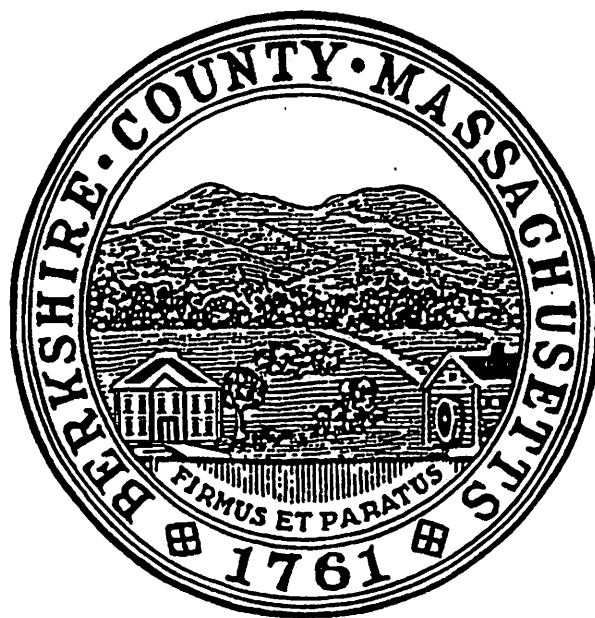


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Outlined below are a selection of major sources available at the Athenaeum for research into Civil War history and genealogy, as well as some of our more unusual items. The listing is by no means complete. Researchers should also remember that county and town histories often contain information on Civil War history as well as lists of veterans from specific locales. Additionally, the Library has a large collection of Regimental histories, too numerous to list here. As an example of a topic search, a keyword search in the Athenaeum's online library catalog using the terms regimental, history, civil and war returns 164 titles. Researchers can access the catalog online for more specific and varied searches. All materials described in this article are available for use in the Local History Department of the Berkshire Athenaeum.

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In 2011, the NARA Pittsfield microfilm reading room located at the Conte Archives was closed due to budgetary considerations. At that time, most of the microfilm resources located there were donated to the Berkshire Athenaeum. Included in this collection are various Civil War related materials including:

Civil War and Later: General Index to Pensions, 1861-1934

Civil War and later, General Index to Widows Pensions

Civil War Index to Compiled Service Records (Colored)

Civil War Index to Compiled Service Records for PA, CT, IO, MA, ME, NH, NY, RI, VT

Civil War Compiled Service Records, Union Volunteers (partial: New England Records were transferred to NARA, Waltham)

Civil War Compiled Service Records, NY Vol. Engineers

Civil War Compiled Service Records, USCT, Mass. 55th

Civil War, Federal Prisoners, Andersonville

Civil War, Naval Enlistments, Index to Rendezvous Reports

Confederate Papers Re: Citizens or Business Firms

Army, 54th Mass. Infantry Regt. (Colored) 1863-1865

Army, 54th Mass. Infantry Regt., Volunteer Union Soldiers (Colored)

Army, U. S., Court Martials, Union Soldiers, 1861-1866

SCHOOL CENSUS OF PITTSFIELD - 1886

Race	Name	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Residence	Parent/Guardian	School
Irish	Tighe, Abbie	13	4/29/73	Nova Scotia	Howard	James	Fenn St.
Irish	Tighe, Allie	7	4/20/79	Nova Scotia	Howard	James	Fenn St.
Irish	Tighe, Edward	8	4/29/77	Nova Scotia	Howard	James	Fenn St.
Amer.	Timbie, Burt L.	11	10/30/74	Pittsfield	N. Second	Henry W.	Orchard St.
Amer.	Timbie, Lena R.	7	4/1/79	Pittsfield	N. Second	Henry W.	Orchard St.
Amer.	Timbie, Edith	7	4/2/78	Pittsfield	Howard	Charles M.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Timbie, Roy	3	1/28/76	Pittsfield	Howard	William	Will go
Amer.	Timbie, Willie H.	8	8/20/77	Pittsfield	Howard	Charles M.	Fenn St.
German	Timmerman, Annie	8	4/24/78	Connecticut	Belair	John T.	Russells
German	Timmerman, Henry	6	2/8/80	Connecticut	Belair	John T.	Russells
Amer.	Tobey, Florence	12	12/12/73	Pittsfield	Union	Theodore P.	Orchard St.
Amer.	Tobey, Margaret	8	10/1/77	Pittsfield	Union	Theodore P.	Orchard St.
Irish	Tobin, James	7	6/4/78	Pittsfield	Wahconah	William	Russells
Irish	Tobin, William	9	11/10/76	Pittsfield	Wahconah	William	Russells
Irish	Toohey, Michael	9	7/31/76	Pittsfield	Barkers	Martin	Barkers
Irish	Toohey, Willie	6	4/5/80	Pittsfield	Barkers	Martin	Barkers
Irish	Toohey, John	14	1/29/72	Pittsfield	Division	Peter	Francis Ave.
Irish	Toohey, Margaret	12	1/28/74	Pittsfield	Division	Peter	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Tooley, Lillian M.	11	9/27/74	New York	Coltsville	Edward M.	Dalton
Amer.	Tooley, Maud E.	9	9/17/76	New York	Coltsville	Edward M.	Dalton
French	Touchet, Elizabeth	12	3/8/74	Canada	Worthington	Thomas	Elizabeth
French	Touchet, Ella	14	1/1/72	Canada	Worthington	Thomas	Don't go
French	Touchet, Selina	9	7/28/76	Canada	Worthington	Thomas	Elizabeth
French	Touchet, Thomas	7	9/20/78	Canada	Worthington	Thomas	Don't go
French	Tougus, Minnie	10	12/4/75	North Adams	Pontoosuc	Alleck	Pontoosuc
French	Tougus, Nellie	12	1/10/74	Canada	Pontoosuc	Allick	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Tower, Henry	7	12/3/78	Hinsdale	John	William F.	Onota
Irish	Tracy, Hugh	10	3/2/76	Haverhill	Taconic	Kate	Pontoosuc
Irish	Tracy, Kate	11	7/5/75	Haverhill	Taconic	Kate	Pontoosuc
Black	Treadwell, Edward A.	11	7/25/74	Pittsfield	River St.	Edward D.	Fenn St.
Irish	Treanor, John	8	12/6/77	Pittsfield	Second St.	James	Fenn St.
Irish	Treanor, Margaret	6	1/10/80	Pittsfield	Second St.	James	Fenn St.
Black	Trent, Willie	11	7/10/74	Pittsfield	Daniels Ave.	B. F. Potter	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Trimble, Florence	12	9/13/73	New York	North	Florence A.	Private
French	Trombley, Elizur	7	1/4/79	Pittsfield	Summer St.	Paul	Union St.
French	Trombley, Hector	7	1/4/79	Pittsfield	Summer St.	Paul	Union St.
French	Trudeau, Alice	12	5/14/74	Pittsfield	Beaver	Louis	Fenn St.
French	Trudeau, Gracie	10	10/11/75	Pittsfield	Beaver	Louis	Fenn St.
Irish	Truden, James	14	5/20/72	Pittsfield	Burbank	James	Don't go
Irish	Truden, John	13	6/16/72	Pittsfield	Burbank	James	Orchard
Irish	Truden, Josephine	10	9/29/75	Pittsfield	Burbank	James	Orchard St.
Irish	Truden, Katie	12	8/8/73	Pittsfield	Burbank	James	Orchard St.
Irish	Truden, Louis	9	12/24/76	Pittsfield	Burbank	James	Orchard St.
Irish	Truden, Patrick	6	5/30/80	Pittsfield	Burbank	James	Orchard St.
Amer.	Trumbull, Fanny E.	7	5/9/79	New York	Guild Ave.	Francis	Never been
Amer.	Trumbull, Lolie B.	12	9/6/73	New York	Guild Ave.	Francis	Fenn St.
Amer.	Turner, Charles E. P.	13	12/29/72	Pittsfield	Lake St.	Samuel	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Tucker, Jennie	8	3/2/78	New York	Francis Ave.	G. M. Mattoon	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Tucker, Bertie	9	8/4/76	Pittsfield	Pomeroy Ave.	A. B.	Elizabeth St.
Amer.	Tuggey, Alice	10	9/26/75	Pittsfield	Barkers	Fred	Shaker
Amer.	Tuggey, Bessie	7	5/28/79	Pittsfield	Barkers	Fred	Shaker
Amer.	Tuggey, Charles	12	5/31/74	Pittsfield	Barkers	Fred	Shaker
Amer.	Tuggey, Mabel	8	2/28/78	Pittsfield	Barkers	Fred	Shaker
Amer.	Tyler, Jennie	9	9/19/76	New York	North Woods	Agustus	North Woods
Amer.	Tyler, John E.	12	5/31/74	New York	North Woods	Agustus	North Woods
Amer.	Tyler, Katie A.	7	4/8/79	Pittsfield	North Woods	Agustus	North Woods
Amer.	Tyler, Walter A.	13	9/22/72	North Adams	North Woods	Agustus	North Woods
English	Uncles, Fred	9	6/20/76	England	Barkers	John	Barkers
English	Uncles, Henry	11	8/ 74	England	Barkers	John	Barkers

Race	Name	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Residence	Parent/Guardian	School
English	Uncles, William J.	13	10/ /72	England	Barkers	John	Barkers
French	Valentine, Henry	12	3/22/74	France	Upper Pecks	Louis	Pecks
French	Valentine, Louise	9	5/2/77	France	Upper Pecks	Louis	Pecks
French	Valentine, Maggie	6	6/4/80	France	Upper Pecks	Louis	Pecks
?	VanDeBogart, Alma P.	8	11/7/78	New York	Fenn St.	Jacob	Fenn St.
?	VanDeBogart, Harrold	5	6/20/80	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	Jacob	Will go
?	VanDeusen, Harry	11	3/8/73	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	John F.	Fenn St.
?	VanDeusen, Paul	12	10/10/73	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	John F.	Fenn St.
?	VanDeusen, Richard	9	3/1/77	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	John F.	Fenn St.
Amer.	VanDeusen, Walter	9	2/23/77	Pittsfield	East	Andrew J.	Private
Amer.	VanDeusen, Ella	6	11/8/79	Pittsfield	W. Housatonic	Henry B.	Elizabeth
Amer.	VanValkenburgh, Emma	10	3/7/76	Pittsfield	Melville	Morton	N. Grammar
Amer.	VanValkenburgh, May	11	8/13/74	Pittsfield	Melville	Morton	N. Grammar
French	Vanyan, Louis W.	5	3/2/80	Pittsfield	North Woods	Peter	Will go
French	Vanyan, Mabel F.	7	1/12/79	Pittsfield	North Woods	Peter	North Woods
French	Vanyan, Minnie	11	4/13/75	Pittsfield	North Woods	Peter	North Woods
Irish	Vaughn, James	8	1/20/78	Pittsfield	Church	Richard	Elizabeth
Irish	Vaughn, Mary E.	12	3/24/74	Pittsfield	Church	Richard	Elizabeth
Amer.	Vaughn, Charles	10	12/8/75	Richmond	Churchill St.	Frank	North Woods
Amer.	Vaughn, George	7	18/8/78	Housatonic	Churchill St.	Frank	North Woods
Amer.	Viall, Willie	9	6/18/76	North Adams	North St.	Francis	Melville
French	Viger, Alfred E.	7	6/17/78	Pittsfield	Broad	Louis	Private
French	Vincent, George	9	12/4/76	Canada	Beaver St.	Clifford	Fenn St.
French	Vincent, Charles	8	7/10/77	Canada	Silver St.	Leon	Fenn St.
French	Vincent, Peter	11	8/11/74	Canada	Silver St.	Leon	Fenn St.
French	Vincent, Mabel	5	3/2/81	Pittsfield	Beaver St.	Clifford	Fenn St.
French	Viner, Lilly	7	12/10/78	Pittsfield	Lake Ave.	John	Onota St.
French	Volin, Octeno	11	8/14/74	Pittsfield	Fenn St.	Louis	Fenn St.
French	Volin, Arthur	9	12/1/76	Pittsfield	Van Sicklers	Elphage	Fenn St.
French	Volin, Herbert	8	2/26/78	Pittsfield	Van Sicklers	Elphage	Fenn St.
French	Volin, Minnie	10	7/5/75	Pittsfield	Van Sicklers	Elphage	Fenn St.
French	Volin, Mary A.	11	3/9/75	Pittsfield	Van Sicklers	Joseph	Fenn St.
French	Volin, James	9	4/17/77	Pittsfield	Van Sicklers	Joseph	Fenn St.
Amer.	Volk, Harry A.	13	5/30/73	Pittsfield	Read	Abram	Cen. Grammar
German	Voll, Grace	5	9/20/80	Pittsfield	Burbank	Henry	Orchard
German	Voll, Minnie	13	11/4/72	Pittsfield	Burbank	Henry	Orchard
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German	Voll, Mary	6	5/16/80	Pittsfield	Linden St.	Mary	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Wakefield, Bertha	11	11/15/74	Wisconsin	Summer	Lyland	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Waite, Jennie F.	8	1/25/77	Pittsfield	North St.	Lorenzo	Orchard
Amer.	Walker, Mary	5	11/25/80	Adams	Berkshire Road	Antony	Don't go
Amer.	Walker, Frank Ray	8	9/29/77	Pittsfield	Clinton	Frank	Elizabeth
Irish	Walsh, George	7	7/24/78	Pittsfield	Second	James	Don't go
Irish	Walsh, James	6	5/12/80	Pittsfield	Second	James	Fenn St.
Irish	Walsh, John	14	8/25/71	Pittsfield	Second	James	Don't go
Irish	Walsh, Katie	12	8/2/73	Pittsfield	Second	James	Fenn St.
Irish	Walsh, William	9	8/19/76	Pittsfield	Second	James	Fenn St.
Irish	Walsh, Margaret N.	5	5/26/80	Pittsfield	Howard	Martin	Fenn St.
Amer.	Ward, Grace	8	9/3/77	Pittsfield	Francis Ave	James A.	Union St.
Amer.	Ward, May	10	5/5/76	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	James A.	Union St.
Amer.	Ward, Almeron M.	11	6/2/74	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	Z. A.	Francis Ave.
Irish	Ward, Thomas	5	7/16/80	Pittsfield	Daniels Ave.	Thomas	Francis
Irish	Ward, Willie	9	9/7/76	Pittsfield	Daniels Ave.	Thomas	Francis
Amer.	Warnes, Harry	7	5/31/79	North Adams	Francis Ave.	S. J.	Union St.
Amer.	Warren, Walter E.	7	4/9/79	New York	Peck	Stephen	Peck
English	Watson, Nellie G	13	8/24/72	Connecticut	Pontoosuc	John	Don't go
Amer.	Watson, Bertha	12	11/30/73	Pittsfield	Middle St.	Amos Stewart	Fenn St.
Amer.	Waugh, Clarence	14	1/1/72	Marlboro	East St.	C. H.	S. Grammar
Amer.	Waugh, Clifford	9	6/18/76	Pittsfield	East St.	C. H.	Fenn St.
English	Webster, Katie	8	5/6/78	England	Burbank	Robert	Orchard
English	Webster, Robert	10	10/12/75	England	Burbank	Robert	Orchard

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Race	Name	Age	Birth Date	Birth Place	Residence	Parent/Guardian	School
English	Webster, William	12	3/31/74	England	Burbank	Robert	Orchard
Amer.	Webster, Susan H.	11	8/14/74	Pittsfield	Lake	Louis V.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Weeks, George F.	12	10/16/73	Becket	Daniels	Charles F.	Orchard Inter.
Amer.	Weeks, Harry E.	14	10/2/71	Springfield	Daniels	Charles F.	No. Grammar
German	Weidman, Peter	9	5/30/77	Pittsfield	Belair	Frederick	Russells
Irish	Welch, Charles	13	5/13/73	Pennsylvania	Lawtons	Allice	Elizabeth
Irish	Welch, Michael	6	9/19/79	New York	North Woods	Peter	North Woods
Irish	Welch, Willie	5	12/2/80	Lanesboro	North Woods	Peter	North Woods
Irish	Welch, Agnes	5	4/12/81	Pittsfield	Russells	Patrick	Russells
Irish	Welch, Anna S.	14	7/22/71	Pittsfield	Russells	Patrick	Don't go
Irish	Welch, Mary	7	4/13/79	Pittsfield	Russells	Patrick	Russells
Amer.	Weller, Mabel	13	12/3/72	Pittsfield	Elm	E. M.	Tracy
German	Weller, Edward	6	11/25/79	Pittsfield	Pontoosuc	Louis	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Wellington, Fanny	11	8/22/74	Pittsfield	North Second	Hiram B.	Orchard Inter.
Amer.	Wellington, Harvey C.	6	8/2/79	Pittsfield	North Second	Hiram B.	Orchard Prim.
Amer.	Wellington, Hiram B.	9	12/22/76	Pittsfield	North Second	Hiram B.	Orchard Prim.
Amer.	Wellington, Mary E.	14	12/17/71	Pittsfield	North Second	Hiram B.	N. Grammar
Amer.	Wellington, Susan E.	13	2/18/73	Pittsfield	North Second	Hiram B.	N. Inter.
Amer.	Wentworth, Allice	8	1/31/78	Pittsfield	South St.	Walter H.	Private
Amer.	Wentworth, Bessie	13	1/13/73	Pittsfield	South St.	Walter H.	Private
Amer.	Wentworth, Bessie H.	9	12/12/76	Pittsfield	Adam	George M.	Orchard
Amer.	Wentworth, Ethel L.	7	3/8/79	Pittsfield	Adam	George M.	Orchard
Amer.	Wentworth, Ralph	8	2/19/78	Pittsfield	Adam	George M.	Orchard
Amer.	Werden, Isabelle J.	9	2/10/76	Pittsfield	Daniels	I. J.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Werden, Mary R.	11	12/8/74	New York	Daniels	I. J.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Werden, Olivetta	13	1/26/73	Richmond	Daniels	I. J.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	West, Isabelle	7	5/5/79	Dalton	E. Housatonic	C. E.	Private
Amer.	West, Kate	14	1/8/72	Dalton	E. Housatonic	C. E.	Private
Irish	Whalen, William	13	7/7/72	New York	Robbins Ave.	Kate	N. Grammar
Amer.	Wheeler, Mary F.	14	9/10/71	Stockbridge	Fenn St.	Martin	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	Whelden, Abbie E.	7	7/19/78	Pittsfield	North St.	Charles M.	Orchard
Amer.	Whelden, Maude J.	12	12/3/73	Waltham	North St.	Charles M.	Private
Irish	Whelihan, Delia	5	9/23/80	Pittsfield	Onota St.	John	Onota St.
Irish	Whelihan, Mary	8	4/21/78	Pittsfield	Onota St.	John	Onota St.
German	Whetmire, Charles	12	4/3/74	Pittsfield	Wellington	Eliza	Orchard
Amer.	Whitbeck, Arthur	11	1/4/75	Pittsfield	Burbank St.	James R.	Orchard
Amer.	White, Abbie H.	12	4/4/74	Vermont	Dunham, St.	James L.	Cen. Inter.
Amer.	White, Willie J.	13	2/29/73	Vermont	Dunham St.	James L.	Cen. Inter.
German	White, Dora	6	11/26/79	Pittsfield	Railroad	John	West Cen.
German	White, Ella	12	10/8/73	Pittsfield	Railroad	John	Cen. Grammar
German	White, Eunice	10	4/13/76	Pittsfield	Railroad	John	West Cen.
German	White, John	8	2/17/78	Pittsfield	Railroad	John	West Cen.
German	White, May A.	13	6/28/72	Pittsfield	Railroad	John	Cen. Grammar
Amer.	White, Manson	8	10/13/77	Richmond	Daniels	William	Union S.
Amer.	White, Freddie	14	1/18/72	Pittsfield	Wahconah	John	N. Grammar
Amer.	White, Harry	5	11/14/80	Pittsfield	Wahconah	James	Russells
Amer.	White, Flora N.	8	6/13/77	North Adams	Orchard	Andrew J.	Orchard
Amer.	Whiting, Mary	8	12/15/77	Pittsfield	Morningside	William H.	Orchard
Amer.	Whiting, Willie	9	1/21/77	Pittsfield	Morningside	William H.	Orchard
Amer.	Whiting, Clara W.	10	11/30/75	Pittsfield	Wendell	William W.	Private
Amer.	Whiting, Ralph S.	12	5/5/74	Pittsfield	Wendell	William W.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Whitney, Nellie	9	11/5/76	Canada	Beaver	Osborn A.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Whitney, Susie E.	5	8/28/80	Lynn	Beaver	Osborn A.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Wilcox, Mary	13	10/19/72	Taunton	North Second	William E.	Orchard
French	Willette, Nelson	10	5/27/76	Williamstown	Alder	Simeon	Francis
Amer.	Williams, Nettie	11	10/11/74	Connecticut	Stearns	Urias	Stearnsville
English	Williams, Florence	9	11/25/76	Taunton	Liberty	Mathew	Melville
Amer.	Williams, Robert F.	10	6/25/75	Richmond	Beaver	Adrian	Fenn St.
Amer.	Williams, Florence	5	4/15/81	Westfield	North St.	Arthur	Fenn St.
Amer.	Williams, Sarah	7	4/29/78	Pittsfield	North St.	Arthur	Fenn St.
Amer.	Williams, Grace	6	10/20/79	New York	Fenn St.	William	Never been
Amer.	Williams, Edward C.	9	5/3/77	Pittsfield	Pomeroy Ave.	Anson	Elizabeth
Amer.	Williams, Mary E.	12	1/13/73	Pittsfield	Pomeroy Ave.	Anson	Elizabeth

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Amer.	Williams, Zadoc	10	10/13/75	Pittsfield	Pomeroy Ave.	Anson	Elizabeth
Amer.	Wilsey, Gertie	7	4/11/79	Pittsfield	Lake	David	Fenn St.
Irish	Wilson, Charles	10	12/28/75	Pittsfield	Barker	George	Barker
Irish	Wilson, George	14	6/7/71	Pittsfield	Barker	George	Don't go
Irish	Wilson, Maggie	7	5/2/79	Pittsfield	Barker	George	Barker
Irish	Wilson, Sarah	12	7/14/73	Pittsfield	Barker	George	Barker
Amer.	Wilson, Charles	8	10/10/77	Pittsfield	Elizabeth	James	Private
Amer.	Wilson, Edward	12	6/20/73	Pittsfield	Elizabeth	James	So. Grammar
Amer.	Wilson, Clifford H.	14	8/31/71	Pittsfield	Reade St.	E. B.	High
Black	Wilson, Etta? M.	14	12/1/71	Pittsfield	River St.	Benjamin	Francis
Black	Wilson, Mallie E.	9	1/4/77	Pittsfield	River St.	Benjamin	Union
English	Wilson, Arthur	11	9/11/74	Berkshire	Crosier Ave.	William	Fenn St.
English	Wilson, George	14	11/8/71	Cheshire	Crosier Ave.	William	Fenn St.
English	Wilson, Louisa	10	11/17/75	Cheshire	Crosier Ave.	William	Fenn
Amer.	Winchell, Pearl	5	3/23/81	Egremont	Renne Place	Harry	Union St.
German	Winters, Erwin	13	10/9/72	Lanesboro	Pontoosuc	Fred	Pontoosuc
German	Winters, Annie	14	12/28/76	New York	Orchard	George	Don't go
German	Winters, Charles	12	2/15/74	New York	Orchard	George	Orchard
Amer.	Winters, Benjamin	8	7/23/78	Lanesboro	Newell	Hiram J.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Winters, Charles M.	6	11/17/79	Kansas	Newell	Hiram J.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Winters, Jennie	12	10/12/73	Lee	Newell	Hiram J.	Fenn St.
Amer.	Winters, Joseph	14	1/23/72	Lee	Newell	Hiram J.	Fenn St.
German	Wise, Eddie	10	6/17/75	Pittsfield	Railroad	Fred	Francis Ave
German	Wise, Mary A.	14	10/24/71	Pittsfield	Railroad	Fred	Orchard
German	Wise, Jessie	9	11/7/76	Pittsfield	Taconic	Charles	Pontoosuc
Jew	Wolff, Henry	5	3/11/81	Pittsfield	Daniels	Louis	Don't go
Jew	Wolff, Willie	9	1/20/77	Pittsfield	Daniels	William	Union St.
Jew	Wolff, Ada S.	6	10/28/79	Pittsfield	Francis Ave.	Charles M.	Francis Ave.
Amer.	Wood, Emma	8	2/18/78	Pittsfield	Coltsville	George E.	Coltsville
Amer.	Wood, Hattie	6	9/5/79	Pittsfield	Coltsville	George E.	Coltsville
Amer.	Wood, Lillian L.	11	10/1/74	Pittsfield	Coltsville	George E.	Coltsville
Amer.	Wood, Robert E.	13	8/20/72	Lanesboro	Coltsville	George E.	Coltsville
Amer.	Wood, Sidney	10	?/30/75	Pittsfield	Coltsville	George E.	Coltsville
Amer.	Wood, Mabel C.	13	10/12/72	Pittsfield	Gold Ave.	Joseph H.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Wood, Maude L.	10	11/16/75	Pittsfield	Gold Ave.	Joseph H.	Elizabeth
Amer.	Wood, Bessie	6	6/9/79	Pittsfield	Newell	William P.	Private
Amer.	Wood, Grace E.	9	11/2/76	Pittsfield	Newell	William P.	Pontoosuc
Amer.	Woodruff, Edith E.	8	10/25/77	W. Stockbridge	Railroad	Franklin A.	Fenn St.
Black	Wormsley, Charles H.	5	1/1/81	Pittsfield	Alder	Andrew	Francis
Black	Wormsley, David	6	1/4/80	Pittsfield	Alder	Andrew	Francis
Amer.	Yates, Lilly	6		Vermont	Tillotson	Elmer	Osceola
Amer.	Yates, Willie	11		Vermont	Tillotson	Elmer	Osceola
German	Younghaus, Mary	9	5/ 77	Germany	Belair	Charles	Russells
German	Younghaus, Thea	11	3/ 75	Germany	Belair	Charles	Russells
French	Young, Edward P.	10	6/19/75	Canada	Circular	Paul	Cen. Inter.
French	Young, Flora M.	8	11/22/77	New Hampshire	Circular	Paul	W. Center
French	Young, Emily	8	8/8/77	New Hampshire	Circular	Levi	W. Center
French	Young, Frank	14	6/16/71	New Hampshire	Circular	Levi	Don't go
French	Young, Henry	11	3/8/75	New Hampshire	Circular	Levi	W. Center
French	Young, Louis	6	12/8/79	New Hampshire	Circular	Levi	W. Center
Amer.	Youngs, George	14	8/30/71	Pittsfield	Beaver	Charles	S. Grammar
Amer.	Youngs, Lizzie	11	3/18/75	Pittsfield	Beaver	Charles	Fenn St.
German	Ziegler, Fred	9	10/7/75	Connecticut	John St.	Fred	W. Center
German	Ziegler, Edith	11	9/26/74	Connecticut	John St.	Fred	W. Center
German	Ziegler, Louisa	14	9/25/71	Connecticut	John St.	Fred	Cen. Grammar
German	Zopf, Clara	12	6/7/73	Holyoke	River St.	Benedict	Francis Ave.
German	Zopf, Emily	8	11/18/77	Pittsfield	River St.	Benedict	Francis Ave.
German	Zopf, Henry	5	8/28/80	Pittsfield	River St.	Benedict	Francis Ave.
German	Zopf, Mary	12	6/7/73	Holyoke	River St.	Benedict	Francis Ave.

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BERKSHIRE'S OLD "UNDERGROUND RAILROADS"

From *The Berkshire Hills*, January 1, 1901.

It has become of late quite the fad to write up some of the local history of the old "Underground Railroads," as they were known in several of the western counties of the state after the odious Fugitive Slave Law had been enacted by Congress. This law gave the slave holder the right to pursue his fugitive slave all over New England as elsewhere, made it a punishable offense for anyone to feed or help the same forward in flight, and the pursuer was backed up not only by federal law, but by federal officers and troops.

At this time there was hardly anyone who would openly defend slavery, subservience to the law was half-hearted even by those who preached the necessity of conforming to constitutional law, and only fear of personal consequences deterred most men and women from openly disobeying its inhuman provisions. Many of these fugitives made their way through Berkshire at this time on three lines of what, on account of its mysterious trains, were called its three main lines of "Underground Railroad."

These gentlemen acting as the conductors on these three lines of secret travel and their then few daring trainmen, never swapped secrets with anyone but themselves. Sometimes members of their families would be aware of a call upon the conductors by the sudden appearance of some poor fugitive black after nightfall, but secret accommodations were always provided for such and in such a manner that no outsider was the wiser and no member of the visited families dared to whisper a word that might cause the heads thereof serious trouble. It was thus that these uncompromising foes to slavery and the infamous law enacted to compromise with its upholders, bravely did heroic work.

One of these lines on which no one knew the conductors and engineers, but themselves, passed up through Sheffield and Great Barrington and thence easterly to the Connecticut river, and onward north and east as the abolition branch roads which were supplied with

stations, ran. Another took the high grade of Lebanon mountain, passed through Pittsfield and Dalton, where the passengers were ticketed to William M. Walker and Marshall Crane, who gave them shelter and sustenance and sent them forward under a trusted engineer on the darkest nights to the next eastward conductor, and no one was the wiser in these towns but this through railway management, with all outputs and no dividends.

The third main underground line was from the west over the Berlin mountains to Williamstown to Dr. Henry L. Sabin who after secretly caring for the unfortunate would under cover of the night furnish the same with a guide to the next conductor, Dr. Henry P. Phillips of North Adams. He in turn would with the little forlorn hope of abolitionists, there conceal the refugees by day, chip in for their expense and see they were transported over the Hoosac mountain by night and safely reached Dr. Fiske of Greenfield, twenty miles away, the next conductor on that much frequented route.

None of these brave Berkshire men are now living who officered these roads, but possibly there may be a few of the helpers who were then trusty young boys, who used to drive swift horses under cover of the gloom from station to station with the trembling fugitives concealed under blankets in their wagons, and though very often pursuers were hot on the trail of these slaves, none were ever recaptured in Berkshire County. Some of these underground trips taken by these sharp-eyed boys were of a very thrilling character, but they so skillfully covered their tracks that there was never anything to give them away but some very tired horses in some home barns in the early mornings. One of the Bennington boys then serving on this railroad was Alonzo Cummings of Cheshire, who still chuckles over lots of such drives over the hills between Bennington and Arlington, and who knew to a dot how the old underground railroads were so successfully managed, and those who

sought to interfere with them were eluded.

That the hearts of Berkshire men were against the returning of fugitive slaves to their masters after they had reached these hills in their struggle for freedom, whatever may have been their politics, though the majority of them were chary about disobeying the national law, showed itself in more ways than one. This was instanced by a fugitive slave quite frequently applying to Henry L. Dawes at North Adams for aid and secretion, though a prominent Whig and in favor of upholding the federal law, but acknowledging it was not a law of humanity.

Though these poor fugitives were always helped in some way by Mr. Dawes, he began to suspect that his personal though not political friend and neighbor was the instigator of these visits from the fugitives and asked Doctor Phillips one day why he persisted in sending these poor refugees to and thus compromising him, knowing how he stood in reference to the federal law. "Why," replied the Doctor, "don't you consider it good tactics, Mr. Dawes, to quarter these people on the enemy?" The answer was so pertinent and the situation between politics and humanity was so tensely strained, that both enjoyed the humor of the thing.

The last passenger going through this

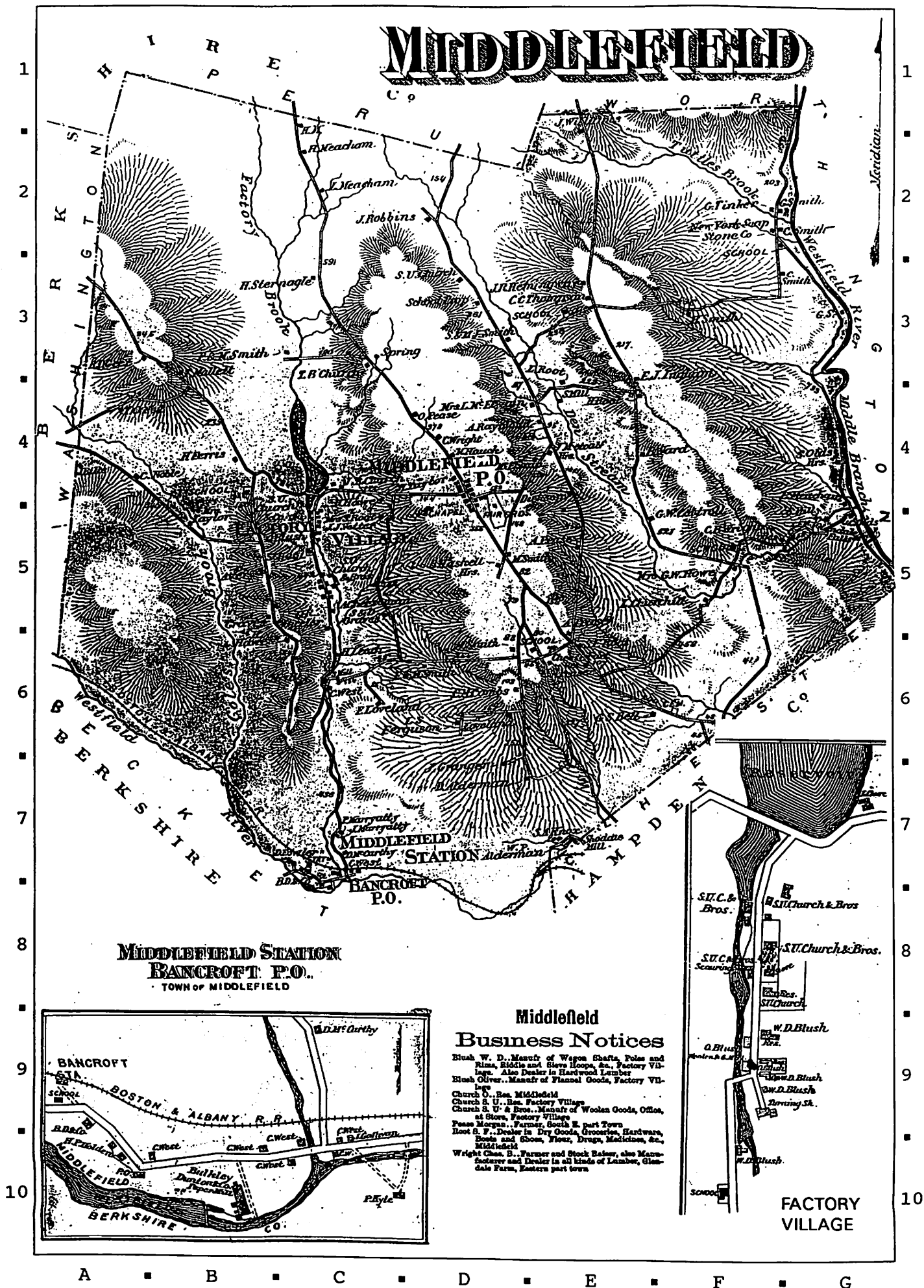
county on the "Underground Railroad" was that brave man who was martyred at Harper's Ferry in his struggle to overthrow slavery and whose martyrdom led up to the civil war, and its final extinction. Capt. John Brown of Osawattomie, who was hung by Virginia slaveholders at Harper's Ferry, was this passenger, and was then preparing for this memorable deed which gave him immortal fame. He secretly and silently came into Pittsfield from the east, having probably met and interviewed the sturdy abolitionists in all the towns along the route from Springfield.

There is one gentleman living in Pittsfield, then a small boy, who remembers his visit here, having accidentally witnessed his farewell to William M. Walker, that active, untiring and accomplished pioneer abolitionist. It was in the old watch and jewelry store of that gentleman on the site of the present Prince & Walker block. This lad observed a tall dark-featured man earnestly talking with Mr. Walker across a show case, when suddenly the latter reached down under the counter from which he took a field glass and a revolver, which he passed over to this stranger, saying, "God bless you, John Brown," and after clasping each other by the hand the stranger hastily left the store and the town.

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MAP OF MIDDLEFIELD [Hampshire County] - 1873

Alderman, D.	D-7	Colds, O.	G-5	Ingham, E. J.	F-3	O'Neil, T.	A-4	Smith, M.	D-6
Bell, G. S.	E-6	Combs, C. M.	D-6	Knox, S. A.	E-7	Pease	E-6	Smith, S.	D-3
Bills, J.	A-4	Dickson, J.	E-4	Kyle, P.	C-10	Pease, A.	E-5	Sternagle, H.	C-3
Blush, Oliver	D-9	Dunton	B-10	Leach, H.	C-6	Pease, O.	D-4	Taylor, J.	D-4
Blush, O.	C-5	Ely, Mrs.	C-6	Loveland, E.	C-6	Raymond, A.	D-4	Taylor, Mrs.	B-5
	F-9	Ferguson, L. S.	D-6	Loveland, H.	D-6	Robbins, J.	C-2	Thompson, C. C.	E-3
Blush, W. D.	D-9	Ferris, H.	B-4	Mallett, T.	B-3	Root, E.	E-6	Tinker, G.	F-2
	F-9	Fowler, D.	C-7	Marryatty, J.	C-7	Root, H.	E-4	Vetter, J. J.	C-5
Bulkley	B-10	Gallivan, J.	C-10	Marryatty, P.	C-7	Root, L.	E-3	Ward, B.	F-4
Cantrell, G. W.	F-5	Geor, R. D.	A-3	McCarthy, D.	C-7	Root, S.	C-5	West, C.	B-10
Cheeseman, A.	C-5	Granger, J.	D-7		C-9	Root, S. F.	D-9		C-10
Church, J. T.	C-4	Graves, D.	C-5	McElwain, L.	D-4	Smith, C.	G-3		C-6
Church, L.	G-7	Graves, S.	C-5	Meacham, E.	G-4	Smith, E.	D-6		C-7
Church, O.	D-9	Haskell, B.	D-5	Meacham, H.	C-2	Smith, F.	B-3		C-9
Church, S. U.	B-5	Hauck, M.	D-4	Meacham, L.	C-2	Smith, G.	G-2	Wheeler, O. R.	C-5
	D-3	Hawes, H.	B-6	Metcalf, J.	E-4	Smith, H.	E-5	Williams, J.	E-1
	D-9		C-4	Morgan, Pease	D-9		F-3	Wright, Charles B.	D-9
	G-8	Hemingway, J. R.	E-3	Noble, C.	B-4	Smith, M. J.	D-3	Wright, C. B.	F-5
Church, T. B.	C-3	Holden, H. P.	A-10	Olds, S.	G-4	Smith, M.	B-3	Wright, C.	D-4
Churchill, L.	E-5	Howe, G. W.	F-5						



Middlefield Business Notices

Birch W. D. Manuf. of Wagon Shafts, Poles and Rims, Middlefield and Wilson, Pa., Factory Village
 Birch Oliver—Manuf. of Flannel Goods, Factory Village
 Church O. Ben. Middlefield
 Church S. U. Ben. Factory Village
 Church S. U. Ben. Manuf. of Woollen Goods, Office, at Grove, Factory Village
 Pease Morgan—Farmer, Stock K. part Town
 Root F. F.—Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, Boots and Shoes, Flour, Drug, Medicines, etc., Middlefield
 Wright S. B.—Farmer and Stock Raiser, also Manufacturer and Dealer in all kinds of Lumber, Glendale Farm, Eastern part town

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MASONIC BLUE LODGES IN BERKSHIRE COUNTY

From The Berkshire Hills, December 1, 1900.

It has long been the desire of the Masonic Fraternity of Northern and Central Berkshire to trace the origin of their several Blue Lodges to the fountain head of their origin among these hills. The two Lodges known to have been flourishing in the section previous to what was known as the Anti-Mason Morgan crusade, at that time were forced by the fanatical and unreasoning spirit of the day to discontinue their monthly meetings and to in a great measure conceal their identity as members of that order, through fear of violence and to preserve their business, social and religious safety, so great was the excitement and intolerance of the majority of the people then having no conception whatever of the character and tenets of this ancient organization, held in the deepest respect down through thousands of years, and with the exception of the period above named, down the present time.

It was during this time that all traces of the first Lodge in this region completely disappeared, its records having been supposed to have been irrecoverably lost, and their being no traces of it with the exception of one or two diplomas of its members which were carefully preserved by descendants. Besides, nothing has been able to be traced to it traditionally for at least twenty-five years from the fact that all of its membership, afterwards in a few instances being represented in the organization of other Lodges, were deceased. The records of the second old Lodge having been destroyed by fire, and its membership deceased, nothing is now known of its early history except a few facts gleaned by a later member of the craft from an ancestor who was prominent in its councils and who bequeathed to him his diplomas, aprons and jewels and other insignia of office which he held therein. The third and fourth organizations of the order, originating from the parent Lodge, have a history which can be accurately traced, as well as that of the Lodges constituted later in the eighteenth century.

A number of years ago a rusty old chest of an ancient pattern, which had for many years stood in the garret of the Peter Briggs

brick dwelling house, store and post-office in Adams, on the decease of Robert R. Briggs, a prominent citizen of the then village of that town, was sold to the late Stoel E. Dean of that place, its contents proven to be a mass of old letters, papers and documents, all of which were thought to be worthless. The north half of the Peter Briggs house attic story, and now standing, was once used as a lodge room by Berkshire Masonic Lodge of that town, and some of the old members of the first Lodge of the county were its charter members, among them being the owner of this old chest. One day, while Mr. Dean was emptying this chest of its rubbish preparatory to making a bonfire of the contents, he came across the original charter of Franklin Lodge of Stafford's Hill, and a list of its 160 members. This miraculous find was given by him to the late Frank M. Leonard, a prominent Mason of Adams, who in turn presented it to Daniel Upton, who in turn gave it to Berkshire Lodge of Adams, in whose safe it is now carefully preserved as a treasured relic. So valuable a memento of olden-time Berkshire County Masonry is this singularly resurrected document, that other Lodges of the county have greatly desired its possession, especially that in Cheshire. Though Stafford's Hill was a portion of the town of Cheshire when the Franklin Lodge charter was granted, it afterwards was set off to the town of Adams, and Mr. Upton therefore thought the Adams Lodge to be the proper guardian of this ancient document.

Franklin Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons was constituted in the town of Cheshire, Mass., June 9, 1794. Its charter members were Peleg Green, John Remington, Joseph Jarvis, Jonathan Remington, John Lyon, Joseph Martin, Stephen Potter, Perley Phillips, Asa Wilmarth, Calvin Hall, Barney Read, Jinks Seamans, Ezra Weeks, Samuel Wilcox, Elijah Sprague and Robert Walker. When the first Masonic Temple in the state was burned in Boston, the petition for the formation of this Lodge was destroyed and it is only known that John Proctor was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts in 1808, or 5808, as previous to that

time the name of the Grand Master was not given on the diplomas of Master Masons, and only in that year the name of the Grand Secretary.

There are indisputable proofs which go to show that the following was the full list of Master Masons who were made in or had become affiliated with Franklin Lodge from its organization in 1794 until the breaking out of the Morgan excitement, which broke up all the Masonic Lodges soon after 1826 for a period of fully twenty years, extending from western New York to New England and thence all over the Northern States. The earliest preserved records of the work of the third degree in Franklin Lodge on Stafford's Hill are the ancient diplomas of Lyman Hall of Lanesboro and Daniel Brown of Cheshire, to which seals of the Lodge were affixed to both "on this 12 day of November, Salvation 1795 and of Masonry 5795." Both of these diplomas are headed with an engraving of the angel Gabriel in a flying posture, with trumpet at mouth and wand in hand, beneath which are the words: "And the Darkness comprehended it not. In the East a place of Light where reign Silence and Peace." Both these Diplomas are about the size of the old sheet of letter paper, are bordered with curious symbolic engravings of the olden time fraternity, have seals stamped on white paper and attached to the main document with sealing wax, while a large bow of blue ribbon is attached to the entire left side of the Diplomas, which are of hand-made parchment. Unfortunately the seal stamp is not farther decipherable, except that raised figures thereon reveal a square and compass and two Masonic brothers standing guard over and protecting a mother and child. These Diplomas both bear the signatures of John Remington, M., Peleg Green, S. W., Robert Walker, Sec'y.

The latest Diploma given a Master Mason by Franklin Lodge, which is preservation, was that to Dr. William H. Tyler of Lanesboro, bearing date 1808, or 5808. This Diploma was a fine specimen of the engraving of that period, was on parchment, and three times as large as those issued to Lyman Hall and Daniel Brown in 5895. It is headed with a blazing sun, which is centered with the all-seeing eye. Immediately below is a female figure, with an open Bible with the

emblem of the cross on its open pages, representative of Faith. The document is centered with a large globe upon which the Diploma is printed and written, and signed by Anthony Burton, M., Charles Converse, S. W., and Ward Cotton, Sec'y. To the left hand of this globe, which stands on a pedestal upon which the square, plumb and compass also rest, is a female figure representing Hope, and on the left hand a woman with three children, symbolical of Charity. To the left hand corner of this Diploma is attached a double strip of blue ribbon, upon which, stamped in sealing wax, is evidently the first seal of Mystic Lodge of Lanesboro and Pittsfield. This is an oval impression, centered with two clasped hands, while on the outer rim are the words, "Mystic Lodge" - "Friendship Unites Us." For reasons hereafter to be given it is thought Dr. Tyler added this seal to his old Franklin Lodge Diploma. There is a tradition however that in 1800 Franklin Lodge received permission from the Grand Lodge to hold its meetings alternately for three months on Stafford's Hill and in Lanesboro, and that it is possible that in 1808 Dr. Tyler might thus have been made a Master Mason in a regular convocation of Franklin Lodge in Lanesboro.

Franklin Lodge always held its convocations or meetings on Stafford's Hill on the first Monday before the full of the moon. This was a necessity as its membership was scattered all over the northern and central portions of the county as the accompanying full list of the same thoroughly proves. Of its Worshipful Masters it is shown that John Remington was the first in 1795, Anthony Burton in 1808, while Dr. David Cushing was known to have served it in that capacity. The venerable Daniel Upton of Adams, who for many years has faithfully served the fraternity in Berkshire, and been greatly instrumental in building it up for the past half century to its present popularity and high standing, after laborious research to unearth the history of Franklin Lodge, committed a most valuable article on the same to a publisher, who, failing to recognize its importance, carelessly lost the same. This contained many important historical facts concerning the order which are past recalling and which would have proved invaluable in this sketch of this ancient Lodge, constituted after

the methods of the ancient brotherhood upon the highest hills and out of the beaten track of all eavesdroppers and interlopers.

It must afford the Masonic fraternity of the Northern and Central portions of the county, and descendants of these Berkshire pioneer fathers, decided interest to study the following list of the entire membership of old Franklin Lodge of Stafford's Hill, who journeyed thither over a century ago to meet each other and participate in the mystic rites handed down to them from King Solomon and Hiram of Tyre rising of five thousand years before. They were:-

Most Worshipful Master, John Remington, Joseph Jarvis, Peleg Greene, Calvin Hall, Thomas Allen, Robert Walker, Elijah Sprague, Stephen Potter, John Lyon, Jinks Seamans, Perley Phillips, Jonathan Allen, Gilbert Jenne, Herbert Clark, Azariah Root, Cutting N. Porter Jr., Samuel Williar, Stephen King, Caleb Fish, Elisha Baker, Dennison Robinson, Lyman Hall, Ezra Hall, Glading Waterman, Thomas Dow, Silas Shippey, Joshua Smith, Timothy Whiting, Asa Wilmarth, Samuel Bacon, Thomas Hill, Samuel W. Church, William Brown, Thomas Hill, Samuel W. Church, William Brown, Curtis Hinman, Stephen Meadgun, Orrimill Fanning, Nicholas Brown, John Bennett, Benjamin Lathrop, Ward Cotton, Adrian Fitch, Ephraim Brown, Walter Fitch, John Benchett, Benjamin Brown, John Burton, Nathan Burton, Asa Bigelow, Ezra Barker, Consider White, John Fisher, Joshua Mathewson, Daniel Brown, Charles Fish, Hiram Wilman, Charles Brown, Oliver Green, Alden Humphrey, Ephraim Durwin Jr., Peckham Barker, Nathaniel Crossman, Charles Converse, Amasa Trowbridge, Ephraim Mead, Joseph Butler Jr., Asa Dickinson, Abel Kittridge, Daniel Brown, John S. Young, Caleb Burton, Cyrus Stowill, William Stevens, Thomas Lyon, Gahel Potter, Caleb Mead, Ebenezer Squire, Barney Read, Stephen Mead, Elnathan Gregory, Alvah Southworth, Asahel Rust, David Powell, Philander Fobes, John Safford Jr., Mason Whiting, Henry B. Williams, Anthony Burton, Arnold Brayton, John Stephens, John Waterman, Duty Sayles, Jesse Whipple, John Fisk, William Otis, John Fobes, Joseph Look, Stoddard Williams, John W. Fobes, Aaron Barnes, Joseph Williams, Danforth

White, Samuel Cole, Abebel Groivenor, Nathaniel Luther, Frans Cooper, Hatch Noyse, Liscom Phillips, Apollas Cushman, Manly Padelford, William Platt, Daniel Whitman, Mevas Cornish, William H. Tyler, Simon Burrough Jr., Joel Carr, Ebenezer Hunt, David Cushing, John Hall, Oliver Pool, Rufus Braley, Reuben Briggs, Dix Wellington, William Wilbur, John Howland, Otis Hodge Jr., Daniel Barker, William L. Briggs, Samuel Brown, Ezech Cain, Robert R. Briggs, James Jilson, Thomas Robinson, Erastus Willey, Jeremiah Allan, Robert Robinson, Joseph Bryant, Valentine Goodman, Amos Negen, Alpheus Smith, W. R. Briggs, Ezra D. Whitaker, Robert H. Smith, Jonathan W. Childs, John L. Barker, Isaac Hodges, Daniel D. Robinson, John A. Farnum, Jacob Baker, M. M. Cheesebrough, George Hill, Reuben Whitman, Warner I. Hodge, Henry Jenckes, Waterman Brown, John Caswell, William H. Richmond, Samuel McLarand, Whately Weaver.

In the earliest years of the settlement on Stafford's Hill there were two hotels, one kept by Captain Joel Stafford on the summit of the hill and the other by Col. Remington. But the first Lodge Room of Franklin Lodge was the ball-room of the Timothy or Dexter Mason hotel. This was a two story building fronting on the principal street, and a long two story wing was built out from its rear. While the front building was devoted to hotel purposes, the first floor of this wing was a big kitchen, with a huge fire-place therein, and adjoining it were two large pantries. In the rear of this wing was a large door opening into a small entryway, from one side of which a door led into the kitchen, and from the other ran up an enclosed pair of stairs into one of two small rooms formerly used for ball-toilet purposes and opening into what had formerly been used for the local ball-room.

These quarters proved most acceptable to the membership coming thither on horseback from long distances and often through wilderness and storm, as when once reached it was a home on Lodge nights in which themselves and animals found food and shelter, while their convocations were held under the same roof. Previously, the kitchen had been

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 (Mrs. Fairfield)
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 (Mrs. Lewis)
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 (Mrs. Shimmon)
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 (Mrs. Shippey)
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 (Mrs. Gardner)
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 (Institutional Nursing)
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 (House of Mercy)

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used for the preparation and serving of ball-suppers and it was utilized by the fraternity for big Masonic suppers, a custom quite popular with the craft of the present day, though retiring from labor to refreshment into more sumptuous quarters connected with their places of assemblage. This kitchen previous to Lodge nights, according to two aged female informants, was the scene of great bustle and activity in preparation for Masonic guests and these Masonic feasts. Here were kept the big candle-moulds of the settlement, and it being the days before whale oil was used for illumination, it was a great treat to the children to gather there and watch the busy matrons run candles in moulds half a yard in length and as large round as their arms, in preparation for these coming monthly events. Later on the Lodge was removed

to the Jack Farnum place, and broke up when the anti-Masonic excitement made it too dangerous to further continue its sessions. This was no wonder, for Masonry was so unpopular in communities and churches, and its discussion entered so largely into contentions in politics, that some members renounced it altogether and never again affiliated with the craft. However, many of these old members of Franklin Lodge are traceable in Mystic Lodge and other organized Berkshire Lodges which came into life after this excitement abated, either as charter members, officers, and rank and file.

[As our selection of these *Berkshire Hills* articles are random, first presentations and sequels do not necessarily appear in chronological order. For more on the Masonic genre see *Berkshire Genealogist*, 32/3/94. [Ed.]

ANCESTOR TABLES

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

CDXIV. WILLIAM BERNARD KNIGHT, submitted by his grandson, Steven J. Knight, 312 William St., Herkimer, NY 13350

I.

1. William Bernard KNIGHT, 1879-1926; Utica, New York; Mohawk, New York.

II.

2. Byron KNIGHT, 1835-1894; Utica; Amsterdam, New York.
3. Emma Viola POWERS, 1845-1926; Utica.

III.

4. James KNIGHT, 1807-1855; Rexford, New York.
- 5.*Margaret GODFREY, 1813-1846; Rexford.
6. Charles F. POWERS, 1816-1864; Newport, New York; Utica.
7. Elizabeth MURRAY, 1822-1853; Newport.

IV.

- 8.*James KNIGHT, 1759-1841; Clifton Park, New York.
9. SHUFELT, - ; Clifton Park.
- 10.*James GODFREY, - ; Halfmoon, New York.
- 12.* POWERS, - ; St. Albans, New York
- 13.*Meriby KEECH, 1795-1833; St. Albans; Russia, New York.

V.

- 27.*Anistine GREENE, 1767-1815; Greenwich, Rhode Island; Rensselaer, New York.

VI.

54. Benjamin GREENE, 1734-1818; Hancock, Massachusetts; Greenwich.
55. Comfort CARR, 1741-1825; Hancock; Greenwich.

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CDXV. ARTHUR ROBERT KELLS, submitted by his grandson, Brad Leonard, 608 Highview Way, Missoula, MT 59803

I.

1. Arthur Robert KELLS, 1888-1947; Pittsfield, Massachusetts; Providence, Rhode Island.

II.

2. Herbert Clinton KELLS, 1862-1904; Hudson, New York; Pittsfield.
3. Lena M. HOWLAND, 1865-1888; Pittsfield.

III.

4. Robert KELLS, 1834-1909; Hudson; Pittsfield.
5. Esther Wright LISK, 1845-ca1905; Columbia County, New York; Pittsfield.
6. George HOWLAND, 1832-1911; Lenox, Massachusetts; Pittsfield.
7. Josephine MONNIER, 1836-1874; Pittsfield.

IV.

8. William H. KELLS, 1806- ; Columbia County.
9. Mary YAGER, ca1808- ; Columbia County.
10. Solomon LISK, ca1819-1896; Albany County, New York; Columbia County.
11. Lodema WAIT, ca1822-1852; Columbia County.
12. Joseph HOWLAND, Jr., 1793-1864; Rutland County, Vermont; New Lenox, Massachusetts.

13. Jerusha DEWEY, 1788-1863; Berkshire County, Massachusetts.
14. Francis X. MONNIER, ca1806-1868; France; Berkshire County.
15. Mary ROBBINS, 1795-1863; Berkshire County.
- V.
16. Hendrik KELLS, 1765-1855; Columbia County.
17. Margaret BATZ, 1779-1855; Columbia County.
20. Benjamin LISK, ca1782-1858; Albany County.
21. Elizabeth BOONE, ca1793-post1880; Albany County.
24. Joseph HOWLAND, 1762-1841; Berkshire County.
25. Lois HAMLIN, 1770-1837; New York; Pittsfield.
26. Asaph DEWEY, 1758-1833; Westfield, Massachusetts, Richmond, Massachusetts.
27. Penelope SACKETT, 1761-1837; Westfield; Richmond.
30. Sylvester ROBBINS, 1768-1853; Pittsfield.
31. Mary BESWICK, 1771-1835; Chesterfield, Massachusetts; Pittsfield.
- VI.
32. Johannes KELLS, ca1741-ca1799; Columbia County.
33. Maria ENDERSON, 1744-1816; Columbia County.
34. Johann BATZ, 1734-1818; Columbia County.
35. Veronica LAESCHER, 1738-1804; Columbia County.
40. Benjamin LISK, 1743-1811; Tompkins County, New York; Greene County, New York.
41. Elizabeth BURROUGHS, 1745-1820; Greene County.
48. James HOWLAND, 1729-1790; Barnstable, Massachusetts; Lenox.
49. Rebecca HALL, 1731-1774; Yarmouth, Massachusetts; Barnstable.
50. Perez HAMLIN, 1748-1826; Sharon, Connecticut; Auburn, New York.
51. Rhoda HUNT, 1752- ; Sharon.
52. David DEWEY, 1725-1813; Westfield.
53. Rebecca PHELPS, 1732-1812; Westfield.
54. Erastus SACKETT, 1721-ca1810; Westfield.
55. Elizabeth LEONARD, 1730-1837; Westfield.
60. Joshua ROBBINS, 1734-1792; Wethersfield, Connecticut; Pittsfield.
61. Elizabeth HUBBARD, 1739-1785; Westfield; Pittsfield.
62. Everton BESWICK, 1738- ; West Bridgewater, Massachusetts.
63. Elizabeth CUDWORTH, 1738-1822; Scituate, Massachusetts.

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CDXVI. MARK DEWEY BURGHARDT, submitted by his great, great granddaughter, Devon Ann Blean, 5746 Binnacle Ave., Sechelt, BC, Canada V0N 3A6

- I.
1. Mark Dewey BURGHARDT, 1834-1930; Great Barrington, Massachusetts; Whiteside, Illinois; Central City, Colorado.
- II.
2. Jacob H. BURGHARDT, 1780-1865; Great Barrington.
- 3.*Mary Ann GRINOLD, 1808-ca1881; Great Barrington; Rockford, Illinois; Harvard, Illinois.
- III.
4. Hendrick BURGHARDT, 1748-1826; Great Barrington.
5. Hannah Jacobse SPEER, 1753-1824; Great Barrington.
- 6.*Daniel W. GRINNOLD, ca1776-1830; Hillsdale, New York; Great

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CAPTAIN HOSEA MERRILL OF PITTSFIELD

From *The Berkshire Hills*, February 1, 1901.

Of French descent - Came from Hebron to Pittsfield in 1775 - Raised a Company for Gen. Washington - Built the old Cantonment Barracks - Farmer, Soldier and Lumberman - Buried in Pittsfield Cemetery.

President Rev. A. B. Whipple of the Berkshire Historical Society has furnished us with the following interesting sketch compiled from an able paper read by him at a Reunion of the Merrill family, July 4, 1899. There are many of the Revolutionary patriots over whose graves in Berkshire churchyards the grasses of almost a century have grown green and withered, whose great service to their towns, county, state, nation and the sublime cause of human liberty and equality, giving to their descendants this grand American Republic should similarly be recorded and preserved. Traditional history of such would be better than none at all, now that time is so rapidly casting the dark clouds of forgetfulness over distant events in our nation. The Revolutionary ancestry of Berkshire County, sleeping within the shadows of her famous hills and mountains, cannot have their memories surely preserved to future generations on graven and monumental stones, and these can only be preserved by the pen and printed page. Will those who can spare a moment from the pursuits and duties of busy life furnish us with recollections of their ancestry of this character, whether such may have filled higher or humbler stations in the eventful history of their day and generation.

Among the marked graves of the Revolutionary soldiers in the Pittsfield cemetery is seen one engraved with the name of Capt. Hosea Merrill. To trace backward his history and that of his ancestry may not prove uninteresting.

Back in the tenth century, the name was Merle, and by the French is now so spelled. Farther back it was thought to have been simply Mer with le sometimes prefixed and later suffixed. When in the early centuries of the Christian era man began to take a surname, a family living near the sea called themselves after the name of the sea, the Merae, Mer being the Latin for sea. The

LeMer, now Merrill family, settled near the Bay of Biscay. Later the Norman race gathered the LeMers, now Merrills into their nation. With William the Conqueror some of them passed into England, where they were not earls and nobles, but simply farmers. About 1636 some settled in Boston and some in Connecticut, one of whom was Gad Merrill's ancestor, a farmer near Hebron. Gad came to Pittsfield in 1775-6 and settled on the north bank of the East Housatonic near Coltsville. He brought with him four sons, Ezekiel, Daniel, Gad and Hosea.

Daniel's name is on the rolls as late as 1779. Ezekiel was Lieut. in Wm. Barbour's regiment in 1778. Hosea, whose record mostly concerns us now, was born in Hebron in 1761, the same year that the town of Pittsfield was incorporated, so that he must have been 14 or 15 when he came to Pittsfield in 1775-6, just before the Revolutionary War was in active work. Then as now, the young men were desirous of warlike efforts and the glory that was sure to follow. In 1778 he organized a company of young men, purchasing old muskets and horns for their powder from the tanners and melted their mothers' and sisters' pewter spoons and plates for bullets. In 1780, when Washington had his headquarters on the Hudson, Hosea with his company appeared before the General, and so awed was he that he could only make his bow, and wait to be spoken to. "Boys," said the General, "what did you come here for?" "To fight the British, please," said Hosea. "Well, young man, what position do you desire?" "The post of danger," said Hosea. With a pleased smile, the General assigned them their place. He served about five months and received nine pounds and eight shillings, and then in 1781 enlisted with Capt. William Wells, and remained in service during the war.

On the pay roll of the six months' men by the town of Pittsfield in continual service for 1780, we find 17 names. Among them, that of Hosea Merrill, who marched August 3, and was discharged Dec. 19, having travelled 110 miles during 4 months and 21 days. Of the 17, only 12 returned to draw their pay, 3

having deserted, and 20 died in the service. In the pay roll of Capt. William Wells of the Third Regiment on the alarm at Saratoga, Oct. 29, 1781, we find Hosea Merrill serving 8 days and marching 45 miles. The tradition that Hosea Merrill himself raised a squad of young men, and with them went to Gen. Washington and his services, hardly tallies with this pay roll record of the six months' men raised by and for the town in 1780. The number of miles marched and paid for, 110, would not take said company to Tarrytown, N.Y., and back, as the next year a company in Col. David Rossiter's regiment, called on an alarm to Saratoga, travelled 160 miles in 12 days. The time of Hosea Merrill's service, however, includes the time of the capture and execution of Major Andre. We find Hosea Merrill a private in Capt. Wells' Company, on an alarm at Saratoga, Oct. 29, 1781; eight days' service and 45 miles travel.

When Hosea Merrill was appointed Captain, I have not yet learned, and what were his services later is not recorded. But before we try to form an estimate of his personal character, let us look into his civil industries. At the close of the war he seems to have returned to the farm, for in the matter of farm improvements and discussions thereon, as early as 1791, we find such men as Charles Goodrich, Eli and Oliver Root, Hosea Merrill and other intelligent farmers discussing experiments and theories then quite new. He added lumbering business to farming in which business he had the first tires on farm wagon wheels used in his business. It is recorded also that in 1813 he sent his son Phillips Merrill, to build a saw mill on the land he owned in the Genesee Valley. Before 1802 he furnished the lumber to Arthur Scofield, who had invented a carding machine. While most people had no confidence in the machine, the Captain's wife was persuaded to risk a little when some rolls were brought to her house. She and her two daughters brought out their spinning wheels and worked quietly awhile, till one of the young ladies said, "This is good." The mother, working a little longer, said with more emphasis, "It is good," and when the other daughter had finished her rolls, she quietly said, "Mother, I can do twice as much spinning with these rolls as with the old hand card things." A day's work was one run and

a half a run - 20 knots of 40 threads each. As one thread was 1½ yards, a day's work of 30 knots would be 1200 threads - 1800 yards.

At the first meeting of the Berkshire Agricultural Society in August, 1811, Hosea Merrill was selected by ballot as one of the new members. During the war of 1812-15, cantonments for prisoners were built in Pittsfield. In August, 1813, prisoners from the front were concentrated in Pittsfield in charge of Major Melville, Deputy-marshal of Massachusetts, and Captain Allen had orders to prepare the barracks for 600 prisoners. On Dec. 26, 1814, he received orders to fit up two barns for the reception of 1500 prisoners. For financial reasons Major Melville took the work; I quote from the History of Pittsfield. "Major Melville, the next morning, repaired to the house of Capt. Hosea Merrill, who was an extensive lumber-dealer and builder, and moreover, an ardent Democrat and supporter of the war, and urged him to undertake the task at once. But it happened to be Sunday; and Capt. Merrill would not so much as talk upon the subject; his many years of service in the revolutionary army having not in the least weakened his N.E. scruples concerning labor on the Sabbath. On Monday, however, without questioning the probability of pay from the government, he began work in earnest. The specifications required for two of the rooms, windows protected by heavy iron gratings; and round the entire building a plank fence two inches thick, 12 feet high and with stout hemlock posts sunk five feet in the earth. The plank was as yet all in the long, and some of the logs were standing in the forest. The iron was at Boston, and the workmen were nearly all yet to be engaged. But loggers were briskly set at work; the saw mill at Pontoosuc ran night and day; the prisoners already in barracks were pressed into service; the iron was received and the gratings made by the blacksmith, Ezekiel Bates. The last stroke of the workman's hammer was heard just as the first squad of new prisoners marched into the barracks. Justus Merrill, son of Capt. Hosea Merrill, was appointed steward of one of the prison barns, and William Janes of the other, while Lieut. Ethan, brother of William was already stew-

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EDWARD R. TINKER OF NORTH ADAMS

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

Berkshire County in the middle years of the last century was the home of several politicians who made themselves felt from one end of the state to the other and were during their period of activity a peer in the Commonwealth, although at that time dominating forces in both parties in the eastern and middle portions of the state were inclined to look upon the latest settled county in Massachusetts rather as a locality in New York state than a district of the former, especially when political nominations and emoluments came into question.

Yet with all this eastern and middle state antagonism the Commonwealth never produced in those sections such astute party managers as Edward R. Tinker of North Adams, John Z. Goodrich of Stockbridge, William C. Plunkett of South Adams and Thomas F. Plunkett of Pittsfield, and a few other well remembered young men who came to the immediate front and made a prominent mark as their immediate successors in both the republican and democratic parties, and carried their colors to victory in the battle front.

Yet of all these it is a matter of record that Edward R. Tinker of North Adams was the preeminent peer, and that his masterful sagacity and engineering combined with quick, shrewd and dominant action and knowledge of men, made him a political force capable of making the opposition quake and tremble from Clarksburg to Cape Cod. As a natural consequence in the history of forceful political leadership, after a score of victories there came to him a Waterloo, and he gracefully and wisely retired to private life without the loss of individual friendships, still holding the belt of the most noted political gladiator Berkshire County ever knew, has since known, or ever will know.

Giles Tinker, father of Edward R. Tinker, was born in Lyme, Conn., and in 1822 at the age of 21 came to the village of North Adams, then a hamlet of 25 houses. He erected a trip hammer on the Phoenix mill grounds and commenced the manufacture of woolen machinery without any previous experience. He was a mechanic of uncom-

mon ingenuity and power of mind, full of energy, skill, industry and of indomitable perseverance. He soon formed a partnership with Captain Edward Richmond and the two for quite a period carried on the business in a building on Bank street with Joseph Darby as their master workman on iron. In 1805 he married Zylphia, a daughter of Richard Knight, whose mother was Lillias Chase of Christine, her father being a then wealthy farmer occupying the Daniel Wells place near Braytonville. In 1809 he purchased a house and lot of two acres fronting on Main street from the Adams bank to the J. H. Adams block on which he built a long two-story structure known as the yellow building in a portion of which he had his machine shop. Later on he bought the Phoenix Mill of Captain Colegrove, occupying the lower portion for his machine works and in the upper commenced the manufacture of cotton goods.

The Giles Tinker house in which Edward R. Tinker was born, July 20, 1822, his elder sister, the late Mrs. Hiram B. Sibley of Rochester, and his younger sister Harriet A., the late esteemed wife of John B. Tyler, is still standing on Main street though its front is hidden by a block of wooden stores built on to its front. Giles Tinker died here January, 1833, and his wife the following month. Edward R. and his sister, Harriet, then took up residence in a home just across the way with his uncle, Captain Edward Richmond and his Aunt Betsey, who was a daughter of Richard Knight, and who were childless. At this time he was 11 years of age and commenced his education in the Emerson private school in the Arcade, from whence he entered Williams College but did not graduate. Afterwards he was a clerk in the Richmond & Hall stone mill store, his uncle, Captain Edward Richmond, and General Jabez Hall having built that factory for the manufacture of cotton goods and in which Joseph Darby was the master machinist.

In 1843 E. R. Tinker married Phoebe C., daughter of Colonel Henry Wilmarth, her mother being Cynthia Brown, the third wife of the latter, and became the brother-in-law

of Colonel Arthur M. Wilmarth. afterwards the notable secretary of the Home Insurance Company of New York city. For a few years after his marriage he carried on the farm of his grandfather Knight near Braytonville and a hotel and store connected therewith. Then he opened a marble-yard at the lower end of Zylonite and near the old Wilmarth factory at that point, obtaining his marble from the ledge in which the Cole quarries have been opened and worked in later days. In 1849, under the President Zachary Taylor administration, he took the place of William E. Brayton as postmaster at North Adams, resigning the position six months previous to the incoming of President Franklin Pierce's administration, Colonel Henry Wilmarth filling his unexpired term, who in turn was succeeded by Abel Wetherbee.

In the early fifties Mr. Tinker, having purchased the mills of John and William Jenks in Clarksburg, commenced the manufacture of gunpowder on an extensive scale, which he profitably conducted for a number of years. The war coming on, he closed these works to become Internal Revenue Collector for Western Massachusetts, which

position he ably filled from 1861 to 1888. After the death of his wife he continued to reside with his youngest son Giles, his eldest son Arthur M. being absent from the county the greater portion of the time in pursuit of his duties as a government Indian agent. The former removing to Long Island for several years he has alternated between New York and Washington, still holding his residence in North Adams and occasionally visiting the city.

Mr. Tinker at the age of 82 years is in fair health and wonderfully retains his mental and physical vigor. He is fully six feet in height, stands remarkably erect and his whitened locks and long grey beard add dignity to his always commanding and forceful presence. He retains his old time cheerfulness and hearty ways and as president of the Washington Market Company spends most of his time in the District of Columbia, though a new race of Congressmen and Senators fill the chairs of the capitol building in the place of a host of familiar personages whose intimate acquaintance he enjoyed in earlier years.

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ard of the barracks."

His later life we need not follow; sufficient has been revealed to show that he was energetic and trustworthy in civil and religious duties; that through his long life he not only saw many efficient changes and improvements in the town, but helped largely in

their accomplishment, both in private and official positions. In his latest years he was forced to withdraw from the active pursuits of life, but only to enjoy the affection of his children and the kindness of his many friends. As a Patriot of the Revolution he died March 3, 1854, and his monument adorns and honors the cemetery of Pittsfield.

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Barrington.

IV.

8. Gerrit C. BURGHARDT, 1710-1792; Kinderhook, New York; Great Barrington.
9. Mary JACOBS, 1712-1797; Klinkenburg, New York; Great Barrington.
10. Jacob Janse SPOOR, 1712-1790; Albany, New York; Egremont, Massachusetts.
11. Fytie Janse HALLENBECK, 1725-1779; Claverack, New York; Egremont.

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STATE CENSUS OF MASSACHUSETTS, 1855 SANDISFIELD

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193	222	Artimitia W.? Sage	46	F		Conn.
		Matilda Hotchkiss	20	F		Conn.
		Jane Clemmons	18	F		Conn.
194	223	Olive Sage	59	F		Mass.
		Josiah Sage	25	M	Farmer	Mass.
195	224	William H. Brown	52	M		Conn.
		Sarah Brown	52	F		Conn.
		Frances N.? Brown	22	F		Mass.
		Mercy Willcox	83	F		Conn.
196	225	James M. Haxton	35	M	Cooper	Mass.
		Caroline M. Haxton	36	F		Conn.
		James J. Haxton	8	M		Mass.
		Burton S. Haxton	3	M		Mass.
197	226	George R. Sikes	42	M	---- Maker	Conn.
		Laura Sikes	38	F		Mass.
		Matilda Sikes	16	F		Mass.
198	227	Joseph Shepard	74	M	Wagon Maker	Mass.
		Joseph L. Shepard	45	M	Wagon Maker	N.Y.?
		Lucy F. Shepard	26	F		Conn.
		Lyman Shepard	3m	M		?
		Pheba Shepard	40	F		?
199	228	John D. Cole	35	M	Collier	?
		Margaret Cole	22	F		France
		Frank Cole	5	M		Conn.
		Louisa Cole	3	F		Conn.
200	229	Lyman Sanford	55	M	Black Smith	Conn.
		Eunice Sanford	60	F		Mass.
		Franklin Sanford	20	M		Mass.
		Clarance Sanford	7	M		Mass.
		Celestia Sanford	14	M		Mass.
201	230	Abner S. Webster	50	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary M. Webster	46	F		Conn.
		Charles S. Webster	18	M		Mass.
		Eunice M. Webster	16	F		Mass.
		Margarett C. Webster	13	F		Mass.
		Mary A. Webster	7	F		Mass.
		Jared Killian?	40	M	Mechanic	Mass.
202	231	Rollin A. Webster	25	M	Mechanic	Mass.
		Mary E.? Webster	7	F		Mass.
		William F.? Webster	1	M		Mass.
203		Illegible				
204	232	Joshuah W. Bowles?	59	M	Pedlar	Mass.
		Honan? Bowles	48	M		Mass.
205	233	Chester Johnson	30	M	Collier	Conn.
		Sarah Johnson	28	F		Conn.
206	234	Charles N---	12	M		Conn.
		Asa? Kellogg	70	M	Carpenter	Mass.
		Mary Kellogg	66	F		Mass.
		David Kellogg	25	M	Stone Mason	Mass.

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207	235	Ann Gallagher	55	F		Ireland
		James Gallagher	30	m	Laborer	Ireland
		Catharine Gallagher	9	F		Ireland
		Peter Welch	1	M		Mass.
208	236	Lyman Webster	67	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Phila Webster	57	F		Conn.
		Daniel Webster	31	M	Farmer	Mass.
		David Molton?	20	M	Farmer	Conn.
209	237	Martin Coon	26	M		Germany
		Terrisah Coon	30	F		Germany
		Charles Coon	3	M		N.Y.
		Ellen Coon	1	F		Mass.
210	238	Abijah Hall	56	M	Cooper	Mass.
		Lorilla Hall	52	F		Mass.
		? Hall	23	F		Mass.
		? Hall	21	M	Farmer	Mass.
		Anne? Gallagher	14	F		Ireland
211	239	Michael Ryan	40	M	Farmer	Ireland
		Mary Ryan	30	F		Ireland
		Michael Ryan	10	M		Conn.
		Timothy Ryan	8	M		Conn.
		Ellen Ryan	6	F		Conn.
		John Ryan	4	M		Conn.
		Mary A. Ryan	2	F		Mass.
		Catharine Ryan	6m	F		Mass.
		Joanna MacMaon	13	F		Ireland
212	240	Simon Ryan	35	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Mary Ryan	25	F		Ireland
213	241	Patrick Ryan	23	M	Laborer	Ireland
		Catharine Ryan	28	F		Ireland
		Ellen Ryan	1	F		Conn.
214	242	Peter Terry	37	F	Collier	France
		Constant Bruet	36	M	Collier	France
		Mary Bruet	26	F		France
		Augustine Bruet	4	M		France
		Clementine Bruet	3	F		France
		Luesah Bruet	1	F		Conn.
		Lewis Boucher	22	M	Collier	Guadalupe
		Augustine Chierry	30	M	Collier	France
		Constant Henisse	19	M	Collier	France
		Mellert Henisse	27	M	Collier	France
		Lewis Tissier	27	M	Collier	France
		Lewis Caynet	25	M	Collier	France
215	243	Henry White	30	M	B Farmer	Conn.
		Amanda White	39	F	M	Conn.
		Charlott White	17	F	B	Conn.
		John W. White	14	M	B	Conn.
		Victoria White	10	F	B	Conn.
		Willis White	8	M	B	Conn.
		Henry White	6	M	B	Mass.
216	244	Joseph Higella?	33	M	Collier	France
		Mary Higella?	27	F		France
		Clementine Higella?	3	F		Conn.
		Leona Higella?	1	F		Conn.

		Lawrance Vella	36 M	Collier	?
		Mary Vella	40 F		?
		Nicholas Missis	33 M	Collier	France
		Lewis Missis	32 M	Collier	France
		Catherin Macillous	30 M?	Collier	France
		Francis Boucher	33 M	Collier	France
		John Peringer	25 M	Collier	France
217	245	John Olevier	26 M	Collier	France
		Nasa? Olevia	27 F	Farmer	France
		Celia Olevia	6m F		Mass.
218	246	Sidney Hill	42 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Ellis Hill	31 F		Mass.
		Albert Hill	16 M	Laborer	Conn.
		Charles L.? Hill	10 M		Conn.
		George F. Hill	8 M		Conn.
219	247	Sheldon Shepard	56 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Anna Shepard	57 F		Conn.
		Rufus Shepard	13 M		Mass.
		Alman? Shepard	10 M		Mass.
220	248	Philemon Sage	74 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Hannah Sage	65 F		Mass.
		Caius M. Sage	48 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Ann E. Sage	45 F		Mass.
		Augustus? P. Sage	35 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Polly Cone	68 F		Mass.
		Sarah Higley	9 F		Conn.
221	249	Ludowick Fuller	52 M	Cooper	Mass.
		Elizabeth Fuller	50 F		Conn.
		Sebelia Fuller	12 F		Mass.
222	250	Lyman Sage	22 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Jane Sage	17 F		Mass.
		Henrietta Sage	4m F		Mass.
223	251	Thomas Malison	44 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary Malison	41 F		Mass.
		Mary J. Malison	17 F		Conn.
		Ellen C. Malison	9 F		Mass.
		Clara J. Malison	3 F		Mass.
		David F. Wentworth	15 M	Laborer	Conn.
		Ransom Wetton	26 M	Collier	Conn.
224	252	Philo Benson	31 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Elvira L. Benson	24 F		Conn.
		Leroy Lamb	13 M		Conn.
		William H. Lamb	10 M		Conn.
		Betsey Watkins?	21 F		Conn.
225	252	Timothy G. Stone	43 M	Farmer	Conn.
		Jane Stone	25 F		Conn.
		Timothy Stone	9 M		Conn.
		Sarah M. Stone	8 F		Conn.
		Huldah Stone	6 F		Conn.
		Henry Stone	4 M		Conn.
		Charles Stone	2 M		Conn.
226	253	Charles J. Hunt	48 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Menana? Hunt	48 F		N.Y.
		James Hunt	18 M	Farmer	Conn.

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		Abigail Hunt	13 F		Conn.
		Urana? Hunt	10 F		Conn.
		George Hunt	7 M		Mass.
		Gideon Hunt	3 M		Mass.
227	254	Florentin Jacquemin	30 M	Collier	France
		Louise Jacquemin	20 F		France
		Celastine Jacquemin	27 M	Collier	France
		Francis Gimant?	27 M	Collier	France
		Louis Traivand?	31 M	Collier	Switzerland
228	255	Olcott Cone	25 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Jane Cone	22 F		Mass.
		Ellen C. Cone	2 F		Mass.
		Pheba Cone	80 F		Mass.
		Mary C. Powell	15 F		Mass.
229	256	Leverett Todd	M	Farmer	Conn.
		Lucy Todd	44 F		N.H.
		Hobart Todd	21 M	Mechanic	Mass.
		Edward Todd	16 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary Todd	11 F		Mass.
		Amelia Todd	84 F		Conn.
230	257	Edward Fanning	40 M	Laborer	Conn.
		Mary Fanning	23 F		Mass.
		Frank Fanning	M	Blacksmith	Mass.
231	258	John H. Whitney	39 M		Mass.
		Olive Whitney	33 F		Mass.
		Harrison Whitney	13 M		Mass.
		Sarah Fuller	8 F		Mass.
232	259	Abniah? Smith	74 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Sophrana Smith	54 F		Vermont
		Myron Smith	41 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Malissa Smith	21 F		Mass.
		Elisha Sage	23 M	Laborer	Mass.
233	260	Charity Fuller	72 F		Conn.
		Cyntha Fuller	75 F		Conn.
		Edmund Fuller	31 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Maria Brombly	22 F		Conn.
234	261	Benjamin Bullard	6- M	Farmer	Mass.
		Lydia Bullard	61 F		Mass.
235	262	John Sage	32 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Mary Sage	25 F		Mass.
		Frances Lewis	11 F		Canada
		Deacon Hannly?	28 M	Laborer	France
236	263	Joshua M. Sears	46 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Clarasa C. Sears	45 F		Mass.
		Catharine B. Sears	15 F		Mass.
		Edmund B. Sears	11 M		Mass.
		Widow Lucy Sears	80 F		Conn.
		Julius P.? Couch	19 M	Farmer	Mass.
237	264	Orlo? Wolcott	28 M	Farmer	Mass.
		Cordelia M. Wolcott	23 F		Mass.
		Oliver Wolcott	4 M		Mass.
		Josiah Wolcott	1 M		Mass.
		Chester Couch	54 M	Farmer	Mass.
238	265	George Fosdick	67 M	Sadler	Conn.

		Rachael Fosdick	61 F			Conn.
		Robins Fosdick	30 M	Harness Maker		Mass.
		Lucinda Fosdick	26 F			Mass.
		Anna S. Fosdick	1 F			Mass.
		James Fosdick	28 M	Farmer		Mass.
239	266	George F. Richardson	26 M	Farmer		Mass.
		Hannah Richardson	55 F			Mass.
		Lewis? J. Richardson	23 M	Painter?		Mass.
		Charles N. Richardson	21 M	Pedler		Mass.
240	267	Edwin Bosworth	49 M	Depty. Sheriff		Mass.
		Louisa L. Bosworth	48 F			Mass.
		Charles H. Bosworth	18 M	Store Clerk		Mass.
		John M. Bosworth	15 M	Student		Mass.
241	268	Daniel M. Adams	54 M	?		Mass.
		Angeline Adams	47 F			Mass.
		Adalaid L. Adams	14 F			Mass.
		Mary C. Adams	21 F			Mass.
		Mary Smith	19 F			Mass.
242	269	John C. Beach	37 M	Physician		Mass.
		Amelia G. Beach	29 F			Mass.
		Howard Beach	4 M			Mass.
		Henry Beach	2 M			Mass.
243	270	Samuel B. Wells	36 M	?		R.I.
		Mary A. Wells	33 F			Conn.
		Fanny Wells	10 F			Ohio
		Aurilla Dunwell	67 F			Conn.
		Mary Dunwell	38 F			Conn.
		Jane A.? Dunwell	9 F			Ohio
		William C. Dunwell	7 M			Ohio
244	271	Lewis Shepard	62 M	Farmer		Mass.
		Amelia Shepard	58 F			Conn.
		Lewis Shepard, Jr.	25 M	Farmer		Mass.
		Alviras? Shepard	21 M	Farmer		Mass.
		Mary? Shepard	26 F			Mass.
		Ebenezer Baeck?	64 M	Physician		Mass.
245	272	School House?				
246	273	? Strickland	51 M	Lawyer		Mass.
		Emily Strickland	47 F			Conn.
		? Strickland	20 M	Student		Mass.
		Aurelia Phillips	54 F			Conn.
247	274	Aaron Pickett	67 M	Cong. Clergy		Mass.
		Eunice A. Pickett	67 F			Mass.
		Lucy M. Pickett	26 F			Mass.
		John C. A. Pickett	23 M	Clerk		Mass.
		Emely Ayrault	66 F			Mass.
		Julia H----	15 F			N.Y.
		John Damon	59 M	Farmer		N.H.
248	275	Elias Mandfield	59 M	Farmer		Conn.
		Mary Mandfield	56 F			Conn.
		Edwin Mandfield	20 M	Mechanic		Mass.
249	276	Marcus Case	57 M	Farmer		Conn.
		Philena Case	50 F			Mass.

(To be continued)

THE ADAMS QUAKER MEETING HOUSE

From *The Berkshire Hills*, May 1, 1901.

Up on a beautiful mountain plain a half mile from the village of Adams, and north-west thereof, is still standing the oldest meeting-house structure in Berkshire County. It is the Friends Meeting House, and the ancestry of many a notable north county family worshiped for many years within its hallowed walls, the most of whom are buried in a plain, unpretentious cemetery in its immediate vicinity. It is fitting that the town seal of Adams has a view of this old meeting house upon it for this was the first hamlet in the town and antedated that of the present thriving and prosperous settlement along the waters of the Hoosac river by many years.

This old-time ancestry emigrated from Rhode Island principally and were descendants of the prominent Quaker families of that state. Pushing on through an almost unbroken wilderness with ox-teams and on horseback, they settled on the foot-hills or at the very footstool of old Greylock mountain, cleared up the forest wilderness and built their humble homes. Here this sturdy and industrious Quaker Colony erected the present church building in 1786 - 115 years ago. Quite near it was the school house, the store, the blacksmith shop, the cider mill, a tannery and a saw and grist mill, the latter being furnished with power by the waters of Shove brook, which now, as then, comes rushing down from springy sources on the sides of old Greylock to debouch into the Hoosac river.

The church was constructed as to its frame of hewn logs dragged thither from the mountain with horse power, it having been within the memory of the late Humphrey Anthony that he assisted in this work. The structure is two stories in height, is sparsely supplied with windows with wooden shutters and has never been adorned with a coat of paint. Its timbers are as sound to all appearance as on the day of its raising, while it is generally in a good state of preservation and remarkably so considering its age. A dozen years ago Henry W. Bowerman of New York, Warner A. Childs of North Adams, J. F. Almy of Salem, and others, holding this old meeting house in deep veneration as the

religious home of their ancestry, had it reshingled and otherwise outwardly repaired to keep it from destruction by the elements as long as possible.

It stands upon the broad level of the hills with the older burying ground fronting it, with its many unmarked mounds, as was the burial custom of the pioneers of the sect, while some of the latter graves are marked with stones. The church was entered by two doors, one being for the men and the other for the women, the seats on the lower floor being occupied by the sexes separately, while the elders and deacons sat on raised seats at the north end. A gallery extends around the inner side of the structure in which the sexes were similarly represented, with an opening ten feet square looking down into the center lower floor, all the gallery seats being on a sharp incline.

The preaching was done by the elders and deacons, or by both male and female members of the sect, as the spirit moved them, but there was no singing or other demonstrations. The seating capacity of the church was about 300, and all the inside construction is also in a good state of preservation, though the plain woodwork is brown or yellow with age. The belief of the sect was the holy trinity with Jesus of Nazareth as the principal mediator and guide. The aim was to live a perfect life, and no man, woman or child of the settlement was ever the subject of charity. All differences were settled within themselves and there was no recourse to the law. Even such contests were avoided as far as possible with those outside the sect.

The settlement did not believe in war, but when the call was made on Berkshire to send troops to meet the Hessians and Tories under Gen. Baum at Bennington, every Quaker shouldered his musket and repaired hither. The late Humphrey Anthony, who was fourteen years of age at the time, used to relate that "he was the only man left behind in the whole settlement on the day of the battle." He also told of a crippled Quaker who was not thought to be able to march thither, and who, being left behind, started off alone. That he arrived at Bennington when the battle

was at its height, and crawling behind a stump, loaded and fired upon the enemy until the battle was won. That so excited this Quaker cripple that when the battle was over he was barely able to crawl down to a brook for a drink of water. That he was badly startled by the fact that he could not swallow water, when thrusting his finger into his mouth he pulled out of it a lot of paper cartridge ends he had bitten off when he engaged in action and forgotten to spit out, which had completely dammed up his mouth with a villainous saltpetre wadding. Mr. Anthony also remembered that the women folks buried all the silverware and treasures of the settlement at this time, and did not unearth them until a man came riding down through the valley on his way to the then only printing office in the county, which was at Great Barrington, halting at the end of every mile and crying: "We've beat 'em! We've beat 'em!!"

The last Quaker meeting held in this church was forty years ago, when Elder Deval of the Gansvoort, N.Y. society held a largely attended service here. Job Anthony, father of late County Commissioner J. Kelly Anthony, and Edmund Anthony of Adams, was the last male resident Quaker of this settlement, who deceased in 1888 at the age of 91, and his son, Edmund, is now the owner of nearly the entire Quaker property owned by the pioneers. Julia Almy, the last clerk of the society, died at an advanced age about eight years since, while David Aldrich, one of the old deacons, was brought from Northampton and buried in the Quaker cemetery in the summer of 1893.

Not far from this church still stands one of the original buildings of the old settlement which was known during his life as the shop of Job Anthony. This shop used to be the rendezvous or depot of the famous underground railroad as such hiding places were called when fugitive slaves were running away from their Southern masters and escaping through New England to Canada with their owners and United States marshals in hot pursuit. In this little one story 15 by 18 foot building the sympathetic Quakers hid away from their pursuers a host of these fugitives who were ticketed by the brave anti-slavery men of the North to them for safety and succor. Here these slaves were gener-

ously fed and rested, provided with food and money and guided over through the old Bellows Pipe on Saddleback mountain, from whence they proceeded through the wild forests northward, guided in their struggle for freedom by the light of the North star. Though peace was the fundamental doctrine of this old Society of Friends, they not only turned out with their muskets to repel foreign invasion, but did not hesitate to disobey unjust laws enacted against the black man by the national government in the beginning of the great struggle which made this Republic really free.

While there are some few evidences left of the locality occupied by some of these ancient dwellings and other buildings of this quaker settlement, the old Anthony shop, both outwardly and inwardly retains the most of the peculiarities of its primitive architecture. Right over its huge, old-fashioned fireplace, with a chimney containing a mass of bricks almost large enough to stock a modern brick-kiln, is a huge fire board on which fully one-hundred old time Yankees carved their names with a jack-knife, among whom can be deciphered that of Governor George N. Briggs, who was a native of Adams.

Probably the best and widest known of direct living descendants of these ancient Quaker families is Miss Susan B. Anthony, the veteran advocate of Women's Suffrage and Rights in America, who will spend a portion of the coming summer at the old Anthony homestead on Hoosac street, which has been restored to its primitive outward and inward shape the past year and at an expense of \$3,000, and where it is expected that the Anthony family will hold a reunion in 1901. A dozen years ago ten old residents of Adams went up to this ancient church, its doors and window shutters were thrown open and the town photographer took a picture. Those descendants appearing in it were Madison Bowker, Abraham Simmons, Zaccheus Hathaway, Franklin Sayles, Darwin D. Allen, Rufus Hathaway and Stephen Pinney, all of whom are thought to have deceased. Of the three ladies in the group were Mrs. Edmond Anthony and Miss Ann Baker, the other being unknown.

What has been known as the age of persecution of the Quakers was commenced

in England over a century before the settlement in Adams, and though they were imprisoned by the government and many died in noxious dungeons, their lives were otherwise spared. This persecution is said to have been brought about not by the acts of the real Society of Friends, but by the intolerance of some wild fanatics who called themselves Quakers and their unseemly actions. Some of such having come to New England in 1656, the colonists enacted some severe and unjust laws against the whole Society of Friends. When a Quaker was convicted of any offense the man was sentenced to have one of his ears cut off, and the woman to be severely whipped. On the third conviction both were sentenced to have a, red hot iron bored through their tongues. In 1658 the General Court of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, by a majority of one, made the return of a Quaker who had been banished from the province, punishable with death, and four persons were executed under this law before in 1661 the King of England interfered and put a stop to these high-handed atrocities of the early colonists.

The Friends Society of East Hoosuck, or Adams, was formed in 1781, and at first consisted of David Anthony, Isaac Killy, Isaac Upton, Joshua Lapham, George Lapham, Adam Harkness, and their families. These worshiped in a log dwelling house until the meeting house was built in 1786. The lot on which the meeting house and cemetery are located consists of four and one half acres, and was given to the society by Daniel Lapham, this family having been one of the most prominent in Adams in its earlier history.

A number of years ago Daniel Upton of Adams, being advanced in years, and a direct descendant of this old Quaker community, sent some most valuable ancient documents belonging to it to Librarian Harlan H. Ballard of the Berkshire Athenaeum for safe-keeping and preservation. One of these is an ancient manuscript book bearing the marks of great age, but in which the writing is remarkably legible. Its title is "A Book of Records for Friends Certificates." From its examination it is learned that its contents are communications from Monthly Meetings of Friends in many different localities announcing to the Friends in East Hoosuck that members in

good standing were removing to the later Meeting, vouching for their character and religious faith and asking for their reception, kindly care and requesting their "advancement in the truth." Besides this, certificates given to persons of the East Hoosuck Friends removing elsewhere, where there were Meetings of Friends, are also chronicled. This volume also contains a record of intentions of marriage by the members and an account of the solemnization of such in Monthly Meetings before which the parties joined hands and repeated their marital vows, all present with the clerks signing the record as witnesses. The first entry, 1783, was the certificate of Isaac Upton removing from East Greenwich "into the verge of the East Hoosuck Meeting," and an account of his marriage to Anna Shearman in the presence of 28 witnesses, and duly vouched for by Clerk Ebenezer Allen. The last record in 1836 announces the reception of Hannah Hoxie and children into the community and the marriage of Joseph Shove to Elizabeth Lesure, Benjamin Peck and Lydia Upton being clerks, and 23 witnesses being present.

Another ancient but well preserved volume in manuscript is called "A Book of Records for East Hoosuck Monthly Meeting to preserve dates of births and deaths." From this we gather the names of the pioneer heads of these original emigrant Quaker families and from such descendants in the county and elsewhere can trace their lineage: Noah Aldrich, David Aldrich, David and Phebe Anthony, William Penn Anthony, William and Huldah Atwater, Jacob and Mehitabel Aldrich, David and Peace Baker, Benjamin and Naomi Briggs, Caleb and Mary Braley, Joanna Buffington, Jeremiah and Martha Browning, Samuel Prince, Benjamin Arnold, David and William Bowerman, Shadrach and Mary, Thomas and Hannah Brownell, Amos and Hannah Carpenter, Oliver and Louisa Cheesebrough, Amos and Hannah Comstock, Samuel Cooper, Paris and Rhoda Comstock, Enos and Mary Curtis, Martha Cheesebrough, Benjamin and Martha Chase, Patience Chase, David and Hannah Comstock, Amasa and Hannah Chase, Abner and Lydia Chase, Lucy Dillingham, Edward Edmonds, Robert Eustis, Odid Field, Marcy and Meltia Farnum, Mary Gardner, John and Susanna Gorton, Cornelius and Anna Hoxie, Mary

Hathaway, Phoebe Hoage, Neomy and Elizabeth, Rebecca and Mary Howland, Jonah and Anna Hathaway, Francis and Dorothy Hathaway, Adam and Thankful Harkness, Stephen and Abigail Hoxie, Zacheus and Elanor Hathaway, Aaron and Elanor Hathaway, William Tincker, Elizabeth Johnson, Isaac and Judith Killey, Leah and Herbert Mallory, Caleb Macomber, George Martin, Elizabeth Matterson, Robert and Hannah Nisbet, Benjamin and Patience Peck, Grace Perris, Rebeckah Phillips, Asa Rhoades, Snow and Hannah Randall, Mary Reynolds, George and Lydia Southwick, Benjamin and Mercy Slocum, Hannah and Lydia Sherman, Martha Staples, Jeremiah and Rachel Smith, Elizabeth Smith, Amos and Margaret Turner, George, Graham, Phoebe, Caleb B. and Sewell Turner, John and Abigail Upton, Isaah and Anna Upton, John Upton, 2nd, Mary Upton, Isaac, Jr. and Hannah Upton, Adonizah and Freeborn Upton, Samuel and Elizabeth Wells, John and Hannah Wells, Samuel and Sophia Wing, Ezra and Mary Whitaker, Susannah Aylesworth.

Of these pioneer families, the Uptons was the largest in number, being composed of 33 persons. The Bowerman family, of which the late Samuel W. Bowerman of Adams and Pittsfield and Henry W. Bowerman of New York were descendants, numbered 10, while the Anthonys, of whom Miss Susan B. Anthony is now the eldest survivor, consisted of about the same number. The family groups of the Comstocks, Chase, Farnums, Edmonds, Howlands, Hathaways, Harkness, Southwicks, Aldrichs, and some others were quite numerous. The old time pioneer North Adams manufacturer, Caleb B. Turner, who was born in Warwick, R.I., in 1788, was also a member of this family, his father Amos, born in Cranston, R.I., in 1750,

having removed here in the early days. The late Ezra D. Whitaker of North Adams was also a direct descendant from a pioneer of this colony, as was also the late Waterman Brown of Clarksburg.

Neither of the above records alluded to cover all of the membership of the East Hoosac Society of Friends. Some of these are however found as witnesses to marriages in the Monthly Meetings, such as Thomas Powers, James Barker, Alice Almy, Thomas Howland, Elisha Arnold, Humphrey Anthony, David Lapham, Silas Cook, William Almy, Lydia Arnold, Daniel Brayton, Abner Varney, Royal Freeman, Iasiah Shove, Elizabeth Dean, Sarah Howland, Nathan Eddy, Joseph Shove, Jonathan Jewell, Amos Turner, Hannah Anthony, Patience Hall, Lurania Whipple, Maria C. Kellogg, Lucinda Matthewson, Cynthia and Naomi Briggs, Mary Whitaker, Milley Farnum, Jesse Whipple, Stephen Hoxie, David Anthony, Jr., Lydia Beals, Olive Safford, Lydia Ralison, Poamalia Hall, Richard Briggs, Arnold Whipple, Lydia Beals, Susan Anthony, Daniel Anthony, Benjamin Bowerman, Daniel and Elijah Fisk, Royal Freeman, George T. Waterman, Mead Atwater, Benjamin Haight, Seth Maly, Samuel Burdick, Ruth Mosure, Eunice Livermore, Mercy Stroud, Hezekiah Kingsley, Samuel Browning, John Anthony, Peter Briggs, Job Anthony, Nathan Sales, Charles Bowen, Eleazer and Daniel Brown, Henry and Lucy Tyler, Thomas Howland, Lincoln Brown, Lemuel Martin, Rhuama Holdridge, Mary Ann Stephens, Maria Briggs, Amy Bowen, Helen Hogeboome, Maria Staid, Julia Phillips, Abram Anthony, Nathan S. Babbitt, Sara B. Bliss, Sarah C. Almy, Samuel Larkin, Caroline F. Hodge, Susan Mason.

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From *10,000 Vital Records of Western New York, 1809-1850* we share the following remarkable records.

"Mary Sutton, 116, of Bladen, N.C. had five sons and seven daughters, all now living. Her descendants amount to 1492. She has been at the births of 1121 children."

"Mathew McKenney, between 60 and 70, died in the Orange County jail. He had been in the Ulster and Orange jail about 50 years for a single debt. The debt was at first small and he has been a man of considerable property, but as of late his children have had possession."

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR WRITING QUERIES

1. Give the full name, including middle name or initial, of the person subject to enquiry.
2. Establish identity of the person by giving place and date of birth, place and date of death, parentage, place and date of marriage and identity of spouse to the extent these data are known, as:
 John DOE b Hartford, CT 12 Jan 1900; d Fairfield, CT 19 Mar 1967 s/o Richard & Abigail (WESTON) DOE m Hartford 11 June 1923.
3. If unable to give a complete description of the person under enquiry, start with a son or daughter for whom more information might be available and ask for that person's ancestry.
4. Identify spouse in manner described in (2) above.
5. State what information is desired, as:
 Need ancestors of John and Abigail.
6. Place the question at the end of the query.
7. Do not abbreviate the names of persons or towns.
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9. Dates should be written: day, month, year as: 13 Oct 1743.
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