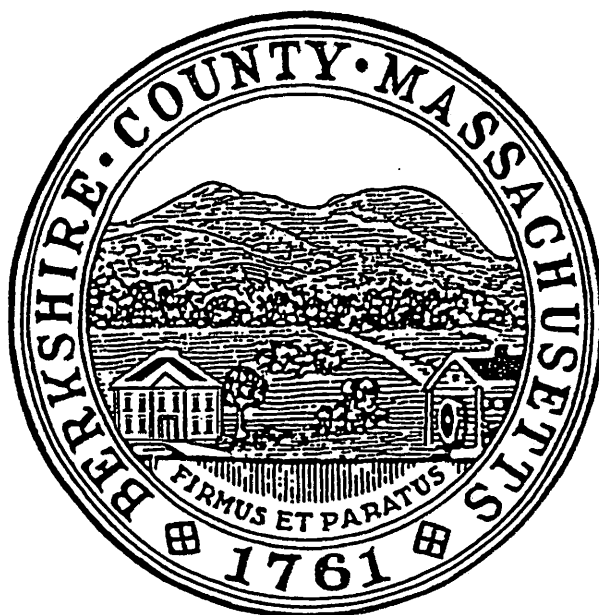


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The collections available for research into this period at the Berkshire Athenaeum include sources too numerous to list comprehensively here. The reader should view this article as an outline of the types of materials he/she could expect to find in the Library's collections.

The collection development policy for the Local History Collections of the Athenaeum guides the library's choice in selecting materials for addition to or retention in the collection. First in priority is material relating to the history of Pittsfield, followed by Berkshire County materials, other parts of Massachusetts, Eastern New York State, Connecticut, Vermont, Maine, Rhode Island and New Hampshire.

A list outlining the most important materials for pre-1800 research would include:

Pittsfield

Pittsfield Vital Records (1761-1938) 14 microfilm reels reproducing the records of the Pittsfield City Clerk

The Town of Pittsfield Original Papers: This collection of manuscript materials covers the period 1759-1843 and includes town warrants and meetings, highway surveys and accounts, town taxes, bills, and assessments, school, church and meeting house reports, military personnel from 1774—1813, pauper reports, and other miscellaneous items. The records are available for use on microfilm and a 63 page guide aids the researcher in accessing pertinent material.

Pittsfield Tax Records- Series I (1761-1849): Microfilm of the original tax records

William Williams Collection: Collection of manuscript materials, relating predominantly to the early history of western Massachusetts and the settlement of Pittsfield, available for use on microfilm. Inclusive dates 1734-1869, with the bulk of the material in the 1740s-1780s.

The History of Pittsfield Volume I, 1734-1800 by J.E.A. Smith

Berkshire County

Collections Unique to the Berkshire Athenaeum

Rollin H. Cooke Collection – 66 volumes: Primarily Church and Cemetery Records of Berkshire County and bordering towns in NY, CT and VT, transcribed in the late 1800s by Rollin H. Cooke. Typescripts created in the 1930s by the WPA. Master Index produced by the BFHA in the 1980s.

Berkshire Collection (unique as a collection) – 93 volumes: Church, Cemetery & Vital Records of Berkshire County towns with a Master Index created by the BFHA.

Browne Collection – 9 Reels of microfilm: Materials collected by William Bradford Browne primarily concerning families of Northern Berkshire County.

Shepard Collection – circa 50,000 3x5 cards resulting from 35 years of research into

Berkshire County families conducted by Williams College mathematics professor Elmer I. Shepard. No full index exists but the BFHA has created a 'heads of family' index.

Knurrow Collection – 72 volumes: Wide-ranging scrapbook style manuscript collection, compiled by Berkshire County District Game Warden and Conservation Officer Edward R. Knurrow over a period of 30 years. Master Index created by the BFHA. This collection was the subject of a digitization and preservation grant which resulted in the creation of 35,000 scans and the availability of the entire collection on the Local History Department computers.

BFHA, Beyond Berkshires and New York Data-Bases – computerized index comprising a master name index to over 1050 volumes indexed by the BFHA over the past 20 years.

Shays Rebellion Papers: Collection of manuscript materials relating to Shays Rebellion (1786-1787), available for use on microfilm.

Other Berkshire County Sources

Histories of Berkshire County Towns and of the county as a whole; Berkshire County Gazetteer; town reports; town records on microfilm; early maps of some towns.

Berkshire County Court of Common Plea Records, dating from 1761-1859, on 48 microfilm reels. The WPA created a name index to the first 75 volumes of the series (1761-1854), in the 1930s, which is filmed and included on reels 47 and 48.

Berkshire County Probate Records (microfilm). Records begin in 1761.

Massachusetts

Vital Records - Official Series to 1850 (books & microfiche)

Miscellaneous Vital Record books published after the official series

Holbrook Microfiche of many towns' vital records (dates vary by town)

State, County & Town Histories

Massachusetts Soldiers & Sailors in the Revolution

Massachusetts DAR Genealogical Records – 39 microfilm reels w/ guide

Dwight Collection – 6 microfilm reels with guide: Collection of Richard Henry Winslow Dwight (1859-1920) "Records the lives & times of the early settlers of Western Mass."

Corbin Collection – 55 microfilm reels with guide: Primarily Central & Western Massachusetts Church, Vital, Cemetery, Bible and Family records assembled by Walter E. and Lottie S. Corbin between 1932 and 1960.

Quabbin Cemetery Records

Mayflower Families; Mayflower Descendant & other Mayflower materials

1771 Massachusetts Tax Evaluation List (functions as a list of property owners for some towns in Massachusetts in that year)

1798 Massachusetts & Maine Direct Tax Census

Massachusetts. *Records of the Governor and Company of the Massachusetts Bay in New England*, 5 volumes in 6. 1853-1854. Records cover the years 1628-1686.

New Plymouth Colony. *Records of the Colony of New Plymouth in New England*. 12 volumes in 9. 1855-1861. Covers the period 1633-1692. [Note: see the article on court records in the Athenaeum's collection which was published in the summer 2012 Berkshire Genealogist for other sources of early records of this type.]

New York State

Approx. 275 volumes of miscellaneous published vital & cemetery records including the Palatine Transcripts. The Athenaeum actively adds to this collection as other materials become available.

State, County & Town Histories

Documentary History of the State of New York by E. B. O'Callaghan. 4 volume set. Covers early New York history, ca 1600-1775. Full name index by the BFHA.

Settlers of the Beekman Patent, Dutchess County, New York by Frank J. Doherty

Vosburgh Collection: New York State Protestant Church Records transcribed by Royden W. Vosburgh between 1913 and 1920. A guide created in 1995 by Michael Marrone at the NY Genealogical Society helps the researcher to utilize this material. 13 microfilm reels.

Connecticut

Barbour Collection of vitals to ca.1850 (microfilm)

Hale Collection: cemetery inscriptions from over 2000 cemeteries; marriage & death notices from newspapers 1750-1865. A detailed guide is available for assistance in using this microfilm collection.

Miscellaneous published vital record books for various towns

State, County & Town Histories

Vermont

Official Vital Records 1761-1908 from the statewide records at Montpelier (microfilm)

Approx. 45 volumes of miscellaneous published vital records. The Athenaeum actively adds to this collection as other materials become available.

State, County & Town Histories

Vermont Warnings Out by Alden M. Rollins

Vermont Families in 1791 edited by Scott A. Bartley

The Vermont Historical Gazetteer edited by Abby Maria Hemenway. 5 volumes

Maine

Approx. 60 volumes of miscellaneous published vital records. The Athenaeum actively adds to this collection as other materials become available.

State, County & Town Histories

Rhode Island

Arnold Vital Records Series & supplements published by Beaman

State, County & Town Histories

New Hampshire

Approx. 30 volumes of miscellaneous published vital records. The Athenaeum actively adds to this collection as other materials become available.

State, County & Town Histories

Miscellaneous Records

Compilations of genealogies for all the New England States & New York. Many have full name indexes produced by the BFHA.

Hundreds of volumes of published genealogies

American Genealogical Biographical Index

Large collection of Canadian Parish Registers, and other material for French Canadian research such as Jette, Tanguay and the Loiselle marriage index

Newspapers on microfilm

Periodical Sources such as those published by the New England Historic Genealogical Society, the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society and others.

Federal Records transferred to the Athenaeum from the former NARA Pittsfield site: approx. 71,000 reels of microfilm containing federal records. Materials that relate to the period under discussion in this article include:

1790 Federal Census for all states that were part of the United States in 1790.

Arrivals of Vessels at New York includes some records 1789-1800

Burial Records for Military Posts, 1768-1921

Lighthouse Letters 1792 – 1809

Passport Applications starting in 1795

Territorial Papers [for example, Ohio records start in 1787]

Revolutionary War Records including: Bounty Land Warrants, Pension Applications, Compiled Service Records

Records relating to Impressed Seamen

In Summary

The discussion here of colonial and early federal period records in the collections at the Berkshire Athenaeum is by no means comprehensive. The volumes and categories listed provide an indication of the types of materials available, most of which can be located via the electronic card catalog by conducting keyword searches. Searching by specific localities or topics will result in the location of other materials. Many other indexes and abstractions of records have been created and published. If you are able to visit, library staff in the Local History Department are always available to help you locate records applicable to your particular research problem.

Also, as always, keep in mind that through the **LDS microfilm-ordering program**, records from around the country and around the world can be delivered to the Athenaeum for your use, without the expense of traveling! [If you are not located near the Athenaeum, try to locate a Family Search facility in your area where you can take advantage of this program]. ■

OLD FORT MASSACHUSETTS

From *The Berkshire Hills*, April 1, 1903 and August 1, 1904.

Of the original forts erected by the pioneer settlers of Berkshire County to protect themselves against the French and Indians in the region of 1741 and thereabouts, there were the Anson and Goodrich fortifications in Pittsfield, one near Lanesboro, what was called the Ash Fort at New Ashford, one at Stockbridge, and the most notorious of all, Fort Massachusetts, between North Adams and Williamstown, on the most exposed northern county frontier. All these strongholds, erected to protect the northern and western settlements of Massachusetts, were originally built of logs, and were surrounded with a stockade of pickets of squared timbers driven into the ground so as to form a continuous circle fence, were mounted with a few iron guns on swivels, and were defensible against musketry alone. This fort was erected under the supervision of Capt. Ephraim Williams, who was born in Newton, Conn., in 1715 and who was the son of Col. Ephraim Williams. Two years later, his mother having deceased, with a smaller brother, he was provided with a home by his grandfather, Abraham Jackson, who gave him a good education. Taking a fancy to the life of a sailor, in his earlier years he made voyages to France, England and Spain, and other foreign countries. On his return from his travels, his father having removed to Stockbridge, he came thither, where he became quite prominent and was a representative to the general court for a number of years.

But not contented with his quiet life and having military aspirations, he sought northern Berkshire, which was then almost an unbroken wilderness, for the defense of a few settlers who had planted themselves in the Hoosac valley and located in a tract of about thirty miles in length, which was bounded on the east by the Hoosac mountain, on the west by Berlin, N.Y., on the north by Hoosack Falls and on the south by Lanesboro. This tract was afterwards explored and its limits traced in 1749 by a committee of the general court, Williamstown being called West Hoosack, Adams, East Hoosack, the west of Williamstown, Little Hoosack and the north,

Old or Dutch Hoosack.

The first meeting of the proprietors of Williamstown was held in Adams in 1753. It was in 1750 that Capt. Ephraim Williams obtained a grant of 200 acres of land between North Adams and Williamstown with the condition that he should reserve ten acres for a fort and build a grist and saw mill. This fort was twelve feet high, of ten courses of hewn logs, which were doweled together at the corners with pins of red oak in such a manner that each course was strongly fastened or locked into the one above it. On two corners of the fortification were block towers for the sentry, and for the protection of the defenders when the same was assaulted, while within the enclosure were the blockhouses and dwellings of the garrison. To the south was the saddleback mountain range and to the north a flint ledge jutted out from the Green mountain foothills, on which the Indians often made appearance and taunted the garrison with brutal gesticulations, isolated as they were from any human habitations.

The first attack on this fort was June 11, 1745, when it had a garrison of fifty men, but the enemy contented itself by trying to surprise a number of soldiers who were a short distance outside the structure. As a result Elisha Nims was wounded as well as Gershom Hawkes, Benjamin Tenter was taken prisoner, while one of the enemy being killed the others took to flight. Elisha Nims died the next day and his gravestone and a portion of his skeleton with the fatal bullet embedded in it, are preserved in the museum of Williams College. The thigh bones are very sound and of large size, indicating that the soldier was over six feet in height, while the skull and teeth are equally well preserved. As Sergeant John Hawkes and John Miles were riding out of the fort on horseback, May 6, 1746 they were fired upon and wounded by the Indians. Miles escaped to the cover of the fort, but Hawkes held his own until the savages asked for mercy. Not understanding their language he failed to take them prisoners, as he afterwards found out was the meaning of their signs.

It was August 20, 1746, that Gen. De Vaudreuil with a force of 900 French and Indians swooped down from the northwest, captured the fort and demolished the same. It was at this time commanded by Col. Hawkes, who had a garrison of twenty-two men, and thirteen women and children besides constituted its total inhabitants. Though short of ammunition, Col. Hawkes bravely held the fort for twenty-eight hours against this superior force, and until he no longer had powder and ball. In this fight Col. Hawkes lost but one man, while forty-five of the enemy were killed or wounded. The Canadian Colonel violated the terms of capitulation and turned over half of the prisoners to the Indians, who immediately killed one of them who was too ill to travel. Twelve of these prisoners died in Canada and the others were sent to Boston under a flag of truce. Of the survivors was Rev. John Norton, the first chaplain, one Peter Barvee, who was again taken prisoner near this fort in 1747, and Benjamin Simons, who afterwards became a prominent citizen of Williamstown and a colonel of militia.

While this fort was being rebuilt by the state in 1747 and was well garrisoned, another attack was made upon it by the French and Indians, who sought to prevent the erection of the fortification. In this siege the garrison were reinforced with 100 soldiers from Albany, bringing thither military stores and provisions, when a sally was made on the enemy, who were taken by surprise and fled, taking with them several prisoners. In this action, which partook of the character of a bush fight, three of the garrison were wounded and a friendly Indian from Stockbridge was killed.

When this fort was in command of Captain Ephraim Williams, the founder of Williams College, August 2, 1748, four of the garrison were fired upon while outside the structure. Captain Williams with thirty men left the fort and pursued the enemy a short distance when a body of fifty Indians suddenly fired upon them from ambuscade, and endeavored to cut off their retreat. By a masterly movement Capt. Williams regained the fort with his force, of whom a man named Abbott was killed and Lt. Hawley and Ezekiel Wells were wounded. Then a body of three hundred Indians and thirty French advanced from their hiding amid the trees and

bushes and opened fire upon the fortification, which was so effectively replied to by the garrison for two hours, that the enemy finally withdrew with their killed and wounded. In the fall of 1748 there was a cessation of hostilities, the forces on the frontier were reduced, and a very small garrison was stationed at this fort.

At the breaking out of the final French and Indian war in 1754, the state at once strengthened this fort and increased its garrison, and though no attacks were afterwards made upon it but once, when King and Meacham of the garrison were killed, it gave a sense of great security to the infant settlements of North and South Adams and Williamstown, and in fact to the whole region of Northern Berkshire. In 1754 Capt. Williams left the command of the fort to others and having been commissioned as Colonel in the provincial army, led a force of 3,000 men as part of an expedition to capture Crown Point on Lake Champlain, which was held by a large body of French and Indians. Here he was ordered by commander Johnson to take a force of men and go out and hinder a large body of the enemy who were approaching the fort as a reinforcement from Canada, while the former attacked the fortification. As Col. Williams troops were advancing, September 8, 1755, through a heavily wooded valley, they were suddenly attacked on both sides by the enemy, who were in ambuscade, and thrown into confusion. He however rallied his men and was successfully leading them from out of this trap when he was instantly killed by a musket ball. His body was carried from the field and was buried on the shores of the lake, where an imposing monument has been erected in his memory.

The stubborn determination of a few early settlers in Williamstown between 1747 and 1748 to remain in that locality and cultivate the soil, though they knew their lives were in hourly danger, first induced colonists in the central and southern portions of the county to send such a determined and fearless character as Ephraim Williams to their aid, and most nobly he fulfilled his mission.

Before starting for Crown Point he evidently had a premonition that his end was near, and just previous to his leaving Albany for service he made a will leaving the bulk of his property to found a free school in Wil-

Williamstown, which plans his executors duly carried out, which school was to be accessible to his friends at Fort Massachusetts and to any others wishing to attend from other neighboring settlements. As the sum bequeathed was not sufficient to build and carry on the school, after a period the required amount was obtained and in 1785 the legislature gave these executors permission to erect this school building, which is the present old West College. When completed this brick structure was 82 feet in length, 42 in width and four stories high, with a central stairway hall running through it from east to west. The school opened October 20, 1791, with Rev. Ebenezer Fitch as teacher and John Lester, assistant. In one department English and other branches were taught, and in the other, college studies were pursued. The school grew with such rapidity that the legislature in two years granted a college charter, and June 2, 1793, Williams College was established with Rev. Ebenezer Fitch as president and Steven West as vice-president. The first commencement was held September 2, 1795, and the four graduates were Samuel Bishop, John Collins, Chauncy Lusk and Daniel Stone, of whom Chauncy Lusk was valedictorian. At this time there were 77 students and the college issued its first catalogue, the first published by an American College, Yale following suit in 1796, or one year later.

An attempt in the first quarter of the last century to remove this college to a place more accessible to New England students by legislative enactment, was checkmated by the opposition of the leading citizens of Berkshire County, prominent among whom were Col. Benjamin Simons, David Noble, Gen. William Towner, Gen. Thompson J. Skinner and Hon. Daniel Dewey of Williamstown. During this crisis President Fitch resigned in 1815, taking half the students with him to Amherst, where he was chosen to the presidency of that college, which had been founded during this trouble and Rev. J. F. Moore was elected to his place. The latter having resigned in 1821, Rev. Edward Dorr Griffin was elected the third president in November of that year and during his administration the institution made great progress. The Lyceum of Natural History, the first institution of the character in the United States, was formed, and occupied a portion of the Jackson Hall,

which structure had been given the college by Nathan Jackson, a relative of Col. Williams.

SITE PRESERVATION EFFORTS

The first movement to permanently mark the site of Old Fort Massachusetts, which is hardly two miles on the line of the Hoosac Valley Electric Street Railway to the west of Main street in North Adams, was the work of Prof. A. L. Perry of Williams College in 1859, who planted a beautiful elm thereon and collected an interesting though meagre history of this old fortification, the farthestmost northwestern fort in the wilderness in the days of the first French and Indian war of a series of such extending along the southern boundary line of Vermont state and erected and garrisoned by the early commonwealth to protect its western frontier settlements from the raids of Canadian Indians led by French officers and troops.

The second and most substantial movement to preserve the site of this historic spot was its purchase by patriotic ladies of North Adams, who raised over one thousand dollars for this purpose by a series of commendable individual efforts, and after securing the property held an outing on the spot in 1895. As a result of this enterprise the Fort Massachusetts Historical Society was organized in the Parish House of St. John's Episcopal Church in North Adams, January 18, 1896, with Shubael W. Brayton as president and Mrs. Mary H. Williams, vice-president. The site was formally dedicated by this society, October 27, 1897, at which President Brayton presided and at which exercises Prof. John Bascom of Williams College and Hon. George P. Lawrence of North Adams delivered eloquent addresses.

On this occasion a fine United States flag was thrown to the breeze which had been presented by Mrs. Hiram B. Sibley of Rochester, N. Y., the daughter of one of the early notable pioneers of the old town of Adams, which floated from a flag staff 75 feet in height. Before this many valuable relics gathered on the site had been preserved in the museum of Williams College and since this time this thoroughly active historical association has assembled and arranged a large number of interesting relics and curios connected with this memorable fortification and its defenders.

It was recorded under the head of a reminiscence in the New Hampshire Journal and New England Inquirer in 1827, that in the first or old French war the state of Massachusetts maintained a garrison in the town of Hoosick near the western line of New York state and this point was without doubt at Fort Massachusetts between North Adams and Williamstown. This article reads as follows:

"The commander of this garrison having discovered that Indians were lurking in the woods near the fort, dispatched a Mr. Crawford with another soldier to Pittsfield to apprise the inhabitants of their danger. He directed them not to speak aloud to each other on the way, and by all means to avoid every traveled route. Having proceeded about fifteen miles Crawford discovered an Indian quite near him who appeared to be in the act of tying his mocassin with its deer skin thongs or strings. He silently made a sign to his companion, and while they were whispering together, the Indian arose and espied the two soldiers who were intently watching him. Thereupon he uttered a loud scream and leaped like a deer over the brushwood. Crawford brought his musket to shoulder and fired at him, when he gave a great leap, both higher and farther than before, and fell dead upon his face. Then another Indian stole out from behind a tree,

at whom Crawford's companion fired and whom he severely wounded. His cries of pain and of alarm quickly brought quite a number of other Indians to the spot, from whom the two soldiers fled, and though pursued by the savages for a few miles finally escaped unharmed and safely arrived at Pittsfield.

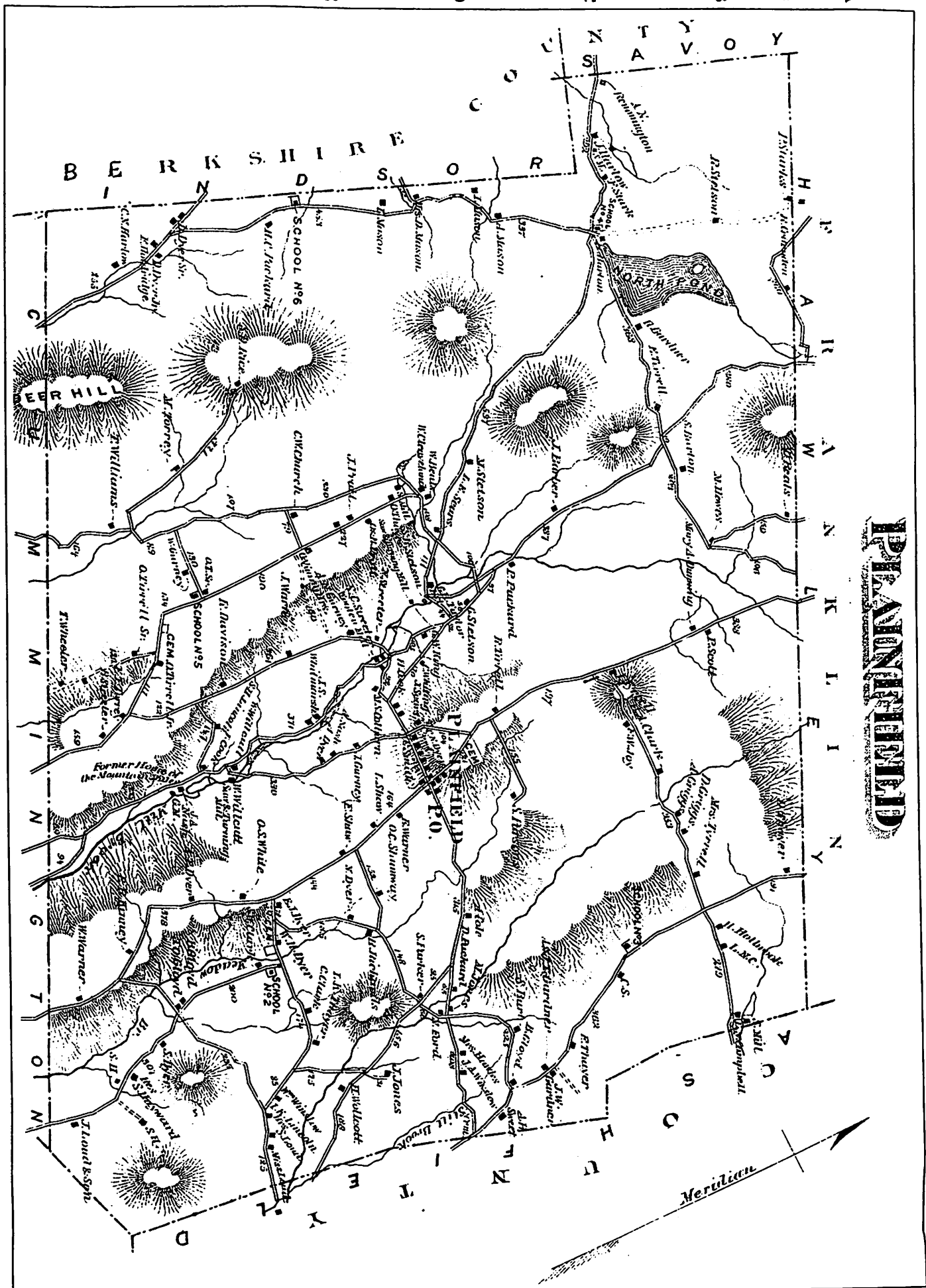
As a premium of forty pounds of English currency was then given for every Indian's scalp, as short time afterwards, Crawford accompanied by a Stockbridge Indian went in search of the Indians whom he had killed, who was a Canadian Iroquois. On arriving at the locality where the shooting took place the Stockbridge Indian began to look over the ground for dead bushes, which when found he endeavored to pull up by the roots. Finally he came upon a dead bush which came up readily, when he informed Crawford that the Indian had been buried on that spot. They both commenced to dig up the earth, shortly came upon the body and after removing the scalp again interred the remains. The scalp was sent to the authorities at Boston, the forty pounds bounty was returned to Pittsfield and was evenly divided between the Fort Massachusetts soldier and the Stockbridge Indian, but for whose craft and knowledge of Indian customs for concealment would never have been secured."

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MAP OF PLAINFIELD [Hampshire County] - 1873

Barber, J.	C-4	Dyer, E. J.	E-8	Jones, J.	E-9	Remington, A. N.	C-1	Thayer, O.	D-4
Barton, H.	C-2	Dyer, N.	E-7	Jones, M.	D-8	Rice, S. D.	F-3		E-4
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Burt, S.	D-8	Gardner, A.	C-8	Lincoln, I. K.	E-9	Sears, L. E.	D-4	Tirrell, R.	D-6
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Critenden, R.	A-2	Gurney, W.	F-5	Packard, D.	D-8	Streeter, B.	G-6	Whiting, C.	D-6
Davison, R.	F-5	Harlow, C. N.	G-2	Packard, H. C.	E-2	Streeter, N.	E-5	Whitmarsh, J. S.	E-6
Dunning, Mary A.	B-5	Harlow, J.	C-2	Packard, P.	D-5	Streeter, S. C.	E-5	Willcutt, W.	F-6
Dyer, A.	E-6	Hawley, Mrs.	D-9	Parker, S.	D-8	Sweet, A. H.	D-9		F-7
Dyer, A. T.	F-7	Hayward, S.	F-9	Parsons, S.	D-7	Taylor, G. H.	D-5	Williams, T.	G-4
Dyer, C. N.	D-6	Holbrook, H.	B-8	Pratt, J.	E-4	Thayer, D.	B-7	Winslow, J. A.	D-9
Dyer, D., Jr.	F-3	Holdridge, E.	F-2	Pratt, O.	E-5	Thayer, F.	C-9	Winslow, William	E-9
Dyer, D., Sr.	F-2	Howes, M.	B-4	Pratt, R.	E-5	Thayer, I. K.	E-8	Wollcott, H.	E-9

PLAINFIELD



BIBLE RECORDS BAILEY-EVANS

The family bible of Asa Evans of Columbia County, NY (born Upton, Worcester Co., Mass.) was offered for sale on EBay and acquired by Dennis F. M. Marr of North Greenbush, NY. The bible is in fair condition, the front cover and first few pages being separated and part of Genesis is missing, but the family information is intact and quite readable. Our thanks to Dennis for sending it.

Holy Bible. Hartford. Published by R. White and Hutchinson and Dwier, 1836. Formerly part of the collection of the New York State Library in Albany, Item #2285.

On the first blank page, the following signatures: Emma E. Bailey, Sarah E. Bailey.

Written on last page of the Book of the Apocrypha: Sarah E. Brewer Was Baptized January 12th 1889.

FAMILY RECORD - MARRIAGES

Asa Evans was Married to Elizabeth Gale 1795	John G. Brewer was Married to Emma Eliza Bailey Oct 10th 1868	Comfort Bailey was Married to Eliza Evans Dec 23rd 1826
Chas. H. Bailey was Married to Sarah E. Brewer July 2nd 1890	William H. Bailey was Married to Electa Evans Sept 7th 1834	

Note: The Charles Bailey/Sarah Brewer record is in pencil, as is the signature of Sarah Brewer in the front of the book.

BIRTHS

Asa Evans was born Nov 11th	Maria Antonette Bailey Was born Apr 12th 1828	*Bradley Manwarren was born was born July 28th 1828
Elizabeth Evans Was born Apr 9th 1775	*Emma Eliza Bailey was born Aug 7th 1829	*John G. Brewer was born March 20th 1838
Eliza Evans was born Aug 1st 1798	*William E. Bailey was born Dec 13th 1831	*Sarah Eliza Brewer was born March 8th 1870
Electa Evans was born Apr 24th 1802	*George W. Bailey was born July 5th 1846	*Sarah Edna Bailey was born August 11th 1891 Tuesday quarter to 9 A.M.
Comfort Bailey was born Apr 23rd 1804		

Note: The last digit of the years for the births marked with an (*), which are in the right column of the bible are written into the ornamental border of the page and difficult to discern. The last digit of the year for John Brewer's birth is written above the "3" in 1838. The year for Asa's birth is missing but is known to be 1759 from information in his Revolutionary War pension file.

DEATHS

Asa Evans Died Aug 23rd 1851	Maria Antonette Bailey Died Sept 17th 1835	Comfort Bailey Died March 26th 1880
James Evans Died July 6th 1860	William E. Bailey Died Sept 16th 1856	Emma Eliza Brewer Died January 27th 1895
Elizabeth Evans Died May 2nd 1865	George W. Bailey Died May 11th 1864	

BIRTHS

Edith Eva Bailey Born July 28th 1894 Saturday 9:15	Charles Henry Bailey Born January 24, 1844	Edith Eva Bailey Born July 28th 1899 Saturday 9:13 A.M.
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Note: This latter list of births is in a column originally for deaths; the word "Death" has been crossed out and "Births" written in. Both "Births" and the third entry are in pencil. It is not clear whether the third entry is a correction of the first one or a separate individual who happened to be born on the same month and day five years later.

IDENTIFICATION OF NAMED INDIVIDUALS

ASA EVANS: Revolutionary War soldier born in Upton, Worcester Co., MA. After the war he lived in Tyringham, MA and Brattleboro, VT. Applied for pension 29 Aug 1852, residing in New Lebanon, Columbia Co., NY. Served part of his time as a substitute for his father Jonathan Evans. Moved to New Lebanon about 1792. Received pension and Bounty Land (BLW #14756-160-55). Buried in Brainard Cemetery, Rensselaer Co., NY. Had children James, Eliza and Electa and a brother William.

ELIZABETH GALE: Born MA per 1850 census (NY, Columbia Co., Town of New Lebanon, p.8, residing with son James). Buried in Brainard Cemetery, Rensselaer Co., NY.

COMFORT BAILEY: Possibly a son of David Bailey and 2nd wife Amey --?--. Had children Maria Antonette/Marie Antoinette, Emma Eliza, William E., George W. and Charles H. Born NY per census (NY, Columbia Co., Town of New Lebanon, p.7-8) when he was residing with wife Eliza, daughter Eliza, sons William and George and father-in-law Asa Evans, age 90.

WILLIAM HENRY BAILEY: Born Sand Lake, Rensselaer County, son of Warren Bailey and Jane Bugbee (Warren descended from Joseph & Jemima Bailey of Haddam, CT through their son David, born Tyringham, MA 1761, Rev. War soldier: Jane a daughter of Josiah Bugbee of Dutchess Co. and Sand Lake, Rensselaer Co., Rev. War soldier, son of Israel and Bethsheba Buckbee). Had son Warren C. and daughter Harriet A. Enlisted in Civil War at age 50, lying about age; received a pension. Two weeks after wife Electa died married Mary () Reynolds, widow of Isaac Reynolds of Chatham, Columbia Co. Buried Brainard Cemetery, Rensselaer Co., NY.

JOHN G. BREWER: Born MA according to 1880 census (NY, Albany Co., Village of West Troy, p.214A), occupation Tinsmith. Had one known child, Sara Eliza, who married Charles H. Bailey, son of Comfort Bailey and Eliza Evans.

CHARLES H. BAILEY: Son of Comfort Bailey and Eliza Evans. Married Sarah Eliza Brewer, daughter of John G. Brewer and Emma Eliza Bailey. No further information available at this time.

ELIZA EVANS: Married Comfort Bailey (see above). Died 17 Jul 1868 at Sand Lake. Buried Sand Lake Union Cemetery, Sec. 2R, Bailey Lot.

ELECTA EVANS: Married William H. Bailey (see above). Died at the home of her daughter Harriet Gray, Ballstown Springs, Saratoga Co., NY on 4 Oct 1875. Buried in West Milton Cemetery, Saratoga Co., NY. Will probated Saratoga Co. Surrogate's Court (46-24, p.307 et. seq.). Appears on numerous land transactions in Rensselaer County deeds.

MARIA ANTONETTE BAILEY: a/k/a MARIE ANTOINETTE: Died at age 7 in Sand Lake and buried in Sand Lake Union Cemetery, Sec. 2R, Bailey Lot.

EMMA ELIZA BAILEY: Married John G. Brewer (see above). No other information available at this time.

WILLIAM E. BAILEY: Died at age 24 on 10 Sep 1856 in Sand Lake and buried in Sand Lake Union Cemetery, Sec. 2R, Bailey Lot.

GEORGE W. BAILEY: Son of Comfort Bailey & Eliza Evans. George enlisted for the Civil War at Nassau, NY, Co A, 169th Regiment. Died of wounds 11 May 1864, but location not stated in this source (American Civil War Soldiers, Ancestry.com).

SARAH EDNA BAILEY: Daughter of Charles H. Bailey and Sarah Eliza Brewer. No further information available at this time.

EDITH EVA BAILEY: Daughter of Charles H. Bailey and Sarah Eliza Brewer. No further information available at this time.

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REQUEST FOR A PENSION INCREASE

From the Briggs Collection, Berkshire Athenaeum, Pittsfield, MA

This letter, found and submitted by Ruth T. Degenhardt, may refer to the widow of a Revolutionary War Veteran. It was written April 28, 1840 to George N. Briggs (one time Governor of Massachusetts) by D. N. Dewey of Williamstown.

Friend Briggs

I enclose an affidavit with a view to increase the pension of Widow Mindwell Waters of this town - I do not know as any thing can be done in regard to it but she is so worthy a woman and so much an invalid, supported by the aid of her daughter, that I shall do what can be done for her - Her pension is now \$45.00 a year for five years and there is no doubt her husband was in the service more than two years, if it can be increased for only the remaining year it will do her a great deal of good. Ask Sen. Edwards attention to the matter now and let me know.

Yours

D. N. Dewey

(According to the Williamstown vital records, she died in 1841 at age 79. Ed.)

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SCHOOL CENSUS OF PITTSFIELD - 1886

Race	Name	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Residence	Parent/Guardian	School
Irish	Rigney, Ellen	10	2/11/75	Connecticut	Taconic	Thomas J.	Pontoosuc
French	Ringre, Agnes	6	12/28/79	Vermont	Pomeroy	Peter	Elizabeth
French	Ringre, Joseph	11	3/30/73	Vermont	Pomeroy	Peter	Elizabeth
French	Ringre, Louisa	8	6/25/77	Vermont	Pomeroy	Peter	Elizabeth
Amer.	Robbins, Arthur C.	13	3/19/73	Pittsfield	Center	Edward H.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Robbins, Emma R.	10	8/18/75	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	Eugene H.	Private
Amer.	Robbins, Francis D.	8	7/22	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	Eugene H.	Private
Amer.	Robbins, Loring	7	10/4/79	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	Eugene H.	Private
Amer.	Robbins, Fred	9	5/1/77	Pittsfield	Burbank	H. M.	Orchard St.
Amer.	Robbins, Grace E.	14	12/9/71	Pittsfield	Burbank	B. F.	Orchard
Amer.	Robbins, Ella	6	9/28/79	Springfield	North Second	Welcome L.	Never been
French	Roberge, Abraham	12	11/28/73	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Louis	Stearnsville
French	Roberge, Flora	7	7/2/78	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Joseph	Stearnsville
French	Roberge, Joseph	6	5/7/80	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Joseph	Stearnsville
Irish	Roberts, Frank	12	1/ 74	Pittsfield	Barkers	John	Stearns
Irish	Roberts, George	11	3/ 75	Pittsfield	Barkers	John	Stearns
Irish	Roberts, Hattie	6	12/24/79	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Mary	Stearnsville
Irish	Roberts, Mary	8	1/13/78	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Mary	Stearnsville
Irish	Roberts, Michael	11	4/27/78	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Mary	Stearnsville
Irish	Roberts, Philemena	14	2/25/72	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Mary	Don't go
Amer.	Roberts, Norah L.	13	3/9/72	Pittsfield	Onota	Comfort W.	Onota
Amer.	Roberts, Georgiana	9	8/16/76	Pittsfield	Renne Place	Willard	Cent. Inter.
Amer.	Roberts, Jessie M.	11	9/15/74	Pittsfield	Renne Place	Willard	Cent. Inter.
Amer.	Roberts, Maude	7	8/11/78	Pittsfield	Churchill St.	Frank	North Woods
Amer.	Roberts, Pearl M.	13	10/19/72	Pittsfield	Churchill St.	Frank	North Woods
Amer.	Roberts, Katie	5	6/20/80	Pittsfield	River St.	John	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Roberts, Nellie	7	12/20/78	Pittsfield	River St.	John	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Roberts, Nellie E.	7	12/5/78	Lenox	Gold Ave.	Daniel	Never been
Amer.	Robertson, Lilly	12	8/10/73	Pittsfield	Wahconah	John	N. Grammar
French	Robinson, Joseph	11	2/24/76	Rhode Island	Pomeroy	John	Elizabeth
Amer.	Rockwell, Ada L.	14	3/12/72	Alabama	West St.	George	S. Grammar
Amer.	Rockwell, William	9	3/28/77	Pittsfield	West St.	George	Elizabeth Inter.
Amer.	Rockwell, Henry D.	9	9/6/76	Pittsfield	Appleton Ave.	Francis W.	Private
Amer.	Rockwell, Julius	5	7/16/80	Pittsfield	Appleton Ave.	Francis W.	Private
Amer.	Rockwell, Samuel F.	7	10/28/78	Pittsfield	Appleton Ave.	Francis W.	Private
Amer.	Rockwell, William W.	11	10/10/74	Pittsfield	Appleton Ave.	Francis W.	Private
French	Rodgers, Joseph	10	5/12/76	Gilbertville	Pomeroy	Anthony	Will go
French	Rodgers, Rosie	13	9/15/72	Gilbertville	Pomeroy	Anthony	Will go
German	Roehm, Annie	11	7/6/74	Pittsfield	John St.	Louis	W. Center
German	Roehm, Etta	9	3/8/77	Pittsfield	John St.	Louis	W. Center
German	Roehm, Philip	6	12/23/79	Pittsfield	John St.	Louis	W. Center
Amer.	Rogers, Harry B.	6	2/26/80	New York	Francis	Marietta	Union
Irish	Ronan, Kate	12	6/26/73	Ireland	Pecks	Thomas	Russells
Amer.	Rood, Carrie	9	10/10/76	Pittsfield	Wahconah	James H.	Russells
Amer.	Rood, Edward	10	8/11/75	Pittsfield	Wahconah	James H.	Russells
Amer.	Rood, William	6	1/19/80	Pittsfield	Wahconah	James H.	Russells
Irish	Rooker?, Ellen L.	10	10/2/75	Pittsfield	River St.	Patrick	West St.
Irish	Rooker?, Kate	12	8/2/73	Pittsfield	River St.	Patrick	Elizabeth
Irish	Rooker?, Martin H.	7	6/25/78	Pittsfield	River St.	Patrick	West St.
Irish	Rooker?, Thomas F.	5	3/8/81	Pittsfield	River St.	Patrick	Don't go
Amer.	Root, Oliver	5	4/10/81	Pittsfield	Church	John A.	Will go
Amer.	Root, Mary	8	7/27/77	Pittsfield	Church	H. A.	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Root, Willie	10	10/23/75	Pittsfield	Church	H. A.	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Root, Bertie	6	6/4/79	Pittsfield	Second	James W.	Fenn St.
French	Roscoe, Alfred	11	5/2/75	Canada	River St.	Joseph	Francis
French	Roscoe, Arthur	6	2/19/80	Pittsfield	River St.	Joseph	Union
French	Roscoe, Philip	8	6/10/77	Canada	River St.	Joseph	Union
Amer.	Rose, Myra	11	2/16/75	New York	Shakers	East Family	Hancock
German	Rosenburgh, August	8	6/677	Springfield	Morningside	August	Melville
German	Rosenburgh, Carl F.	11	9/29/74	Springfield	Morningside	August	Fenn St.

Race	Name	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Residence	Parent/Guardian	School
German	Rosenburgh, Emma R.	7	2/29/78	Pittsfield	Morningside	August	Fenn St.
Amer.	Rosenbury, Earnest A.	10	6/1/75	Pittsfield	Orchard	Earnest A.	Orchard
Amer.	Rosenbury, Frank L.	8	9/21/77	Pittsfield	Orchard	Earnest A.	Orchard
German	Rosenhein, Jessie	6	1/9/80	Pittsfield	Wahconah	David	Orchard
German	Rosenhein, Lydia	8	2/14/78	Pittsfield	Wahconah	David	Orchard
German	Rosenhein, Willie	11	5/16/75	Pittsfield	Wahconah	David	Orchard
Amer.	Rowe, Everett	13	4/4/73	New York	North	Peter	Orchard
Irish	Rowel, Fanny	10	1/4/76	Michigan	River St.	Mrs. Doran	Union
Irish	Rowen, Agnes	12	4/10/74	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	James	Pontoosuc
Irish	Rowen, Rebbeca	9	7/15/76	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	James	Pontoosuc
French	Roy, Ebel	13	2/1/73	France	Pecks	Eugene	Don't go
French	Roy, Florence	9	7/12/76	New York	Elm	Rodger	Tracy
French	Roy, Leodile	8	1/29/77	New York	Elm	Rodger	Tracy
French	Roy, Mary	10	6/4/75	New York	Elm	Rodger	Tracy
Amer.	Russell, Clarence	11	4/10/75	Pittsfield	South	J. L.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Russell, Earl H.	8	10/16/77	Pittsfield	South	J. L.	Morewood
Amer.	Russell, Anna E.	12	9/2/73	Pittsfield	Goodrich	Heck	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Russell, Martha	10	3/7/76	Pittsfield	Goodrich	Heck	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Russell, Harry	11	9/23/74	Pittsfield	Bartlett Ave.	Zeno	Private
German	Rutz, Edith	5	5/1/81	Pittsfield	Shakers	Herman	Shaker Depot
German	Rutz, Emma	12	1/20/74	New York	Shakers	Herman	Shaker Depot
German	Rutz, Willie	8	5/8/78	Richmond	Shakers	Herman	Shaker Depot
Irish	Ryan, Mary	11	2/16/75	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	John	Stearnsville
Irish	Ryan, Michael	12	9/19/73	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	John	Stearnsville
Irish	Ryan, Richard	6	10/4/79	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	John	Stearnsville
Irish	Ryan, Thomas	13	6/4/72	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	John	High
Irish	Ryan, Lizzie	14	9/8/71	Egremont	Worthington	Michael	Elizabeth
Irish	Ryan, Thomas	10	9/13/75	Egremont	Worthington	Michael	Elizabeth
Irish	Ryan, Willie	11	1/10/75	Pittsfield	Daniels	Margaret	N. Grammar
Amer.	Ryder, Adella	12	4/20/74	New York	Richmond Road	George C.	Barkers
Amer.	Ryder, George C.	9	6/25/76	New York	Richmond Road	George C.	Barkers
Amer.	Ryder, Katie E.	8	12/31/77	New York	Richmond Road	George C.	Barkers
Amer.	Ryder, Ross	10	1/31/76	New York	West St.	W. K.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Ryder, Arthur N.	12	10/28/73	Hancock	Francis Ave.	Charles	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Ryder, Roland	5	10/21/80	Pittsfield	Pleasant	Milford	Fenn St.
Amer.	Ryder, Erwin	5	12/10/80	Hancock	Third	William	Fenn St.
Irish	Sammon, Mary	13	10/30/72	Pittsfield	Onota St.	Patrick	High
Irish	Sammon, Morris	12	10/18/73	Pittsfield	Onota St.	Patrick	Onota St.
Irish	Sammon, Susan	5	9/10/80	Pittsfield	Onota St.	Patrick	Onota St.
Irish	Sammon, Willie	10	12/18/73	Pittsfield	Onota St.	Patrick	Onota St.
Black	Saunders, Harry	8	1/4/78	Pittsfield	Burbank	Adolphus	Never been
French	Savery, Alfred	9	2/22/77	Canada	Worthington	Alfred	Elizabeth
French	Savery, Alphonse	7	10/20/78	Canada	Worthington	Alfred	Elizabeth
French	Savery, Joseph	5	7/23/80	Canada	Worthington	Alfred	Elizabeth
Amer.	Schaff, Clifford	5	9/17/80	New York	Pomeroy Ave.	Morris	Private
Amer.	Schaff, Sarah	7	7/12/78	New York	Pomeroy Ave.	Morris	Private
German	Schberger, Carrie	7	6/12/78	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Christ	Pontoosuc
German	Schberger, Christie	10	12/22/75	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Christ	Pontoosuc
German	Schberger, Katie	12	1/24/74	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Christ	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Schermerhorn, Frank B.	13	9/20/72	New York	Elm	John H.	Orc. Grammar
Amer.	Schofield, Kate E.	8	9/21/77	Dalton	Barkers	Joseph	Barkers Prim.
Amer.	Schofield, Raymond H.	10	11/4/75	Pittsfield	Barkers	Joseph	Barkers Inter.
German	Schomer, Daniel J.	6	6/26/80	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Nicholas	Stearnsville
German	Schomer, John	9	8/16/76	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Nicholas	Stearnsville
German	Schomer, Katie	11	9/11/74	Pittsfield	Stearnsville	Nicholas	Stearnsville
German	Schultz, Lena	9	3/15/77	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Charles	Pontoosuc
German	Schulz, Minnie	9	5/1/77	Webster	Bradford	Gustave	Union
German	Schurr, Charles S.	13	5/6/73	West Virginia	120 Robbins	Theodore A.	Orchard
German	Schurr, Wallace	10	9/13/75	New York	120 Robbins	Theodore A.	Orchard
German	Schwartz, Lizzie	5	1/29/81	Pittsfield	Prospect	Philip	Will go
Amer.	Scott, Della	5	10/11/80	Clarksburgh	Stearns	Walter	Stearnsville
Amer.	Scott, Minnie	8	9/7/77	Clarksburgh	Stearns	Walter	Stearnsville

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Race	Name	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Residence	Parent/Guardian	School
German	Scott, Jennie	12	2/17/74	Germany	South	S. Schier	Cen. Inter.
German	Scott, Jennie	5	11/14/80	Germany	West St.	Elias	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Scudder, Edward	5	7/4/80	Stockbridge	Coltsville	C. B.	Coltsville
Amer.	Scudder, George	10	2/10/76	Stockbridge	Coltsville	C. B.	Coltsville
Amer.	Scudder, Nellie	8	6/8/77	Stockbridge	Coltsville	C. B.	Coltsville
Amer.	Scudder, Willie	12	4/30/74	Stockbridge	Coltsville	C. B.	Coltsville
Amer.	Searn, George	11	7/30/74	Pittsfield	Reade St.	Mary E.	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Searn, Harry L.	14	8/2/71	Pittsfield	Reade St.	Mary E.	Private
Amer.	Sears, Harry F.	14	5/26/72	Pittsfield	Melville	Henry	Orchard
Amer.	Seddon, Roscoe	5	3/17/81	New York	Bradford	Virginia	Will go
English	Seeley, Willie	8	4/4/76	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	William	Pontoosuc
English	Seeley, Nagcie?	6	4/20/80	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	William	Pontoosuc
German	Seelig, Mary	13	7/3/72	Stockbridge	Pontoosuc	Agust	Don't go
Amer.	Sellew, Edith	14	8/25/71	Pittsfield	Howard	George A.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Sellew, Florence	6	9/17/79	New York	Howard St.	George A.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Sellew, Robert	11	2/12/75	Hinsdale	Howard	George A.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Sellew, Ruth	8	4/20/78	Hinsdale	Howard	George A.	Fenn St.
German	Semmler, Annie	12	4/6/74	Pittsfield	Russell	Charles	Russells
German	Semmler, Freddie	8	10/4/77	Pittsfield	Russell	Charles	Russells
German	Semmler, Henry	10	8/2/75	Pittsfield	Russell	Charles	Russells
French	Senecal, Alleck	6	5/19/80	New York	Spring	Aleck	Will go
French	Senecal, Alline	7	8/22/78	New York	Spring	Aleck	Fenn St.
German	Setwick, Alfred	6	1/4/80	Windsor	Pontoosuc	William	Pontoosuc
German	Shandorf, Katie	7	4/26/79	New York	West St.	Fred	Elizabeth St.
German	Shandorf, Rosie	10	3/28/76	New York	West St.	Fred	Elizabeth St.
German	Shandorf, Willie	8	9/30/77	New York	West St.	Fred	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Shaver, Emma	7	6/16/78	Pittsfield	Belair	Henry	Russells
Amer.	Shaver, Hattie	7	12/22/78	New York	Fenn St.	Charles H.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Shaw, Carrie E.	6	12/15/79	Pittsfield	Barkers	John	Shaker Depot
Amer.	Shaw, Frank D.	8	4/6/77	Pittsfield	Stearns	Jennie	Stearns
Amer.	Shaw, Hattie D.	14	12/6/71	Pittsfield	Stearns	Jennie	Don't go
Amer.	Shaw, Hattie M.	13	5/15/73	Pittsfield	Robbins	Herman H.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Shaw, Minnie A.	10	2/27/76	Pittsfield	Robbins	Herman H.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Shearer, Harry D.	5	6/18/80	Pittsfield	Shaker Depot	Dwight	Don't go
Amer.	Shearer, Lyman	9	7/9/76	Pittsfield	Shaker Depot	Dwight	Shaker Depot
Amer.	Shearer, Pheby	7	7/15/78	Pittsfield	Shaker Depot	Dwight	Shaker Depot
German	Sheeney, Anne M.	8	3/11/78	Pittsfield	Sykes	John	Sykes
German	Sheeney, John	11	6/29/74	Pittsfield	Sykes	John	Sykes
German	Sheeney, Lizzie A.	9	5/23/76	Pittsfield	Sykes	John	Sykes
German	Sheeney, Minnie	6	5/18/80	Pittsfield	Sykes	John	Sykes
Amer.	Shepardson, Ivan	9	11/29/76	Pittsfield	Linden	J. N.	Union St.
Amer.	Shepardson, Grace	7	1/27/79	Pittsfield	Pomeroy Ave.	Spencer W.	Elizabeth
Irish	Sheridan, Patrick	14	4/27/72	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Mary	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Sherman, Ada A.	10	9/17/75	Vermont	North St.	Merritt D.	Orchard Inter.
Irish	Shields, Daniel	11	7/9/74	New York	Burbank	D. J.	Orchard
Irish	Shields, Francis	13	2/11/73	New York	Burbank	D. J.	Orchard
Irish	Shields, Joseph	7	1/4/79	New York	Burbank	D. J.	Orchard
Amer.	Shipton, Allice	12	4/3/74	Pittsfield	Burbank	George	Orchard
Amer.	Shipton, Harry	7	12/22/78	Pittsfield	Burbank	George	Orchard
Amer.	Shipton, Wallace D.	9	10/4/76	Pittsfield	Burbank	George	Orchard
German	Shulz, Andrew	12	12/18/73	Pittsfield	Tillotsons	Andrew	Osceola
German	Shulz, Francis	9	10/5/76	Pittsfield	Tillotsons	Andrew	Osecola
Amer.	Side, Clara	11	4/24/73	Pittsfield	Railroad	Stephen	Union St.
Amer.	Side, Jennie	9	6/10/76	Pittsfield	Railroad	Stephen	Union St.
Amer.	Silk, Katie	12	10/8/73	New York	Peck	Edward	Peck
Amer.	Silvernail, Allice	14	2/7/72	Pittsfield	Peck	William P.	Russells
Amer.	Silvernail, Walter	5	7/27/80	Pittsfield	Peck	William P.	Will go
Amer.	Simmons, Joseph F.	6	5/25/80	Pittsfield	Silver St.	Eugene A.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Simon, Gertrude	10	8/13/75	Pittsfield	Adam	L. B.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Simon, Hattie	12	6/16/73	Pittsfield	Adam	L. B.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Simon, Milton	8	8/21/77	Pittsfield	Adam	L. B.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Sisson, Calvert	9	8/5/76	Sheffield	Burbank	George W.	Fenn St.
German	Sitcer, Alfred	8	4/16/78	New York	Lake	Philip H.	Fenn St.

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German	Sitcer, Allen	8	4/16/78	New York	Lake	Philip	Fenn St.
Amer.	Skinkle, Arthur M.	6	6/12/79	Pittsfield	Cottage Row	John	Fenn St.
Amer.	Skinkle, Grace L.	12	5/19/74	New York	Cottage Row	John	Orc. Grammar
Amer.	Skinner, Russell O.	5	10/1/80	Pittsfield	Shaker Depot	E. L.	Will go
Irish	Slaterry, Andrew	10	2/21/75	Ireland	N. First	Winnie Fahy	Melville
Amer.	Sloper, Arthur W.	12	5/22/74	Natick	Lincoln	W. F.	Orchard
Amer.	Sloper, Frank L.	10	5/19/76	Natick	Lincoln	W. F.	Orchard
Amer.	Sloper, George A.	7	11/2/78	Natick	Lincoln	W. F.	Orchard
Amer.	Sloper, Nettie C.	6	4/7/80	Natick	Lincoln	W. F.	Orchard
Amer.	Smith, Emma N.	7	6/20/78	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	Samuel K.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Smith, Gertrude	12	6/23/73	Connecticut	Francis Ave.	Samuel K.	Orc. Grammar
Amer.	Smith, Kingston	5	6/14/80	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	Samuel K.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Smith, Maud V.	10	3/2/76	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	Samuel K.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Smith, Walter E.	12	5/10/74	Pittsfield	West St.	J. H.	Osceola
German	Smith, Albert	7	1/29/79	Pittsfield	Linden St.	John	Francis Ave.
German	Smith, George	6	3/21/80	Pittsfield	Linden St.	John	Francis Ave.
Jew?	Smith, Carrie	13	3/20/73	Pittsfield	Wahconah	Agustus R.	Orchard
Jew?	Smith, Millie	8	2/17/78	Pittsfield	Park	Bridget	Orchard
Amer.	Smith, Hattie	14	2/5/72	Lenox	Lenox Road	William	Morewood
Amer.	Smith, John	9	6/14/76	Lenox	Lenox Road	William	Morewood
Amer.	Smith, Maggie	12	4/18/74	Lenox	Lenox Road	William	Morewood
Amer.	Smith, Cora J.	12	6/25/73	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	T. J.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Smith, Fred G.	10	11/12/75	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	T. J.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Smith, Maude I.	5	9/1/80	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	T. J.	Union St.
Amer.	Smith, Libbie	8	12/26/77	New York	Linden	Margaret N.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Smith, Murray E.	10	5/7/76	Dalton	Union St.	David C.	Union
Amer.	Smith, Roscoe J.	5	1/29/81	Pittsfield	Union St.	David C.	Union
Amer.	Smith, Grace	8	4/11/78	Pittsfield	N. First	John R.	Orchard
Amer.	Smith, John J.	5	4/25/81	Pittsfield	N. First	John R.	Will go
Amer.	Smith, Maude	6	3/21/80	Cummington	N. Second	Frank W.	Orchard
Amer.	Smith, Alfred K.	7	6/30/78	Pittsfield	N. Second	John S.	Orchard
Amer.	Smith, Alice V.	14	5/22/72	Pittsfield	N. Second	John S.	N. Grammar
Amer.	Smith, Herbert	11	2/23/75	Pittsfield	N. Second	John S.	Orchard
Amer.	Smith, Nellie	13	7/1/72	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	George W.	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Smith, James	7	3/27/79	New York	Beaver	Bridget	Fenn St.
Amer.	Smith, Frederick	12	1/20/74	Pittsfield	Water St.	Lydia	Fenn St.
Amer.	Smith, Burton W.	11	2/2/75	Connecticut	Pomeroy Ave.	Edward S.	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Smith, Charles	5	6/6/80	Connecticut	Pomeroy Ave.	Edward S.	Will go
Amer.	Smith, Vinnie B.	7	11/12/78	Connecticut	Howard	J. Dwight	Fenn St.
Amer.	Smith, Mabel J.	9	10/23/76	Webster	Newell	Charles L.	Private
Amer.	Smith, Sarah A.	13	7/4/72	Pittsfield	Elm	Charles S.	Fenn
Amer.	Snyder, Lena J.	7	11/29/78	New York	Elm	Byron B.	Fenn St.
Irish	Solan, Annie L.	12	4/3/74	Pittsfield	Seymour	James	Orchard St.
Irish	Solan, Elizabeth	8	1/7/78	Pittsfield	Seymour	James	Orchard St.
German	Sottung, Lena	13	1/4/73	Germany	John	John	W. Center
Irish	Southern, Annie	7	4/15/79	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Elizabeth
Irish	Southern, Eliza	5	9/13/80	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Will go
Irish	Southern, Ellen	12	1/21/74	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Don't go
Irish	Southern, John	11	4/13/75	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Elizabeth
Irish	Southern, Katie	9	7/6/77	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Elizabeth
Irish	Southern, Margaret	8	1/6/78	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Elizabeth
Irish	Southern, Mary	14	3/22/71	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Don't go
Irish	Southern, William	9	7/6/77	Pittsfield	Pomeroy	Patrick	Elizabeth
Amer.	Southern, Elsie	8	10/1/77	New York	Junction	Emma	Junction
English	Southrough, Mary A.	9	8/18/77	Pittsfield	Nobles Lane	Thomas Brock	Elizabeth
English	Southrough, Thomas H.	6	7/20/79	New Jersey	Nobles Lane	Thomas Brock	Elizabeth
German	Spaniol, Ora J.	6	6/16/79	Pittsfield	Barkers	Andrew	Shaker Depot
German	Spaniol, Harry A.	5	10/9/80	Pittsfield	Barkers	Andrew	Shaker Depot
German	Spaniol, Grace A.	6	7/20/79	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc Lake	Frank	Pontoosuc
German	Spaniol, Francis W.	3	3/8/81	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc Lake	Frank	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Spencer, Laura J.	13	6/29/72	New York	Orchard	Ambrose J.	Orchard
Amer.	Spencer, Lilly E.	11	7/8/74	Pittsfield	Orchard	Ambrose J.	Orchard
Amer.	Sprague, Daisy	5	2/5/81	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	James	Pontoosuc

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Amer.	Sprague, John	11	6/23/74	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	James	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Sprague, Grace	5	11/20/80	Pittsfield	Taconic	John, Jr.	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Sprague, Willie	9	11/15/76	Pittsfield	Taconic	John, Jr.	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Sprague, May F.	7	5/14/79	Pittsfield	Third	Charles F.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Sprague, Bessie	5	10/17/80	Pittsfield	Middle	Charles	Will go
Amer.	Sprague, May	7	5/14/79	Pittsfield	Middle	Charles	Fenn St.
Irish	Standish, George	14	4/23/72	Pittsfield	Robbins Ave.	George	Francis Ave.
Irish	Standish, James	12	4/23/72	Pittsfield	Robbins Ave.	George	Francis Ave.
Irish	Stanton, Annie	7	8/31/78	Pittsfield	Park	Bridget	Orchard
Irish	Stanton, Julia	13	3/6/73	Dalton	High	P. Stanton	Fenn St.
Irish	Stapleton, Annie	14	12/20/71	Pittsfield	Beaver	John	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Stapleton, Hattie	5	10/12/80	Pittsfield	Beaver	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Stapleton, Julia	9	12/1/76	Pittsfield	Beaver	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Stapleton, Nellie	11	11/11/74	Pittsfield	Beaver	John	Fenn St.
Amer.	Stephens, Charles	10	12/17/73	Maryland	Orchard	Elenora	Orchard
Amer.	Stephens, Wealthy	12	10/30/73	Maryland	Orchard	Elenora	Orchard
Amer.	Stevens, Florence S.	11	4/19/75	Pittsfield	West St.	William H.	West Part
Amer.	Stevens, Helen E.	12	10/10/73	Pittsfield	West St.	William H.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Stevens, Charles	12	1/8/74	New York	First	Albert B.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Stevens, Hattie M.	9	12/2/76	New York	First	Albert B.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Stewart, Florence A.	11	7/8/74	Pittsfield	Daniels	Anthony W.	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Stewart, Eva	9	3/30/77	Pittsfield	Pearl	Ambrose	Fenn St.
Amer.	Stewart, Maggie	10	6/12/75	New York	Newell	Amos	Fenn St.
Amer.	Stickles, Charles	13	8/23/72	Pittsfield	Churchill St.	Lucy	West Part
Amer.	Stickles, Maude	8	4/9/78	Pittsfield	Churchill St.	Lucy	West Part
Amer.	Stillman, Julia M.	5	7/17/80	Pittsfield	Onota	Otis R.	W. Center
Amer.	Stillman, Thomas D.	7	6/26/78	Pittsfield	Onota	Otis R.	W. Center
Amer.	St. James, Annie	6	8/29/79	Pittsfield	N. First	Robert	Orchard
Amer.	St. James, Clement	8	4/18/78	Pittsfield	N. First	Robert	Orchard
English	Stokes, John H.	7	3/3/79	Canada	Beaver St.	George	Fenn St.
English	Stokes, William G.	7	3/3/79	Canada	Beaver St.	George	Fenn St.
French	St. Onge, Grace	8	3/14/78	New York	Robbins	Clifford	Union
French	St. Onge, Satie	11	4/29/74	New York	Robbins	Clifford	Francis
Scotch	Storey, Susie	12	1/10/74	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Charles	Pontoosuc
Scotch	Storey, Robert	8	5/30/78	Pittsfield	Taconic	Robert	Pontoosuc
Scotch	Storey, William	6	11/28/79	Pittsfield	Taconic	Robert	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Streeter, Etta M.	12	1/12/74	Pittsfield	Morningside	William H.	Orchard
Amer.	Streeter, Harriet	8	12/8/77	Pittsfield	Morningside	William H.	Orchard
Amer.	Streeter, Lillian P.	10	3/13/76	Pittsfield	Morningside	William H.	Orchard
Amer.	Streeter, Bessie M.	13	4/22/73	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	Darwin A.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Strong, Henry W.	6	12/21/79	Pittsfield	S. Mountain	Charles W.	Morewood
Amer.	Strong, John	12	2/22/73	Missouri	S. Mountain	Charles W.	S. Grammar
French	Sturm, John	10	2/22/76	Cheshire	Division	Jacob	Francis Ave.
Irish	Sullivan, Annie	11	9/30/74	Lee	Burbank	Johanah	Orchard
Irish	Sullivan, Patrick	11	9/30/74	Lee	Burbank	Johanah	Orchard
French	Sultaire, Annie	14	3/18/72	Richmond	Peck	Adolph	Don't go
French	Sultaire, Joseph	12	10/26/73	Richmond	Peck	Adolph	Peck
French	Sultaire, Katie	9	6/29/76	Richmond	Peck	Adolph	Peck
German	Sunderman, Bertha	5	12/14/80	New York	W. Housatonic	Jacob	Will go
German	Sunderman, Nellie E.	8	1/22/78	New York	W. Housatonic	Jacob	Elizabeth
German	Sunderman, William A.	10	10/22/75	New York	W. Housatonic	Jacob	Elizabeth
French	Supnaugh, John	9	1/26/77	New York	Onota	John	Onota
French	Supnaugh, Rosella	11	12/2/74	Great Barrington	Onota	John	Onota
Irish	Suttle, John	9	2/20/77	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc Lake	Patrick	Russells
Amer.	Swan, Arthur	14	3/21/72	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Jerry	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Swan, Byron	11	2/16/75	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Jerry	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Swan, George	12	2/28/74	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Jerry	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Sykes, Clifford H.	6	2/3/80	Pittsfield	Renne Place	Hiram B.	Union St.
Amer.	Sykes, Herbert W.	10	1/29/76	Pittsfield	Renne Place	Hiram B.	Union St.
Amer.	Sykes, Cora	5	6/7/80	Pittsfield	Elm	George W.	Tracey
Amer.	Sykes, Katie M.	13	1/20/73	Pittsfield	Sykes	Alford	Sykes
Amer.	Sykes, Mabel F.	9	12/31/76	Pittsfield	Sykes	Alford	Sykes
Amer.	Sykes, Mary	6	9/19/79	Pittsfield	Sykes	Alford	Sykes

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Amer.	Sykes, Comford	8	2/12/78	Pittsfield	Sykes	Abiather	Sykes
Amer.	Sykes, Hattie	14	7/7/72	Pittsfield	Sykes	Abiather	Don't go
Irish	Synan, Edward	13	1/19/73	Pittsfield	S. Church	Henry	Cen. Inter.
Irish	Synan, Ellen	10	6/19/75	Pittsfield	S. Church	Henry	Cen. Inter.
Irish	Synan, Mary	13	9/19/73	Pittsfield	S. Church	Henry	Cen. Inter.
French	Syncere, Alfred	11	3/17/75	Pittsfield	Robbins St.	Joseph	Fenn St.
French	Syncere, Hattie	8	6/19/76	Pittsfield	Robbins St.	Joseph	Fenn St.
French	Syncere, Julia	13	2/17/73	Pittsfield	Robbins St.	Joseph	Fenn St.
Amer.	Talcott, Bessie	13	9/5/72	New York	South St.	Mary	Private
Amer.	Talcott, John	7	10/2/78	New York	South St.	Mary	Never been
Amer.	Talcott, Molly M.	14	7/14/71	Boston	South St.	Mary	Private
Amer.	Talcott, Willie	10	7/22/75	New York	South St.	Mary	Private
French	Tatro, Elena	9	1/1/77	New York	Stearns	Peter	Stearns
French	Tatro, Mary	10	12/15/75	New York	Stearns	Peter	Stearns
French	Tatro, Matilda	7	1/4/79	New York	Stearns	Peter	Stearns
French	Tatro, Emma	11	8/ 74	Pittsfield	CountyRoad	Frank	Tracy
French	Tatro, Jennie	8	2/ 78	Dalton	CountyRoad	Frank	Tracy
French	Tatro, Relia	13	12/ 72	Middlefield	CountyRoad	Frank	Don't go
French	Tatro, Rosie	6	4/ 80	Pittsfield	County Road	Frank	Tracy
Amer.	Terry, Richard S.	5	11/23/80	Pittsfield	Elizabeth	Cornelius C.	Will go
Amer.	Terry, Robert C.	9	6/14/76	Connecticut	Elizabeth	Cornelius C.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Terry, Wallace B.	14	9/3/71	Connecticut	Elizabeth	Cornelius C.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Terry, Bertha	8	10/19/77	North Adams	Beaver	Sidney	Fenn St.
Amer.	Terry, Bertie	8	10/19/77	North Adams	Beaver	Sidney	Fenn St.
Amer.	Terry, George	12	10/3/73	North Adams	Beaver	Sidney	Fenn St.
Amer.	Terry, Charles	7	11/26/78	Connecticut	Taconic	S. G.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Terry, Edith	12	10/23/73	Connecticut	Taconic	S. G.	Private
Amer.	Terry, Elizabeth	9	5/26/77	Connecticut	Taconic	S. G.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Terry, John	11	11/20/74	Connecticut	Taconic	S. G.	Elizabeth
French	Thayer, Daniel	6	3/4/80	Canada	South Ave.	Louis	Union
French	Therion, Joseph	6	4/23/80	Pittsfield	Pecks	Joseph	Pecks
French	Therion, Louisa	10	5/3/76	Pittsfield	Pecks	Joseph	Pecks
French	Therion, Lucy	7	7/17/78	Pittsfield	Pecks	Joseph	Pecks
Amer.	Thomas, Bertha	13	12/2/72	Pittsfield	Stearns	Silas	Stearns
Amer.	Thomas, Mary	9	7/24/76	Pittsfield	Stearns	Silas	Stearns
Amer.	Thomas, Merritt	6	10/12/79	Pittsfield	Stearns	Silas	Stearns
Amer.	Thomas, Charles E.	11	2/4/74	New York	Railroad	William	West St. Cen.
Amer.	Thomas, Freddie W.	5	9/17/80	New York	Railroad	William	West St. Cen.
Amer.	Thomas, George L.	13	4/26/73	New York	Railroad	William	West St. Cen.
Amer.	Thomas, Jesse B.	8	6/28/77	New York	Railroad	William	West St. Cen.
Amer.	Thompson, Frank	6	8/9/79	New York	W. Housatonic	Milton	Elizabeth
Amer.	Thompson, Helen M.	11	6/6/74	Pittsfield	John	Charles W.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Thompson, Henry E.	11	6/6/74	Pittsfield	John	Charles W.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	Thompson, Emma H.	12	2/23/74	Pittsfield	Robbins	Allice	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Thompson, Florence S.	11	3/9/75	New York	E. Housatonic	Lilly	Private
Amer.	Thorp, Celia	11	8/18/74	Southampton	Shakers	East Family	Hancock
Amer.	Thorp, Estella	5	10/12/80	Southampton	Shakers	East Family	Hancock
German	Thurotgy, Blanche	10	1/13/76	New York	Francis Ave.	Joseph	Francis Ave.
German	Thurotgy, Joseph	11	9/22/74	New York	Francis Ave.	Joseph	Francis Ave.
French	Tibidor, George	12	1/16/74	Canada	Morningside	Joseph	Fenn St.
French	Tibidor, Joseph	8	8/24/77	Canada	Morningside	Joseph	Fenn St.
French	Tibidor, Mary	7	9/20/78	Canada	Morningside	Joseph	Fenn St.
French	Tier, Amelia	10	3/9/76	Pittsfield	Daniels	Joseph	Union St.
French	Tier, Cora	7	4/9/79	Pittsfield	Daniels	Joseph	Union St.
French	Tier, Onisine	13	2/6/73	New Ashford	Daniels	Joseph	Cen. Grammar
Irish	Tierney, George	8	11/27/78	Ireland	Robbins St.	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Tierney, Patrick	9	5/18/77	Ireland	Robbins St.	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Tierney, Rose	6	11/28/80	Ireland	Robbins St.	John	Fenn St.
Irish	Tierney, Annie	13	8/3/72	Pittsfield	Learned's Lane	William	S. Grammar
Irish	Tierney, Willie	10	1/28/76	Pittsfield	Learned's Lane	William	Elizabeth

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PITTSFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT, 1844-1904

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During all the centuries down to the first quarter of the 18th the machines invented for the extinguishment of fires and conflagrations were of the crudest description. The first known weapons used in Europe for fire fighting were water bags and bombs, pipes, syphons and gigantic syringes and pumps which were called engines. As far back as 1590 monstrous syringes mounted on huge wheeled trucks were in use in the large cities of England to battle with fires. In 1615 what was called a hand fire engine was invented in Germany which was a huge pump without hose. After the great fire in London in 1667, one Von de Heide of Amsterdam made a flexible hose for suction and as a substitute also for the metal goose-neck used on pumps, but this was not generally adopted until a century later.

In 1800 Richard Newsham of London built the first practical fire engine. This machine was fed by hand with buckets, with the appliance of treadles to force the water from a nozzle upon the fire. This was soon improved upon by its inventor and was known as the six-inch cylinder, having a tube two by four feet at the top, the largest machines having brakes on each end manned by twenty men, while six men stood upon the engine box, facing the ten men on each end, and "put her down" on an upper tier of brakes. This engine had no suction hose, but drew its pump valve supply from two troughs on each side, the water being furnished to these by a bucket brigade of citizens. The foreman stood on an elevated box in the center of the machine, directed the stream from a "goose-neck" through five feet of hose, and from thence shouted his orders. These foreign engines either large or small, were too costly to be imported to America, but many years after their manufacture was taken up in Philadelphia and Boston, to which were added many improvements, and the invention of fire hose being made in the former city in 1808, they began to come into use in the cities and larger towns of the states, and later on several of the smaller patterns were owned in Berkshire County. From that time forward improved hand

engines such as the Waterman, the Button, Hanneman, etc. were universally adopted, when in 1827 the first steam engine was invented, which was not fully perfected until 1852, and of course up to this time but a few were built, though soon coming into general use. The later invention of carbonic gas as a fire extinguisher was of French invention. H. Phillips, an Englishman, built the first chemical engine in 1844 and in 1850 the first perfected Phillips engine was imported to America.

Through all the years from the pioneer settlement of Pittsfield, as well as in all the larger towns of Berkshire county, nearly down to 1850, there was a town enactment requiring every householder to keep a number of water-buckets and ladders in readiness for fighting fire. The whole able-bodied population of men and boys, women and girls in these towns were self-constituted fire-companies whose duty it was to convey water to a fire by lines of buckets from streams, cisterns, tanks and wells, and the other line returning the empty buckets to be refilled and sent forward again. It was no "merry-go-round" for our ancestors to fight these earlier fires with these primitive weapons and this service required a vast amount of muscle and endurance. From necessity, promptness in the use of these humble implements when a blaze was first discovered, was the only surety for success, for when the raging element had taken the "bit in mouth" they were useless, and all the inhabitants could then do was to stand and behold their homes and possessions licked up and consumed by the livid tongues of flame. From the first all the old-time fire alarms were loudly rung in on the church bells, until the inauguration of the present electric alarm system in Pittsfield in 1878, and such is now the case in all the localities in the county not supplied with this admirable and time-saving system.

The Pittsfield fire district was formed in 1844 and long before the Bucket Brigade was done away with. In 1822 there was a Pittsfield Engine company of which Bartlett A. Luce was master and Robert Campbell,

clerk. It held monthly afternoon meetings and the funds were derived from fining members for non-attendance and tardiness. In 1826 its treasurer had 25 cents in cash and \$750 charges for fines upon the examination of his books. At that period a fire engineer was chosen each year by the selectmen. In 1822 the roll of this company was Bartlett A. Luce, Robert Campbell, Jabez Luce, John H. Seymour, James Warriner, Frederick Carter, William E. Gold, Charles H. Luce, Clark Wright, Joseph Larned, Jonathan Day, Horace P. Bissell, John Bell, Nelson Brown and William R. Richmond. During the existence of this company two box fire engines, built after the Newsham pattern, were kept at the Lemuel Pomeroy & Sons and the Pittsfield Woolen mills and these only disappeared in 1834, when this company was disbanded.

It was the burning of the middle brick building of the Maplewood Young Ladies' Institute, which aroused the citizens in 1844 to form the first fire district by the appointment of a committee consisting of Thomas F. Plunkett, Henry Stearns, Robert Campbell, Ensign H. Kellogg and George S. Willis. At a meeting of the town June 8 of that year, Levi Goodrich was appointed chief, Robert Campbell, George S. Willis, Jason Clapp, Henry Callendar, Jared Ingersoll, William G. Backus, Ensign H. Kellogg, assistants, Phinehas Allen, Edward A. Newton and Ezekiel Colt, prudential committee. At this time the town made a grant of land and donated \$1,000 for fire district purposes and at its first meeting the district voted \$2,100 to start off the organization on a sound basis. Immediately after a \$500 engine house was built on school street, and an elegant hand fire engine purchased of Henry Waterman of Hudson, N. Y., for \$680, with 328 feet of hose. This was delivered to the Housatonic Engine Company, the first formed in Pittsfield and the oldest in the United States, Oct. 12, 1844.

This company was formed at a meeting of the young men of the town held Oct. 9, 1844, at which William M. Walker presided, and at which these officers were elected: Foreman, John C. West; first assistant, Edwin Clapp; second assistant, Matthew Butler; third assistant, George S. Willis; treasurer, William M. Walker; clerk, Thomas Colt. Edwin

Clapp served this company as foreman for 40 years and William H. Teeling for 27 years. Among others who served as officers in its ranks for longer or shorter periods were S. V. R. Daniels, Frank E. Taylor, Daniel Sprong, C. O. Higginbotham, D. White, J. H. Olds, Thomas Higginbotham, V. T. Hall, H. B. Brewster, J. D. Adams, George Abrahams, H. A. Brewster, J. H. Brewster, B. Granger, H. A. Parsons, Addison Rice, A. B. Armitage, Martin Bagg, James Sears, E. N. Robbins, John S. Smith, Hiram Proper, Harley E. Jones, J. Harrison, L. D. Hazard, F. W. Hadselle, S. S. Desmond, George W. Branch, John C. Cullen, George Shepardson, W. B. Roberts, W. F. Osborne, H. V. Wollison, J. F. Goewey, W. C. Shepardson, George H. Gerst and Clark F. Hall, in the capacity of foremen, assistants, clerks and engineers.

The charter members of the Housatonic Company in 1884 were John C. West, Edwin Clapp, Martin Blunt, Thomas Colt, James H. Andrews, Thomas S. Atwood, Julius Bannister, Henry P. Barnes, William H. Barrows, Joseph H. Brewster, Henry S. Briggs, Horatio N. Brooks, Crowell Brooks, Leland S. Burlingham, George Burlingham, Matthew Butler, Onley Carpenter, Horace Carrier, Daniel C. Chapman, Joseph B. Cunningham, Henry S. Davis, Daniel J. Dodge, Joseph Gregory, Perry G. Holdridge, E. P. Little, H. M. Willard, Amasa Rice, Cyrus Shaw, Mosley Stevens, Frank G. Taylor, William M. Walker, William A. Wood, William H. Warriner, Charles H. Watrous, William H. Teeling, Daniel Bodurtha. All records of the officers and membership of the Housatonic and Pontoosuc companies from their organization down to March, 1868, were burned in the Root block fire at this time, being in charge of Henry B. Brewster, who had served the Housatonic as clerk for nine years, and Frank Pitt, who was clerk of the Pontoosuc company, both of whom were employed in clerical service in this building. The early records of the First church, which were in charge of Benjamin Chickering in the Berkshire Life Insurance rooms in this building, were also burned at this time, as also the records of Christ church (Episcopal) which were in charge of Oliver Root. Clerk Brewster rewrote the old Housatonic records as far as possible from memory and filled this

office for about fifteen years in all, It was just before this fire that the Housatonic had held a notable banquet at which Ensign H. Kellogg had delivered an eloquent address.

The second Fire Engine Company in Pittsfield had a Waterman machine, which was purchased by the town and a Company called the Fame was organized to take charge of it, having as its first foreman William Powers. In a short time this company disbanded, owing to some dissatisfaction which occurred over a fire on First street. June 12, 1848, the Pontoosuc Engine Company was organized and the "Fame" was placed in its charge and named after it. Its first officers were foremen, Seth W. Morton; first assistant, Gordon McKay; second assistant, Henry L. Pope; clerk, Charles Hulbert; assistant clerk, James D. Colt; treasurer, Newell Bliss. Seth W. Morton was the foreman of this company up to 1855, and was succeeded by John Lane, Charles Pitt, John E. Dodge, Wesley E. Shepardson, A. H. Morgan, George W. Smith, Edward Dunham, P. E. Morton and Henry Hulbert. The name was changed September 2, 1858 to that of the Seth W. Morton Engine Company, out of respect to its first foreman, and again changed to that of the Protection.

The first officers of the Protection were: Foreman, Sidney Jones; first assistant, W. B. Rice; second assistant, John R. Feeley; clerk, W. J. Hawkins; treasurer, Oliver W. Robbins. The records of this company ceased April 5, 1859, although it held a meeting as late as May 7, 1868, and at a final assemblage, December 23, 1871, the name was changed to the George Y. Learned Engine Company, in honor of a leading citizen of that period. This company afterwards had as its foremen Henry H. Hulbert, W. G. Morton, John Allen Root, John Nicholson, Theodore L. Allen, W. F. Francis and Charles J. Lincoln.

In the fall of 1844 the Western Railroad Company placed a fire engine called the Union in a building located near its depot, which soon after became a part of the town's fire department. In 1853 this railroad replaced the old Union with a fire engine named the Eagle. John Von Vetchen, a veteran engineer on this road, was its first foreman and was succeeded by Col. Charles M. Whelden until 1860 when John Holmes

was chosen to the position. Afterwards the Company was disbanded and the Taconic Engine Company was formed with John Lee, James Goggart and James Feeley as its foremen until it disbanded in 1869. This Company then took the name of S. W. Morton, having for its first foremen Seymour Gardner, Michael Fitzgerald, Michael Doyle, Michael Connors, J. J. Powers, Terrance McEnany, James Regan, J. J. Bastion and Edward Dooling.

The Greylock Hook and Ladder Company was formed October 20, 1848, and organized with 27 members. Its foremen have been George A. Groat, Daniel J. Dodge, George W. Burbank, Peter J. Roberts, Julius H. Granger, R. E. Crandall, Sanford Carpenter, Erastus C. Carpenter, Charles H. Miller, George Frey and William McCarey. Its first truck was built by Jason Clapp & Son and its ladders were purchased in Boston. In later years the department has added a second Hook and Ladder apparatus and the two are in service at the present time.

The idea of forming a Protective Company was that of George S. Willis when Chief Engineer, in which he was ably seconded by the several fire insurance Companies and this organization proved of great value from 1883 down to 1892. It was first launched as a hand wagon and not long afterwards its great usefulness being recognized it was furnished with a horse and wagon and all necessary equipments. Its first members were Theodore L. Allen, J. B. Harrison, F. M. Platt, F. W. Hill, A. H. Bassett, James Denny, T. S. Davenport, Walter Watson, Harry G. West, S. Chester Lyon. Its first Captain was Theodore L. Allen. Under the old town this branch of the fire service was admirably managed and saved a great amount of property from damage from fire, smoke and water. The value of such an institution has resulted in the present attachment to the department of three combination chemical, hose and protective wagons.

The Veteran Firemen's Association, having for qualification for membership a continuous service of 25 years as a fireman was organized in 1888, having for its first members William H. Teeling, Clark F. Hall, Martin Bagg, Daniel Spring, Henry R. Warner, Hiram Proper, Isaac Hall, Jonas Sears, J. Henry Sears, E. N. Robbins, John

S. Smith, Joseph H. Wood, John Allen Root, George Clark, etc. This association has well furnished rooms near the Central house, neatly fitted up for its meetings and banquets, the walls being adorned with portraits of many of the old time force and the silver trumpets, helmets and other trophies won by the volunteer department in musters, etc. Besides it is a veritable museum of relics of the dress and ornament of the firemen of the last half of the past century.

The Chief Engineers and their Assistants in the Pittsfield Fire Department from 1844 down to 1904 have all been gentlemen drawn from the ranks of its best citizenship, most vigorous individual representatives and noted for their bravery, coolness, good management and judgment. As the full list of these officers would seem to take in the earlier as well as later most prominent firefighters of the old town, we publish it in full as a matter of history and for future reference, only regretting that the full list of foremen and members of the old volunteer force who used to man the brakes of the old Waterman tubs are now unobtainable.

1844-5 - Chief, Levi Goodrich; assistants, Robert Campbell, George S. Willis, Jason Clapp, H. Callender, Jared Ingersoll, William G. Backus, Ensign H. Kellogg. 1846 - Chief, Robert Campbell; assistants, E. H. Kellogg, G. S. Willis, P. Allen, Jr. 1847 - Chief, R. Campbell; assistants, E. H. Kellogg, Thomas F. Plunkett, P. Allen, Jr. 1848 - Chief, Thomas F. Plunkett; assistants, E. H. Kellogg, P. Allen, Jr., John C. West. 1849 - Chief, T. F. Plunkett; assistants, W. H. Powers, P. Allen, Jr., J. C. West. 1850-1 - Chief, Gordon McKay; assistants, Abraham Burbank, J. C. West, T. G. Atwood. 1852-3 - Chief, J. C. West; assistants, A. Burbank, Thomas Colt, David Campbell. 1854 - Chief, J. C. West, assistants, Thomas Colt, David Campbell, Robert Pomeroy. 1855 - Chief, J. C. West; assistants, Frank E. Taylor, Seth W. Morton, A. W. Kellogg. 1856 - Chief, S. W. Morton; assistants, F. E. Taylor, G. S. Willis, J. L. Peck. 1857 - Chief, S. W. Morton; assistants, J. L. Peck, William M. Walker, Lebbeus Scott. 1859 - Chief, Jabez L. Peck; assistants, W. M. Walker, L. Scott, A. Burbank. 1860-1 - Chief, J. L. Peck; assistants, W. M. Walker, L. Scott, William R.

Plunkett. 1862 - Chief, J. L. Peck; assistants, W. M. Walker, L. Scott, William R. Plunkett. 1863 - Chief, J. L. Peck; assistants, L. Scott, W. R. Plunkett, John R. Feeley. 1864 - Chief, Lebbeus Scott; assistants, W. R. Plunkett, J. R. Feeley, H. Groat. 1865 - Chief, L. Scott; assistants, W. R. Plunkett, J. R. Feeley, F. F. Read. 1866-7 - Chief, Abraham Burbank; assistants, J. R. Feeley, F. F. Read, H. Groat. 1868 - Chief, A. Burbank; assistants, J. R. Feeley, F. F. Read, William H. Murray. 1869 - Chief, John R. Feeley; assistants, W. H. Murray, W. C. Gregory, George S. Willis, Jr. 1870 - Chief, J. R. Feeley; assistants, W. H. Murray, W. C. Gregory, S. W. Morton. 1871 - Chief, J. R. Feeley; assistants, W. H. Murray, H. S. Russell, S. W. Morton. 1872 - Chief, J. R. Feeley; assistants, S. W. Morton, H. S. Russell, G. S. Willis, Jr. 1873-4 - Chief, Jabez L. Peck; assistants, Edwin Clapp, G. S. Willis, Jr., Seth W. Morton. 1876 - Chief, J. L. Peck; assistants, G. S. Willis, Jr., W. H. Teeling, S. W. Morton. 1877 - Chief, J. L. Peck; assistants, Edwin Clapp, W. H. Teeling, S. W. Morton. 1878 - Chief, W. H. Teeling; assistants, W. G. Backus, Jr., M. Fitzgerald, E. C. Carpenter. 1879 - Chief, W. H. Teeling; assistants, E. C. Carpenter, T. H. McEnany, H. H. Hulbert. 1880 - Chief, W. H. Teeling; assistants, E. C. Carpenter, T. H. McEnany, W. G. Morton. 1881 - Chief, W. H. Teeling; assistants, E. C. Carpenter, T. H. McEnany, E. H. Robbins. 1882 - Chief, George S. Willis; assistants, E. C. Carpenter, T. M. McEnany, John A. Root. 1883-4 - Chief, G. S. Willis; assistants, E. C. Carpenter, T. H. McEnany, S. W. Branch. 1884 - Chief, G. S. Willis; assistants, T. H. McEnany, G. W. Branch, H. T. Howison. 1885-6 - Chief, G. S. Willis; assistants, T. H. McEnany, G. W. Branch, S. Carpenter. 1887 - Chief, G. W. Branch; assistants, J. J. Powers, T. W. Noble, C. H. Miller. 1888 - Chief, G. W. Branch; assistants, J. J. Powers, J. M. Ready, C. E. Carpenter. 1889 - Chief, G. W. Branch; assistant, J. J. Powers. 1890 - Chief, A. Stewart; assistant, G. H. Frey. 1891 to 1896, Chief, G. W. Branch; assistants, J. J. Powers, J. Howison, G. H. Frey. 1896-1904 - Chief, William F. Francis; assistant, George H. Frey.

The loud ringing of church bells in giving

fire alarms was succeeded by the Gamwell fire alarm system in 1883, which cost the town \$400, and was greatly due to the advocacy of William H. Teeling and George S. Willis. This originally had two circuits, since replaced with a six circuit system.

The steamers named after Edwin Clapp and George Y. Learned cost the town \$8,000 in 1872, at which time they took the place of the hand engines. The first service of these steamers was at the burning of the J. L. Colby coal sheds in Lanesboro, February 27, 1872, and the second at the George Van Valkenburg carriage shop. These are now designated as No. 1 and 2.

The town purchased the Silsby steamer on North street in 1885 for \$5,000, which is now called No. 3 and is the reserve steamer.

Old fire fighting machinery of the town is enumerated as follows: 1819, Bucket Brigade; 1822 to 1834, two box engines; 1844, two hand engines and 600 feet of hose.

In 1891 the management and conduct of the volunteer fire department passed from the old fire district into the control of the city, and became a paid department.

The old hand engine Pontoosuc was finally manned by the employees of that mill until the death of Superintendent Dwight Francis, when the organization was given up. The Housatonic was put in charge of the Peck Manufacturing Company, while the old Western Railroad engine was removed to Springfield.

In four of the early musters attended by the Housatonic Company with their Waterman hand engine, namely in Springfield, Hartford, Lee and Pittsfield, it took prizes. In Springfield the second prize in competition with thirteen companies in 1853. The first prize in Pittsfield in 1856 and the second prize at Lee.

The S. W. Morton North street company at one time had a famous team of fifteen runners and captured many notable prizes. In 1883 this team ran 600 feet and laid 300 feet of hose making hydrant connections, all in 38 $\frac{3}{4}$ seconds.

The valuation of the fire department property in 1892 was \$54,612. The addition of the Central fire house and hose tower in 1895 costing \$25,000 and other improvements since has brought this value in 1904 to the \$100,000 mark.

The first printed report of the Chief

Engineers was issued under the administration of John R. Feeley in 1869. No report was issued in 1872 for the reason there was neither a fire nor an alarm that year.

At the Pittsfield firemen's muster held on the town lot on Adam street in 1856 a high pole had been erected in two sections and a platform for a judge's stand near by. On this pole black rings were painted with height figures and the judges were armed with opera glasses. The engines in competition were fed from a huge water tank and the streams thrown were perpendicular and not horizontal.

The four torch boys of the Housatonic Company in 1858 were Thomas F. Plunkett, Jr., Henry W. Brewster, Richard Montville and Richard Powers. These ran ahead of the Company at night with huge flambeaus and lighted its way through the streets in answer to all alarms.

In 1858 the Housatonic Company had three men on its hose cart fully six feet in height, these being Charles T. Plunkett, William W. Rockwell and Bernard Lawrence. Taking long strides this team was exceedingly swift and effective.

The supply of hose in the department at the present time is about 10,000 feet, while it has 400 hydrants and is carried on with 12 horses.

In 1869 there were 155 active volunteers in the department. There were 51 men in the Housatonic, of which Edwin Clapp was foreman; 47 in the Pontoosuc, with H. A. Hulbert, foreman; 27 in the Seth W. Morton, with S. Gardner, foreman; 28 in the Hook and Ladder, with Benjamin Smith, foreman. The department had 3,600 feet of hose and the whole expense of the force for that year was \$1,483.28.

In a Fourth of July parade in 1859, William Horton, an ardent member of Mystic Lodge and of the Housatonic Company, and also a locomotive engineer on the Western Railroad, bore a gorgeous banner at the head of the Housatonics in the procession, the two flowing cords and tassels of which were held by torch boys, Plunkett and Brewster. On one side of this banner was the motto, "We Save or Perish," and on the other a picture of the old John C. West store in flames.

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BERKSHIRE REMINISCENCES

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In 1820 the population of both North and South Adams was 1836, but this reached 2,500 in 1830. In 1836 there were but 35 dwellings and 40 families in South Adams, a postoffice, an academy, a church, four stores, two taverns, two blacksmiths, five shoemakers, two cabinet makers, two harness makers, two carpenters and joiners and two stone cutters.

Russell Brown and others, as the South Adams Cotton and Woolen Manufacturing Co., ran a brick mill built in 1814, 75 by 31 feet and three stories, located a short distance from the centre. Coarse sheeting and shirting to the amount of 156,000 yards were produced annually, with 708 spindles, 26 looms and 35 employees.

D. Anthony ran a four story, 56 by 36 sheeting and shirting mill with an output of 130,000 yards a year to the north of the village, with 504 spindles, 18 looms and 25 employees. This mill was originally built by Caleb B. Turner and his brother on the site of the present Broadley mill, and was the first factory in the south village, and the first cotton manufactory in the county of Berkshire and state of Massachusetts. In 1819 Mr. Turner removed to North Adams to manufacture cotton cloth in the old Eagle mill at the head of Eagle street in that village, where in 1822 he operated the first power loom ever run in the county and built the first cupola iron-ore blast furnace.

This enterprising man, of whom a portrait is still preserved, in company with Giles Tinker built the Gould mill in 1826, where they manufactured machinery, and in 1828 he built the old Union Print Works and in the firm of Turner & Laflin was the first calico printer in Western Massachusetts. Besides this, this cotton and calico manufacturing pioneer of both the villages of the old town of Adams was the first president from 1830 to 1837 of the old Adams Bank, at North Adams. He died December 17, 1858, at the age of 69.

Isaac N. Hoxie ran a cotton yarn mill on Tophet brook to the east of the village with 144 spindles and seven employees. The factory was a wooden building, 40 by 30

feet, and three and one-half stories high. Water was thrown on a huge overshot wheel from a level with the third story of the structure. In this mill \$15,000 worth of machinery was made annually.

George Turner ran a mill, 30 by 30, and of wood, a half mile north of the village, and manufactured 60,000 yards of striped cotton cloth annually with 336 spindles and 13 persons. All the weaving was done in families outside of the mill.

The first mill in Cheshire Harbor was a small wooden structure for the manufacture of yarn and built by A. Anthony and Stephen B. Brown. Here Jessie and Elisha Jenks and Lincoln Brown in 1828 erected a one-story stone and two-story wood structure, 50 by 34 feet, and manufactured 80,000 yards of coarse cotton sheetings and shirtings annually with 384 spindles, 12 looms and 15 employees. In 1829 cotton and woolen goods were manufactured in the south village to the extent of 570,000 yards annually and 113 persons were employed in this business.

The foundation of the present magnificent Adams library was laid in 1805 by the Adams Library Association with 130 volumes at a cost of \$150.00

In 1825 the Adams academy, a small building, was erected to accommodate a subscription school. In 1830 the village was divided into thirteen school districts. The first money raised by taxation for education was December 31, 1782, when £3 was voted for a grammar school.

The first church organized aside from that of the Friends was the Baptist, July 4, 1827 when under the ministry of Rev. Elnathan Sweet and with a membership of 14, which had increased to 76 in 1854. Its services were held in the earlier years in a brick building having no steeple, which stood on the site of the present L. L. Brown Company paper mill, and which was originally built by the citizens of the town for a union meeting house. It was torn down in 1859, after having been used as a store-house for the paper company for many years.

The Congregational church was organized with two members, January 1, 1840, and

Rev. Stillman Pratt was its minister from 1839 to 1848, being installed in 1845. Revs. Jay J. Dana and John Tatlock succeeded him. The church edifice dedicated in 1868 has been succeeded by the present fine structure and parsonage.

A full century ago there resided in that portion of Great Barrington called North Plain an honest charcoal burner named Samuel Ives. Ives always bore the title of "Sir," for the reason that addressing either man or woman he always used this word. It is related of this ancient woodchopper and collier, who deceased 75 years ago, that in 1806 he forgot the day of the week, and unmindful that it was a Sabbath morning, shouldered his trusty ax and clambered up the mountain near his home to fell trees wherewith to stock a fresh kiln.

That morning also his good wife was absent-minded and placing her cream in the churn faithfully labored away at the dasher until the butter came. Suddenly discovering that she was short of salt she sent her son John over to Squire French's house to borrow a bowl full of this necessary condiment. The lad found the worthy Squire reading his Bible, the rest of the family having gone to the Congregational church to attend public worship. In answer to the demand of the lad as to what he wanted, John replied that his mother wished to borrow a little salt for her butter, having just finished her churning and found herself short of that article.

It was then that the Squire threw himself back in his huge arm chair in holy horror, exclaiming, "is your mother insane or has she lost her senses sending you to borrow salt on Sunday." Then the frightened lad proceeded to confess that his father was way up on the mountain chopping wood for his kiln. Being refused any salt he reported to his mother, who speedily sent him up the mountain side to bring home his erring sire. Samuel, on arriving home, found his wife wringing her hands and shedding copious tears over their sad wickedness, and crying "Oh, Samuel, I do not know how we can make it up with the Lord for forgetting his commandment to 'remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.'"

The conscience-stricken Samuel took down the old family Bible from its shelf and sitting down in his favorite chair exclaimed: "The Lord - I can make up with Him long

before night sets in, but I don't know how in thunder I can make my peace with Squire French." Now, Samuel was quite illiterate and was a poor reader. Opening his Bible at a certain chapter in the Book of Job he proceeded to read, "And Job ran down from the mountain and shaved himself with a pot lid." While he read his poor wife continued pleading for forgiveness for the grievous sin, when the chapter being finished they called the boys into the house and fervently prayed the Lord for pardon. It was then a calm fell upon this humble and sorrowful home, with the comforting thought that they would no longer be troubled whether Squire French forgave them or not.

Among those who settled in that portion of Egremont called Guilder Hollow, previous to the Revolutionary War, was a notable family name Willard. Simeon Willard of this family is supposed to have been the Egremont pioneer, while it is recorded that he was killed by a bolt of lightning while standing in the front door of his house in the summer of 1762. His tombstone, on which is lettered the manner of his death, is to be found in the small cemetery called "Bow-Wow" on the border line of Sheffield and Egremont. Bartemius Willard, another member of this family was noted as a sharp wit and was somewhat of a poet. On certain occasion "Barty," as he was familiarly called, was summoned to appear either as a jurymen or witness at a session of the old Court of Common Pleas at Lenox. Nearly all the lawyers of that day were familiar with his eccentricities of talent, his nimble tongue and were always much amused by his poetical squibs and witty remarks.

While in attendance upon the court at this time one of these lawyers on the part of his legal companions invited Willard to dine with them, adding to the request as an extra inducement, "that it shouldn't cost him a cent." Barty gladly accepted and the company were soon gathered around a sumptuously spread table in the old Lenox Tavern dining room. Before commencing the repast one of the lawyers called upon Barty to ask divine grace. Tradition has it that this wag made no pretensions to religion, but rising to the emergency replied, "if I ask this blessing I hope you will all conduct yourselves as true gentlemen should on such an occasion and be

very careful not to make a mockery of it. Besides, at the conclusion of the repast, I desire that some one of your number should return thanks." According to this request one of the members of the bar was selected for the latter duty, whereupon all stood up solemnly about the table when Willard without the least halt or hesitation in voice and with bowed head uttered the following:

Lord of the climes, haste on the times
 When death makes lawyers civil,
 Lord stop their clack,
 And send them back
 Unto their parent, devil.
 Don't let this band
 Upset our land,
 Nor let their bold tricks conquer;
 Oh let this club of Beelzebub
 Insult mankind no longer;
 They're bad indeed
 As thistle weed
 Which chokes our fertile mowing;
 Comparing nigh
 To the Hessian fly
 Which kills our wheat when growing;
 Come sudden death
 Shut off their breath
 And cleanse them all with brimstone.
 Then let them climb,
 To hotter clime
 To turn old Satan's grindstone.

In relating this incident in after years, the landlord of this old tavern said that "Barty's grace" cast such a gloom over the banqueters that they were able to eat but sparingly of the feast while the lawyer who had been selected to say thanks at its close, suddenly arose from his seat and made hasty exit from the room.

In the earlier years of 1800 the Berkshire farmers had to haul their produce to the city of Hudson in teams where it was loaded on sloops and thus carried to New York. Generally this shipping was done by the well to do country merchants, who with the produce of their own farms and that received in barter from townspeople, often collected together big cargoes, which found quick sales in the metropolis. Wheat, corn, oats, rye, buckwheat, potatoes, vegetables, eggs, cheese and butter in the firkin were the principal supplies thus marketed. As a rule the country merchant of those days accompanied

his shipments, which he either sold in the city for spot cash or exchanged for West Indian sugar and molasses and the then staple dry goods, which he brought home on his return trip. This method of business was kept up until 1840 and in some county localities until a later period, and the occupation of teaming between the Berkshire hills and the northern navigable waters of the Hudson river was very profitable, and numerous little wayside inns which sprang up along the several routes sometimes had a rushing trade in providing for man and beast. Uncle Moses Wolcott of Cheshire, always known and remembered as "Little Moses," was a heavy shipper of Cheshire cheese to New York, and his cargoes of this once famous product of that town, with other life necessities, were quite heavy. It took about two weeks to make one of these voyages from Hudson to New York bay, and on one of these, in which Uncle Moses was a freighter and passenger, having left his vigorous wife at home to keep both his store and hotel, the wind was so fickle that the trip became somewhat monotonous. There were quite a number of passengers of both sexes on board, besides the usual compliment of old store-keepers, and one afternoon when there was not enough moving atmosphere to inflate a yard of the sloop's canvas, in lack of other amusement it was decided to have a mock wedding. Landlord and storekeeper Moses, who was of diminutive size, and a Justice of the Peace, was called upon to preside at the ceremony, and very pompously performed the function, the whilom bridegroom being very short in stature, and Polly Bishop, the blushing bride, towering up from the decks beside the main mast to the height of six feet from her stockings to the topmost curl upon her head. Uncle Moses never failed to kiss a bride whom he had united in the bands of wedlock, either as a matter of fact or in fun, but here was a dilemma, for the top of his head was almost on a line with Polly's girdle belt. But suddenly espying a short ladder he threw it up suddenly against her back, rushed up the same, threw his arms around her neck and gave her a resounding Wolcott smack.

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ANCESTOR TABLES

CDXIII. MINNIE ESTELLA ROBISON, submitted by her granddaughter, Deborah Brown McCabe, 33 Los Altos Square, Los Altos, CA 94011

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1. Minnie Estella ROBISON, 1890-1948; Mount Vernon, Indiana; Berkeley, California.

II.

2. Jesse ROBISON, ca1846-49/1913; Hamilton County, Ohio; Petersburg, Kentucky; Mount Vernon.
3. Elizabeth L. McDANIEL, 1852-1901; Boone County, Kentucky; Mount Vernon.

III.

4. Abraham/Abram ROBINSON, ca1814-24/1888; Ohio; Decatur, Indiana; Harrison, Ohio.
5. Sarah PIKE, ca1818-1902; Indiana; Ohio; Harrison.
6. James McDANIEL, 1824-1869; Adams County, Ohio; Petersburg.
7. Ailsey Jane HORTH, ca1832-1918; Ohio; Fort Scott, Kansas.

IV.

10. Eli PIKE, 1788-1866; Berkshire County, Massachusetts; New Lebanon, New York; Jackson, Indiana.
11. Naoma/Naomi DUNCAN, 1792-93/1877; New York; Jackson.

V.

20. Barnabas PECK/PIKE, ca1750-55/1830; East Haddam, Connecticut; Pittsfield, Massachusetts.
21. Hannah LORD, ca1753-1854; New York.

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CDXIV. THOMAS LORING BAYLIS, submitted by his daughter Diana Baylis, 18 Maple St., Nashua, NH 03060

I.

1. Thomas Loring BAYLIS, 1928-1998; Miami, Florida; Huntington, New York; Nashua, New Hampshire.

II.

2. Joseph BAYLIS, 1889-1979; Elizabeth, New Jersey; Miami, Florida; Dix Hill, New York.
3. Katherine LORING, 1897-1994; Tyringham, Massachusetts; Miami, Dix Hill.

III.

4. Joseph BAYLIS, 1863- ; New York.
5. Nora E. COWAN, 1862-1948; Ireland; Manhattan, New York.
6. Benjamin LORING, 1867-1925; Tyringham.
7. Georgia WHITE, 1877-1944; Tyringham.

IV.

8. Joseph BAYLIS, 1821-1886; Germany; Oyster Bay, New York.
9. Catherine DALY, 1825-1912; Ireland; Oyster Bay.
10. Patrick COWAN, - ; Ireland.

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John Benton
Jonathan Benton
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Peter Brazee
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Warren Hull
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Barnt Minklier
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John Pyer
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George Robinson
Ephraim Root
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Nathaniel Ranson
Moses Root
Isaac Root
Israel Root
Moses Rice*
Elijah Slosson
Amasa Spencer
Spencer James
Nathan Scott*
Jonah Stevens
Josiah Stevens
John Stevens
John Smith
John Seele
John Seele, Junr.
Jonas Standish
Ezekiel Stone
Elijah Sweet
Peter Sanders
Eli Sweet
Caleb Sweet

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Question marks in the age column are those of the Enumerator.

143	173	Seth Higby	23	M	Mechanic	Mass.
		Hannah Higby	46	F		N.Y.
		Edwin E. Higby	10	M		Mass.
		Mary A. Higby	7	F		Mass.
144	174	Franklin G. Abbey	31	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Fanny L. Abbey	29	F		Penn.
		Chester C. Abbey	3	M		Mass.
		Emery B. Gibbs	26		Laborer	Penn.
		Hariett L. Smith	15	F		Mass.
145	175	John ? Hubbard	33	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Laura Hubbard	36	F		Mass.
		Jane Hubbard	11	F		Mass.
		Mary Hubbard	9	F		Mass.
		Albert Hubbard	8	M		Mass.
		Lewis Hubbard	2	M		Mass.
		Persis Hubbard	65	F		Vermont
		Squire Decker?	18	M	Laborer	Mass.
146	176	Allen J. Smith	52	M	Farmer	Conn.
		Angeline Smith	46	F		Mass.
		Hannah Smith	90	F		Conn.
		George Smith	15	M		Mass.
		James Smith	11	M		Mass.
		Lucy Smith	6	F		Mass.
		Julina Smith	4	F		Mass.
147	177	Joel B. Hubbard	44	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary C. Hubbard	40	F		Mass.
		Harley A. Hubbard	18	M	Laborer	Mass.
		Emily A. Hubbard	14	F		Mass.
		Lydia S. Hubbard	10	F		Mass.
		Eliett? M. Hubbard	6	M		Mass.
		Martin Brooks	18	M		Conn.
148		School Hands?				
149	178	Silas C. Spencer	58	M	Farmer	Conn.
		Polly Spencer	56	F		Mass.
		John Spencer	8	M	Laborer	Mass.
		George Spencer	14	M		Mass.
		Mary T. Farley	10	F		Mass.
150	179	Ambrose Spencer	50	M	Farmer	N.Y.
		Abigal Spencer	47	F		Mass.
		Irene? Spencer	14	F		Mass.
		Francis L. Spencer	11	M		Mass.
		Ancelli Spencer	9	F		Mass.
		Eliza I. Spencer	7	F		Mass.
151	180	Alvin Twing	40	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Jerusa? Twing	36	F		Mass.
		Margaret Twing	85	F		Mass.
		Margaret J. Twing	14	F		Mass.

		George W. Twing	8 M		Mass.
		? Twing	2 M		Mass.
152	181	Birdsell Brooks	36 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Huldah Brooks	24 F		Mass.
		Adelia Brooks	3 F		Conn.
		Joseph Brooks	2 M		Conn.
153	182	William Hall	33 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Frances Hall	27 F		Mass.
		Alfred Hall	7m M		Mass.
		George Alexander	37 M		Mass.
154	183	Seymour Burrows	35 M	Mason	N.Y.
		Orrilla? Burrows	38 F		Mass.
		Chester Burrows	22 M	Mason	Mass.
		John Burrows	19 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sarah A. Winchell	13 F		Mass.
155	184	Daniel Fargo	64 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary H. Fargo	62 F		Mass.
		Thomas C. Fargo	31 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sarah Judd	60 F		Mass.
156	185	Edmund A. Stedman	42 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lois A. Stedman	45 F		Mass.
		Henry C. Stedman	20 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Oscar F. Stedman	15 M		Mass.
		Ann Mary Stedman	10 F		Mass.
157	186	Mosses Fargo	55 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Permilla Fargo	53 F		Mass.
		Amos C. Fargo	20 M	Farmer	Mass.
158	187	Ira Markham	51 M	Mechanic	Mass,
		Lavenia Markham	45 F		Mass.
		Brewster C. Markham	16 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Franklin W. Markham	12 M		Mass.
159	188	Samuel N. Barber	44 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Susan Barber	47 F		Mass.
		Eunice Barber	8 F		Mass.
160	189	Alfred Claflin	45 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lucilla Claflin	39 F		Conn.
		Govena? I. Claflin	6 F		Mass.
		Franklin S. Claflin	4 M		Mass.
		Electa Shepard	55 F		Mass.
161	190	Parker Searles	67 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Lydia Searles	65 F		Conn.
		Henry P. Searles	26 M	Mechanic	Ohio
		Ellen Searles	15 F		Conn.
		Albert Downes	11 M		Mass.
162	191	John Jones	69 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lucy Jones	70 F		Mass.
		John Connor	28 M	Laborer	Ireland
		Cordelia Heath	28 F		Mass.
163	192	Henry Abbey	63 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Julia Abbey	57 F		Mass.
		James Farley	17 M	Laborer	Ireland
		Sally Cone	61 F		Mass.
164	193	James Jones	56 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Eliza M. Jones	46 F		Mass.

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165	194	Adner Merrills	34	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lucy A. Merrills	34	F		Mass.
		Judson? A. Merrills	5	M		Mass.
		Emily M. Merrills	1	F		Mass.
		Merrick Chapin	21	M	Laborer	Mass.
		Charles H.? Bentley	13	M		Mass.
		Mary Searles	23	F		Mass.
166	195	--alding Stumpf	31	M	Farmer	Germany
		Mary Stumpf	26	F		Conn.
		Lyman Stumpf	2	M		Conn.
		Heber Stumpf	4m	M		Conn.
		Peter Stumpf	37	M		Mass.
		Nicholas Burdock	33	M	Laborer	Germany
		John Coleman	32	M		Belgium
		Victoria Zigelmoise	17	F		Germany
		Ruben Stumpf	6	M		Conn.
167	196	Chester Claflin	44	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Charles Claflin	11	M		Mass.
		Anabel L. Claflin	2	F		Mass.
		Charles L. Panach	17	M	Laborer	Conn.
		Elizabeth C. Brace	49	F		Conn.
		Frank W. Brace	4	M		N.Y.?
168	197	Walter Crine	34	M	Farmer	Conn.
		Ann J. Crine	33	F		?
		Frank W. Crine	1	M		Mass.
169	198	Amos Sears	83	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Betsey Sears	62	F		Mass.
170	199	Eilasarod? Stratton	57	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Margaret Stratton	42	F		Mass.
		Ellen Stratton	15	F		Mass.
		Gordon Stratton	11	M		Mass.
		Anson Hall?	42	M	Laborer	Mass.
		Lewis Parker	21	M	Laborer	Conn.
		Martha David?	34	F		Mass.
		Mary A. David?	6	F		Mass.
171	200	Luman W. Bosworth	45	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Abigal Bosworth	38	F		Mass.
		Arelia A. Bosworth	10	F		Mass.
		Samuel Webber?	67	M	(Pauper)	Mass.
		Edward Whitney	16	M		Conn.
		Lina Warner	86	F		Conn.
		Betsey Goodrich	76	F		Conn.
		Arilla Shepard	11	F	(Pauper & Idiot)	Mass.
172	201	Dilmar? Bosworth	83	M	Farmer	Mass.
173	202	Clarissa Bosworth	66	F		Mass.
		John Smith	22	M	Farmer	N.Y.
		James Maxfield	20	M	Farmer	N.Y.
		Anna C. Maxfield	44	F		N.Y.
		William Maxfield	17	M	Farmer	N.Y.
		Sarah Maxfield	12	F		N.Y.
		Abraham Maxfield	8	M		Mass.
		Charles Maxfield	5	M		Mass.
174	203	Luman Wilcox	63	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Rebecca Wilcox	55	F		Mass.

175	204	Alonzo Fargo	34 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Louisa J. Fargo	36 F		Mass.
		Mary J. Fargo	12 F		Mass.
		Elvira L. Fargo	9 F		Mass.
		Rufus W. Fargo	6 M		Mass.
		Charles I. Fargo	3 M		Mass.
		William Nagers	85 M	B	N.J.
176	205	James Willcox	37 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Clarissa Willcox	39 F		Mass.
		Albert Willcox	4 M		Mass.
		Josephine Vesoncamy?	13 F		Mass.
		John Conner	36 M	Laborer	Mass.
177	206	Alpheus G. Snow	34 M	Farmer	Mass.
		E. R. Snow	31 F		Mass.
		Julius? Snow	8 M		Mass.
		Charles Snow	7 M		Mass.
		Arthur Snow	2m M		Mass.
		Ann Pratt	39 F		Mass.
		George B. Pratt	9 M		Mass.
178	207	Joseph Twining	34 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Henriett Twining	34 F		Ohio
		Albert Twining	2 M		Mass.
		William Twining	1 M		Mass.
		Aura? Collins	15 F		Mass.
179	208	Milton Abbey	36 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Maria Abbey	37 F		Mass.
		Henry Abbey	11 M		Mass.
		Julia A. Abbey	4 F		Mass.
		Wellington H. Abbey	1 M		Mass.
		Amelia H. Abbey	4m F		Mass.
		Charlott Bishop	16 F		Mass.
180	209	Henry Wright	48 M	Farmer	Vermont
		Julia A. Wright	27 F		Mass.
		Alice L. Wright	3 F		Mass.
		Thomas Jackson	13 M	B	N.Y.
181	210	Edward Boinay	29 M	Collier?	Switzerland
		Harriet Boinay	24 F		Switzerland
		Hariett Boinay	2 F		Mass.
		Edward Boinay	8m M		Mass.
		Francis C. Noyriel	33 M	Shoemaker	France
		Agnes Noyriel	34 F		France
		John C. Noyriel	9 M		France
		Frederick Paris	34 M	Tailor	France
		Onas Feneudared?	21 M	Shoemaker	Switzerland
182	211	Jenace? Boinay	59 M	Carpenter	Switzerland
		Alexander Boinay	23 M	Tailor	Switzerland
		Joseph Boinay	16 M	Hat Maker	Switzerland
		Mary A. Boinay	59 F		Switzerland
		Caroline Boinay	22 F		Conn.
		Frederick Perrenat	21 M	Collier?	France
183	212	William A. Cowles	48 M	Farmer	Mass.
		George Cowles	9 M		Mass.
		Albert Cowles	? m		Mass.
184	213	Henry Ashman	37 M	Collier	

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		Mary Ashman	27 F		Conn.
		Huldah W. Ashman	10 F		Conn.
		Lorenzo D.? Ashman	7 M		N.Y.
		Jeremiah Ashman	5 M		N.Y.
		Mary C.? Ashman	3 F		Conn.
		Henry S. Ashman	3m M		Mass.
		Sellana? Ashman	73 F		N.Y.
		Ellen Ashman	56 F		N.Y.
		Lewis P. Ashman	13 M		Conn.
185	214	Joseph Collins	42 M	Collier	France
		Roselane? Collins	32 F		France
		Joseph Collins	13 M		France
		Ezra Collins	2 M		N.Y.
		Sardo? Crady	48 M	Collier	France
		Martis Can----	42 M	Collier	Mass.
186	215	Orris Wood	53 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Louisa? Wood	49 F		Mass.
		Eunice H. Wood	18 F		Mass.
		Harlin P. Wood	14 M		Mass.
187	216	Michael Clark	61 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lucy Clark	61 F		Mass.
		Pheba Clark	30 F		Mass.
		Anna H. Clark	21 F		Mass.
188	217	School Hands			
189	218	Hiram Leonard	45 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sarah J. Leonard	23 F		N.Y.
		Augusta A. Leonard	8 M?		Mass.
		William Leonard	3 M		Mass.
		Alcina L. Leonard	2m F		Mass.
		George Leonard	43 M		Mass.
		Huldah Leonard	29 F		Mass.
		Hannah M. Leonard	11 F		Mass.
190	219	John Lorin	40 M	Mechanic	France
		Mary Lorin	36 F		France
		Edward Lorin	10 M		Conn.
		Vercian Lorin	7 F		Conn.
		Isabella Lorin	5 F		Conn.
		Paul Lorin	4 M		Conn.
		Honine Lorin	3 F		Conn.
		John Lorin	1 M		Mass.
		George E---nnel	28 M	Laborer	France
191	220	John Chavanna	34 M	Farmer	Switzerland
		Mary A. Chavanna	33 F		Switzerland
		Lewis Chavanna	7 M		Conn.
		Mary Chavanna	1 F		Mass.
		Toussaint Mondry	66 M	Farmer	Switzerland
		Mary Mondry	65 F		Switzerland
		Simon Merchel	28 M	Collier	France
		Alexander Deventoy	25 M	Collier	France
		Celestine Deventoy	30 M	Collier	France
		Eugene Deventoy	28 M	Collier	France
		Francis Gaugiatte?	30 M	Collier	France
		Francis Guinol?	35 M	Farmer	France
192	221	Smith Sackett	39 M	Farmer	Mass.

Jemima Sackett	34 F		Mass.
Roswell Sackett	16 M	Farmer	Mass.
Mary P. Sackett	13 F		Mass.
Cyntha C.? Sackett	10 F		Mass.
John S. Sackett	1 M		Mass.
Ada A. Sackett	3m F		Mass.
193 222 Horace? Sage	54 M	Farmer	Mass.

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11. Elizabeth RYAN, - ; Ireland.
12. James LORING, 1844-1876; Sheffield, Massachusetts.
13. Mary JOHNS, 1850- ; Great Barrington, Massachusetts.
14. Edwin WHITE, 1837-1914; Sandisfield, Massachusetts; Tyringham.
15. Martha MIDDLETON, 1839-1930; Connecticut; Sandisfield; Tyringham.

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24. Chester LORING, 1815-1897; Sheffield.
25. Ann STANTON, 1822-1880; Sheffield; Hinsdale, Massachusetts.
26. Daniel JOHNS, 1801-1863; West Stockbridge, Massachusetts; Great Barrington.
27. Margarette OAKES, 1827- ; Patterson, New Jersey; Alford, Massachusetts.
28. Jedediah WHITE, 1798-1870; Connecticut; Sandisfield.
29. Alice (Ellia) PEASE, 1801-1859; Sandisfield.

VI.

48. Isaac LORING, 1780-1936; Plympton, Massachusetts; Sheffield.
49. Cornelia OWEN, 1786-1857; Sheffield.
50. Nathan STANTON, 1798-1869; Stonington, Connecticut; Sheffield.
51. Eliza WRIGHT, 1801-1880; New York; Great Barrington.
52. Stephen JOHNS, 1762-1851; New York.
53. Sally JOHNS, 1768-1850; Connecticut.
58. Oliver PEASE, 1777-1850; Sandisfield; Blissfield, Michigan.
59. Ruth HUBBARD, 1780-1822; Sandisfield.

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Eliphalet Smith	Paul Turner	Elisha Woodruff
Abijah Smith	Timothy Treat	Christopher Winter
Nicholas Smith	Joseph Atwell Turner	Nathaniel Williams
Horatio Strong	Elijah Williams	William Wood
Samuel Slaughter	Amasa Woodruff	Nathaniel Young
John Slaughter	Asaph Woodruff	Doctr. Samuel Baldwin
Jonas Seeley	Amos Woodruff	Nathan Boughton
Samuel Smith*	Lieut. Theophilus Westover*	Benjamin Stilwill
William Tuller	Haniel Warner	Seymour Sylick
Peter Turner	Josiah Woodruff	Samuel Dryer ■

9 7GGS 9	8 6GGS 8	7 5GGS 7	6 4GGS 6	5 3GGS 5	4 2GGS 4	3 GGS 3	2 GS 2	1 S 1	C.P
10 6GGN 9	9 5GGN 8	8 4GGN 7	7 3GGN 6	6 2GGN 5	5 GGN 4	4 GN 3	3 N 2	2 B 2	1 S 1
11 1C7R 9	10 1C6R 8	9 1C5R 7	8 1C4R 6	7 1C3R 5	6 1C2R 4	5 1C1R 3	4 1C 2	3 N 2	2 GS 2
12 2C6R 9	11 2C5R 8	10 2C4R 7	9 2C3R 6	8 2C2R 5	7 2C1R 4	6 2C 3	5 1C1R 3	4 GN 3	3 GGS 3
13 3C5R 9	12 3C4R 8	11 3C3R 7	10 3C2R 6	9 3C1R 5	8 3C 4	7 2C1R 4	6 1C2R 4	5 GGN 4	4 2GGS 4
14 4C4R 9	13 4C3R 8	12 4C2R 7	11 4C1R 6	10 4C 5	9 3C1R 5	8 2C2R 5	7 1C3R 5	6 2GGN 5	5 3GGS 5
15 5C3R 9	14 5C2R 8	13 5C1R 7	12 5C 6	11 4C1R 6	10 3C2R 6	9 2C3R 6	8 1C4R 6	7 3GGN 6	6 4GGS 6
16 6C2R 9	15 6C1R 8	14 6C 7	13 5C1R 7	12 4C2R 7	11 3C3R 7	10 2C4R 7	9 1C5R 7	8 4GGN 7	7 5GGS 7
17 7C1R 9	16 7C 8	15 6C1R 8	14 5C2R 8	13 4C3R 8	12 3C4R 8	11 2C5R 8	10 1C6R 8	9 5GGN 8	8 6GGS 8
18 8C 9	17 7C1R 9	16 6C2R 9	15 5C3R 9	14 4C4R 9	13 3C5R 9	12 2C6R 9	11 1C7R 9	10 6GGN 9	9 7GGS 9

WHAT DEGREE OF COUSINS ARE WE?

Use this chart to determine the relationship and degree of kindred between relatives. First, find the common progenitor and place him/her in the square marked C.P. Then count the number of generations of descent for one person horizontally to the left across the top column. Do the same for the other person by counting down the right column. Where the two columns intersect you will find the relationship: 4C4R = Fourth cousin, four times removed. In each block, you will find the degree of kindred according to civil law (top of square) and canon or common law (bottom of square). Full cousins are within the bold blocks. Cousins to the left of the bold blocks are known as "cousins in the ascendancy," those to the right of the bold blocks, "cousins in the descendency."

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