Hinsdale sold it in 1845 to Nahum Blackman. In 1848 the hotel was purchased by Bowen and Brother, the partners being W. S. and S. S. Bowen, who kept it until 1880 when they also removed to Hinsdale, the latter having been the Peru postmaster for 30 continuous years. From 1848 it was kept as a strictly temperance house. There being hardly any custom, the old sign was taken down in 1858. though stray travelers were entertained for some time after. It was destroyed by fire in 1881. This Tuttle Inn was a model country hostelry, its beautiful site overlooking a wide expanse of mountain and valley scenery, and the great height of its situation rendering the atmosphere one of life-giving purity. It was the scene of many old time balls and festivity, its bedroom partitions being arranged to hook up to the ceiling for dancing accommodations, while as a luxury for those days its ball room had a spring floor.

QUERY SECTION

11001 DODGE-OLMSTEAD-BROWN

Elizabeth DODGE OLMSTE(A)D BROWN b 1755-60-ca1811 dau of Daniel DODGE (1729-ca1833) and wife Mary BROWN. Need places and dates for births, marriage & deaths.

11002 OLMSTED-DODGE

Jabez OLMSTED b 1758-60 Berkshire, Berkshire Co. MA d 26 April 1778 Valley Forge, PA. 1st husband of Elizabeth DODGE. Need his parents, marriage record ca1780, grave site.

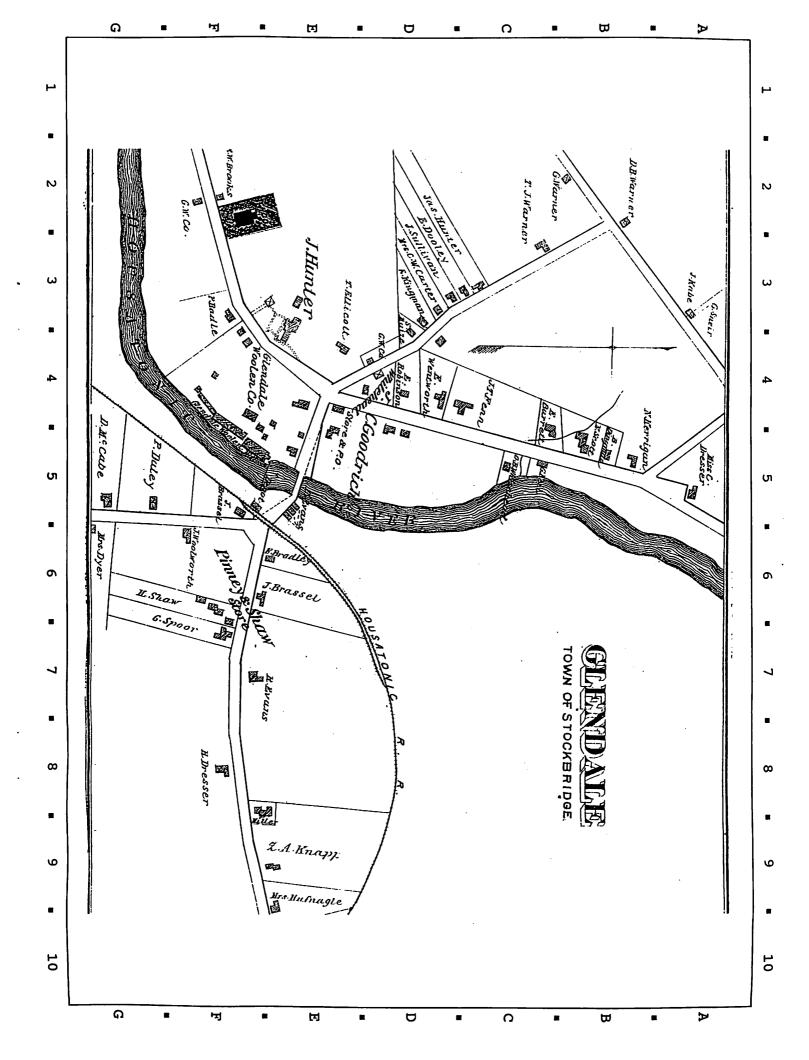
11003 BROWN

Josiah BROWN b 1874 Amenia, Duchess Co., NY m 1780? Williamstown, Berkshire Co., MA. Served in the Rev. War 1775-80, d Oppenheim, Montgomery Co. (now Fulton Co., NY) 25 December 1827. Bur Hewitt Burying Ground same county. Need marriage record and location where he lived at Williamstown, MA and later places in Eastern, NY from 1798-1825, before Oppenheim.

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MAP OF GLENDALE (Town of Stockbridge) - 1876

Barrett, E.	C-4	Dooley, E.	C-3	Goodrich, C.	D-5	McCabe, D.	G-5	Warner, D. B.	B-2
Bradley, E.	E-6	Dresser, C.	A-5	Hufnagle, Mrs.	E-9	Radio, P.	F-3	Warner, G.	B-2
Brassel, J.	E-6	Dresser, H.	F-8	Hunter, James	C-3	Robinson, E.	D-4	Warner, T. J.	C-3
	F-5	Dyer, Mrs.	G-6	Hunter, J.	E-3	Scott, N.	B-5	Wentworth, E.	D-4
Brooks, R. W.	F-2	Ellicott, T.	E-4	Kabe, J.	A-3	Shaw, H.	F-6	Whitehead, J.	D-4
Carter, C. W., Mr	s. D-3	Evans, B.	E-5	Kerrigan, N.	B-5	Sneir, G.	A-3	Whitehead, O. B.	C-5
Daloy, P.	G-5	Feil, G.	C-5	Knapp, Z. A.	E-9	Spoor, G.	F-7	Woolworth, J.	F-6
Dingman, B.	B-5	Fenn. J. T.	C-4	Maiza S	D-4	Sulliven I	D. 2		



SCHOOL CENSUS OF PITTSFIELD - 1886

Race	Name	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Residence	Parent/Guardian	School
Irish	Cavanaugh, Mary	13	11/12/72	Pittsfield	N. Pearl	Mary	Melville
Irish	Cavanaugh, Morris	9	5/1/77	Pittsfield	Lake Ave.	Morris	Onota
French		8	6/19/77	North Adams	Pontoosuc	John	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Chapel, Grace A.	9	6/8/77	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	Addison M.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Chapel, Mattie L.	13	7/5/72	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	Addison M.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Chapin, Bessie	7	10/4/78	Pittsfield	Church St.	A. N.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Chapin, May	12	11/7/73	Pittsfield	Church St.	A. N.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Chapin, Stella	9	6/18/76	Pittsfield	Church St.	A. N.	Elizabeth
Amer. Amer.	Chapin, Florence	11	3/18/75	Pittsfield	Elizabeth	Henry W.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Chapman, Hiram Chapman, Ida M.	9	8/27/76	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Hiram	Stearns
Amer.	Chapman, Viola	6 11	10/5/79 8/20/74	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Hiram	Stearns
Amer.	Chapman, E. Lela	10	1/20/76	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Hiram	Stearns
Amer.	Chapman, Roy A.	11	6/5/74	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Francis	George	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Cheevers, Ellen	14	2/4/72	Tyringham	West St.	Amos	West Part
Amer.	Cheevers, James	12	8/10/73	Tyringham Tyringham	Onota Onota	James	Onota
Amer.	Churchill, Samuel B.	14	5/22/72	Pittsfield	North Woods	James John	Onota
Amer.	Clare, Vivian	5	4/12/81	Pittsfield	Railroad	John	Northwoods West Cen.
Amer.	Clark, Charles	5	12/22/80	Pittsfield	Francis	Forrester	Union St.
Amer.	Clark, Etta	8	1/20/76	Pittsfield	Francis	Forrester	Union St.
Amer.	Clark, Eva	7	11/25/78	Pittsfield	Francis	Forrester	Union St.
Amer.	Clark, Daisy M.	12	1/6/74	Pittsfield	Circular	William H.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Clarke, Maude	6	4/4/80	Springfield	Francis	George E.	Union St.
Amer.	Clarke, Florence	8	10/28/77	New York	Browns Ave.	Ida M.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Clarke, Norah	5	3/23/81	Pittsfield	Browns Ave.	Ida M.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Clarke, May	13	1/21/73	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	George H.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Clarke, Archer	11	5/19/75	Pittsfield	N. Second	H. C.	Orchard
Amer.	Clarke, Walter H.	11	3/12/75	Pittsfield	N. First	Fred M.	Orchard
Amer.	Clarke, Effie	7	7/6/78	Pittsfield	Maud	J. N.	Orchard
Irish	Clarke, Fred	5	12/26/80	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Edward	Pontoosuc
Irish	Clarke, Edward	6	8/23/79	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Edward	Pontoosuc
Irish	Clarke, Abbie A.	8	5/1/78	Pittsfield	Park St.	Michael H.	Orchard
Irish	Clarke, Isabelle	12	12/5/73	Pittsfield	Park St.	Michael H.	Fenn St.
Irish Irish	Clarke, John J.	10	10/12/75	Pittsfield	Park St.	Michael H.	Orchard
Black	Clarke, James	11	6/5/74	Connecticut	Wahconah	P. H.	Orchard
Irish	Clarke, Cora	5	Unknown	Dalton	Town Farm	R. G. H.	Don't go
Irish	Clary, Allice Clary, John	12	11/10/73	Pittsfield	Barkers	Margaret	Barkers
Irish	Clary, Morris	6 9	7/14/79	Pittsfield	Barkers	Margaret	Barkers
	Clemann, Daisy		9/10/76	Pittsfield	Barkers	Margaret	Barkers
German	Clemann, Hattie	6 14	2/14/80 5/3/72	Pittsfield	Worthington	William	Elizabeth
German	Clemann, Libbie	8	10/3/77	Pittsfield	Worthington	William	Don't go
	Clemann, Willie	11	5/29/75	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Worthington	William	Elizabeth
Amer.	Clifford, Blanche	5	1/28/81	Pittsfield	Worthington West St.	William	Elizabeth
Amer.	Clifford, Myra E.	9	5/7/77	Pittsfield	West St.	Charles Charles	Elizabeth
Amer.	Clifford, William H.	11	4/15/74	North Adams	West St.	Charles	Elizabeth Elizabeth
Amer.	Clow, Ida E.	13	12/13/72	New York	Silver	Curtis H.	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Coakley, Katie	13	12/13/72	Ireland	Pontoosuc	David	N. Grammar
Irish	Coakley, Mary	9	9/10/76	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	David	Pontoosuc
Black	Coffin, Mary	9	6/4/77	Pittsfield	Alder	Elisgus	Francis
Jew	Cohen, Abraham	8	3/26/78	Pittsfield	Railroad	Michael	Union St.
Irish	Colbert, Allice	10	7/14/75	Berkshire	Burbank	James	Orchard
Irish	Colbert, Emma	6	2/28/80	New York	Burbank	James	Orchard
Irish	Colbert, Hanah	12	12/16/73	Berkshire	Burbank	James	Orchard
Irish	Colbert, John	13	1/6/73	Dalton	Burbank	James	Orchard
Irish	Colbert, Katie	9	12/19/76	Berkshire	Burbank	James	Orchard
Irish	Colbert, Mary E.	8	7/9/77	New York	Burbank	James	Orchard
Amer.	Cole, Albert	13	10/24/72	Pittsfield	Barker	Edward E.	Stearns
Amer.	Cole, Edward	7	9/10/78	Pittsfield	Barker	Edward E.	Stearns
Amer.	Cole, Hattie	9	4/9/77	Pittsfield	Barker	Edward E.	Stearns

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Irish	Coleman, Willie	6	10/2/89	Pittsfield	South Mountain	Johanah	Barkers
Amer.	Coleman, Henry G.	10	6/21/75	New York	South Mountain	Alfred W.	Morewood
Amer.	Coleman, Annie	7	3/4/79	New York	Russells	Isaac	Russells
Amer.	Coleman, Josephine	5	1/3/81	New York	Russells	Isaac	Russells
Amer.	Coleman, Lydia R.	10	10/4/75	New York	Russells	Isaac	Russells
Irish	Coleman, Annie	9	2/16/77	New York	High	Mrs. Carroll	Fenn St.
Irish	Coleman, Agnes	12	12/25/71	Pittsfield	Howard	John	S. Grammar
Irish	Coleman, George	6	7/6/79	Pittsfield	Howard	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Collina Frank M	11	6/17/74	Pittsfield	Howard	John	Fenn St.
Amer. Irish	Collins, Frank M.	11	5/13/75	Pittsfield	Pecks Bridge	Sylvester	Junction
Irish	Collins, Annie Collins, Joseph	9 14	1/14/77	Pittsfield	Pomeroys	Michael	Elizabeth
Irish	Colwell, Fred	7	12/13/71 10/18/78	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Pomeroys Tillotson	Michael Riley	S. Grammar Osceola
Irish	Colwell, John W.	12	7/10/73	Pittsfield	Tillotson	Riley	Osceola
Amer.	Combs, Daisy C.	7	9/16/78	Pittsfield	Circular	E. J.	Union St.
Amer.	Combs, Earl G.	ģ	8/9/76	Sheffield	Circular	E. J.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Combs, Erwin H	8	5/12/78	Pittsfield	Goodrich	Horrace	Elizabeth
Amer.	Combs, Evelyn A.	11	10/22/74	South Lee	Goodrich	Ноггасе	Elizabeth
Irish	Condon, Mary	6	1/1/80	Pittsfield	Daniels Ave.	Michael	Don't go
Irish	Condron, Denis	10	10/26/76	Pittsfield	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Irish	Condron, Julia	6	1/4/80	Pittsfield	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Irish	Condron, Norah	12	1/12/74	Pittsfield	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Irish	Condron, Thomas	5	1/10/81	Pittsfield	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Irish	Condron, John	5	8/20/80	Pittsfield	Robbins Ave.	Michael	Francis Ave.
Irish	Condron, Lizzie	7	5/2/79	Pittsfield	Robbins Ave.	Michael	Francis Ave.
Irish	Condron, John	9	4/26/77	Pittsfield	River	Patrick	West Cen.
Irish	Condron, Maggie	5	3/6/81	Pittsfield	River	Patrick	West Cen.
Irish	Condron, Mary	10	3/23/76	Pittsfield	River	Patrick	West Cen.
Irish Irish	Condron, Michael	6	8/20/79	Pittsfield	River	Patrick	West Cen.
Irish Irish	Connelly, Ellen Connelly, Mary	8 11	11/25/77	Pittsfield	Clough	Patrick	Orchard
Irish	Connelly, Mattie	6	8/25/74 2/4/80	Pittsfield	Clough	Patrick	Orchard
Irish	Connelly, Stephen	10	1/4/76	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Clough Clough	Patrick Patrick	Orchard Orchard
Irish	Connor, George M.	10	2/22/76	Pittsfield	Elm	Thomas	Fenn
Irish	Connor, John E.	7	9/23/78	Pittsfield	Elm	Thomas	Fenn
Irish	Connor, Thomas P.	11	7/24/74	Pittsfield	Elm	Thomas	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Connor, William H.	5	6/27/80	Pittsfield	Elm	Thomas	Fenn
Irish	Connor, Edward	6	6/17/79	Pittsfield	Elm	John	Fenn
Irish	Connor, Ida M.	5	9/18/80	Pittsfield	Elm	John	Fenn
Irish	Connor, John T.	10	7/23/75	Springfield	Elm	John	Fenn
Irish	Connor, Willie	8	7/4/78	Springfield	Elm	John	Fenn
Irish	Connor, Mary E.	9	12/27/76	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	Daniel	Fenn St.
Irish	Connor, Timothy	7	6/27/78	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	Daniel	Fenn St.
Irish	Connor, Charles	12	10/9/73	Blackington	Taconic	Thomas H.	Pontoosuc
Irish	Connor, Hugh	7	10/5/78	Blackington	Taconic	Thomas H.	Pontoosuc
Irish	Connor, Mertenia	10	11/25/75	Blackington	Taconic	Thomas H.	Pontoosuc
Irish Irish	Connor, Richard	14	2/18/72	North Adams	Taconic	Thomas H.	Don't go
Irish Irish	Connor, Willie	5	10/25/80	Vermont	Taconic	Thomas H.	Pontoosuc
Irish	Connors, David Connors, Edwin	12	6/13/73	Pittsfield	Linden	James	Francis Ave.
Irish	Connors, James	8 6	6/14/77 3/13/80	Pittsfield	Linden	James Detriels	Francis Ave.
Irish	Connors, Katie	7	10/20/78	Lenox Lenox	Barkers Barkers	Patrick Patrick	Barkers
Irish	Connors, Mary	8	6/2/77	Lenox	Barkers	Patrick Patrick	Barkers Barkers
Irish	Connors, Minnie	7	6/ /78	Pittsfield	Barkers	James	Barkers
Irish	Connors, Mary	6	5/18/80	Pittsfield	Shaker Depot	Lawrence	Don't go
Irish	Connors, Thomas	11	1/ /75	Pittsfield	Barkers	James	Barkers
Irish	Connors, Katie	6	12/23/79	Pittsfield	Second	Michael	Fenn St.
Irish	Connors, Maggie	5	2/14/81	Pittsfield	Second	Michael	Fenn St.
Irish	Connors, Maria	7	6/21/78	Pittsfield	Second	Michael	Fenn St.
Irish	Connors, Thomas	9	12/14/76	Pittsfield	Second	Michael	Fenn St.
Irish	Connors, Francis	8	2/10/78	Pittsfield	Seymour	Jerry	Francis Ave.
Irish	Connors, John	11	7/8/74	Pittsfield	Seymour	Jerry	Francis Ave.
Irish	Connors, William	6	11/29/69	Pittsfield	Seymour	Jerry	Francis Ave.

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Irish	Conroy, Margaret	14	10/17/71	Pittsfield	Adam	Ann	High
Irish	Conroy, James	13	12/4/72	Pittsfield	S. Church	Edward	Elizabeth
Irish	Conroy, Nellie	11	4/10/75	Pittsfield	S. Church	Edward	Elizabeth
French	Controy, Annie	11	3/5/75	Hinsdale?	Stearnsville	Joseph	Stearns
French	Controy, Frank	9	2/24/77	Hinsdale?	Stearnsville	Joseph	Stearns
French	Controy, Thomas	7	3/14/79	Dalton	Stearnsville	Joseph	Stearns
Irish	Conway, Agnes	12	5/2/74	New York	Robbins	Pat Ann	West St.
Amer.	Cooley, Kate	14	11/19/71	Pittsfield	South	William H.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Coon, Byron E.	6	2/13/80	New York	River St.	Byron	Don't go
Irish	Cooney, Edward	12	3/1/74	Pittsfield	Pond	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Cooney, Willie	6	11/27/79	Pittsfield	Pond	John	Fenn St.
Amer.	Coons, Elmer E.	14	5/26/72	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	George	Stearns
Irish	Corcoran, Maggie	7	7/14/78	Pittsfield	Bradford	Martin	Union
Irish	Corcoran, Thomas	6	11/27/79	Pittsfield	Bradford	Martin	Union
French		9	9/28/76	Lanesboro	Fenn St.	Walter	Fenn #3
	Corcoran, Walter	14	6/20/71	Lanesboro	Fenn St.	Walter	S. Grammar
Irish	Corcoran, Katie	11	5/4/75	Pittsfield	Clough	Patrick	Orchard
Irish	Corcoran, Mary	7	9/7/78	Pittsfield	Clough	Patrick	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Corkhill, Charles	8	12/14/77	Pittsfield	Lake	William	Fenn St.
Amer.	Corkhill, Myra	6	11/21/79	Pittsfield	Lake	William	Fenn St.
Amer.	Corkhill, Frances	5	6/28/80	Pittsfield	Orchard	John	Orchard
Amer.	Corkhill, John	11	4/13/75	Pittsfield	Orchard	John	Orchard
Amer.	Corkhill, Lottie	7	9/21/78	Pittsfield	Orchard	John	Orchard
Amer.	Corkhill, Nellie	9	2/21/77	Pittsfield	Orchard	John	Orchard
Amer.	Cornell, Charles	14	8/28/74	New York	Winter	Delia	Don't go
Amer.	Costine, Alexander	7	6/25/78	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	David	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Costine, Clifford	5	1/29/81	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	David	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Costine, David	13	8/16/72	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	David	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Costine, Joseph	11	9/3/74	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	David	Pontoosuc
French French	, ,	7	12/13/78	North Adams	Pontoosuc	William	Pontoosuc
French		11	10/28/74	Pittsfield	Barkers	Ishmael	Stearns
Amer.	J,	7	9/13/78	Pittsfield	Barker	Ishmael	Stearns
Amer.	Couch, Arthur I. Couch, Guy W.	5 13	7/18/80	Pittsfield	Beaver	Dwight M.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Couch, Lela G.		8/20/72	Lee	Beaver	Dwight M.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Couch, Ralph L.	7 11	6/16/78	Pittsfield	Beaver	Dwight M.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Couch, Oscar	13	9/4/74 9/13/73	Lee Pittsfield	Beaver	Dwight M.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Couch, Irene	6	1/29/80	Lee	Elm Canaina Au	F. W.	S. Grammar
Irish	Coyne, John J.	10	5/22/76		Crosier Av.	Andrew	Will go
Irish	Coyne, Kitty	5	1/21/81	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Russells Russells	John John	Russells
Irish	Coyne, Peter	12	11/8/73	Pittsfield	Russells	John John	Russells
Irish	Coyne, Sarah	7	9/4/78	Pittsfield	Russells	John John	Russells
Irish	Coughlin, Patrick	10	7/12/75	Pittsfield	Richmond Rd.	Richard	Russells Barkers
Irish	Coughlin, Richard	13	3/26/73	Pittsfield	Richmond Rd.	Richard	
Irish	Coughlin, Thomas	6	12/16/79	Pittsfield	Richmond Rd.	Richard	Barkers Barkers
Irish	Coughlin, Mary E.	12	5/21/74	Pittsfield	Linden St.	Denis Denis	Francis Ave.
Irish	Coughter, Edward	10	3/7/76	Pittsfield	Division	Peter	Francis Ave.
Irish	Coughter, Maggie	13	2/12/73	Pittsfield	Division	Peter	Orchard
Irish	Coulin, Katie	12	2/23/74	Pittsfield	E. Housatonic	Owen	Elizabeth Int.
English	Cowlin, Annie E.	13	10/24/72	New York	South	Edward	S. Grammar
English	Cowlin, Linnie M.	10	2/22/76	Lenox	South	Edward	Elizabeth Int.
Irish	Coy, Norah	6	4/7/80	Pittsfield	Lake	Thomas	Fenn St.
Irish	Coy, Thomas	10	10/18/75	Pittsfield	Third	Thomas	Fenn St.
Irish	Coyne, Annie	13	7/23/72	Pennsylvania	Onota	Patrick	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Coyne, James	6	11/18/79	Pennsylvania	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Irish	Coyne, John	5	11/30/80	Pennsylvania	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Irish	Coyne, Maggie	11	3/16/75	Pennsylvania	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Irish	Coyne, Willie	9	11/2/76	Pennsylvania	Onota	Patrick	Onota
Amer.	Crandall, Lilly	12	11/8/73	Sheffield	Bradford	Roland E.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Crittenden, Mary	13	1/4/73	Otis	Fenn St.	F. F. Reade	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Crittenden, Mabel	13	10/23/72	Pittsfield	Hamlin	Charles	Orchard
Amer. Amer.	Crocker, Bertha	14	4/7/72	Connecticut	River St.	Milo	Don't go
Allel.	Crocker, Hiram W.	8	9/23/77	Pittsfield	West St.	Hiram W.	West Part

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Amer.	Crocker, Mary M.	14	8/23/71	Pittsfield	West St.	Hiram W.	West Part
Irish	Crockwell, Arthur	12	5/17/74	Pittsfield	Coltsville	Ann	Coltsville
Irish	Crockwell, Edward	10	5/1/76	Pittsfield	Coltsville	Ann	Coltsville
Amer.	Crosier, Bessie M.	6	10/12/79	Pittsfield	Elm	William D.	Private
Amer.	Crosier, Herbert C.	13	11/24/72	Pittsfield	Elm	William D.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Crosier, Bessie A.	6	3/16/80	Pittsfield	West St.	Charles A.	West Part
Amer.	Crosier, Walter L.	8	7/5/77	Pittsfield	West St.	Charles A.	West Part
Irish	Crossin, Carrie	11	10/3/74	Pittsfield	Barkers	Robert	Barkers
Irish	Crossin, Freddie	6	9/1/80	Pittsfield	Barkers	Robert	Barkers
Irish	Crossin, Mary	13	9/4/72	Pittsfield	Barkers	Robert	Barkers
Irish	Crossin, Walter	8	3/2/78	Pittsfield	Barkers	Robert	Barkers
Irish	Crossin, Willie	9	9/1/76	Pittsfield	Barkers	Robert	Barkers
Irish	Crossin, John J.	7	4/3/79	Pittsfield	Barkers	George	Shaker Depot
	Crossley, Marietta	13	10/26/72	N. Andover	Wahconah	George	N. Grammar
Amer.	Crossman, Nellie	6	3/10/80	Pittsfield	Bradford	W. A.	Will go
Irish	Crowley, Ella	10	6/24/75	Ireland	Wahconah	John	Russells
Irish	Crowley, Janus	14	12/4/71	Ireland	Wahconah	John	Don't go
Irish	Crowley, Rose	8	5/20/78	Ireland	Wahconah	John	Russells
Scot	Cullen, Elizabeth	6	7/4/79	Scotland	Howard	David M.	Fenn St.
Scot	Cullen, Jane	8	1/13/78	Scotland	Howard	David M.	Fenn St.
Irish Irish	Cullen, Frank P.	12	12/21/73	Pittsfield	Taconic St.	Patrick	S. Grammar
Irish Irish	Cullen, Terresa	14	10/3/71	Pittsfield	Taconic St.	Patrick	S. Grammar
French	Cullen, May	5	10/15/80	Pittsfield	Tyler	Peter	Will go
		5	7/5/80	Pittsfield	Division	Peter	Will go
French	Cummings, John	8 5	2/17/78 10/27/80	Pittsfield	Division	Peter	Francis Ave.
Irish	Currey, Peter Curtin, Denis	9		New York	Van Sickler	Louis	Fenn St.
Irish	Curtin, Katie	7	<i>5/26/77</i> 7/31/78	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Russells	Peter P.	Russells
Irish	Cushman, Annie	13	5/2/72	Ireland	Russells	Peter P.	Russells
Irish	Cushman, Daniel	7	7/10/78	Ireland	High	Hugh	Fenn St.
Irish	Cushman, Lizzie	ģ	8/4/75	Ireland Ireland	High Uich	Hugh	Fenn St.
Irish	Cushman, Mary	11	6/2/74	Ireland	High High	Hugh Hugh	Fenn St. Fenn St.
Amer.	Cutting, Madeline	8	12/28/77	Pittsfield	Wendell Ave.	Walter	Private
Amer.	Cutting, Mary P.	12	9/29/73	Pittsfield	Wendell Ave.	Walter	Private
Amer.	Cutting, Walter L.	10	8/15/75	Pittsfield	Wendell Ave.	Walter	Private
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Irish Irish	Day, Mary E.	13	3/28/73	Pittsfield	Francis	Sarah	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Daly, Lilly	7	9/6/78	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	James	Elizabeth
Irish	Daly, Katie	7	4/4/79	Pittsfield	S. Church	Denis	West Cent.
Irish	Daly, Nellie Daly, Annie	5	2/8/81	Pittsfield	S. Church	Denis	West Cent.
Irish	Daly, Frank	7	1/13/79	Pittsfield	Prospect St.	William	Union
Irish		13	10/13/72	Pittsfield	Prospect St.	William	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Daly, Willie Daly, Robert T.	10 5	2/22/76 7/29/80	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Prospect St.	William	Union
Amer.	Daly, Robert 1. Daly, Dwight	6	10/27/79	Pittsfield	Beaver Mominasida	Patrick	Will go
Amer.	Daly, Mary	10	6/30/75	Pittsfield	Morningside Morningside	Hiram Hiram	Orchard Orchard
Amer.	Daly, Susan	8	4/20/78	Pittsfield	Morningside	Hiram	Orchard
Irish	Daly, James	10	9/22/75	Pittsfield	Middle	Joseph P.	Holmes
Irish	Daly, John	14	3/26/72	Pittsfield	Middle	Joseph P.	Town Gramm.
Irish	Daly, Richard	12	1/1/74	Pittsfield	Middle	Joseph P.	Holmes
French	Dano, Flora	13	2/ /73	Pittsfield	Stearns	Mrs. Forgae	Barkers
Irish	Davenport, Don A.	12	7/12/73	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	E. S.	Elizabeth
Irish	Davenport, Robert H.	10	9/27/75	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	E. S.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Davis, Nellie O.	8	8/8/77	Minnesota	West St.	George B. Bills	West Part
French	Davis, Annie	7	3/6/79	Pittsfield	Pond	Treff	Fenn St.
French	Davis, John	12	1/19/74	Pittsfield	Pond	Treff	Fenn St.
French	Davis, Julia	9	4/5/76	Pittsfield	Pond	Treff	Fenn St.
	Davis, Louis	13	7/27/72	Pittsfield	Pond	Treff	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Davis, Edward	12	2/16/74	Pittsfield	Howard	William H.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Dartt, Charles L.	12	8/23/73	New York	River	William	Elizabeth
Amer.	Dartt, George L.	10	7/7/75	New York	River	William	Elizabeth
Amer.	Day, Edith L.	7	8/16/78	Pittsfield	Howard	Warren	Fenn St.
Irish	Deane, John	8	5/28/78	Pittsfield	Barkers	Patrick	Shaker Depot

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Irish	Deane, Katie	14	11/8/71	Hancock	Barkers	Patrick	Elizabeth
Irish	Deane, Maggie	5	12/28/80	Pittsfield	Barkers	Patrick	Will go
Irish	Deane, Mary	9	9/28/76	Pittsfield	Barkers	Patrick	Shaker Depot
Amer.	Deane, Caroline	14	4/25/72	Pittsfield	Third	Morton S.	N. Grammar
Amer.	Deane, Earl	14	2/25/72	North Adams	Dunham	James	S. Grammar
Amer.	Deane, Maude	11	3/25/75	North Adams	Dunham	James	Fenn St.
Irish	Decelle, Archil	6	6/15/79	Canada	Pontoosuc	Euseb	Pontoosuc
Irish Irish	Decelle, Joseph	9	5/4/77	Canada	Pontoosuc	Euseb	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Decelle, Ovila Decker, Ida F.	11	4/28/75	Canada	Pontoosuc	Euseb	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Decker, Clara	14 7	9/14/71	New York	West St.	Kate	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Deeley, John	5	11/4/78 4/20/81	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Delaney, Katie	12	8/4/73	Pittsfield	Brown	Lawrence	Will go
Amer.	Dell, Mabel	6	6/2/79	Pittsfield England	Clough	Bryan	Francis Ave.
German	Dellert, Kate	13	9/11/72	Pittsfield	Barkers	N. Potter	Barkers
German	Dellert, Linnie	11	2/3/75	Pittsfield	N. Woods N. Woods	Theodore	N. Woods
German	Dellert, Theodore	9	3/28/77	Pittsfield	N. Woods	Theodore Theodore	N. Woods
German	Dellert, Willie	7	3/15/79	Pittsfield	N. Woods	Theodore	N. Woods
German	Dellert, Jessie	6	12/3/79	Pittsfield	N. Second	Louisa	N. Woods
French	Delon, Deleo	7	11/ /78	Canada	Morningside	Peter	Orchard
French	Delon, Peter	6	4/ /80	Canada	Morningside	Peter	Never been Never been
French	DeMerry, George	10	8/20/75	Vermont	West St.	Frank	Elizabeth
French	DeMerry, Oscar	12	8/13/73	Vermont	West St.	Frank	Elizabeth
Irish	Deneen, Katie	8	12/6/77	Boston	Wahconah	Margaret	Russells
Irish	Deneen, Maggie	11	8/30/74	Connecticut	Winter	Jerry	Orchard
Irish	Deneen, Mary	9	10/9/76	Connecticut	Winter	Jerry	Orchard
Irish	Deneen, Satie	7	5/3/79	Connecticut	Winter	Jerry	Orchard
Amer.	Dennison, Minnie	14	3/18/72	Cheshire	Adam	E. Ġ.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Denny, May	6	10/30/79	Connecticut	W. Housatonic	George L.	Elizabeth
French	Derigon, Edgerton	13	12/20/72	Pittsfield	West St.	William	Don't go
Amer.	Derigon, Julia	8	1/4/77	Pittsfield	West St.	William	W. Center
Amer.	Dermont, George Dermont, Leon	13	12/6/72	Cheshire	Pecks	James	Russells
Amer.	Dermont, Willie H.	5	2/1/81	Pittsfield	Pecks	James	Will go
	Desony, Louise	8 5	6/21/77	Pittsfield	High Road	William H.	Pontoosuc
French	Desony, Terresa	8	12/4/80	Canada	Liberty	Charles	Melville St.
Amer.	Devall, Barbara E.	-	11/4/77 4/14/73	Canada Nove Vorte	Liberty	Charles	Melville St.
Irish	Devaney, Agnes	11	3/9/75	New York Pittsfield	Railroad	William J.	Cen. Inter.
Irish	Devaney, James	7	7/7/78	Pittsfield	Clough	James	Francis Ave.
	Devaney, Katie	13	10/1/72	Pittsfield	Clough	James	Francis Ave.
	Devlin, Katie	5	10/18/80	Hinsdale	Clough Berkshire Road	James	High
Black	Dewey, Satie	_	6/13/80	Russell	S. Mountain	John Wm. Hamilton	Don't go
Amer.	Dewey, Arthur		4/5/79	Lenox	Middle	Wm. Hamilton Elisha	Morewood
Amer.	Dewey, Robert		2/20/76	Lenox	Middle	Elisha	Will go
	Dewitt, Earl	7	1/8/79	R.I.	Daniels	Mason W.	Holmes Francis Ave.
	Dewitt, Lena M.	5	3/27/81	R.I.	Daniels	Mason W.	Francis Ave.
	Dezzell, Sarah	9	6/23/76	New York	West	James	West Part
	Diehl, Edith	7	3/24/79	Pittsfield	North	Martin	Orchard
	Diehl, Emma		9/14/71	Pittsfield	North	Martin	Orchard
German	Diehl, Mary		9/6/76	Pittsfield	North	Martin	Orchard
German	Dietze, Charles	7	11/20/78	Germany	Tillotson	Agust	Osceola
German	Dietze, Henry		3/2/76	Germany	Tillotson	Agust	Osceola
	Dillen, Jennie	8	11/22/77	Pittsfield	Railroad	Edward	Union
	Dillen, Willie		4/1/75	Pittsfield	Railroad	Edward	Fenn St.
	Dillon, James Dillon, Mary		8/17/78	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	Michael	Elizabeth
	Dillon, Thomas	11	10/3/74	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	Michael	Elizabeth
	Dillon, Annie	5 9	1/11/81	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	Michael	Elizabeth
	Dillon, Nellie		1/11/77 2/20/81	Pittsfield	S. Church	Michael	Elizabeth
	Dillon, Patrick		5/12/79	Pittsfield	S. Church	Michael	Elizabeth
	Dillon, Willie	11	10/29/74	Pittsfield Pittsfield	S. Church	Michael	Elizabeth
	Dillon, John		1/4/75	Pittsfield	S. Church	Michael	Elizabeth
	Dillon, John T.	8	7/27/77	Pittsfield	Second Melville	Edward	Fenn St.
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Irish	Dillon, Thomas E.	6	11/26/79	Pittsfield	Melville	Thomas	Melville
Amer.	Dinsmore, Mary B.	8	11/16/77	Springfield	Adam	Charles C.	Orchard
German	Ditman, Henry	12	12/13/73	Canada	Pontoosuc	Henry	Pontoosuc
German	n Ditman, Tillie	5	7/3/80	Canada	Pontoosuc	Henry	Will go
	Ditman, Albert	6	12/2/79	Pittsfield	Richmond Ave.	William, Jr.?	Will go
Amer.	Dodge, Clara	12	10/24/73	Pittsfield	Daniels	Samuel	Private
Amer.	Dodge, Emma	10	2/17/76	Pittsfield	Daniels	James C.	Union
Amer. Irish	Dodge, Oscar	14	6/5/71	Pittsfield	Daniels	James C.	N. Grammar
Irish	Dolan, Philip	6	11/10/79	Pittsfield	Mill St.	William	W. Center
Irish	Donlon, Mary	7	12/26/78	Ireland	Pecks	Peter	Pecks
Irish	Donlon, Annie Donlon, Mary	9	1/9/77	Ireland	Pomeroys	Peter	Elizabeth
Irish	Donlon, Patrick	6 5	12/26/79	Ireland	Pomeroys	Peter	Elizabeth
Amer.	Doolan, George E.	6	1/29/81	Pittsfield	Pomeroys	Peter	Don't go
Irish	Doran, Francis	12	3/23/80 8/24/73	Connecticut	Wellington	Thomas	Orchard
Irish	Doran, Minnie	8	12/9/77	Lenox	Wahconah	Mary	Orchard
Irish	Dougherty, Annie	11	6/28/74	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Wahconah	Mary	Orchard
Irish	Dougherty, James	9	11/30/76	Pittsfield	Barkers	Michael	Shaker Depot
Irish	Dougherty, Willie	7	3/13/79	Pittsfield	Barkers Barkers	Michael	Shaker Depot
	Douglass, Annie	6	3/17/79	Pittsfield	Beaver	Michael	Shaker Depot
French	Douglass, Leda	10	10/18/75	Canada	Beaver Beaver	Oliver	Fenn St.
Irish	Dowd, Katie	11	8/8/74	Pittsfield	Clough	Oliver Martin	Fenn St.
Irish	Dowd, Martin	6	1/28/80	Pittsfield	Clough	Martin Martin	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Dowd, Nellie	13	6/4/72	Pittsfield	Clough	Martin	Francis Ave.
Irish	Dowd, Willie	8	3/25/78	Pittsfield	Clough	Martin	Cen. Grammar Francis Ave.
Irish	Dowling, Katie	11	4/1/75	Pittsfield	West St.	James	Cen. Inter.
Irish	Dowling, Thomas	5	2/16/81	Pittsfield	North	Michael	Orchard
Irish	Downey, Charles	6	10/18/79	Pittsfield	Barkers	William	Barkers
Irish	Downey, Hanah	12	5/13/74	Pittsfield	Barkers	William	Barkers
Irish	Downey, Willie	9	5/13/77	Pittsfield	Barkers	William	Barkers
Irish	Doyle, Ellen	7	6/28/78	Pittsfield	West St.	William	West Center
Irish	Doyle, Gertrude	13	9/19/72	Pittsfield	West St.	John	Elizabeth
Irish	Doyle, Abram	13	12/4/72	Pittsfield	Pecks	Mary	Pecks
Irish	Doyle, Lizzie	8	8/19/77	Pittsfield	Pecks	Mary	Pecks
Irish	Doyle, Mary	10	1/4/76	Lanesboro	Pecks	Mary	Russells
Irish Amer.	Drake, Katie	13	10/10/72	Pittsfield	Railroad	Mrs. Moirk?	Don't go
Amer.	Drake, Lucy M.	11	6/6/74	Pittsfield	Lincoln	Sanford	Orchard
Amer.	Dresser, Annie	13	12/ /72	Connecticut	Reade St.	H. J.	S. Grammar
Irish	Dresser, Martha J. Drew, John	14	4/22/72	Stockbridge	Daniels	Martin L.	S. Grammar
Irish	Drew, Mary	10 12	10/18/75	Pittsfield	Stearns	Timothy	Stearnsville
Irish	Drew, James	10	2/19/74 2/26/76	Pittsfield	Stearns	Timothy	Stearnsville
Irish	Drew, Lizzie	13	4/12/73	Pittsfield Pittsfield	Barkers	Richard	Barkers
Irish	Drew, Samuel	6	2/16/80	Pittsfield	Barkers	Richard	Barkers
Irish	Drew, William	8		Pittsfield	Barkers Barkers	Richard	Barkers
Irish	Driscoll, Edward	6		Pittsfield	Stearns		Barkers
French	Dublois, Charles	10		Pittsfield	Beaver	John Charles	Stearnsville
French	Dublois, Katie	7		Pittsfield	Beaver		Fenn St.
French	Dublois, Willie	5		Pittsfield	Beaver	Charles	Fenn St.
French	Duby, Dell	5		Pittsfield	Beaver	Joseph	Will go Will go
French	Duby, George	9		Pittsfield	Beaver	Joseph	Junction
French	Duby, Grace	6		Pittsfield	Beaver	Joseph	Junction
French	Ducett, Emil	9		Holyoke	Stearns	Joseph	Stearnsville
French	Duchine, George	8		R.I.	Robbins	•	Union St.
rrench	Dudley, Frank	11	4/14/74	Pittsfield	Lake		N. Grammar
rrench	Dudley, Joseph	13		Pittsfield	Lake		N. Grammar
French	Dudley, Louis	9		Pittsfield	Lake		N. Grammar
French	Duefiene, Emily	9		Canada	Beaver	Amos	Never been
French	Duefiene, John	7		Canada	Beaver	Amos	Never been
French	Duefiene, Willie Duefiene, Joseph	5		Canada	Beaver		Never been
	Joseph	11	12/4/74	Canada	Beaver	Amos	Fenn St.

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THE OLD MASONIC LODGES OF BERKSHIRE

From The Berkshire Hills, February 1, 1902.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE OF WILLIAMSTOWN

The second Masonic Blue Lodge in Northern Berkshire was constituted at South Williamstown somewhere about 1800. William Young was a prominent man in the town, for many years an office-holder, and both the successes and disasters in his eventful career were intimately interwoven with his connection with this order. The assembly rooms of Friendship Lodge of Williamstown were in the chambers of William Young's house, which he had set apart for that purpose. Here in 5806 or 1806 Dr. David Cushing was made a Master-Mason, his diploma, which is still preserved, being signed by Dr. Remembrance Sheldon, W.M., Lemuel Higgins, S.W., Almon Hoskins. J.W., James Greene, Secretary, and countersigned by John Proctor, Grand Secretary of the State Lodge. Dr. Remembrance Sheldon was the first physician on Stafford's Hill, afterwards removing to Williamstown, where he was evidently the prime factor in instituting this Lodge. William Young and many of his prominent Masonic comrades of Friendship Lodge of the Democratic faith, were bondsmen to the amount of \$100,000 to the State for the defaulting Williamstown State Treasurer, Skinner, who was a member of this Lodge, and who were impoverished by having to make the defaulter's peculations good. This happening, which was succeeded by the Morgan excitement in 1826, broke up this second oldest Masonic body in Northern Berkshire, which was composed of the cream of its earlier citizenship. The Bowen family of Cheshire, descendants of Dr. Cushing, still preserve his elegant Satin Apron, having three raised white rosettes upon its three flaps, and known in its day as the "Continental Masonic Apron."

FRANKLIN LODGE OF STAFFORD'S HILL

Franklin Lodge of Stafford's Hill, which was constituted in Cheshire, June 9, 1794, had a stalwart membership of 160. Its charter members were Peleg Green, John Remington, Joseph Jarvis, Jonathan Remington, John Lyon, Joseph Martin, Stephen Potter,

Perley Phillips, Asa Wilmarth, Jinks Seamans, Ezra Weeks, Samuel Wilcox, Elisha Sprague and Robert Walker. By alteration of its charter in 1794, this oldest Lodge in Northern Berkshire obtained permission to hold its meetings alternately for three months in each year in Cheshire and Lanesboro. The earliest relic reserved of this lodge is the Master Mason's Diploma of Gen. Lyman Hall of Lanesboro, a French and Revolutionary war veteran and of the later year of 1812. This diploma was issued in 1795 and is signed by John Remington, W.M., Peleg Green, S.W. and Robert Walker, Secretary.

The second old relic of Franklin Lodge which has been preserved is the Diploma of Dr. William H. Tyler, a distinguished physician of Lanesboro, which was signed Dec. 19, 5812, affixed to which are the names of Anthony Burton, W.M., Charles Converse, S.W., Apollos Cushman, J.W., Ware Cotton, Secretary, and on the margin of which is written Dr. Isaac Hodges, Tyler. This document is countersigned by Benjamin Russell, G.M., and John Soley, G.S. After affiliating for about a year with Franklin Lodge, Dr. Tyler and other charter members instituted Mystic Lodge in Lanesboro, and Dec. 19, 5812 or 1812, it held its first session in the ball room of the old Baker Tayern, and he was elected its first Right Worshipful Master. This is corroborated by his Master's Diploma issued on the above date and countersigned by Benjamin Russell, Jr., G.M., and John Soley, G.S., which has been preserved, as has also his Master's Jewel, Master and Past-Master lambskin and satin aprons, and the original draft of the old Mystic Lodge By-Laws in his handwriting. It was Dr. Tyler who gave Mystic Lodge its name, he afterwards having named Lafayette Lodge at North Adams, and of which he was a charter member and whose convocations he faithfully attended until prevented from so doing by extreme old age.

There is no further history of Mystic Lodge from 1812 to 1826, fire having burned the charter records, names of charter members and of its officers in the destruction of the old Masonic Temple at Boston, and all

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other data concerning it being consumed in the burning of the Old Berkshire House, which stood on the side of the present Berkshire Life Insurance Company Block in 1826, and whose lodge rooms, which were in the top story, were completely gutted. It can here be added that W.M., William H. Tyler was a member of New Lebanon Royal Arch Chapter, the only Chapter in this part of the country at that period, and that on May 8, 1812 Eben Wadsworth, then Master of this Chapter, wrote him that his "mark," a picture of the "Good Samaritan," had been accepted. Late in life Dr. Tyler took the 32d Masonic Degree at Malone, N.Y., in company with Gen. Jabez Hall of North Adams. Both in his earlier, middle and latter years. Dr. William H. Tyler, the first Worshipful Master of Mystic Lodge was often heard to say that next to his Divine Master and the church he held the Masonic Order or Fraternity in the deepest and most sacred reverence.

How long Mystic Lodge held its organization in Lanesboro after 1812, and how long Dr. Tyler Held the office of its Most Worshipful Master, and who succeeded him as such seems to be past finding out. While the Lodge was in Lanesboro it is known that Rev. Daniel Burhans, Rector of St. Luke's church, afterwards removing to Newtown, Conn., where he became rector of Trinity Church and was afterward elected Bishop of Connecticut, was a member of it. Masonic Oration delivered before Mystic Lodge at the semi-anniversary festival of St. John the Baptist at Pittsfield. June 24, 1813, by Brother Ahab Jinks, was printed in pamphlet form by Milo Smith & Co., and a copy of it is still preserved. Captain Joseph Merrick kept an Inn on the corner of North and West streets in 1810 and it is a matter of history that he raised a gambrel roof of this building one story to accommodate the Masonic fraternity and others. In 1820, on St. John's day, Pittsfield Masons engaged Rev. Dr. Hooper of Albany to address them. It was during a time of religious revival and Rev. Dr. Humphrey undertook to prevent the exercises, whereupon the Masons brought Dr. Hooper to Pittsfield by a relay of horses and he made the oration at the date and hour appointed.

There are some evidences which go to

show that it was no later than 1816 when Mystic Lodge was removed from Lanesboro to Pittsfield, but the fire which destroyed the old Capt. Merrick Inn in the summer of 1826 and all of the records and paraphernalia of the Lodge, wiped out every vestige of its history from its origin at Lanesboro with the exception of a few meagre facts above given. It was in September, 1826, that the Morgan excitement, originating in Western New York, swept over New England and then the entire northern states, and the fraternity became the object of such senseless persecution, that the churches, political parties, society and communities were divided into Masonic and Anti-Masonic bitterness and contention, which finally became so strong that Masonic Lodges were disbanded, and if the fraternity met at all, it did so with great hazard to life and reputation and in the greatest secrecy. These dark years for the fraternity were in truth its dark ages, its rituals, lectures, work and lore were forgotten to an extent that when the order was revived that it took many years and up to 1848 to restore its work in all its important essentials. Then two unfortunate fires, and the twenty following years of Masonic inactivity is sufficient to explain how so much of the earlier history of Mystic Lodge is unable to be traced.

It was, however, a very thorough vindication of the principles of Free Masonry and of this Ancient Order, that in 1847 the old members of the same in Berkshire County, whose attachment to it had outlived the persecutions, slanders and storms of twenty years, began to get together in informal meetings and that in December of that year, Mystic Lodge was resurrected with a regular communication under a new organization, which has continued to thrive and prosper and throw out new Lodges, down to the present day. Among these old Masons were not only citizens of Pittsfield but of Dalton, Lenox, Lee, Adams, Lanesboro and New Lebanon such as Lewis Stoddard, James Rule, Thomas Warner, Daniel Lawrence, Eli and Jared Bradley, Henry W. Bishop, Hamilton C. Bull, A. Spencer, H. D. Gay, Josiah Wait, E. King, C. N. Wheeler, P. G. Pierce, A. C. Comstock, Silas Eddy, Lemuel Bassett, James Landers, John Baker, David Baker, George H. Phelps, A. Wetherbee. These were soon joined by demit or initiation

by Alonzo Thayer, Horatio Conn, Joel S. Page, Obadiah McElwain, S. W. Griffin, Joseph S. Brown, D. D. Morrison, S. M. Dean, E. W. Fairbanks, Smith Clapp, O. M. Fairbanks, Moody Tyler, Lorenzo H. Gamwell, J. W. Gamwell, Daniel Chapman, J. F. Wadhams, Sylvester Cole, Joel Stevens, H. M. Holmes, Isaac S. Cole, Josiah Carter, C. M. Whelden and many others.

The first Master elected Dec. 17, 1847 was Major Franklin Weston of Dalton, with Franklin Root, S.W., Daniel P. Merriam, J.W., Matthias R. Lankton, Secretary, Comfort B. Platt, Treasurer, Merrick Ross, S.D., and Edwin Sturgis, J.D. Its Lodge room in 1847 was in Goodrich Block, where it remained for three or four years, removing hence to the third story of Martin's Block for about three years, and then going back to Goodrich Block for about ten years. Since then, with all the other Pittsfield Masonic organizations, it has occupied elegant quarters in the Berkshire Life Insurance Co. Block. From 1847 down to 1902, Mystic Lodge has been presided over by these Worshipful Masters: Franklin Weston, Daniel P. Merriam, Merrick Ross, Lorenzo H. Gamwell, George A. Murdock, George A. Bristol, Henry Chickering, Josiah Carter, Almon M. Allen, Lebbeus Scott, George N. Dutton, George C. Dunham, Hezekiah S. Russell, Frederick S. Parker, George C. Dunham, Gardner T. Barker, William H. Murray, Irving D. Ferrey, William S. Kirtland, William K. Rice, Charles H. Hibbard, William D. Axtell, Charles H. Tuttle, George C. Hall, Thomas H. Day, Charles E. Merrill, James E. Carver, John P. Merrill, Henry C. Merrill, Edwin B. Tyler, Frank E. Pierson, Freeman M. Miller, Joseph Ward Lewis, Herbert S. Wollison, William R. Gardner, Allen H. Bagg, Frank Howard, Jay P. Barnes, Charles R. Foote, Lorenzo H. Gamwell.

Of these Irving D. Ferrey was Master three years, and Lorenzo H. Gamwell is the present. William Hamilton Phillips is the only Masonic survivor of his grandfather, Dr. William Hamilton Tyler, the first Master of Mystic Lodge who gave it its name, the former having received his Master's degree in Lafayette Lodge at North Adams in 5859 or 1859, which lodge this ancestor also named and was one of its charter members.

The diploma of W. H. Phillips bears the signature of Abel Wetherbee, W.M., Sylvander Johnson, S.W., J. B. Jackson, J.W., and L. C. Homer, Sec. Since that time Mr. Phillips has been affiliated with Montacute Lodge of Worcester, St. John's Lodge of Bridgeport and Hampden Lodge of Springfield. The oldest member of the Mystic Lodge now living is the venerable Josiah Carter of South street, Pittsfield, who has attained the age of 83 years.

The present officers of Mystic Lodge are Lorenzo H. Gamwell, W.M., Edgar F. Wilkins, S.W., Irving J. Barnfather, J.W., Emory H. Nash, Treas., James Kittle, Sec., George H. Cooper, Chaplain, John S. Smith, Marshal, Robert W. Volk, S.D., Frank H. Cande, J.D., George B. Teeling, S.S., George H. Denison, J.S., Frank H. Brown, I.S., Eli C. Smith, Organist, Charles H. Hubbard, Tyler, and it has a live membership of 243.

GLOBE LODGE OF HINSDALE

Down to 1869, Mystic Lodge remained the only Masonic organization in central Berkshire, with Lafayette Lodge of North Adams, Berkshire Lodge of Adams, Evening Star of Lenox and Lee, and Cincinnatus of Great Barrington in the other portions of the county. In 1868 these members of Mystic demitted therefrom to form Glove Lodge of Hinsdale, which was constituted Jan. 21, 1869, and who were its charter members as follows: Thomas K. Plunkett, Charles W. Goodrich, John R. Davison, W. A. Taylor, L. W. Taylor, A. E. Taylor, S. S. Bowen, A. M. Eames and W. H. Carson. The late John R. Davison was its first Worshipful Master, and filled that office also in 1873, 1881 and 1883. The late Lewis W. Taylor was its second Worshipful Master, in 1871. Sine then its Past Masters have been William A. Taylor, two years, Ellis Jones, Charles C. Wright, two years, Chauncey Hastings, Milo M. Wentworth, two years, William H. Woodworth, Charles W. Goodrich, George T. Plunkett, Julius E. Mecum, John H. Adams, Edward Cheesman, Asariah S. Storm and John Forward.

Its present officers are F. A. H. Robinson, W.M., George W. Wheeler, S.W., Willis L. Chapel, J.W., John L. Crossett, Treasurer, John Forward, Secretary, George

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M. Watkins, S.D., Edward Cheesman, J.D., Milo M. Wentworth, Chaplain, Charles W. Goodrich, Marshal, J. Ellsworth Forward, S.S., Arthur D. Kilbourn, J.S., Albert N. Hillier, Tyler. It has a present membership of 49, and is a worthy successor to old Sincerity Lodge of Partridgefield, whose membership consisted of the prominent pioneer citizens of Hinsdale, Dalton, Peru, Worthington, Becket and Middlefield.

CRESCENT LODGE OF PITTSFIELD

The second off-shoot from old Mystic Lodge was brought about by these charter members, who petitioned the Grand Lodge of the State, of whom the venerable Sereno Dwight Nickerson was then Grand Master, and who as such and as Grand Secretary has taken especial pride in Crescent Lodge and Berkshire County down to this day. The charter members of 1873 were Henry Chickering, George C. Dunham, Hezekiah S. Russell, John C. Parker, Truman E. Cole, D. C. Munyan, George Van Valkenburg, Theodore L. Allen, Henry Eastman, Charles W. Van De Mark, Clark F. Hall, W. H. Prince, Jarvis N. Dunham, Charles D. Mills. A dispensation having been granted, the first officers were Henry Chickering, W.M., Charles W. Van De Mark, Treasurer, Theodore L. Allen, Secretary, Henry Eastman, S.D., D. C. Munyan, J.D., Clark F. Hall, S.S., George Van Valkenburg, J.S., Truman E. Cole, Marshal, John C. Parker, Tyler, Charles D. Mills, Inside Sentinel. The Lodge was constituted the next year with impressive ceremonies by the Grand Lodge, William D. Cooledge, William T. Grammer, William Parkman, Daniel Upton, Charles N. Titus and B. F. Nourse as representatives of the Grand Lodge, presiding.

The following have been the Past Masters of this Lodge since its constitution down to the present time: Henry Chickering, George C. Dunham, William E. Vermilye, M.D., William F. Gale, George H. Tucker, William P. Wood, John F. Noxon, Theodore L. Allen Charles W. French, Charles E. Bennett, Walter Cutting, Harlan H. Ballard, Almon H. Harrison, S. Chester Lyon, George C. Fish, G. Albert Kenyon, Charles H. Wright,

William H. Barrows.

The present officers of Crescent Lodge are Herbert A. Humphrey, W.M., Charles I.

King, S.W., Charles A. Byram, J.W., Fred T. Francis, Treasurer, David L. Evans, Secretary, Edward Tolman, Chaplain. Nelson J. Lawton, Marshal, William S. Walkley, S.D., George W. Gardner, J.S., William A. Burns, S.S., William F. Rainey, J.S., T. S. Sprague, I.S., W. R. Thomas, L. of F.C., Clarence A. Waugh, Organist. Its fine quartet is composed of James P. Fryer and Thomas L. Jones, tenors, and Louis K. Willis and Fred T. Francis, bass. It as a membership of 214.

UNITY LODGE OF DALTON

The third Lodge to swarm out of the old Mystic hive was Unity Lodge of Dalton, which was instituted June 28, 1897 by these charter members: Bryon Weston, Franklin Weston, Earl Ingalls, Henry M. Owen, William B. Clark, Robert B. Dickie, George F. Booth, William S. Warren, Irving C. Hoag, Cushing M. Parker, George H. Warren, Edwin H. Brownson, William J. Simmons, George H. Hall, Harry W. Hitt, George Crew, John H. Adams, James Stevens, Henry Sturgis, Marvin E. Stockbridge, John K. Moulton, John P. Mack, Herbert L. Allen, William H. Woodworth, John A. New, Martin D. Pelton, Homer H. Bicknell, George R. Judd, Charles H. Church, Albert H. Foster, Edward E. Morris, Edward H. Brewer, Walter H. Schofield. Henry F. Hewett.

The first officers of Unity Lodge were Franklin Weston, grand nephew of Major Franklin Weston, the Master of Mystic Lodge in 1847, W.M., Earl Ingalls, S.W., Edward H. Brownson, J.W., George H. Warren, Treasurer, Albert H. Foster, Secretary. George H. Hall, Chaplain, William B. Clark, Marshal, George R. Judd, S.D., Cushing M. Parker, J.D., Martin S. Pelton, S.S., George Crow, J.S., Robert B. Dickie, Tyler. The Past Masters of the Lodge up to the present time have been Franklin Weston, Earl Ingalls, Edward H. Brownson and William H. Warren. The Officers of the lodge in 1902 are Cushing M. Parker, W.M., Leroy P. Adams, S.W., Frank A. Paltier, J.W., George H. Warren, Treasurer, Albert H. Foster, Secretary, Rev. Jesse Coker, Chaplain, Martin E. Stockbridge, Marshal, John H. Bellows, S.D., Charles H. Cooper, J.D., Edward L. Brown, S.S., Howard G. Adams, J.S., John J. Birsiegal, Organist. Robert B. Dickie, Tyler. The present membership is 56.

TRUE STORIES FROM SOUTHERN BERKSHIRE

From The Berkshire Hills, June 1, 1901.

As early as 1780, John O'Brien, a stone mason, settled in the west part of Great Barrington and built the house where Egbert L. Tuller now resides. He was the father of William and John O'Brien. John became a well known lawyer in Greene County, N.Y., and was prominent in the so-called Anti-Rent War. In his old age he returned to Great Barrington, where he closed his earthly career, upwards of 50 years ago. On one occasion, while conversing with a party of friends, he was asked his opinions on the fate of lawyers in a future state of existence, and their status in the heavenly world. With a sad countenance, the venerable lawyer pictured in eloquent words the day of judgment, when all who have ever lived on earth will stand before the great white throne and be judged according to deeds done in the body. Mr. O'Brien then went on to say that after the doctors, preachers, school-teachers and all other classes of people have been disposed of, the Judge of all the universe will say, "Who are those men standing afar off to the left?" In a moment the answer will be, "They are lawyers." Then the Judge will pronounce this sentence: "Hang ninety and nine in every hundred, and save one."

Over a century ago there resided in a log house back of the present residence of Charles Watson, in the west part of Great Barrington, Elias Bixbey and wife. This man was very fond of strong drink and often spent his evenings to a late hour in the village tavern. One dark night, while he was on a spree and his wife was left alone, the little cottage was surrounded by wolves from Long Pond mountain. As Mrs. Bixbey was deaf. she did not hear the howls of the wild beasts, or the bleatings of a few sheep which had retreated into the farther corner of an old barn. Some time in the night Bixbey came home, and the wolves set up a cry that would have frightened any one but a drunken man. But Bixbey was just drunk enough to have no fear for man or beast. Getting a fence rail he boldly attacked the wolves and drove them back to the mountain. He was gone so long that his wife was fearful that he had been killed and eaten by the ravenous beasts. But he returned safely and informed his wife that he had driven the "devils" to their dens, and that their sheep were all safe in the barn. In relating his adventure to his neighbors, he said that the wolves would turn every few rods and glare at him, but he could not make up his mind whether it was the fence rail that drove them back, or the smell of his breath, but he rather thought that it must have been his breath.

A number of years ago, when the late John Wadsworth of New Marlboro was in his prime, the voters of the town were called out to work their road tax. Mr. Wadsworth was a well-to-do farmer and withal very particular in his dress. It being Monday morning, he put on a clean white shirt, a high standing starched collar and a cravat or stock, as the old-time neck-gear was called. Among others who came to work on the road was a wag, whose name we have forgotten. He was dressed in common clothes suitable for dirty work. Surveying his well dressed neighbor from head to foot he saluted him thus, "Good morning, Mr. Wadsworth; going to carting gravel to day; I see you've got your side-boards on."

At Alford, when the writer was a boy, there lived Heman Collins, an old shoemaker. He was never very correct in his mode of speech, and to quote the words of another, "he murdered the King's English at every lick." About that time, Collins was appointed sexton of the Union Meeting-house in the little village. One evening there was a special service at the church and a greater number of people than usual were standing near the doors leading from the vestibule to the audience room. Collins at once took in the situation, and in a loud voice said, "Walk up the broad oil; there is plenty of vagrant seats in front."

Over 40 years ago when the academy was in a flourishing condition, the young people arranged for a festival and dance at the town hall. Collins, who was a church member, was opposed to dancing and endeavored to prevent it. In expostulating with some young

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STOCKBRIDGE
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216	221	Bridget Condon	14	T.		Twolord
210	221	Abigail Woodbridge	46			Ireland
		Clarinda P. Prentice	73			Mass. Conn.
217	222	Julia A. Horton	49			N.Y.
211	222	David G. Horton	24		Teacher	
		Albra W. Horton	21			N.Y.
		Sarah M. Horton			Laborer	N.Y.
			18		T = h =	N.Y.
		Benjamin B. Horton	16		Laborer	N.Y.
210	222	Charles H. Horton	14		Calainat Malana	N.Y.
218	223	Edward C. Brinton	53		Cabinet Maker	Conn.
		Cornelia Brinton	52			Mass.
		Mary E. Brinton	10			Mass.
		Edger S. Whipple	25		Cabinet Maker	R.I.
010		Cornelia I. Whipple	22			Mass.
219	224	Edward C. Brinton, Jr.			Cabinet Maker	Mass.
		Lydia M. Brinton	23			N.Y.
220	225	Nathan Pratt	63		Laborer	Mass.
		Elizabeth D. Pratt	63	_		Mass.
		Emely I. Pratt	24	_		Mass.
		Wm. A. Chamberlain	12			Mass.
221	226	Joseph M. Wheeler	56		Mason	N.Y.
		Caroline R. Wheeler	40			Mass.
		Sophronia G. Wheeler	15			Mass.
			7	_		Mass.
		Edward S. Wheeler	13	M		Conn.
		John H. Weeks	22	M	Mason	N.Y.
		Sarah I. Weeks	20	F		Mass.
223	228	Ruth Stafford	75			R.I.
		Jedediah Stafford	52		Wagon Maker	Mass.
		Frances L. Stafford	36			Mass.
		Antoinette I.Stafford	17	F		Mass.
224	229	George Housen	30	M	Carpenter	Germany
		Margaret Housen	21	F		Germany
		George Housen, Jr.	9m	M		N.Y.
225	230	Joshua Barton	55	M	Butcher	N.Y.
		Relief Barton	53	\mathbf{F}		Mass.
		Hervey Barton	24	M	Butcher	Mass.
		Hellen Barton	22	F		Mass.
		Jane Barton	19	F		Mass.
226	231	Warren M. Barton	26	M	Butcher	Mass.
		Ann E. Barton	26	F		Mass.
227	232	George F. Whitney	35	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary E. Whitney	30	_		Mass.
		Mary I. Whitney		F		Mass.
		Sarah S. Whitney		F		Mass.
		Charles Rathbun	14			Mass.
228	233	Mary Pomeroy	35			Mass.
		Julia Collins	18	F		Ireland

	Alfred McDonald	45 M	Cabinet Maker	N.Y.
230 235	Robert Hazard	70 M	Turner	N.Y.
	Elizabeth Hazard	70 F		R.I.
	Albert More	28 M	Spinner	N.Y.
	Elizabeth More	29 F	-	R.I.
231 236	James W. Fuller	37 M	Carpenter	Conn.
	Adaline C. Fuller	34 F	•	Conn.
	Elbertine S. Fuller	8 F		Mass.
	James T. Fuller	4 M		Mass.
	Mary E. Fuller	1 F		Mass.
232 237	Garret Barrett	43 M	Laborer	Ireland
	Mary Barrett	36 F		Ireland
	Julia Barrett	13 F		Ireland
	Mary Barrett	12 F		Ireland
	Richard Barrett	8 M		Ireland
	Bridget Barrett	3 F		Ireland
	Margaret Barrett	4m F		N.Y.
	John Garwin	66 M	Laborer	Ireland
	Ellen Garwin	70 F		Ireland
	Cornelius Garwin	27 M	Laborer	Ireland
	John Garwin, Jr.	24 M	Laborer	Ireland
233 238	Robert Adams	34 M	Founder	Scotland
	Ellen Adams	32 F	_	Stotland
	Ellen Adams, 2nd	10 F		Scotland
	Margaret Adams	8 F		Scotland
	Agnes Adams	5 F		Scotland
	Robert S. Adams	3 M		Scotland
	William W. Adams	1 M		Conn.?
Date of	Enumeration: 12 July	7 1855		
	Mark B. Bradley	36 M	Europe and Broomb	36
	Clarissa Bradley	30 M 37 F	Furnace Agent	Mass.
	Jane E. Bradley	12 F		N.Y.
	Mary A. Bradley	12 F 8 F		Mass.
	Charles H. Bradley	4 M		Mass.
	Amelia Silvernail	15 F		Mass.
	Margaret B. Ray	15 F 24 F		N.Y.
	Robert R. Ray		Deels Warre	Mass.
233 237	Michael Condon	27 M 30 M	Book Keeper	Mass.
233 237	Mary Condon		Laborer	Ireland
	John Malumphy	25 F 19 M	Tahaman	Ireland
234 238	Patrick Foley	19 M 22 M	Laborer	Ireland
50. 200	Bridget Foley	22 M 22 F	Laborer	Ireland
	Christopher Foley	22 F 7m M		Ireland
235 239	Daniel Haggerty	7M M 40 M	Tabassas	Mass.
200 209	Margaret Haggerty	40 M 35 F	Laborer	Ireland
	Richard Haggerty			Ireland
٠	Catharine Haggerty	10 M 5 F		Mass.
	Mary Haggerty	3 F		Mass.
	Daniel Haggerty	9m M		Mass.
		J111 11		Mass.
236 240	Michael Hogan	21 M	Laborer	Twolowa
236 240	Michael Hogan Catharine Hogan	21 M 50 F	Laborer	Ireland Ireland
236 240	Catharine Hogan	50 F	Laborer	Ireland
	Michael Hogan Catharine Hogan Jeremiah Hogan Michael Whalen		Laborer Laborer	

		Margaret Whalen	27			Ireland
		Elizabeth Whalen		F		Mass.
		Mary Whalen	21m			Mass.
		Patrick Whalen	24		Laborer	Ireland
238	242	Michael Burns	23		Laborer	Ireland
		Johanna Burns	27			Ireland
		John Burns	5			Ireland
239	243	Patrick Shae	37		Laborer	Ireland
		Julia Shae	30			Ireland
		Margaret Shae	11			Ireland
		Mary Shae	18m	F		N.Y.?
240	244	John Brown	24	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Elizabeth Brown	23	\mathbf{F}		Ireland
		Mary Brown	2	\mathbf{F}		Mass.
		John Brown, Jr.	6m	M		Mass.
241	245	Richard Haggerty	18	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Daniel Haggerty, 2nd	18	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Mary Haggerty	12	\mathbf{F}		Ireland
242	246	Daniel Sullivan	33	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Bridget Sullivan	27	F		Ireland
		Elizabeth Sullivan	3	F		Mass.
		Ellen Sullivan	4m	\mathbf{F}		Mass.
243	247	Anthony McGinty	31	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Ann McGinty	27			Ireland
		Mary A. McGinty	10			N.Y.
		Eliza J. McGinty		F		Penn.
		Lourena McGinty		F		Mass.
		Anthony McGinty		M		N.Y.
		Francis McGinty		M		Mass.
244	248	Matthew Curran	35		Laborer	Ireland
		Mary Curran	25			Ireland
		Edmund O'Hearn	33		Laborer	Ireland
		Simon O'Hearn	30		Laborer	Ireland
		Hannora O'Hearn	60		2430202	Ireland
246	249	John Rogers	27		Laborer	Ireland
		Margaret Rogers	21			Ireland
247	250	James Flood	35		Laborer	Ireland
		Elizabeth Flood	35		Edborer	Ireland
		Mary Flood	12			N.Y.
		James Flood, Jr.	11			N.Y.
		Ellen Flood		F		N.Y.
		Elizabeth Flood		F		N.Y.
		John Flood	3 m			Mass.
247	251	James McGenness	33		Laborer	Ireland
2.,	231	Mary McGenness	25		Laborer	Ireland
		Jane McGenness		F		
		Ann McGenness		F		N.Y.
		James McQuade	33		Laborer	N.Y. Ireland
		Robert Fergerson	28			Ireland
251	252	William R. Fuller	30			
201	232	Ann Fuller	27		raimei	Conn.
		Mary A. Fuller		r F		England
252	253	Daniel Sullivan	60		Farmer	Mass. Ireland
		Ellen Sullivan	60		raimei	
		ZIICH DUIIIVAN	60	r		Ireland

		Patrick Sullivan	25	M	Farmer	Ireland
253	254	John McCoulinn	27	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Catharine McCoulinn	20	F		Ireland
		Helen Sullivan	2	F		Mass.?
		Thomas Sullivan	2m	M		Mass.?
		Elizabeth Sullivan	3	F		Mass.?
		Jeremiah O'Leary?	12	M		Ireland
		James O'Leary?	9	M		Ireland
		Mary McCoalinn	24	F		Ireland
254	255	David Malumpy	60	M	Farmer	Ireland
		Julia Malumpy	60	\mathbf{F}		Ireland
		Thomas Malumpy	27	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Patrick Malumpy	25	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Luke Malumpy	19	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Thomas Baker	9	M		Ireland
255	256	Edward Crow	32	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Margaret Crow	29	F		Ireland
		John Crow	7	M		Mass.
		Mary Crow	4	\mathbf{F}		N.Y.
		Edward Crow	21m	M		Mass.
256	257	Charles M. Ball	35	M	Shoemaker	Mass.
		Maria L. Ball	34	F		Mass.
		Franklin MCCurdy	16	M	Laborer	Mass.
257	260	Thomas Daley	50	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Bridget Daley	40	F		Ireland
050		Julia Daley	16	\mathbf{F}		Ireland
258	261	Michael O'Hearn	51	M		Ireland
		Mary O'Hearn	53	F		Ireland
		Catharine O'Hearn	13	F		Mass.
		Ellen O'Hearn	11	_		Mass.
250	0.50	Hanora O'Hearn	9	F		Mass.
258	262	Cornelius Cowhig	28		Laborer	Ireland
		Margerett Cowhig	27	\mathbf{F}		Ireland
250	262	Daniel Cowhig	4m			Mass.
259	263	James Barry	30		Laborer	Ireland
		Mary Barry	26	F		Ireland
		Hannah Barry	4			Mass.
260	264	John Barry		M		Conn.
260	264	Samuel Dowd	42		Carpenter	Conn.
		Elizabeth M. Dowd	40			N.Y.
		Frederic S. Dowd	17		Laborer	N.Y.
		Russell C. Dowd	14			Mass.
		Samuel P. Dowd	11			N.Y.
		Julia E. Dowd	7	_		Mass.
261	265	Rufus N. Dowd	5m			Mass.
201	265	Robert Perry	74		Farmer	Mass.
		Sophia Perry	61			Mass.
262	266	Charles Carter Clarissa Carter	63		Laborer	Conn.
263	267	John Hawkins	58			Conn.
200	201	Ann G. Hawkins	55		Carpenter	N.Y.
		Alice Hawkins	53			N.Y.
		Hannah Hawkins	12			Mass.
	268	Henry W. Brown	76		Dock -3	N.Y.
			28	M	Butcher	Germany

	Julia Ann Brown	32	\mathbf{F}		N.Y.
	Ellen Henion	12	F		N.Y.
	Grace Henion	8	F		N.Y.
	Edward W. Brown	2	M		Mass.
265 269	David B. Hawkins	28	M	Carpenter	N.Y.
	Laura Hawkins	26		2	Conn.
	Amy Hawkins	10			Mass.
	Frances Hawkins		F		Mass.
	Ruhamah Hawkins		F		Mass.
	Lorette Hawkins		F		Mass.
266 270	Philip Hefron	_	_	Laborer	
200 270	Bridget Hefron	37		raporer	Ireland
267 201	Miles Costello	40		Tabanan	Ireland
26/ 281		45		Laborer	Ireland
	Mary Costello	50			Ireland
	Bridget Costello	18			Ireland
	John Costello	16		Laborer	Ireland
	Patrick Costello	13			Ireland
268 282	Michael Rion	40	M	Laborer	Ireland
	Honor Rion	29	F		Ireland
	Patrick Rion	16	M	Laborer	Ireland
	Mary Rion	14	F		Ireland
	Bridget Rion	11	F		Ireland
	Ann Rion	9	F		Ireland
	Martin Rion	6	M		Ireland
269 283	George Schnier	37		Laborer	Germany
	Mary Schnier	21			Germany
	Caroline Schnier		F		Germany
	Conrad Schnier	10m	_		Mass.
	Louis Alber	39			Germany
270 282	Thomas McCabe	59		Laborer	Ireland
270 202	Mary McCabe	52		Laborer	
	Patrick McCabe				Ireland
		12			Mass.
	Julia McCabe		F		Mass.
	Mary McCabe		F	- •	Mass.
	Henry McCain	36		Laborer	Ireland
Date of	Enumeration: 14 July	185	5		
271 283	William Haggerty	40	M	Laborer	Ireland
	Bridget Haggerty	37		2470202	Ireland
	Dennis Haggerty	24		Laborer	Ireland
	James Haggerty	22		Laborer	Ireland
	William Haggerty	11		raporer	
					Ireland
	Ann Haggerty	10			Ireland
	Naby? Haggerty		F		Ireland
	Rosa Haggerty	7	_		Ireland
	Patrick Haggerty		M		Ireland
0.70	Walter Haggerty		M		Ireland
272 284	Ann? Burns?	30			Ireland
	Thomas Burns	22m			Mass.
	Patrick Burns	3 m			Mass.
	Peter Burns	65		Laborer	Ireland
	Patrick Daley	23	M	Laborer	Ireland
	Hugh Garry	50	M	Laborer	Ireland
	Catharine Garry	24	\mathbf{F}		Ireland
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		Patrick Dugan	20	3.5		
273	285	Louis Shefferd	20 36		Tahawan	Ireland
2,3	203	Sophia Shefferd	35		Laborer	N.Y.
		Charles Shefferd	14			Mass.
		Cornelia Shefferd	11			Mass.
		Ann E. Shefferd		r F		Mass.
274	286	Louis Downs	29	_	T = 1,	Mass.
2,4	200	Mary Downs	29		Laborer	Ireland
		James B. Downs		r M		Ireland
		Ellen I. McGinn	_	M F		Mass.
		Thomas Warren	_	_	T = 1:	N.Y.
275	287	John Dooley	23		Laborer	Ireland
2,5	207	Catharine Dooley	40 30		Laborer	Ireland
		John Dooley		r M		Ireland
		Thomas Dooley	-	M M		Mass.
		Michael Dooley	_	M M		Mass.
276	288	Jane? Perkins	30			Mass.
		John E. Perkins		r M		Ireland
		WIlliam H. Perkins	•	M		N.Y.
		Ann Kelly	28			N.Y.
		Peter P. Kelly	30	_	Laborer	Ireland
		Mary E. Kelly		M F	Laborer	Ireland
		Ann Barratt	60	_		Mass.
		James Sennett	29	_	Tabassas	Ireland
		Bridget Sennett	30		Laborer	Ireland
		John Riley	20	-	Tabanan	Ireland
277	289	Mary McCabe	53		Laborer	Ireland
.	203	Patrick McCabe	25	_	Tahaway	Ireland
		Theron McCabe	22		Laborer	Ireland
		Margaret McCabe	18		Laborer	Ireland
		Thomas McCabe	11			Ireland
278	290	Joseph Setchwell?			Cm i mm ass	Ireland
	270	Sarah Setchwell?	65 65		Spinner	Mass.
279	291	Paul Radle		_	TI	N.Y.
_,,		Mary S. Radle	58 43		Farmer	Germany
		D. Maure	43	r		Germany

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people he remarked, "You call it a vestibule, but is nothing but a dang ball."

Many years ago there lived in Alford or Egremont an eccentric man called "Old Thayer." One spring he engaged to do farm work for Justin Dewey, the father of the late Judge Dewey of the Superior Court. Mr. Dewey raised several acres of corn, and as it began to sprout in early June, it was somewhat damaged by that branch of the squirrel family called "chipmucks." Finally, "forbearance ceased to be a virtue," and Mr. Dewey requested Thayer to go out with the old smooth bore and shoot the mischievous

little animals. Thayer took the gun without knowing that it was loaded and put in another heavy charge of shot and powder. He went to the cornfield, followed by Mr. Dewey, a few rods in the rear. Thayer soon saw a squirrel pulling corn and taking steady aim fired at him. The report was terrific and as the rebounding gun knocked Thayer clear over backwards to the ground, the squirrel ran off with a loud chirup. As soon as the man could recover from the concussion he exclaimed with a grunt: "Run you little fool, if you had been at the end of the gun I was, I guess you wouldn't chirup."

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GENEALOGICAL RECORDS - BABCOCK

From the Papers of Doris Hayden

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Blandford Church Records
Baptisms:
  Abijah Watson Babcock, ch of Stephen - 10/30/1813
  Almira Babcock, ch of Stephen - 10/30/1813
  Eliza Babcock, ch of Stephen - 10/30/1813
  Melissa Babcock, ch of Stephen - 10/30/1813
  Orlina Babcock, ch of Stephen - 10/30/1813
  Rowena Babcock, ch of Stephen - 10/30/1813
  Mary Ann Babcock, ch of Stephen - 7/21/1816
  Sally Philena Babcock, ch of Stephen - 7/14/1822
  Stephen Smith Babcock, ch of Stephen - 7/14/1822
Church Membership:
  Sally Babcock - 5/4/1806
  Stephen Babcock - 10/25/1812
  Mrs. Stephen Babcock - 10/25/1812
Dismissals:
  Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Babcock - 4/22/1832 to Presbyterian Church-
     about to be formed in the town in Ohio, where he expects to
     reside.
Marriages:
  Eliza Babcock of Blandford & Charles W. Conant of Becket
     - 6/28/1827
  Orlina Babcock & Oliver Shepard, Jr., both of Blandford
     - 6/19/1823
  Sally Babcock & William Haskel - 11/21/1811
Deaths:
  Abijah Babcock - 2/2/1815 - 73 yrs.
  Mrs. Mary Babcock - 6/4/1832 - 87 yrs.
  Susan A. Babcock - 9/18/1844 - 30 yrs., 8 mo., 1 day -
      consumption
Blandford Town Records
Marriages:
  James Babcock & Polly Gibbs, between 4/1791 & 4/1792? by
     Rev. Joseph Badger
  John W. Babcock & Lois Watson - 2/1796 by Rev. Joseph Badger
  Sally Babcock & William Haskell - 11/21/1811 by Rev. John Keep
  Orlina Babcock & Oliver Shepard, Jr. - 6/19/1823 by Rev. John
     Keep
Marriage Intentions:
  James Babcock & Molly Gibbs, both of Blandford - 5/1/1791
  John Babcock & Lois Watson, both of Blandford - 1/31/1796
  Polly Babcock & James Moor, both of Blandford - 8/26/1797
  Betsy Babcock & Alexander Osburn, both of Blandford - 5/1798
  Abigail Babcock & Eli Knox, both of Blandford - 11/1799
  Sally Babcock & William Haskell, both of Blandford - 8/18/1811
  Orlina Babcock & Oliver Shepard, Jr., both of Blandford
     - 5/18/1823
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Knox Genealogy

Hannah - 9/17/1794)

Polly - (1773)

Knox Genealogy

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Marriage:
  Abigail Babcock of Blandford m. Eli Knox - int 11/1799 b.
     9/21/1780 - d. 5/10/1825
Becket Vital Records
Marriage:
   Stephen Babcock of Blandford & Patia Marcy - 1/20/1801
Beach Hill Cemetery Blandford, Mass.
  Abijah Babcock - d. 2/1/1814 - 73 yrs.
  Mary, wife of Abijah - d. 6/4/1831 - 85 yrs.
  Field stone apparently marks another Babcock grave.
  Joseph, son of Abijah & Mary - d. 6/11/1800 - 16th yr.
Old Cemetery, Blandford, Mass.
  Mary (Babcock) Moor - d. 5/13/1817 - 45 yrs.
  Abigail (Babcock) Knox - d. 5/10/1825
Blandford Town Records
Deaths:
  Susan A. Babcock, wife of Russell Babcock d. in Blandford -
     9/18/1844 30 yrs., 8 mo., 1 day. Buried in Blandford
Children named in Abijah Babcock's Will:
  John Watson
                                     Polly
  Abijah (Was he James Abijah?)
                                     Abigail (Nabby)
  Stephen
                                     Sally
  Walter Watson
                                     Betsey (deceased)
  Bridget
                                             (her children - Mariah
  Isabel
                                            (Sally
  Hannah
                                            (Amy
Abijah Babcock, son of ---- b. (1741-42) m (1st) Bridget Watson,
m (2nd) Mary ----, d. 2/1/1814 - 73 yrs., buried in Beech Hill
Cemetery, Blandford, Mass.
CHILDREN:
John Watson - (1770)
                                 m. Louis (Lois) Watson - 2/1796
                                 Blandford, Mass. Town Records
Abijah (Prob. James Abijah or
                                 m. Molly Gibbs int. 5/1/1791
              Abijah James)
                                Becket, Mass. Vital Records
Stephen
                                 m. Patia Marcy - 1/20/1801
                                Hartford Times 12/27/1947
Walter Watson - (1780)
                                 m. Betsey Hale - 4/29/1818
                                 Will
Bridget
                                 m. Stephen Browning
                                 Will
Isabel
                                 m. Borden Watson
                                 Will
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m. Jeffrey Watson

Blandford Town Records

Blandford, Mass. Town Records

m. James Moor - int. 8/26/1797

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Abigail - 9/21/1780
                                 m. Eli Knox - int. 11/1799
                                 Blandford Mass. Town Records
Sally
                                 m. Wm. Haskel - int. 11/21/1811
                                 Blandford Town Records
Betsey
                                 m. Alexander Osburn- int. 5/1798
                                 Beech Hill Cem., Blandford
Joseph (1785)
                                 d. 6/11/1800 - 16th yr.
Bridget Watson, dau. John & Isabel (Sherman) Watson b.--- d.---
Mary ----, dau.
                  b (1746) d. 6/4/1831 - 85 yrs, bur. Beech Hill
John W. Babcock, son of Abijah & Mary (----) Babcock b. (1770)
    m. Lois Watson of Blandford - 2/1796 by Rev. Joseph Badger Blandford Town Records int. - 1/31/1796
     d. 2/15/1847 - 78th yr., buried in Harpersfield Cem., N.Y.
William Gibbs Address (Book?): They went to Harpersfield, N. Y.
Lois Watson, dau of Capt. John & Sarah (Gibbs) Watson, b (1770)
     d. 12/17/1836 - 66 yrs., bur. Harpersfield Cem. N. Y.
James Babcock (Abijah James?), son (prob.) of Abijah and -----
     b. ----
     m. Molly (Polly) Gibbs - dau. of Israel, Jr. & Alice
     (Clark) Gibbs (int. 5/1/1791) between 4/1791 &
     4/1792 by Rev. Joseph Badger (Blandford Town Records)
James and Molly Babcock went to Scott, New York
William Gibbs Address (Book?):
Molly Gibbs, dau of Israel & Agnes (Clark) Gibbs
  b.----
             d.----
Abijah's Will
Stephen Babcock, son of Abijah & ( ) Babcock
Becket, Mass. Vital Records:
  m. Patia Marcy of Loudon (Otis, Mass.) - 1/20/1801
Hartford Times, 4/30/1949:
  d. 1835, Rochester, Lorraine Co., Ohio
Blandford Church Records:
Abijah Watson - bap. 10/30/1813 Hartford Times, 4/30/1949
  b. 1805 - d. 1841
Almira
Eliza
       Blandford Church Records: m. Charles Walden Conant
                                      of Becket - 6/2/1827
Melissa
Orlina Blandford Town Records: m. Oliver Shepard, Jr. 6/19/1823
Rowena
Mary Ann - bap. 7/21/1816
Sally Philena - bap. 7/14/1822
Stephen Smith - b. 8/11/1817 in Blandford
Blandford Church Records:
Stephen Babcock and wife admitted as church members 10/25/1812
  Dismissed to "Presbyterian Church about to be formed in the
  town in Ohio, where they expect to reside. 4/29/1832
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Patience Marcy, dau. of Smith & Patience Marcy
  b. 7/8/1778
                 Otis Vital Records
  d. 1867
                 Hartford Times, 4/30/1949
Polly Babcock, dau. of Abijah &
                                              ) Babcock
  b. 1773
  m. James Moor, Jr. - int. 8/26/1797 Blandford Town Records
  d. 5/13/1817 - 45th yr., buried in Old Cemetery, Blandford
Abigail Babcock, dau. of Abijah &
                                                ) Babcock
  b. 9/21/1780
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  m. Eli Knox - int 11/1799
                             Blandford Town Records
  d. 5/10/1825, buried in Old Cemetery, Blandford, Mass.
Betsey Babcock, dau. of Abijah &
                                       (
                                             ) Babcock
  m. Alexander Osborn - int. 5/1798 Blandford Town Records
                       (Went to Geauga Co. Ohio about 1812)
Sally Babcock, dau. of Abijah &
                                       (
                                             ) Babcock
  m. William Haskell - 11/21/1811 by Rev. John Keep
           (Were in Whitehall, N.Y. - 1/12/1814)
Abijah Watson Babcock, son of Stephen & Patia (Marcy) Babcock
  b. 1808
                          Hartford Times 4/30/1949
  m. Jane Adeline Hardin
  d. 1841, in Rochester, Ohio
Hartford Times, 4/30/1949
  "A daughter mentions Uncle Stephen Babcock, born Blandford,
  Mass. - 8/11/1817 (Brother of Abijah W. Babcock?)
Eliza Babcock, dau. Stephen & Patia (Marcy) Babcock
            bap. 10/30/1813 Blandford Church Records
  d.
       A child born in Becket Mass.
Orlina Babcock, dau. Stephen & Patia (Marcy) Babcock
           bap. 10/30/1813 Blandford Church Records
  m. Oliver Shepard, Jr. - 6/12/1823 Blandford Town Records
                        by Rev. Dorus Charke
       (They went to Ohio) William Gibbs Address (Book?):
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From the Hartford Times, published July 2, 1949

Answer to inquiry published April 30, 1949

Stephen Babcock then of Blandford, Mass. m 20 Jan 1801 at Becket Patience ("Patia") Marcy, dau. of Smith and Patience Marcy of Loudon (Otis), b 8 Jul 1777 Otis. Stephen and Patia could well have been the parents of Eliza Babcock who m 1827 Charles Waldon Conant of Becket, and the Abijah Watson Babcock b 1808 and the Stephen Babcock b 1817 mentioned in the query.

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