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**SOME HISTORY OF THE AARON AND MARTHA
(EGGLESTON) BARN(E)S FAMILIES**

Part 1 of 2

Special mention for outstanding assistance/information:

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William H. Barnes (1870-1946)
Dora B. Buck (1861-1946)
H. Howard Field (1895-1981)
Clara D. Johnston (1877-1940)
Helen M. Leggett (1902-2001)
Horace N. Levensgood (1904-1995)
Myrtie Levensgood (1872-1954)
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Also thanks to the many others who have contributed information and interest

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THE STORY OF A PROJECT

(on making what is, and was, known)

CHAPTER ONE

It was July 5th, 1976, when the finishing touches were made to the *BARNES and Related Families Abridged Genealogical RECORD* in a sweltering apartment near downtown Los Angeles. The project of writing the “Record” had so far taken seventeen months and a lot of care to see that it fulfilled its purpose—bringing the Barnes and related families into recorded history while fostering a sense of value in knowing of our heritage, thus rejuvenating interest in gathering at annual reunions. Here is an account of that project; how it started, what occurred during its life, the people involved, and the adventures.

YOUTHFUL CONCEPTION

Impetus for the project had its origin far back in my life—back when I was twelve or thirteen years old in Jackson, Michigan. During that time I was developing enthusiasm for writing short stories, poems and the like, and had a great-grandmother who had survived a century and was still alive and sentient. The respect for, and interest I had in her was boundless, and I loved to hear Great-Grandma Franc Witherell discourse on the good ol’ days. Once, while she lay abed with some malady, I told her daughter (my grandmother) that one day I’d write a story about Franc. The basic concept for doing a genealogy was planted in my imagination as of that day—especially the variety that tells about the respective people and their lives in-depth. It would be another fourteen years before Franc’s story, “A Lady in Waiting,” would be achieved, but my interest and tendency toward doing this form of writing would not cease with that accomplishment. The seed had taken root, and now more than one sprout would seek the sun.

Another circumstance helped focus in my mind the need for a genealogical record. During my 19th year I was on active service in the US Navy and had left Michigan for the first time. Suddenly being on my own in the incomprehensible newness of San Diego, California, and boot camp had the flavor of a traumatic experience, wrenching me from a lifelong complacency that things would always stay the same. During the subsequent four years of service it became increasingly clear that I knew very little about family history and, for that matter, its present. Also, some of the older generation relatives I had known and loved were dying, leaving in their void many unanswered questions.

However, the need for doing a formal genealogy had not yet shown itself to me as a direction.

The first time I saw how a genealogical format looked was one that had been done for the Bliss family many years before. Mom's Aunt Etta (Bliss) Kendrick had used it to join the Daughters of the American Revolution about 1919 and in later years had given copies to her nieces.

ANDANTE

The trigger that started a chain reaction of events and ultimately resulted in the “Record” was my being elected president of the 1975 T.H. Barnes Family Reunion. The way it happened was—in 1974, at the 50th Annual Reunion, only a handful of people attended. It was as though interest in even having a reunion was fading. While attending I happened to express my disappointment toward same and was overheard by Aunt Helen Leggett. During office elections she immediately nominated me, and soon I and 1st cousin Roy Barnes were chosen president and secretary/treasurer, respectively, for the next year’s reunion.

Mom, Aunt Helen, and Uncle Charlie Barnes were selected to be a family information gathering committee. Over the years there had been occasional recordings in reunion notes of births, marriages and deaths, but nobody had ever done an extensive collection of data, or family census, to be tracked and passed forward through the generations.

As it happened I didn't go over, sit down under a tree and begin envisioning the “Record.” In fact, Roy took me to Foote Hospital in Jackson that very day for an impending kidney operation. However, during my convalescence a general outline of what should be accomplished by reunion officers was written-up, and a portion of this outline covered preserving family historical information.

Time sifted by, and the realization that a great need existed for someone to do a genealogy finally crystallized in my mind, no doubt inspired as I helped Mom and her siblings with their family information collection assignment. By February of 1975 the direction was clear. When Mom realized that the interest I had in doing it wasn’t simply a passing fancy, to be forgotten soon as gotten, she told me about 2nd cousin once removed Horace Levengood.

Horace Levengood was on the “Rhodes” side of the Barnes family, variously pronounced “Rudes” and “Roads.” He had been quietly collecting Barnes family vital statistics since the early 1970s, and his brother Walter had already done a genealogy on the Levengoods. Horace and Walter’s mother Myrtie Adell had collected family-related newspaper clippings since as early as 1890, a tradition continued by her children using the same scrapbook. Horace, his existing framework of vital statistics evolved through correspondence with several families, and the scrapbook would be invaluable to the project.

BEGIN THE BEGINNING

I had seen Horace a number of times before, all of them at reunions, but our age difference was such that we never seemed to have much in common. However, when we got together over the expanding genealogical project, the generation gap closed and we had a good time together in our mutual research.

Much of my initial time was spent copying information Horace had already compiled. From him I first learned of great-grandparents Thomas and Sarah Barnes, who came to Michigan from New York. He also gave me the names of their known children, i.e., David (my great-grandfather), Aaron S., Sarah Ellen (Horace's grandmother), and Sophronia Ellen. Horace thought there might be another child, Martha, but had not yet found corroborating evidence.

Both Horace and I haunted the Jackson City Library and State Library in Lansing, and many letters were sent to relatives regarding collecting family statistics and other data. Meanwhile, we began constructing a family chart, or map, using information from the growing list of sources.

One source that got us off to a great start was the "1850 Census for Jackson County." During the Great Depression a number of women were engaged in a Public Works Project to copy all names appearing in the census onto small index cards for easy reference. The project had been only partially completed and was just recently continued, but the families that we were most interested in researching had already been indexed.

Much excitement filled the next few weeks. Here it was first proven that Martha was one of Thomas and Sarah's children, as she was still living with them at the time. The big surprise came when another, hitherto unexpected girl appeared as a daughter. During the first months after this discovery we thought the name was spelled "Levira." Later it was found to be "Sevira," and she was the twin sister of Sophronia Ellen. Horace then recalled being told about Sophronia having a twin, but he was never told who the other twin was.

Because of the 1850 census, Martha was confirmed and another sibling discovered. In the same room where the census was stored, I began finding notations in some local history books telling when these offspring were married and to whom. I found where Great-Grandfather David married his first wife, Arvilla Field, but did not find where he married my great-grandmother, Mary Hood. Later, it was found that they had been married in nearby Hillsdale County, where the record was easily located. Still later I discovered that Aunt Helen Leggett had the original marriage license for David and Mary.

Now that much basic information was at hand, I began spending many hours at the County Building researching family vital statistics, etc. I was occasionally assisted by Horace, who was retired from Kelsey-Hayes of Jackson, and also by Roy Barnes, who worked odd hours allowing him access to county records during normal business hours. I was out of work during the project's first year recovering from injuries received in a traffic accident on March 31, 1974. This mishap in conjunction with the freedoms of bachelorhood allowed me to work long hours, travel extensively, and to access records only available during normal business hours. The crutches were a nuisance, however.

Incoming data snowballed, and new information found subsequently led to more, hitherto unexpected directions of research and the re-checking of old, supposedly dry sources. Postage stamps were ever scarce, and the phone bill climbed. Letters came from various relatives, and new disclosures were made at the different libraries and public archives. It was as though the project had taken on a life of its own and was beginning to self feed.

One day, while in the Jackson County Building, I happened onto the probate repository for old Thomas Barnes and immediately unearthed great quantities of new data. As part of the find the revelation was made that Thomas and Sarah had yet another child, a seventh offspring, Melissa (their firstborn). Coupling this find with the information already known about Melissa and her husband, William Field, an entirely new branch of the family appeared on the developing genealogical chart. Finds such as this made the onward search exciting and definitely worthwhile.

As the amount and variety of data grew, it became a task to keep everything straight and in useable form. This was during the Typewriter Age, otherwise known as the Pre-Personal Computer Era, so any database set up would have to be completely manual. I finally decided the best thing to do was initiate a system of index cards arranged so as to distinguish one generation from the next, and to show each person individually and as part of his or her immediate family. Each family member would have a card with all known, pertinent facts concerning them written on it. Each family unit, also, would have a separate card which displayed the names of the parents, their marriage information, and their offspring's name(s). Later, when it came time to transcribe the genealogy, the time expended to devise, create and maintain the system proved not to have been wasted.

Prompted by my desire to accentuate the human interest side of the family, the collection of stories and accounts of the various families and individuals steadily grew. I expressed my genealogical sentiments in a 44-line poem entitled "Roots of Many Trees," written March 23, 1975. Also that month I wrote "A Time of Tears," the first story soon followed by others.

Some stories were copied directly from other sources such as newspaper articles, probate proceedings, inventories, wills, memoirs, etc. This category included "Last will and testament of Sarah Barnes," "Another Pioneer Dead," "Buggy Trip South," and so on. Still others were created by simply arranging known facts to depict what was happening, e.g. "A Time of Tears," "Movements of Thomas and Sarah Barnes," "Properties of David and Mary Barnes," etc. The third category was related to the second, but enough inside

information was known to make the accounts and stories more entertaining and/or enlightening, such as “The Scene,” “Account of the Family of Will and Nellie Barnes,” and “By Name of Bonham.” Stories continued to emerge throughout the months, and there were many rewrites in categories two and three as new data made old accounts inaccurate or incomplete.

A most profound discovery was made one day when my mother and I went to visit Aunt Helen Leggett in Horton. While there she showed us a number of relics from the family's history, among them being pictures and documents. Although I was awed by a family portrait of great-grandparents David and Mary Barnes with their children, the real bombshell came while reading several aged, yellowing pieces of paper. Upon these were written the memoirs of my grandfather, William Barnes. These papers contained notes about ancestors on both sides of his family, leading the way to new avenues of research and further discoveries in this and future genealogical endeavors.

Still another revelation shed light on a theretofore completely unknown branch of the family. Sevira Ellen Barnes, the recently rediscovered offspring of Thomas and Sarah, had married a man by the name of Philo Bonham. Horace and I knew little about their resulting family. There were, however, a couple of “mystery cousins” whose exact relationships to us were unknown. Mom recalled one of these, Dora Belle Buck. Horace remembered working with the other one, James Striker, although he didn't recall whether it was James or his wife who was related. Dora Belle had long since passed away, but Horace knew that the Strikers lived at Vandercook Lake, in a trailer court just south of Jackson.

We gave Mrs. Lillian Striker a call one day and she invited us over for a chat. During our visit Lillian explained that she was Dora Belle's daughter, and that Dora's maiden name had been Bonham. In one microsecond another major section of the puzzle fell into place. Before we left she let us borrow a typewritten manuscript of information originally copied from the Bonham family Bible. Then she gave me the address of her nephew, Bob Macomber, who lived in El Cajon, California, and soon Bob and I were corresponding. Lillian was Horace's 2nd cousin and my 2nd cousin once removed. Bob was Horace's 2nd cousin twice removed and my 3rd cousin once removed.

CRESCENDO

The Field family, during its early days in Michigan, had intermarried a few times with the Barnes family. Unions between the children of Thomas and Sarah Barnes and of Thomas and Charity Field included: Melissa Barnes to William Field, David Barnes to Arvilla Field, and Martha Louise Barnes to Horace Field (“Marshal Field of Jackson,” i.e., sheriff). Horace and I had found information on the early generations but not much was known about the more recent ones. Fortunately, Horace knew that Florence Field, an executive for “Security Savings and Loan Association of Jackson,” was a relative, so I gave her a call. She, in turn, gave me the address of her brother, H. (Horace) Howard Field, of Tonawanda, New York. Howard immediately responded to my letter and was

very pleased to have established contact with another side of his family. We exchanged several letters, and as it turned out, he had been doing some genealogical research, himself, but had obtained mostly information on the Field family. H. Howard and Florence were Horace's 2nd cousins and my 2nd cousins once removed.

Howard went to Jackson in June of 1975 on a visit to his sister and brothers. While there, Horace and I visited him and Florence and exchanged some information and stories. The visit was interesting and rewarding. Besides the data exchange we also got to see painted photographic portraits of Melissa (Barnes) and William Field, Howard and Florence's grandparents. Once again the lamps burned well into the night as the Field branch was brought up-to-date. The index file was becoming a more comprehensive record of the Barnes and related families.

Early summer arrived, and with it came the necessity to put everything together into manuscript form. My plan was to drive to Los Angeles after the coming reunion for an indeterminate stay, so the future success of the project hinged on what got accomplished during the intervening months. Mom was very understanding and patient. Her dining room table was conscripted, and by the time I started transcribing the manuscript, the table and most of the back room in her little house were buried. Also, due to Mom's nurturing interest in maintaining contact with or knowledge of practically everyone she had ever known, she was able to point directions and help contact assorted family scattered throughout the United States. This was despite distances in miles and generations, and regardless of labyrinthine name changes through marriage. Without Mom's connections, memories, input, uncomplaining support, thoughtful encouragement, and the love and respect that so many branch family members held for her, the project of writing and publishing the *BARNES and Related Families Abridged Genealogical RECORD* might never have happened. Nor did she hesitate in calling her sister Helen or brother Chuck, who were also invaluable when tracking down information.

Midway through the transcription I went to stay at my dad's farm while he and my step-mother were away on a trip. The quiet lack of distraction was perfect, and I had a big, two-story farmhouse in which to spread out. During the time I was there, from July 21st through the 27th, the manuscript was nearly finished, including most of the original fifteen-page name index (which was started July 21st). On July 25th I interviewed Aunt Hilma Barnes, at which time the information was gathered for two "Record" stories; "Tom and Hilma's Story—Michigan or Bust," and "The Family of Hilma Sorola." That same day the one-page table of contents was established, with insertion of the two above-mentioned stories made later. The name index was completed July 29th and then typed and added to the manuscript; completion date for the whole script being August 6, 1975.

This was not slated to be the final work. It would be nearly another year before the genealogy was completed, printed and distributed.

MODERATO

The 51st T. H. Barnes Reunion demonstrated a renewed interest in continuing the event. Attendance on August 10, 1975, was higher than it had been in a long time—nearly 75 people. Here the manuscript was made available for relatives to scan through and thus point out errors, add missing information, and in general contribute to the project.

One very significant flaw was spotted by Mary Sterling concerning the “Centennial Farm” story. Much information was missing. She promised to send a letter filling in the gaps from the recordings in her family Bible, and did so in a letter dated September, 1975.

My 1st cousins Steve and Dorothy Davis had made a family banner with an American flag attached, and a professional photographer, Charles “Allen” Garrett, got all of us in a family portrait with the banner prominently displayed in front. When the reunion dispersed, we left feeling a little more secure in and happy with our familial relationships.

It was time for me to leave for Los Angeles. Roy Barnes and his friend came over. I got Dad's pickup truck and we loaded up most of my worldly goods, taking them to storage. On August 12th, at 3:00 p.m., I and the AMC Hornet were off to California.

CHAPTER TWO

EFTSOONS

Arrival time in the big city was 7:30 p.m. on August 16th, 1975. The next months were busy with re-establishment, and there was no time to devote to the lineage. Furthermore, the manuscript and accompanying data were still in Jackson at Mom's house. When all was settled and on an even keel—I had found a job and rented an apartment—Mom forwarded what was needed and once again action started on the project.

It was necessary (or at least I felt advisable) to complete the first seven stages before traveling to Michigan for the 52nd annual T. H. Barnes Reunion. Attainment of that target would mean having completed the (1) research; (2) data accumulation; (3) composition; (4) subscriber solicitation; (5) final transcription; (6) printing/binding; and (7) distribution before July 30, 1976. In mid-May, 1976, a formal letter of announcement was sent out advertising the imminent production of the “Record” and soliciting subscribers. While awaiting responses I set about finishing the manuscript. During that time many more letters were exchanged. Bob Macomber helped round-out a story about the Bonham family by relating information from his personal memories in addition to sending more data from the Bonham family Bible. Also during that time a California-born cousin with Michigan roots, Dorothy Avalon “Tillie” Maher, sent her composition “Bells are Ringing for ‘Hattie’ and her Brood” plus some other family history tidbits.

Tillie, who was my 3rd cousin, had maintained correspondence with Horace, her 1st cousin once removed, for years. Tillie and I would meet for the first time on January 22, 1977, at her home in Santa Ana. During our subsequent visits I learned that she had a grandiose fantasy to just suddenly show up at a Barnes Reunion one year. It never happened, but she enjoyed thinking of the possibility.

Tillie provided much information on the “Johnson” side of the family, especially her branch, which settled in California in 1892. Through her I realized that the descendants of Aaron and Julia (Rachael) Johnson of Exeter, New York, and Tompkins Center, Michigan, had also intermarried a few times with the Barnes family.¹ Their eldest daughter, Emmaline (also spelled Emeline) Melvinie (Johnson) Sheldon, married as her second husband Aaron S. Barnes as his second wife. Aaron and Julia’s youngest son, Clarence Burns Johnson, married Harriet Martha “Hattie” Rhodes, daughter of Sarah Ellen (Barnes) and Edwin M. Rhodes. Aaron and Julia’s granddaughter Birdella, daughter of Frances Adelaide Johnson, married Martin A. Barnes as his first wife.

¹ Aaron was born in New Hampshire about 1814 and died of “general debility” at Tompkins Center, Jackson County, on September 30, 1878. Julia was born in New York July 16, 1819 and died at Spring Arbor, Jackson County, on January 5, 1886. The widow Julia had been living with her daughter Emmaline and son-in-law Aaron S. Barnes. (Julia’s father was Hicox Rachael, born in Connecticut.)

DEADLINE

In the letter of announcement dated mid-May, 1976, a deadline of June 30th was set, by which date all orders would have to be received. As the deadline approached, information continued to arrive. Many evening phone calls came in from relatives in Michigan and a few other states such as Connecticut and Ohio. A story arrived, written by Billy Barnes junior, about his father's career as a private pilot. Another cousin, Donald Fales, sent a letter in which he enclosed a copy of an obituary for his grandfather, Fred Fales, and additional data about that most interesting fellow. With inclusion of all the above (and much more), the manuscript no longer looked as it had on August 6th of 1975. It had grown by many pages through expanded vital statistics, articles, and stories. It had matured from having a single-page table of contents and 15-page name index to a two-page table and 16 page index. Meanwhile, orders and funds were beginning to materialize along with best wishes from relatives wanting copies. The following will show how the tally proceeded as interest grew and time diminished.

By the arrival of June, five orders had been received for a total of 34 copies. These first five people, noted for their obvious enthusiasm, were: Bob Macomber of El Cajon, CA, Walter Barnes of Minneapolis, MN, H. Howard Field of Tonawanda, NY, Charles Barnes of Jackson, MI, Royce D. Paige of Saginaw, MI.

By June 18, sixteen orders for a total of 64 copies had been received.

By June 30, twenty-three orders for a total of 71 copies had come in.

By July 8, twenty-six orders had arrived bringing the total so far to 105 copies. Of these, 8 orders were for 5 or more copies (including 3 orders for 10 or more and 2 for 15 or more). The rest were from one to four copies apiece. The two largest orders—for 15 and 17 copies—were made by Lyndell McNickle and H. Howard Field, respectively. (I let the June 30 deadline slip a little, since one month wasn't much of a notice. Also, I planned on making several extra copies "just in case." The main thing I wanted to assure by the deadline was interest, which was amply established.)

Friday, July 2nd, should have been a lazy day since it was part of the 4th-of-July weekend. In reality I spent Friday, Saturday and Sunday completely absorbed in final preparations. "Epilogue," an essay expressing my personal pride regarding our family and its contributions toward promulgating a saner world, was written on Saturday, July 3rd, and was the last creative composition incorporated. The amorphous jumble of papers and ideas was congealing into a finished product. Monday and Tuesday evenings were spent rechecking and finally organizing everything for the printer. Late in the evening of July 6th, having done all that was planned towards preparation, the manuscript was ready.

THE FINAL GAUNTLET

Wednesday, July 7, 1976—the long-awaited day had arrived. The *BARNES and Related Families Abridged Genealogical RECORD* was tendered to the skills of printers at the “Stationery Place” on Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles. An order was made for 125 reproductions of the book utilizing the offset printing technique—with a special request that it be ready by Friday afternoon. Thursday passed with my making occasional (and most assuredly unappreciated) walking inspections of the operation. At last Friday arrived to everyone's relief, and at 3:00 p.m. the last page was printed. Before leaving with the several boxes of printed sheets I paid the \$406 agreed-to and gave the artisan a bonus for his speed. Then I loaded all into the car, knowing—ouch—that I'd have to do the collating myself.

Friday night found yours truly making 74 stacks of 126 sheets of paper, back and forth across the floor, after moving nearly all the furniture out of the living room. It was looking like another all-work-no-play weekend (July 30th loomed ahead like a great enticement, and it, alone, pulled me through the toils to come). Then to add insult to injury I discovered that page 55 was printed the same on both sides, and page 61 was left out altogether. The first few devastating moments after the revelation were the worst. When the initial shock wore off, I realized the flaw didn't have to stop the collating, so the drudgery began. By Saturday night my back was in an awful state from bending over to pick up over 5700 sheets of paper, one after the other. A new plan of attack, devised mid-Sunday morning, called for the placing of 10 stacks on a table and collating them to the full-remaining count. Since 75 entire books had been completed, this meant making 50 subbooks, each with 10 pages. After the next 10 stacks of pages were collated to their count of 50, these new subbooks were incorporated with the ones previously made. Though tortuously tedious, this proved to be a working solution and saved my aching back. Before Mr. Sandman arrived that night to clout me with his mallet, everything had been collated. The multitudinous piles of nearly finished books waited only the insertion of pages 55/61 before binding could commence.

Monday morning, July 12th, I took the misprinted pages back to the shop for a remake and completed the collating that night. Now all that remained was to bind and ship the finished product to the subscribers. The binding aspect would be no problem, since the agency where I worked had plastic strip “Ecco Binding” equipment they would let me use for a reasonable fee. When Tuesday arrived, one-half of the collated books were transported to the agency. That evening one-half of these were bound. The next day, the ones finished the night before were mailed, and the other half of the batch was bound in the evening. On Thursday I took the rest of the collated books to the agency. At noon the copies bound the night before were mailed, and the evening saw me binding the third batch. This batch was sent Friday, and Friday night the binding was finished. Saturday brought mailing of the last copies and the beginning of a short sabbatical before embarking on the eighth stage of the “Record” project—a letter of additions and corrections. At long last I could relax and plan for the coming trip to Michigan.

GOAL REALIZED

There were over 90 attendees, including many children, at the 1976 reunion. This was the largest turnout ever according to existing reunion records. Everybody enjoyed meeting relatives they had never seen before and/or becoming re-acquainted with kin they hadn't seen in years. After the reunion, during the following week, Horace Levengood and I delivered copies of the "Record" to the Jackson City Library and the State Library in Lansing. The rest of my time was spent visiting relatives and friends. When I left Michigan after a stay of two weeks it was with a light heart, knowing that a purpose had been fulfilled and hoping that good effects of the project would continue into the future.

FINIS

In February of 1977 my attention began to focus on completing an addendum, the eighth and perhaps last stage of the genealogical project. A few additional vital statistics trickled in, and I included present-day locations of several people mentioned in the "Record." In a letter dated March 20, 1977, H. Howard Field included a photocopy of an article which had appeared in a St. Clair, Michigan, newspaper. The columnist who wrote it was Duane (Dar) Hollinrake, a close friend of the Field family [Dar's mother, Jesse (McArdle) Field Hollinrake, had as her first husband the ill-fated railroad fireman William T. Field (see the "Record" feature "Wife cannot signal husband any more")]. Theme for the article was "genealogies," and as a point of illustration Dar included a few paragraphs from the "Record" story "The Year of the Farm," which he conceded was his favorite. Howard's letter also contained a story describing Buffalo, New York's awful "Winter of '77". By the end of March I had collected nearly four full pages of data and stories. Using the photocopy equipment at the agency I soon cranked out 125 copies of the addendum dated March 27, 1977, and sent them off to the respective "Record" subscribers.

The following is a list showing countries, states and cities of some "Record" recipients:

- United States of America-
 - California
 - El Cajon
 - Pasadena
 - San Rafael
 - Santa Ana
 - Connecticut
 - Danbury
 - Marion
 - Florida
 - Coral Gables
 - Rotunda West

Illinois
 Chicago
 Rockford
Michigan
 Birmingham
 Clark Lake
 Concord
 Fenton
 Hanover
 Hastings
 Horton
 Jackson
 Lansing
 Port Austin
 Saginaw
 St. Clair
Minnesota—Minneapolis
New York
 Lincoln
 Tonawanda
Ohio—Dayton
Texas—Austin
Washington state—Tacoma
Australia (members of the Field family)

INFINITE

The days of our time will pass, replaced by recollection and historical notation. Our galaxy will move through its mega-wheel rotation, and new times will come bringing interesting things to mankind. Running as a golden thread of hope through the center of all the adventure and invention will be a heritage only mirrored in the “Record,” as family not yet born will help build and shape countless futures. This tenure, by virtue of its sincere nature, will continue to fortify kin and help stabilize civilization until the end of time.

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September 1977 - September 1978
Los Angeles, California

Revised August/September 1995
Pasadena, California

1995-2004 UPDATE NOTE

Alex Haley's book *Roots*, and its latter-1976 adaptation to television, were still in the distant future while the "Record" was evolving, so County Clerk offices were quite liberal in allowing genealogy researchers almost unlimited access to vital statistics. *Roots* would unleash the fury of a countrywide interest in family history manifested by a throng of people descending on County Clerk offices across the land—physically, by phone, and through the mail. This deluge resulted in curbed access privileges even to the extent of being stopped in some United States expansion pivotal states such as New York.

Had the "Record" project not been done when it was, the *BARNES and Related Families Abridged Genealogical RECORD* certainly would have been far more "abridged" than it was, and with today's postal rates, far more expensive to produce and distribute. Most importantly, had it waited until the deluge subsided, not all of the primary direction and information contributors would have been available for consulting and inspiration:

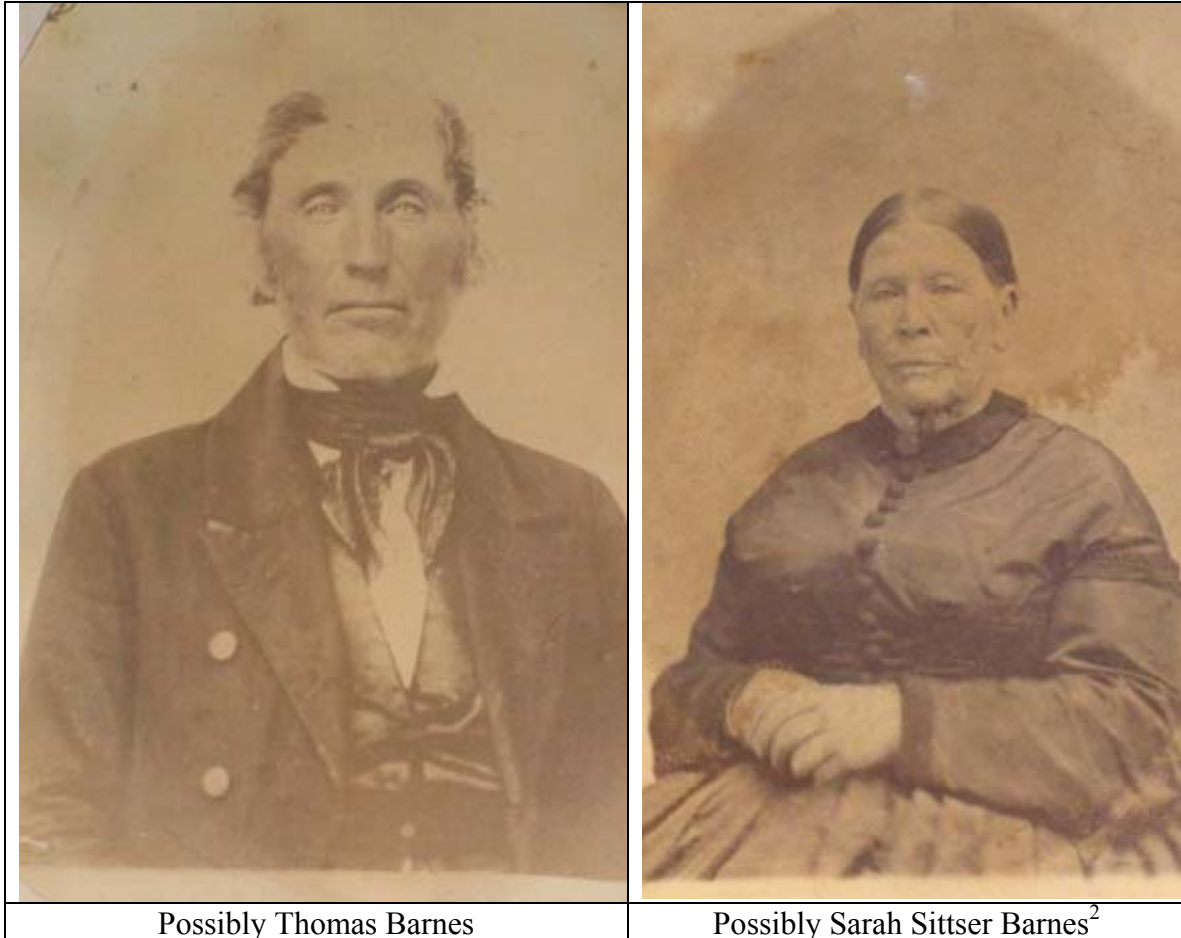
Horace N. Levensgood: 1904-1995	Lyndell J. (Levensgood) McNickle: 1907-1976
H. Howard Field: 1895-1981	Florence Field: 1888-1986
Dorothy Avalon "Tillie" Maher: 1908-1990	Lillian M.E. (Randall) Striker: 1899-1985
Mary Louise (Barnes) Sterling: 1905-1984	Helen M. (Barnes) Leggett: 1902-2001
Jennie L. (Barnes) Paige: 1908-2003	Hilma (Sorola) Barnes: 1910-2004

Since 1975 I have undertaken and completed a number of genealogical projects, with time spent on each almost evenly distributed between the lineage of my father (Page/Paige-Thayer-Keys-Castner) and that of my mother (Barnes-Bliss-Hood-McAnally). All but the Barnes lineage were done under the restrictions outlined in this note's first two paragraphs, and none was as major and intense an operation—eliciting the family cooperation and participation—as the *BARNES and Related Families Abridged Genealogical RECORD*.

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Charles William Paige
September 1995; revised January 2004
Pasadena, California

In The Beginning



Aaron and Martha (Eggleston) Barnes' son Thomas was born in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut May 28, 1802 and died December 11, 1866 in Jackson, Jackson County, Michigan. Thomas married about 1822 to Sarah Sittser/Sittsen, who was born in Berne, Albany County, New York May 19, 1800³ and died November 30, 1875.⁴ Sarah

² These pictures were set as a pair in matching frames and had been packed away in Lillian Bereniece (Barnes) Hoeg's storage room upstairs at the Centennial Farm in Horton, according to Lillian's son Bion Lynwood "Lyn" in email dated May 27, 2006 and June 14, 2007. From his January 27, 2006 email: "You can see the likeness of my grandfather... Sharp features and clear blue eyes, typical of many of the Barnes clan." [The "grandfather" was David Barnes, Jr.]

³ Sarah's traditional birth date was 5/23/1800. The Beaverdam church record shows it as 5/19/1800.

⁴ When Sarah married Thomas, she probably spelled her last name "Sittsen." Her brothers Matthew, Samuel and David were spelling their last name thus during that timeframe, and that is the way the name is spelled in the Mormon genealogical database when discussing her marriage to Thomas. Later, the brothers returned to using "Sittser." However, when the 1880 Federal census was taken of Auburn,

was the only daughter in a family with six sons, all children of David and Sarah (Mills) Sittser of Sennett, Cayuga County, New York. Sarah was baptized June 29, 1800 at Beaverdam Reformed Church, Berne, Albany County, New York. Both Thomas and Sarah are buried atop a knoll overlooking Greenwood Avenue at Mount Evergreen Cemetery in Jackson, Michigan.

Children:

1. Melissa Barns b. N.Y. 2-25-1823 d. 10-1-1867 Jackson, MI.
2. David Barns b. Mentz, Cayuga Co., N.Y. 5-3-1826 d. 4-6-1895 Horton, MI.
3. Aaron S. Barns b. Butler, Wayne Co., N.Y. 2-13-1828 d. 5-31-1907 Jackson, MI.
4. Sarah Ellen Barns b. N.Y. 12-7-1829 d. 4-27-1901 Jackson, MI.
5. Martha Louise Barns b. N.Y. 2-3-1833 d. 3-22-1876 Jackson, MI.
6. Sophronia Ellen Barns b. N.Y. 9-12-1855 d. 9-26-1914 Jackson, MI.
7. Sevira Ellen Barns b. N.Y. 9-12-1835 d. 2-1-1870 Jackson, MI.

Thomas, Sally, and their seven children left Seneca Falls, Seneca County, New York in 1843 and arrived in the new village of Jackson, Michigan on October 24th of that same year.⁵ They originally settled in the city of Jackson, then Summit Township, eventually moving to Tompkins Township, where they were located in 1858. The entire family remained near Jackson, and it wasn't until future generations that it began to spread out across the country. At the time of this writing (1976) the majority is still near Jackson or at least in Michigan, and Jackson continues to be what one might safely consider the “family seat.”

Some members of the Thomas and Sarah Barns family did not begin spelling their name “Barnes” until after arriving in Michigan. The large, granite marker near which Thomas, Sarah, David, Mary, Arvilla, Aaron S., and other Barneses are buried at Mt. Evergreen Cemetery in Jackson honors this history by carrying the name BARNS. A single spelling of “Barnes” normally will be used in the following accounts to eliminate possible confusion, and since that spelling has been nearly universally adopted by later generations.

2005 Update—Tompkins Neighbors

Thomas and Sarah were living at Tompkins Township, Jackson County, Michigan, at the time of the 1860 Federal census. A number of families were neighbors in 1860 that would play significant parts in the Barnes family's future.

Hause/House

The family of Isaac Hause, 53 b. NY, having real estate valued at \$1,800 and personal at \$500, with wife Lydia, 44 b. NY, and daughters Priscilla, 17 b. MI, and Jane, 16 b. MI, still living at home. (Eventually, Aaron Barnes would marry Jane as his first wife.)

Cayuga Co., NY's 3rd Ward, two of Matthew's children, Calvin and Vesta, were the only people still living in the family homestead. Neither had married, and both were spelling their last name “Sittsen.”

⁵ Thomas and family were living in the township of Rose at the time of the 1840 Federal census of Wayne Co., NY. They were living at Seneca Falls, Seneca County, NY at the time of David Sittser's probate in latter 1841.

Hatton/Hatten

The Hatten family consisted of Ann (Smith) Hatton, 53 and born in England, with real estate valued at \$1,800 and personal at 200, the widow of Robert Hatton, Sr., b. England. Also living in the same household were son Robert, Jr., 22 b. MI, with personal estate valued at \$200, and daughter-in-law Sophronia (Barnes) Hatten, 25 b. NY, with their son David, 3 months b. MI. Nearby were William Smith, 40 b. England, and Elizabeth Smith, 80 b. England, Ann Hatten's brother and probably their mother.

Fotte/Foot/Foote

The families of: 1) Horace, 41 b. VT, and Adelia Fotte, 31 b. NY, with their five children; 2) Clark, 71, b. VT, and Harriet (Boardman) Fotte, 63 b. VT, and two of their children, all born in Vermont; 3) and Lewis, 30 b. NY, and Harriet (Fotte/Foot) Legget, 26 b. VT, with their 1-year-old son George, b. MI. Little George's importance to the Barnes family was that he would one day be the father of Clyfford Arthur Leggett, who would be married to Thomas and Sarah's great-granddaughter Helen Mary Barnes for 78 years. George was a grandchild of Clark and Harriet Fotte. Within a generation, "Legget" would receive an additional "t" to make it "Leggett."

Roods/Rhodes

Next door to each other, again in Tompkins Twp., were the Roods and Field families. The Roods were comprised of Edwin, 36 b. NY, with a personal estate of \$200, and Sarah (Barnes) Roods, 36 b. NY, and three children: Horace, 6, Harriet, 4, and Ellen, 2, all born in Michigan.

Field/Fields

The Field family consisted of William, 37 b. NY, with real estate valued at \$2,700 and personal value of \$1,000, and Melissa (Barnes) Field, 36, b. NY, and children: Titus, 14, Louisa, 13, Vestalina, 11, Philitus, 9, Lenora, 6, and Arvilla, 1, all born in Michigan.

Movements of Thomas and Sarah Barnes 1830 - 1867

In 1830, the Isaac and Eleanor (Barns) Shaver family was enumerated on page 7 of the Butler, Wayne County, New York census; the Thomas and Sarah (Sittser) Barns family was enumerated on page 9; and the Jeffrey and Lucretia Barns family was enumerated on page 19. Eleanor and Jeffrey were siblings of Thomas.

Thomas and family were living in the township of Rose at the time of the 1840 Federal census of Wayne County, New York. They were living at Seneca Falls, Seneca County, New York, at the time of David Sittser's probate in latter 1841.

Thomas, Sally, and their seven children left Seneca Falls in 1843 and arrived in the new village of Jackson, Jackson County, Michigan, on October 24th of that year. They originally settled in Jackson, where they were living at the time of the 1850 Federal census. Melissa and David were already married and had moved away.

On 6 November, 1843, about two weeks after their arrival in Jackson County, they bought land in Section 17 of Summit Township from Ichabod and Sarah Cole for \$250.00. ("Record of Land Deeds - Prior to 1850")

On 24 July 1845 for the consideration of \$150.00, Thomas Barnes and Sally Barnes, his wife, both of Seneca Falls, Seneca County, New York to Aralzaman C. Marsh of Galen, Wayne County, New York a convey of land, Section 33 in Parma Township, formerly owned by Nathaniel Willis and Sarah E. Willis, his wife. (From the book "Record of Land Deeds - Prior to 1850, Vol. III" located at Jackson City Library.)

On 25 March, 1848, Thomas and Sally bought more land in Section 17, Summit Township, this time from Cyrenius and Louisa Smith, for \$250.00. ("Record of Land Deeds - Prior to 1850")

Thomas and Sarah bought 200 acres in Sections 23 and 24 of Tompkins Township, Jackson County, by 1858, where they were living at the time of the 1860 Federal census. Aaron was the only offspring still living with them at the time. Thomas was a farmer with real estate valued at \$4,000 and person estate valued at \$1,000. Aaron was also a farmer, with a person estate valued at \$500. They sold the Summit Township land to their daughter Martha Louise and her husband Horace Field.

On 24 November, 1865, they sold nearly all their 200 acres in Tompkins Township to Walter Wright for \$4,525.00, except for a small parcel on which the house and buildings were located, which they kept for themselves (Liber 59, p. 184, Jackson County Land Deeds). * A small creek ran through the property near the house.

On 20 February, 1866, they sold this final parcel of property to William Smith, a neighbor just down the road to the west (Liber 59, p. 340). *

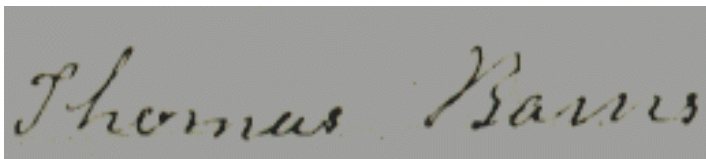
On 15 August, 1866, Thomas and Sarah Barnes bought their retirement home in Jackson, in the Durand Addition, from William and Sarah Markham (Liber 61, p. 56).

On 12 March, 1867, the heirs of Thomas Barnes sold this property to Aaron Barnes, Thomas' son, for \$1500.00 (Liber 56, p. 556). *

Sarah lived with Aaron for a few years (per an 1869-70 city directory), after which she lived with her other children until her death in 1875.

* Jackson record of land deeds

Thomas Barnes did not leave a last will and testament. His signature is included here.



Selections from the Probate of Great-Grandfather Thomas Barnes

A list of heirs as submitted to probate:

Sally Barnes, widow of said deceased, Melissa Fields, David Barnes, your petitioner Aaron Barnes, Sarah Rhoades, Martha Fields, Sophronia Hatton and Sevira Bonham who are the children of said deceased, all reside in the county of Jackson.

An inventory of the estate as taken by Aaron Barnes, administrator:

One house and lot	\$1500 00	\$1500.00
One note and mortgage	1980.00	
One note and mortgage	500.00	
One note and mortgage	300.00	
One note	400.00	
One horse	160.00	
One cow	18.00	
One buggy	25.00	
One light wagon	10.00	
One double harness	16.00	
Thirteen swarms bees	50.00	
Fifty bushels corn	17.50	
One hundred bushels oats	37.50	
One fanning mill	23.00	
Twenty cords wood		
One stack hay		
One gun	2.50	
One log chain	1.75	
Household furniture	115.00	
One buck saw	1.25	
One iron beetle	1.00	
Two buffalo skins	12.00	
One buggy rake	3.00	
	total	\$5186.50

Property selected by widow:

Household furniture	\$ 115.00
One swarm bees	3.85
One cow	18.00
Share from \$500 mortgage	178.15

A note written to the Probate Court by Aaron Barnes, Administrator to the estate of Thomas Barnes:

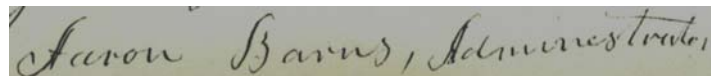
To the said Probate Court

Your petitioner Aaron Barnes Administrator of the Estate of said deceased respectfully shows that the foregoing account by him rendered contains a full true and correct statement of all the goods, chattles, rights, credits and estate that has come to his hands such administrator or to the possession of any other person for him. And also of all the disbursements made by him in the settlement of said estate, that each and every item of such disbursements have been actually and necessarily paid by him in the settlement of

said estate. That all the debts against said estate have been fully paid and all of such debts have been legal claims against said estate and have been fully paid with the full knowledge and consent of all the heirs who were then all of full age. And your petitioner further shows that the real estate mentioned in the foregoing account was sold by each and all of the heirs joining in a deed of conveyance. And by the voluntary consent of all your petitioner paid to the widow of said deceased five hundred dollars as her right of dower. And your petitioner further shows that he has advanced and paid to the widow and each of the heirs at law of said deceased the several amounts set opposite their respective names. That since said payments have been made to said heirs two have died leaving children them surviving to wit: Sevira Bonham has died leaving Dora B. Bonham and Andrew Bonham, two minor children, who are entitled to the balance due their mother of twenty-one dollars and forty cents equally, that Horace Fields is their legal guardian. Also Melisa Fields has since died being paid toward her portion of the estate died leaving five children her surviving who are equally entitled to the balance due her of three hundred forty-seven dollars and five cents. The names of said children are as follows: Calvin L. Fields, Vestlina Anderson, Philitus Fields and Horace Fields and Louisa French. That said Louisa French has since died leaving an only child Jennie O. French her surviving who is entitled to her share, that Jasper French is her guardian and David Barnes is the legal guardian of the said Philitus Fields and Horace Fields minors. And your petitioner further shows that said deceased left surviving him as his widow and children the following persons to wit:

Sarah Barnes widow of said deceased
 Melisa Fields..... daughter of said deceased (has died)
 David Barnes son of said deceased
 Sarah Rhoades daughter of said deceased
 Martha Fields daughter of said deceased
 Sophronia Hatton daughter of said deceased
 Sevira Bonham..... daughter of said deceased (has died)
 Aaron Barnes son of said deceased

February 17, 1871



Great-Grandfather Thomas Barnes' Obituaries

The following microfilm records are stored and obtainable from the Jackson City Library on W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, Michigan.

From the Jackson *Daily Citizen* newspaper for Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1866.

DIED -- In this city, on the 11th inst., Thomas Barnes, aged 64 years.

Funeral at his late residence on North Jackson street, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

From the Jackson *Weekly Citizen* newspaper for Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1866.

DROPPED DEAD -- Tuesday morning, an old citizen of this county, named Thomas Barnes, met with a sudden death at his house on North Jackson street. He arose as usual, and while dressing, was observed to fall. When spoken to a few seconds after, life was extinct, he having died instantly, probably from heart disease. Deceased had been a resident of this county, having lived in Rives Township a number of years, and lately removed to this city. He was a good citizen, and his sudden demise will be regretted by a large circle of friends. He was the father of the wife of Marshal Field of this city.⁶ The funeral will occur at his late residence this afternoon at two o'clock.

The Last Will and Testament of Great-Grandmother Sarah Barnes

Know all men by these presents that I, Sarah Barnes of the Township of Tompkins, County of Jackson and State of Michigan considering the uncertainty of life and being of sound mind and memory do make declare and publish this my last will and testament.

I order my executor to pay out of my estate all of my funeral expenses and to purchase and erect a set of tomb stones at my grave and to be like and compare with those erected at the grave of my husband Thomas Barnes within one year after my decease.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Sophronia one hundred and fifty dollars also my carpet and by black silk dress and cozy blanket and my comforter.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Martha one hundred dollars also my feather bed and new quilt.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah one hundred dollars also a black dress trimmed with crape and the last two quilts.

I give and bequeath to my sons David and Aaron one hundred dollars each.

⁶ The term "Marshal Field" has sometimes been confused with the famous Marshal Field of Chicago. The Marshal Field referenced in the obituary was Horace Field, husband of Martha Louise (Barnes) and elected sheriff.

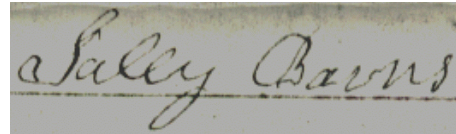
I give and bequeath to Vestlina Anderson thirty-three and one third dollars and my crape Marritt dress black.

I give and bequeath to Philitus Field and Horace M. Field thirty-three and one third dollars each.

I give and bequeath the balance of one hundred dollars after my executor shall have bought and erected suitable tomb stones on the grave of my daughter Sevira between Dora B. Bonham and Andrew P. Bonham.

I give and bequeath all the residue of my estate personal or mixed of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my deceased to be divided equally between my living children.

I nominate and appoint my son David Barnes to be my sole executor of this my last will and testament in presents of these witnesses named below this 31st day of March, 1874.

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sarah Barnes", written on a piece of aged, slightly discolored paper.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Sarah Barnes as and for her last will and testament in presents of us and in her presents have subscribed our names as witnesses.

Socrates H. Wood, Jackson, Mich.
Emory J. Wood, Tompkins, Mich.

Codicil to Last Will and Testament of Sarah Barnes

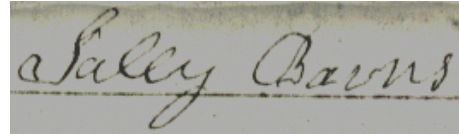
Whereas I Sarah Barnes of the township of Tompkins, County of Jackson and State of Michigan, have made my last will and testament in writing bearing the date March 31, 1874 in and by which I have given and bequeathed to my daughter Martha one hundred dollars and my feather bed and new quilt, Now therefore I do by this my writing which I hereby declare to be a codicil to my last will and testament and to be taken as a part hereof I order and declare that my will is that only the sum of five dollars shall be paid to my daughter Martha as the full amount to be paid to my said daughter Martha being the full amount bequeathed to her and that the residue of the said legacy to be given as follows.

I give and bequeath to my niec (sic) Vestalina Anderson my feather bed and new quilt and the balance of the one hundred dollars I give and bequeath as follows.

First to my sons David & Aaron the sum of twenty-three dollars and seventy-five cents each.

And I give and bequeath to my daughters Sarah and Sophronia the sum of twenty-three dollars & seventy-five cents each.

And lastly it is my will that this codicil here annotated to be made a part of my last will and testament as aforesaid to all intents and purposes.

A photograph of a handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sally Barnes". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured paper. The name "Sally" is written in a larger, more decorative hand, while "Barnes" is in a simpler, more practical cursive.

Signed sealed declared and published by the said Sarah Barnes as and for her last will and testament including this codicil in presents of us and in her presents have subscribed our names as witnesses.

Dated November 18th, AD 1875

Rankin Young, Rives, Jackson Co., Mich.
Emory J. Wood, Tompkins, “ “ “

The Family of Sarah Sittser

Sarah's Parents David Sittser and Sarah Mills

David Sittser, son of Andrew Sitzer, was born 3-5-1769 in New York, and died 10-17-1841 in Weedsport, Cayuga County, New York. He married Sarah Mills 3-12-1791 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Albany, Albany County, New York, a daughter of Samuel and Sarah Mills. She was born 1769 in Frederickstown, Dutchess County, New York, and died 1854 in Weedsport. They were married by Thomas Ellison, Pastor, and David spelled his surname "Sitzer."

Some Notes Relevant to the History of David and Sarah Sittser's Family

The David and Sarah (Mills) Sittser family was spelling their last name "Sitzer" when sons Andrew, Samuel, and Matthew were born. David, and Sarah's father Samuel Mills, were involved in a number of lease transactions for land that was part of the Rensselaerwyck Manor along the Hudson River in Albany County, New York. The following is information about the Manor's lands and at least some of the surviving transactions made by David Sitzer and/or Samuel Mills.

The Rensselaerwyck Manor

(From: <http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/msscfa/sc7079>)

The Manuscripts and Special Collections unit of the New York State Library owns an extensive collection of land records covering the Rensselaerwyck Manor, an area that once included large portions of Albany and Rensselaer counties.

The Van Rensselaer family held rights, dating back to the seventeenth century, to most all land in this area. These rights included the collection of ground rent, that is, rent paid annually, usually in commodities such as bushels of wheat, to the agents of the patroon, the head of the family. In 1785 Stephen Van Rensselaer (1764-1839) inherited the family rights to the Manor and it became necessary to determine the extent of these land holdings. Job Gilbert and John E. and Evert Van Alen were hired to survey and map the entire Manor.

The Hudson River divided Rensselaerwyck into the East Manor and the West Manor. The East Manor lands included all of Rensselaer County south of Lansingburgh, Schaghticoke, Pittstown, and Hoosick. The East Manor was divided into areas known as Elizabethtown (Brunswick), Philiptown (Nassau), Roxborough (Grafton), Greenbush, Schodack, Stephentown, Middletown, and Little Hoosick. Middletown included chiefly the eastern portions of the present towns of Poestenkill and Sand Lake and the western portion of Berlin. Little Hoosick encompassed the present town of Petersburg and the eastern portion of Berlin. Troy was part of the Manor but is not covered by detailed maps and surveys.

All of Albany County was included in the West Manor except the City of Albany, the southeast portion of the Town of Coeymans and the northern part of the Town of Watervliet (now the Town of Colonie). Land records for the West Manor, for the most part, only cover the present towns of Berne, Knox, Rensselaerville, and Westerlo, the

other records having been destroyed in the Capitol fire of 1911. Jacob Winne and John Preston were the surveyors for many of the West Manor lots.

David Sittser and Samuel Mills Lease Land

(http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/msscfa/sc70791_a_l.htm

http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/msscfa/sc70791_m_z.htm)

Most of the leases between the patroon of Rensselaerwyck and the tenants were generated between the late 1780s and the early 1800s. The terms of the lease usually stated that the tenant and his heirs agreed to hold title to the land in perpetuity and rent payments were to be made to the patroon annually in kind or cash. The leases also state the total acreage of land conveyed to the tenant along with the delineation of the plat. Releases of property to other individuals or parties is often documented. Lands described in these leases were situated in the East Manor and the West Manor.

—Beerft, William 2nd and Ecker, Nicholas lease farm at Rensselaerville, Lot 431, 170 acres. February 28, 1791. RRR (sublease) to John Conklin and Samuel Mills.

—Mills, Samuel and Sitson, David lease sawmill in Bethlehem on Lot 431. 1802.

—Mills, Samuel and Sitson, David lease a sawmill in Bern, Lot 431. 1808. Not executed.

—Ten Eyck, Cornelius quit claims to David Sittser of farm in Bern, Lot 408, 163 ½ acres. December 22, 1814.

—Sittzer, David leases farm in Berne, Lot 408, 163 ½ acres. March 6, 1815.

David Setts household at Bern, Albany Co., NY, in 1800 (near Samuel Mills, Jr. and Sr.):

Males:	Females:
4 under 10 years	1 between 10-16 years
1 between 26-45 years	1 between 16-26 years

David Sets household at Bern, Albany Co., NY, in 1810 (near Samuel Mills, Sr.):

Males:	Females:
1 under 10 years	1 between 10-15 years
3 between 10-15 years	1 between 26-44 years
2 between 16-25 years	
1 between 26-44 years	

David Sittser household at Brutus, Cayuga Co., NY, in 1820:

Males:	Females:
1 between 10-16 years	1 between 10-16 years
1 between 16-26 years	1 between 16-26 years
2 over 45 years	2 over 45 years

David Sittser household at Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY, in 1830:

Males:	Females:
1 between 10-15 years	1 between 5-10 years
1 between 20-30 years	1 between 20-30 years
1 between 30-40 years	1 between 40-50 years
1 between 60-70 years	1 between 60-70 years

David Sittser household at Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY, in 1840:

Males:	Females:
1 between 70-80 years	1 between 15-20 years
	1 between 70-80 years

The Sittsers Settle in Cayuga County, New York

David Sittser came to Cayuga Co. around 1815 with his family to help build the new state prison at Auburn, N.Y. His name is engraved on a wall in the old part of the prison and can be seen on tour day and as usual it is misspelled.

He and his boys built a big farmhouse in Throop south of Weedsport in 1815 and it stayed in the family until about 1970. The road in front of the house is Sittser Road. Across the meadow from the house is a private cemetery where he, Sarah, and some of his boys R.I.P.

David was a stone mason of some repute...

--Doug Norton Sittser⁷

Bracketed and asterisked materials added to the following article were provided by Charles W. Paige, who transcribed the article September 17-18, 2009 from an online, scanned version of the original.

⁷ Douglas Norton Sittser (deceased) was a son of Laverne Adelbert Sittser and Leuizenna Edna Vanbergen, grandson of Clayton Elmer Sittser and Nellie Esther Lawson, great-grandson of Adelbert J. Sittser and Loretta Elvira Everson, 2nd great-grandson of David Sittser, Jr. and Henrietta, and 3rd great-grandson of David Sittser, Sr. and Sarah Mills. Douglas tracked the Sittser lines other than that of our Sarah (Sittser) Barns. Much of the original research was conducted and recorded by Doug's 3rd cousin once removed Bessie (Sittser) Applegate (1882-1967), daughter of John Mills Sittser and Bertha Alice Cole, granddaughter of Willis Winfield Sittser and Emily Jane Eastman, great-granddaughter of COL. John Sittser and Abigail Storke, and 2nd great-granddaughter of David Sittser, Sr. and Sarah Mills.

The *Cayuga Chief* newspaper, Weedsport, N.Y., Thursday, March 16, 1950, Page 1

Indian Basket, Deed and Early Records Recall Pioneer Days on Applegate Farm

The original deed and an old Indian wall basket are among the numerous treasures, mementos and keepsakes of days past which can be found on the old homestead farm of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Applegate of Throop.* The farm's history is featured in the February issue of the Cayuga County Farm and Home Bureau News. The original deed of the farm indicates that Mrs. Applegate's great-great grandfather, David Sittser, bought his original 50-acre farm from Daniel VerPlank in 1815. The ancient wall basket was made by the Cayuga Indians for great-grandmother Abigail Sittser shortly following her marriage.

David Sittser, a stone mason, and whose wife was Sarah Mills, came to Cayuga County in the year 1815, evidently attracted by prospect of work on the State Prison, which was...

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[Caption under picture on Page 1:]

ANCIENT HISTORY. Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Applegate scan well-preserved 1850 farm record account book which Mrs. Applegate's great-grandfather, John Sittser, started in 1830.

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PICTURES TRACE HISTORY OF SITTSEER FAMILY, EARLY SETTLERS IN THROOP

[Pictures show "John Sittser 1801-1859," his wife "Abigail Storke Sittser 1806-1892," "Air view of 135-year-old Sittser farm, now the Applegate farm," "John Mills Sittser 1859-1933," his wife "Bertha Cole Sittser 1860-1913," "Willis W. Sittser 1829-1895," and his wife "Emily E. Sittser 1830-1916."]

Indian Basket

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...started in 1816. His family consisted of six sons and one daughter.** Upon his arrival he purchased the farm referred to above and which is now a part of the present farm owned by Frank and Mrs. Bessie Sittser Applegate.

One of David's sons, John, who was born in 1801, purchased a farm from Thomas Barnes, the owner of a section of land, in 1827, at the time he married Abigail Storke. (The main house on this farm is where William J. Fisher now lives, on the North Street Road.)

Abigail's parents were Daniel and Margaret (Grey) Storke who were among the early settlers of Auburn, coming here from New England in 1796, three years after Colonel Hardenbergh had settled at the "Corners." This pioneer family of three, at the time, came west by ox sled during the winter and on their journey a band of hungry Indians waylaid them and stole a large supply of frozen mince pies, clothing, and bedding. Daniel Storke had come to the "Corners" the year previous and had built a house and cleared and sown a field of wheat near the present "Cold Stream" on what is now York st. in Auburn. Because of the low, wet and "unhealthy" land on his farm, pioneer Storke bought another farm the following year. His new location was also on the North st. rd. and the farm was the one now owned by Richard K. Daly. This farm had previously been worked and on it were two comfortable log houses and a framed barn.

In passing it should be mentioned that another of Daniel Storke's daughters, Elizabeth, or "Aunt Betsy," helped to found another "Century Farm" family in Cayuga County, the Barnes'. ***

From the proximity of the Sittser and Storke farms it can readily be seen that John Sittser did not have far to go when courting Abigail Storke. In 1825 John was appointed a captain in the 213th Infantry Regiment by Governor DeWitt Clinton and was subsequently recommissioned by Governors Throop and Marcy. About ten years later he became Supervisor of the town of Sennett and was instrumental in getting the town of Throop set off from the towns of Aurelius, Brutus, and Sennett. Although Captain Sittser passed on at the age of 58, his widow, Abigail, survived him by 33 years, living until 1892. Grandma Abigail took great delight in telling her children, grandchildren, and even her great-grandchildren of her early experiences in the wilderness and about the Cayuga Indians who lived in her south woods and who sometimes came up to her house and sat on the ground outdoors eating the Johnny cake and maple syrup with which she fed them as a special treat. The wall basket was presented on one of these occasions. This and many other articles used by those gone before are carefully preserved to remind the coming generations of the manner of life of their forefathers. Included in these antiques are a whole series of farm account books beginning with one started in 1830 by John.

Two sons were born to John and Abigail: Willis Winfield Sittser on October 11, 1829, and Sidney E. on March 9, 1837. At the time Willis married Emily Jane Eastman in Brutus in 1851, he purchased a farm near Weedsport on the Sennett Road where he lived until his passing in 1896. The farm is now owned by Samuel Smith. Sidney lived on the home farm with his mother until he passed on in 1863, at which time the farm was rented for a few years to John Grant and A. O. Titus.

However, in 1880, when John Mills Sittser, Willis' son, married Bertha Alice Cole of the town of Skaneateles, he and his bride came to live on and work the old homestead farm in Throop. Besides being a good farmer, John Mills Sittser was a director and treasurer of the Cayuga County Farmers' Insurance Company, one of the early cooperative organizations in the State, and served as Justice of the Peace for several years. He was also an elder in the Presbyterian Church of Weedsport. Passing on in 1933, he survived his wife by twenty years.

Two daughters were born to the John Mills Sittsers, one of whom, Bessie, became the bride of Frank W. Applegate on December 9, 1903. The other, Frances, is married to Guy H. Lanphere of Weedsport. The Applegates have but one son, Foster, born October 10, 1906, and no daughters. Foster is married, has three sons, and lives in Syracuse.

Frank Applegate retired from active farming in 1941 but he and his wife live on the old farm still and in the farmhouse that is in a fine state of preservation despite its 104 years. Like his father-in-law, he is a director of the Cayuga County Farmers' Insurance company, a Justice of the Peace of the town of Throop, and an elder in the Weedsport Presbyterian church. His hobby is trying to keep the farm of 170 acres free from weeds and brush and his lawn spotless and weedless. He also has a large garden. His family came from New Jersey and his grandfather settled in the town of Fleming. A Farm Bureau member since its organization in 1914, Frank Applegate has also been a member for many years of Weedsport Lodge, F. & A.M. One of his treasured antiques is the old "Grandma Wyckoff" rocking chair which his father bought from the survivors of the infamous Van Nest murder in Fleming.**** But that is a different story.

- * Frank Warren Applegate was born in 1880 and died suddenly of a heart attack on his front porch Monday 8-3-1953. Bessie (Sittser) Applegate was born in 1882 and died Friday 7-28-1967 at the Cayuga County Infirmary after a long illness. Both had been directors of Cayuga County Farmers' Insurance Co., Auburn: Frank was director at time of death and Bessie continued in that position from 1953 to 1960.
- ** The daughter of David and Sarah (Mills) Sittser, Sarah a.k.a. Sally, married Thomas, son of Aaron and Martha (Eggleston) Barnes, and they eventually moved to Jackson County, Michigan.
- *** Betsy Storke married Augustus, eldest son of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, and they remained in the area throughout their lives. This Thomas was a brother of Aaron Barnes. Another daughter, Lucinda Storke, married Jeffrey Samuel Barnes, eldest son of Aaron Barnes, and after living in numerous locations in New York and Michigan, they ended their days in Branch County, Michigan.
- **** Five members of the Van Nest household, living at Route 38, Fleming, New York, were murdered on March 12, 1846, by William Freeman, a recently released African American prisoner from Auburn State Prison. Victims included: John and Mrs. Van Nest, young George Van Nest, Mrs. Wyckoff, and Mr. Arsdale.
(See: <http://www.co.cayuga.ny.us/history/ugrr/report/PDF/5o.pdf>)

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The following two paragraphs are excerpted from an article about the origin of names for some Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY, roads, which appeared in the *Port Byron Chronicle and Cayuga County News*, Wednesday, November 24, 1954, commencing on Page 2-A. The below paragraphs were from Page 3-A.

Article title:

Sennett Road Name Origins Investigated

Historian Finds Many Roads Perpetuate Family Names

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"The Manrow road, running a short distance in the Town of Sennett west from North st. rd, was named for the family of Younglove Manrow who settled in what is now the Town of Throop, moving in with his family from Sharon, Conn, in 1802.

“North of this is Sitzer road, named for the John Sittser family, some of whom lived on the road until very recently. Farther north is the High Bridge road, so called for the high bridge over the Lehigh Valley Railroad track.”

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The following is assorted probate material for David Sittser followed by his last will and testament.

Probate of David Sittser, Sr.

To the Surrogate of the County of Cayuga, The petition of Matthew Sittser of the town of Sennette, County of Cayuga & State of NY respectfully herewith,

That David Sittser late of the town of Sennette in the county of Cayuga & State of NY departed this life on or about the seventeenth day of October, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & forty one [17 October 1841].

That the said deceased was at the time of his death an inhabitant of the said County of Cayuga; That he left a last will & testament which is dated the ninth day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & forty one [9 October 1841].

That in & by the said will the said deceased appointed your petitioner & John Sittser Executors thereof;

That the said deceased left the following his heirs at law & next of kin to wit, your petitioner [Matthew Sittser], John Sittser, Andrew Sittser & Samuel Sittser of Sennette aforesaid, Sally wife of Thomas Barns of Seneca Falls, Seneca County, Peter Sittser of Mentz, Cayuga County & David Sittser of Butler, Wayne County; That he left Sarah Sittser his widow residing in Sennette aforesaid.

That said will relates to both real & personal estate.

That your petitioner is desirous of proving said last will & testament as a will of real estate that the same may be [recorded?] as such in pursuance of the Statue in such case made & [provided?]. Your petitioner therefore prays that the surrogate aforesaid that The necessary steps be taken before him for this purpose.-

Dated 1 Dec. 1841 M. Sittser

Cayuga County of ss: Matthew Sittser being duly sworn deposes & says that the facts stated in the above petition by him signed are true to the best of his knowledge and belief.
M. Sittser

Sworn this first day of December 1841 before me Geo. H. Wood Surrogate,
The people of the State of NY by the grace of God, free and independent; To Sarah Sittser widow John Sittser, Andrew Sittser & Samuel Sittser of Sennette & Peter Sittser of Mentz Cayuga County, Sally Barns wife of Thomas Barns of Seneca Falls Seneca County & David Sittser of Butler, Wayne County heirs at law and next of kin to David Sittser late of Sennette in the County of Cayuga & deceased [greeting?], you and each of you are hereby cited & required personally to be & appear before our Surrogate of our County of Cayuga at his office in Auburn in said County on the tenth day of December instant at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day to attend the proofs of probate of the last will & testament of said deceased which relates to both real & personal estate, and is

presented for proof of probate by Matthew Sittser an Executor herein named and hereof fail not.-

In testimony whereof we have caused the Seal of Office of our said surrogate to be hereunto affixed. Witness George H. Wood Surrogate of said County at Auburn the first day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty one.
Geo. H. Wood Surrogate

Cayuga County --SS, Matthew Sittser of Sennette being duly sworn deposes & says, On the second day of December inst I personally served this citation upon Samuel Sittser by showing him the same & handing him at the same time a copy thereof.

Sworn this 10th day of Dec. 1841 M. Sittser

Before me Geo. H. Wood, Surrogate

Surrogates Court Cayuga Co.

In the matter of the proof & probate of the last will & testament of David Sittser decd. We the undersigned widow, heirs at law & next of kin to David Sittser late of the town of Sennette in the County of Cayuga deceased, do hereby waive the service of the citation required by law to attend the proof of probate of the last will & testament of said deceased and do consent that the same may be proved before the Surrogate of Cayuga County at anytime when the same shall be presented for the purpose.

Witness our hands the 2nd day of December A. D. 1841

(Signed) Thomas Barns, Sally Barns, David Sittser, Peter Sittser, Sarah X Sittser, John Sittser, Andrew Sittser

In the presence of Eliza Stevens for Thomas & Sally Barns & David Sittser; Lewis B. Stark for all others.

At a Surrogate Court held at the Surrogates Office in the Village of Auburn in and for the County of Cayuga on the tenth day of December A. D. 1841. Present George H. Wood Surrogate.

The instrument in writing [purporting?] to be the last will & testament of David Sittser late of Sennette in said County deceased, was offered for proof and probate as a will of real & personal estate pursuant to the statute; On filing due proof of the Service upon some of the heirs at law of the citation issued in this matter, & a consent signed by the widow & other heirs at law of the deceased waiving the service of said citation & consenting that said will may be proved at any time, this matter was now brought on to be heard, and all the witnesses to said will were produced in open Court & testified as follows.-

In the matter of the proof & probate of the last will & testament of David Sittser decd. Cayuga County ---SS; Elliott G. Starke of Sennette in said County being duly sworn deposes and says, I was well acquainted with David Sittser late of Sennette afore said deceased, I was present when a certain instrument in writing now here shown to me dated the ninth day of October A. D. 1841 purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, was executed. I saw the deceased execute said instrument by affixing thereto his mark & seal. I heard him publish and declare the same to be his last will & testament. The deceased requested me to become a subscribing witness to the execution thereof. I do

so & signed my name thereto as such witness in his presence. The deceased was in my opinion at the time of the execution of said instrument of a sound & disposing mind & memory & in all respects competent to make & publish a last will & testament and to devise real estate, he was of full age & under no restraint that I knew of. After the execution of the said instrument the same was left with me by the deceased for safe keeping, I kept the same safely in my possession until after the death of the deceased & until I brought the same before the Surrogate of Cayuga County for proof, while said instrument was in my possession it was in no respect altered or erased.

Sworn this 10th day of December 1841 E. G. Storke

Before me Geo. H. Wood Surrogate.

In the matter of proof & probate of the last will & testament of David Sittser decd. Cayuga County ---SS; Amos Barns⁸ of Sennette in said county being duly sworn disposes & says I was well acquainted with David Sittser late of Sennette aforesaid deceased, I was present when a certain instrument in writing now here shown to me dated the ninth day of October A. D. 1841, purporting to be the last will & testament of said deceased was executed, I saw the deceased execute said instrument by affixing thereto his mark & seal. I heard him publish and declare the same to be his last will & testament. The deceased requested me to become a subscribing witness to the execution thereof I did so & signed my name thereto as such witness in his presence. The deceased was in my opinion at the time of the execution of said instrument of a sound & disposing mind & memory, and in all respects competent to make & publish a last will & testament & to devise real estate, he was of full age & under no restraint that I knew of.

Sworn this 10th day of December 1841 (signed) Amos Barns

Before me Geo. H. Wood Surrogate

Last Will and Testament of David Sittser, Sr.

The last will & testament of David Sittser of the town of Sennette, County of Cayuga & State of NY. I David Sittser considering the uncertainty of this mortal life do make and publish this my last will & testament in manner & form following (that is to say)

It is my will and pleasure that my beloved wife Sarah shall have in addition to her right of dower the sole & exclusive use & occupancy of the house in which I now live together with the yard and garden adjoining & such fruit from the orchard as may be necessary for her use and convenience.

Item, It is my will that my real & personal estate be divided among my children Andrew Sittser, Samuel Sittser, Matthew Sittser, Sally, wife of Thomas Barns, John Sittser & Peter Sittser as follows,

To the said Peter, John & Sally each one seventh part thereof,

⁸ This Amos Barns was probably the son by that name of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barns/Barnes of Connecticut and New York. It is strongly believed that this Thomas was a slightly younger brother of our Aaron Barns/Barnes. Amos and wife Phena were buried at the Community, or Sitzler, Cemetery in Throop Township, near the Sennett Town Line, as were Thomas and Mary and several of their descendants; also, David and Sarah Sittser and several of their descendants were buried there. The land on which the cemetery was laid out had originally been part of the David and Sarah Sittser farm.

To my son Samuel also one seventh part, excepting & deducting therefrom one hundred dollars, which seventh part shall be held by his son, David Bryan Sittser as trustee for the said Samuel & wife during their natural lives

David Sittser having had this share is hereby excluded except of personal estate.

To my son, Andrew Sittser, also one seventh part which shall be for his & his wives benefit during their natural lives & shall then descend to their daughter Sarah M. Sittser.

To my son, Matthew Sittser also one seventh which shall be for his & his wives benefit & support during their natural lives. & I hereby appoint the said Matthew & [--?] Calvin W. Sittser guardians to manage such share as he the said Calvin W. Sittser may think most proper.

Lastly, I appoint my sons, Matthew & John Sittser Executors of this my last will & testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 9th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & forty one.

His

David X Sittser (L.S.)

mark

The above instrument of one sheet was hereby [subscribed?] by David Sittser the testator in presence of each of us & was declared by him at the same time to be his last will & testament & we at his request sign our names hereto as attesting witnesses. E. G. Starke residing in Sennette Cayuga County, Amos Barns residing in Sennette Cayuga County.

I hereby certify that the preceding is a true record of the preceding proofs & examination taken before me in the matter of the proofs & probate of the last will & testament of David Sittser late of Sennette in said County deceased as a will of real and personal estate, and also of the said will. And that the same were recorded the tenth day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & forty one.

Geo. H. Wood Surrogate

According to a Memorial written for Sarah (Mills) Sittser's granchild Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, David Sittser "married Sarah Mills, who was born in 1761 and died in 1855. David Sittser died October 17, 1841. His wife was a daughter of Samuel and Sarah Mills..."

The date for Sarah Mills' birth used in this genealogy is "1769" rather than 1761. At the time of the 1850 Federal census of Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY (taken August 30, 1850), Sarah was living with son Peter and his wife Emeline and family, and was listed as 81 years old. (The Willoughby Memorial reference to 1761 may have resulted from someone misreading a "9" as a "1".]

According to the Willoughby Memorial, "In 1812 David settled on a farm five miles north of Auburn. In addition to farming, he followed the trades of stone and brick laying and shoemaking. He helped build the wall of Auburn state prison. He was an industrious and prosperous citizen, and was generally respected."

Children of David and Sarah:

1. Andrew Sittser, b. 4-15-1792, Bern, Albany Co., NY; d. 3-6-1871, Mentz, Cayuga Co., NY.
2. Samuel Sittser, b. 10-17-1793, Coeymans, Albany Co., NY.
3. Matthew Sittser, b. 12-5-1795, Coeymans, Albany Co., NY; d. 2-16-1861, Auburn, Cayuga Co., NY.
4. David Sittser, b. 1797, Bern, Albany Co., NY; d. Bet. 1855 - 1860, Huron Town, Wayne Co., NY.
5. Sarah Sittser, b. 5-19-1800, Berne, Albany Co., NY; d. 11-30-1875, Jackson, Jackson County, MI.
6. COL. John Sittser, b. 12-30-1801, Bern, Albany Co., NY; d. 1-6-1859, Brutus/Throop, Cayuga Co., NY.
7. Peter Sittser, b. 1806, Brutus/Throop, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 1888, Brutus/Throop, Cayuga Co., NY.

Sarah's Brothers

Andrew Sittser

Andrew Sittser was born 1792 in Bern, Albany County, New York, and died 3-6-1871 in Mentz, Cayuga County, New York. He married Abiah Johnson. She was born 1789, and died 10-4-1871 in Cayuga County. Andrew and Abiah were buried at the Pine Hill cemetery in the town of Throop, Cayuga County.

Child of Andrew and Abiah:

1. Sarah M. Sittser, b. Mentz, Cayuga Co., NY.

Samuel Sittser

Samuel Sittser was born between 1790 - 1795 in Bern, Albany County, New York. He married, though the name of his wife is not currently known. Samuel was spelling his last name "Sittsen" at the time of the 1820 federal census of Cayuga County, New York.

Children of Samuel and wife:

1. Emily C. Sittser, b. 1820, Brutus/Throop, Cayuga Co., NY; m. Charles Scadden, 11-13-1844, Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY.
2. David Bryan Sittser.

Matthew Sittser

Matthew Sittser was born 12-5-1795 in Bern, Albany County, New York, and died 2-16-1861 in Auburn, Cayuga County, New York. He married Huldah Taylor, daughter of Noah Taylor and Mabel Sturge. She died 9-18-1875.

According to a Memorial written for his daughter Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and her husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, "Mathew Sittser, son of David, and father of Sarah Elizabeth Sittser, was...at one time connected with Auburn state prison, and afterward held the office of superintendent of the Cayuga county house. He also served as one of the trustees of the old village of Auburn. He was a conspicuous member of the

Masonic fraternity. He faithfully discharged every duty which presented itself to him, and possessed the liking and esteem of his acquaintances."

Matthew was spelling his last name "Sittsen" at the time of the 1820 federal census of Cayuga Co., NY.

Children of Matthew and Huldah:

1. Calvin Noah Sittser, b. 1820, New York. According to a Memorial written for his sister Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and her husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, "Calvin N. Sittser for many years practiced law in Auburn, and in his time was one of the leading members of the Cayuga county bar."

Calvin and sister were living together at the time of the 1880 Federal Census of the 3rd Ward, Auburn, Cayuga Co., NY:

Name	Relation	Status	Marital	Gender	Race	Age	Birthplace	Occu.	Father's Birthplace	Mother's Birthplace
Calvin N. Sittsen	Self	S		Male	W	60	NY	Lawyer	NY	NY
Vester A. Sittsen	Sister	S		Female	W	51	NY	At Home	NY	NY

2. Emily Clarissa Sittser, m. (1) Charles Carskadden; m. (2) David Knapp.
3. Melvina Mabel Sittser, m. Charles P. Williams, 10-30-1844, Mentz, Cayuga Co., NY. According to a Memorial written for his sister-in-law Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and her husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, Charles was "a prominent bookseller of Auburn, and one of its most valued citizens."

--Email received: July 29, 2005--

Hello Charles,

My name is Chris Sheahan. Seeing as you are a distant cousin of mine on my mothers side I thought I would drop you an email.

I am related to the Sittsers buried in the community cemetery in Throop. I was looking at the list of people buried there online through rootsweb and noticed your e-mail comments on the bottom of the page.

My gr- gr grandfather married a Sittser also. His name was Charles Williams and he married Malvina Sittser daughter of Mathew Sittser. Mathew was Peter Sittser's brother.

Mathew and some of his sons and daughters are buried in the Williams plot in Fort Hill Cemetery in Auburn, NY. My mother's maiden name is Williams and some of her ancestors are buried there as well.

Sincerely,

Chris Sheahan, Ellijay, GA

4. Vesta Armena Sittser, b. 1829. According to a Memorial written for their granchild Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and her husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, Vesta A. was the last survivor of the siblings, "living in the old homestead on Hulbert street, Auburn."

5. Sarah Elizabeth Sittser, b. 10-18-1831, Clarksville, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 5-29-1893, Geneva, Ontario Co., NY.
6. Ursula Letitia Sittser, m. Mr. Quay.

David Sittser

David Sittser was born 1797 in Bern, Albany County, New York, and died between 1855 - 1860 in Huron Town, Wayne County, New York. He married Henrietta in Galen Town, Wayne County, New York. She was born 1800 in Ireland.

In 1820 & 1830 & 1840 he had several farms in and around Galen. I have copies of deeds. After 1840 he moved up to Huron Township near Lake Ontario on the Old Dutch Rd. In 1850 he bought another 50 acres. That was the last document I could find on him or his wife.

--Doug Norton Sittser

David was spelling his last name "Sittsen" at the time of the 1820 Federal census of Cayuga Co., NY.

Children of David and Henrietta:

1. Sarah Maria Sittser, b. 1827, Galen, Wayne Co., NY; m. Hudson I. Green.
2. David B. Sittser, b. 1828, Galen, Wayne Co., NY.
3. Almyria Sittser, b. 1835, Galen, Wayne Co., NY.
4. Adelbert J. Sittser, b. 11-6-1836, Galen, Wayne Co., NY; d. 11-26-1915, Kalamazoo, MI.

Col. John Sittser

Col. John Sittser was born 12-30-1801 in Bern, Albany County, New York, and died 1-6-1859 in Brutus/Throop, Cayuga County, New York. He married Abigail Storke 1827 in Brutus/Throop, Cayuga County, daughter of Daniel Storke and Margaret Grey. She was born 1806 in Brutus/Throop and died 1892 in Brutus/Throop. John was baptized 5-30-1802 at Beaverdam Reformed Church, Berne, Albany County, New York

In 1825 John was re-commissioned as a captain in the 213th NY Infantry Regiment, later to be promoted to colonel. He was a supervisor of the town of Sennett and was a very successful businessman.

At the time of the 1880 Federal census of Brutus, Cayuga County, New York, widow "Abbie" was living with son Willis and family.

Children of John and Abigail:

1. Willis Winfield Sittser, b. 10-11-1829, Brutus/Throop, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 12-9-1895, Brutus/Throop, Cayuga Co., NY.
2. Sidney E Sittser, b. 3-9-1837; d. 1863.

Peter Sittser

Peter Sittser was born 1806 in Brutus/Throop, Cayuga County, New York, and died 1888 in Brutus/Throop. He married Emeline J. Miller in Brutus/Throop, daughter of Samuel Miller and Eunice Storke. She was born 5-1-1815, and died 7-1892 at Owasco Lake, Auburn, NY.

The family settled on the old Sittser farm near Auburn, Cayuga County. Peter and Emeline became abolitionists and were part of the famous Underground Railroad. At the time of the 1860 Federal census of Cayuga County, they had living with them Charles and Betsey Fergeson and child Maria, fugitive slaves. Charles was 38 years old and born in Virginia.

They later settled on a farm near Owasco Lake. Peter and Emeline ran "Sittser's Resort" for summer boarders at the foot of Owasco Lake until 1890. Both are laid to rest in the family plot on Hybridge Road.

From the 1880 Federal census of Owasco, Cayuga County, New York:

Name	Relation	Marital		Gender	Race	Age	Birthplace	Occu.	Father's	Mother's
		Status							Birthplace	Birthplace
Peter Sittser	Self	M	Male	W	73	N.Y.	Farmer		NY	NY
J. Emaline Sittser	Wife	M	Female	W	65	N.Y.	Keeps House		NY	NY
Washington Bulkley	Other	S	Male	W	45	IRE.	Farm Laborer		IRE.	IRE.

Children of Peter and Emeline:

1. Frank Leslie Sittser, b. 8-16-1840, Near Auburn, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 6-16-1923, Tunkhannock, Wyoming Co., PA; m. Eliza Herrick Miller; b. 1844; d. 6-10-1923, Tunkhannock, Wyoming Co., PA.
2. John Adams Sittser, b. 3-20-1843, near Auburn, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 4-13-1911, Tunkhannock, Wyoming Co., PA.

Sarah's Grandparents

Andrew Sitzer and Sarah Allen

Andreas Sitzer was baptized 16 Oct 1743 at St Paul's (Zion's) Lutheran Church of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York, according to "New York Births and Baptisms, Southeast Region, 1660-1916." Sponsors were Andreas Zitzer, & wife; Elisabet.

Andrew's name was sometimes spelled "Andreas" and "Andries." The Mormon Church's genealogical website has Andreas Sitzer baptized October 16, 1743, in Greene Co., NY, to Johannes Frederick Sitzer and Johanna Winfield. Another of their accounts has him baptized October 16, 1743, at Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., NY, to Frederick Sitzer and Anna Wingfiel. They have Andreas married to a Sarah Allen, variously spelled Sara, about 1760, and an Andrew Sitzer married to an Elizabeth Ten Eyck December 1, 1799, at the Dutch Reformed Church, Coxsackie, Greene Co., NY.

On March 26, 1781, Andrew Sitzer, Ensign, was assigned to the Eleventh Regiment - (Coxsackie and Groote Imbocht) militia, along with James Waldron, Captain, Coenrad F. Ten Eyck, 1st Lieut., and Jacobus Moll, 2d Lieut. The men were from a Company that was formerly part of the Fifth Regiment.

According to a Memorial written for his great-granchild Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and her husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, "Matthew Sittser was a grandson of Andrew Sittser, whose exact place of residence is not known, but who lived somewhere on the Hudson in the latter half of the eighteenth century.⁹ Tradition has it that a more remote ancestor came to this country from Holland¹⁰ the century before. Andrew served in the Revolutionary war. He died April 19, 1806, aged 63 years..."

Children of Andrew Sitzer and Sara/Sarah Allen:

1. David Sitzer, b. 3-5-1769, NY; d. 10-17-1841, Weedsport, NY.
2. Marya Sitzer, b. 1771. Baptized 6-23-1771 at Schodack, Rensselaer Co., NY.
3. Elizabeth Sitzer.
4. Peter Allen Sitzer, b. 10-14-1781. Baptised January 6, 1782, at the First Dutch Reformed Church, Albany, Albany Co., NY. (Varying accounts have Peter born at Enfield, Hartford Co., CT, and Amesbury, Essex Co., MA.)

Samuel and Sarah Mills

Samuel Mills was born about 1745, and died 8-10-1824. He married Sarah. She was born about 1746, and died 7-11-1825.

According to a Memorial written for her great-grandchild Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, "Through the wife of Samuel Mills, the Sittsers for the generations succeeding David can trace their ancestry back to Ethan Allen, the revolutionary hero, who took possession of Fort Ticonderoga 'in the name of Jehovah and the Continental Congress.'"

Since Sarah and Ethan Allen were contemporaries (of the same generation), and since Ethan apparently had no sister Sarah according to known records, our Sarah could be at best a cousin. One "Sarah Allen" I discovered in the descendancy of Ralph Allen of England, born around the same time as ours, was part of the seventh generation of Ralph Allen. I also located Ethan Allen at the same level of descendancy from Ralph. By my reckoning (our?) Sarah and Ethan would have been 4th cousins. Also, since David's mother's maiden name was Allen, it is very possible that it was *she* who was related to Ethan Allen.

According to the above Memorial, surviving Samuel and Sarah Mills "were twelve children, 105 grandchildren and 49 great grandchildren."

⁹ Coxsackie is on the Hudson River and not far south of Albany.

¹⁰ Hank Jones, Jr., in his genealogical book More Palatine Families, has collected definitive evidence that the Zitzer/Sittser family came to America from Germany.

Children of Samuel and Sarah:

1. Sarah Mills, b. 1769, NY; d. 1854, Weedsport, Cayuga Co., NY.
2. Samuel Mills, Jr., b. 10-25-1773; d. 9-27-1828 at Camillus, Onondaga Co., NY.

Sarah's Ancestors

The following information owes its inclusion to Hank Jones, Jr. and the genealogical data he provided in his book More Palatine Families,

Andrew Sitzer's Parents

Johann Friederich Zitzer was born 1715 in Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany. He married Johanna Wingfiel/Wutfiel Abt. 1742 in Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., NY. She was born Abt. 1718.

Notes for Johann Friederich Zitzer:

Johann Friederich was baptized 21 October 1715 at Poppenweiler, a town in the Ludwigsburg District not far from Backnang and Stuttgart, Germany. Poppenweiler is in Baden-Wurttemberg about 1/3 of the distance on a straight line from Ludwigsburg to Backnang.

The immigrant Zitzer families were living at Poppenweiler when they immigrated to America 2 April 1738. In the group were Andreas Zitzer (a linen weaver), his wife Elizabeth, and Elizabeth's daughter Veronica by her former husband Johann Claus/Closs (deceased); also the brother of Andreas, Johan Martin Zitzer (also a linen weaver). Andreas and Johan Martin were sons of Johannes Zitzer a.k.a. Hans Zitzer of Mundingen in Herrschaft Durlach, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

Notes for Johanna Wingfiel/Wutfiel:

"Anna" joined the Loonenburg Lutheran Church at Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., NY, 7 July 1745.

Marriage Notes for Johann Zitzer and Johanna Wingfiel/Wutfiel:

They had children baptized at Red Hook Lutheran, Rhinebeck Lutheran, and Rhinebeck Flats Reformed churches.

Child of Johann Zitzer and Johanna Wingfiel/Wutfiel is:

- i. Andrew Sitzer, b. 1743, Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., NY; d. 4-19-1806; m. Sara/Sarah Allen, Abt. 1760.

Andrew Sitzer's Grandfather and His Families

Johann Martin Zitzer married (1) Maria Catharina, widow of Jacob Knoll, 8-21-1714 in Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany. She was born Abt. 1683, and died 12-5-1734 in Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany. He married (2) Salome Kreiner Bef. 1735.

Children of Johann Zitzer and Maria are:

- i. Johann Friederich Zitzer, b. 1715, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

- ii. Regina Zitzer, b. 1718, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany; m. Jacob Rosenberger.

Notes for Regina Zitzer:

Regina was baptized 19 May 1718 at Poppenweiler.

- iii. Andreas Zitzer, b. 1720, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

Notes for Andreas Zitzer:

Andreas was baptized 4 Aug 1720 at Poppenweiler.

- iv. Jacob Zitzer, b. 1723, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

Notes for Jacob Zitzer:

Andreas was baptized 10 April 1723 at Poppenweiler.

- v. Christina Zitzer, b. 5-17-1726, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany;
d. 6-15-1726, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

Children of Johann Zitzer and Salome Kreiner are:

- vi. Maria Catharina Zitzer, b. 1735, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany; d. 11-5-1737, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

Notes for Maria Catharina Zitzer:

Maria was baptized 27 July 1735 at Poppenweiler.

- vii. Zacharias Zitzer, b. 12-19-1739, Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., NY.

Notes for Zacharias Zitzer:

Zacharias was baptized at the Loonenburg Lutheran Church.

- viii. Anna Zitzer, b. 1742, Red Hook, Dutchess Co., NY.

Notes for Anna Zitzer:

Anna was baptized 2 March 1742 at the Red Hook Lutheran Church.

- ix. Georg Zitzer, b. 1744, Red Hook, Dutchess Co., NY.

Notes for Georg Zitzer:

Georg was baptized 23 Dec 1744 at the Red Hook Lutheran Church.

- x. Christina Zitzer, b. 10-9-1746, Rhinebeck, Dutchess Co., NY; m. Johannes Diel.

Notes for Christina Zitzer:

Christina was baptized at the Rhinebeck Lutheran Church.

Andrew Sitzter's Great-Grandfather Johannes Zitzer

Johannes Zitzer was said to be from Mundingen in Herrschaft Durlach (Mundingen under the rule of Durlach). Durlach was the capital and residence of the Hapsburg rulers of Baden-Durlach until June 17, 1715, when it was demoted to a mere borough of the new city of Karlsruhe, founded by Margrave Karl Wilhelm III to fulfill his need for more space. Mundingen is in Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany, near the border with France and not far south by southeast of Strasbourg. Mundingen (longitude is: 7.8333333, and Latitude is: 48.1333333) is located in Germany's Black Forest.

Children of Johannes Zitzer are:

- i. Andreas Zitzer, m. Elisabetha Graf/Grav, 11-2-1728, Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany; b. 1686, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany.

Notes for Elisabetha Graf/Grav:

Elisabetha was baptised 14 October 1686. She was the widow of Johannes Joseph Berner/Boerner, by whom she had son Johannes, and of Johannes Claus/Closs, by whom she had daughter Veronica.

- ii. Johann Martin Zitzer.

FAMILY AND ANCESTORS OF AARON BARNES AND MARTHA EGGLESTON

Thomas Barnes was a son of Aaron and Martha (Eggleston) Barnes. Aaron was born November 4, 1763 in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut, and died January 3, 1824 in Mentz, Cayuga County, New York. Martha Eggleston was a daughter of Samuel Eggleston and Hester Buck. She was born about 1768 in Northeast Township, Dutchess County, New York and died sometime after Aaron, probably under the surname Treat.

Aaron and Martha had seven children: three sons and four daughters. Aaron and Martha were still living in Sharon, Litchfield County at the time of the 1810 Federal census. Six of their children had been born. Their neighbor was Statira Barnes, Aaron's sister, who was living alone. (Statira, pro. Sta'turra, would settle in New York about the same time as Aaron.)

By the time the 1820 Federal census was taken, the family had moved to Aurelius/Mentz, Cayuga County, New York. Five of the seven children were still living at home: the first child, daughter Eleanor, having married Isaac Shaver; and third child, son Jeffrey, having married a woman named Lucretia. Both Eleanor's and Jeffrey's family lived near their parents at Mentz. Jeffrey's wife had already given birth to one daughter that was less than ten years old.

Jeffrey and Sarah, like their brother Thomas, would eventually settle in Michigan. Whereas Thomas would make Jackson County his permanent home, Jeffrey first settled in Berrien County, Michigan, where he was living at Niles in 1860, and finally Branch County, where he was living at Butler in 1870. His widowed wife and the family of his widower son would be living at Quincy Village, also in Branch County, in 1880. Sarah's family would settle in Ingham County, Michigan, in the 1840s, where she would soon die, leaving her husband to remarry. There is also some evidence that the families of Eleanor and Julia might have settled in Jackson County, Michigan.

Children of Aaron and Martha:

1. Eleanor or Elenor Barnes, b. Bet. 1795-1800 Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; m. Isaac Shaver.
2. Julia Anna Barnes, b. Bet. 1795 - 1800, Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; m. Calvin Tanner.
3. Jeffrey Samuel Barnes, b. 4-4-1800, Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; d. 3-1-1870, Butler, Branch Co., MI; m. Lucretia.
4. Thomas Barnes, b. 5-28-1802, Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; d. 12-11-1866, Jackson, MI; m. Sarah Sittser.
5. Horace Barnes, b. 1804, Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; d. 11-1877, Galen, Wayne Co., NY; m. Sarah.
6. Sarah Barnes, b. 4-12-1808, Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; d. 3-8-1851 in Dansville, Ingham Co., MI; m. Hampton Dexter Granger.
7. Sephronia Barnes, b. Abt. 1-1812; d. 4-11-1835, Cayuga Co., NY; m. (1) Chester Crandall, (2) Chester Craw.

Aurelius, Cayuga County, New York, (from which Mentz would be taken) was originally "one of the 'Military Townships' formed January 27, 1789..." Two other of the military townships were "Cato" and "Brutus." "Auburn was formed from Aurelius, March 28th. 1823."..."Mentz, from Aurelius, as Jefferson, March 30, 1802, name changed April 6, 1808."..."Sennett, from Brutus, March 19, 1837."..."Throop from parts of Aurelius, Mentz and Sennett, April 8, 1859." ¹¹

The town of Sennett is just northeast of Auburn. Just west of Sennett are the towns of Throop and Throopsville, north and northwest of Auburn, respectively. And just a short distance further west is Mentz and Mentz Corners, west by northwest of Auburn. Seneca Falls isn't a great distance west by southwest from Mentz. All of these towns have much significance in our Barnes family history. Aaron and Statira's brother Thomas had been living in Cayuga County since the 1790s.

An Eggleston genealogy states that Martha married "Aaron Barnes" and "moved to Auburn," and that later she was married to a "Mr. Treat." (Several Treats settled in Cayuga County from Sharon, Connecticut, although to-date I have been unable to find Martha's final resting place nor the given name of Martha's Treat husband. A "Lemuel Case" has also been linked as a possible husband of Martha's as well as being the husband of one of Martha's sisters).

"Aron" Barnes was buried at Throopsville's Pine Hill cemetery in 1824. Eleven years later daughter Sephronia (Barnes) Crandall Craw would be buried near him. The same year Sephronia died, Aaron's son Thomas named one of Sarah and his newborn twin daughters after her.

Last Will and Testament of Aaron Barns

The first day of May in the year of our Lord, one thousand Eight hundred and twenty three, I Aaron Barns of the town of Mentz in Cayuga County and state of New York being in an ordinary state of health and of sound disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and testament for the disposal of my property wherewith I hath pleased divine providence to bless me in this life, viz. After my funeral charges and just debts are paid I give and bequeath as follows (that is to say) First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha Barns the half of my house and barn so long as she shall remain my widow, Item, I give and bequeath unto my oldest son Jeffrey Barns, four acres of land, which shall take in the building and lay in a square form together with the other half of my buildings to him, his heirs and assigns forever, and also the other half of my building after my wife shall cease to be my widow. I give and bequeath to my youngest son Horris Barns the orchard south of my house to him, his heirs and assigns forever. The rest of my land I will, that it shall be equally divided between my three sons, Jeffrey Barns Thomas Barns & Horris Barns. Item, I give & bequeath to my eldest daughter Elenor Shaver one hundred dollars to be paid to her two years after my decease, Item, I give & bequeath unto my second daughter Julia Barns the sum of one hundred dollars to be paid to her two years after my decease, Item I give & bequeath unto my third daughter Sarah Barns, one hundred dollars to be paid to her, two years after my decease, Item, I give & bequeath unto my youngest daughter, Sephronia Barns the sum of one hundred

¹¹ Quoted material in this paragraph was taken from Elliot G. Storke's book History of Cayuga County, New York 1789-1879.

dollars, to be paid to her two years after my decease. Item, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife all my household furniture to have and to hold the same during the time of her widowhood, and after her it is my will that the said furniture shall be equally divided between my daughters, Elenor, Julia, Sarah & Sephronia Barns. And it is my will that my wife shall have the privilege of taking fruit out of the orchard, south of my house, sufficient for her use & comfort. It is also my will that my eldest son shall provide provisions and firewood sufficient for the comfortable support of my said wife, and that my two youngest daughters may remain with my said wife, until they shall arrive at the age of eighteen years, unless they before marry. Lastly, I make & ordain, constitute & appoint my eldest son Jeffrey Barns and Jacob Pennoyer of the town of Brutus, Executors to this my last will & testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed, published & pronounced
and declared by the said Aaron Barns Aaron Barns
to be his last will & testament in the presents
of us the subscribers, who have hereunto set our
names as witnesses in the presents of the said testator.

William T. Talman Thomas T. Talman
Stephen Talman Waity Z. Waite
Stephen Talman, Junr

Surrogates Office)
Cayuga County) Be it remembered that on this twenty-seventh day of January Eight hundred and twenty-four William T. Talman personally appeared before me, Benjamin L. Cuyler, Esq., Surrogate of said County and being sworn did depose and on his oath declare that the said Aaron Barns late of the town of Mentz in said county decd, sign seal and deliver an instrument in writing, purporting to be his last will & testament, bearing date the first day of May, Eighteen hundred & twenty-three (whereof the preceding is a true copy) and heard him publish and declare the same, as and for his last will & testament and that, at the time there of he was of sound disposing mind & memory, according to the best belief & knowledge of this deponent. And that the name of the deponent subscribed to the said will, is of his own proper handwriting which he subscribed thereto in presence of the testator & that he saw Stephen Talman, Stephen Talman Junr, Thomas F. Talman and Waity Z. Waite, subscribe their name to the said will as witnesses thereto in presence of each other and of the testator.

Benjamin L. Cuyler,
Surrogate

Surrogates Office)
Cayuga County) Be it remembered that on this twenty-seventh day of January Eight hundred & twenty-four personally came before me the subscriber, Surrogate of the County of Cayuga, Jeffrey Barns, Executor in the preceding will named, and was

qualified as Executor by taking the necessary oaths, and letters testamentary were accordingly issued and recorded in this office the day and year aforesaid.

Benjamin L. Cuyler
Surrogate

The people of the State of New York, by the grace of God, free & independent: to all to whom this present shall come or may concern, send greetings.

Know ye, that at Ledyard in the County of Cayuga on the twenty-seventh day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand Eight-hundred & twenty-four, before Benjamin L. Cuyler, Esqs., Surrogate of our said county, the last will and testament of Aaron Barns, late of the town of Mentz in said County deceased, (a copy whereof is hereunto annexed) has duly proved and is now approved & allowed of by us. And the said deceased having whilst he lived and at the time of his death, goods, chattels or credits within this State, by means whereof the proving and registering the said will, and the granting administration of all & singular, the said goods, chattels and credits, also the auditing, allowing & final discharging the accounts thereof doth belong unto us. Therefore the administration of all & singular, the goods, chattels & credits of the said deceased, and any way concerning his will is granted unto Jeffrey Barns / the other executor Jacob Pennoyer having renounced / Executor in the said will named, he being first duly sworn, will & faithfully to administer the same and to make and exhibit a true & perfect inventory of all & singular the said goods, chattels and credits, and also to render a just and true account thereof, when thereunto required. In testimony whereof we have caused the seal of Office of our said Surrogate to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Benjamin L. Cuyler, Esq., Surrogate of our said county at Ledyard, aforesaid, the twenty-seventh day of January in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight hundred twenty-four.

Benjamin L. Cuyler,
Surrogate

Inventory of the Personal Property of Aaron Barns

“Inventory of the personal property of Aaron Barns of the Town of Mentz and County of Cayuga Deceased as taken by us the Undersigned this 26th day of February in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four.

“Viz. 1 lumber sled and box \$11.00
Two-horse waggon \$50.00
2 yearling calves \$6.50
18 Head of sheep at \$1.37 1/2 cents per head \$24.75
5 Hogs at \$2.00 per head \$10.00
1 Fanning mill \$15.00
1 Half bushel measure \$0.37
20 Bushels corn 2/3 per bushel \$5.62
Wheat in the sheaf \$13.00
95 Bushels of oats at 20 cents per bushel \$19.00

2 Pitch-forks \$0.50
 4 Tons of hay \$6.00 per ton \$24.00
 1 Dun cow \$13.00
 1 Red cow \$10.00
 1 Black cow \$10.00
 35 Bushels corn 2/3 per bushel \$9.84
 1 Spade \$0.75
 Grind-stone and crank \$1.25
 1 Plough 2 shares and bolts \$2.50
 3 Cykles 2/- piece \$0.75 [sickles/C.W.P.]
 Spring seat to waggon \$4.00
 4 Trace chains \$0.93
 1 Set of two-horse harness \$10.00
 3 Axes \$1.25
 1 Hand-saw \$0.12
 1 Sythe-stick and irons \$0.50 [Scythe/C.W.P.]
 Staple and ring \$0.50
 1 Bridle \$0.37 1/2
 1 Drawing knife or Shave \$0.37 1/2
 Irons on 1 pair of single whiffletree \$0.50
 2 Large clevises \$0.75
 1 Iron wedge \$0.37 1/2
 1 Basket of old iron \$1.27
 1 Crow bar 23 lbs. 1 Weighing 14 lbs.
 1 brass (sic) weighing 6 lbs. at 6 cents
 per lb. = \$23+14+6=\$2.58
 1 whiffletree 1 hoe 1 corn cutter \$0.25
 30 lb. drag teeth at 6 cents per lb. \$1.80
 1 Sythe & cradle \$1.37 1/2
 1 hoe \$0.06
 1 Hogshead \$0.50
 1 Half-barrel cask \$0.50
 1 Chain weighing 15 lbs. at 1/- per lb. \$1.87 1/2
 1 Do [Chain weighing] 11 lbs. at -/6 per lb. \$0.68
 23 Geese at 25 cents apiece \$5.75
 2 Two-year-old heifers \$9.00
 1 Hogshead \$0.75
 3 Cider barrels 3/- apiece \$1.12
 40 Bushels potatoes at 1/- per bushel \$5.00
 Pork \$10.00
 Lard \$1.00
 90 lbs Ham 4 cents a lb. \$3.60
 1 Gun \$5.00

Wearing apparel

1 Close bodied coat \$3.00
1 Over coat \$2.50
3 Vests \$0.75
2 Shirts \$1.25
1 Pair of woolen pantaloons \$2.50
2 Pair thin striped pantaloons \$1.50
\$309.12

“Household furniture

3 Barrels 3/4 apiece \$1.25
3 Tubs and 3 empty casks \$0.50
3 Meat casks & large tub at 3/- a piece \$1.50
3 Tin milk-pans 2/- a piece \$0.75
1 Tin pail \$0.37 1/2
1 Brass kettle \$0.75
1 Churn \$0.75
1 Jug \$0.18
2 Stone pots \$0.50
1 Stone jug \$0.25
1 Earthen pot \$0.12
4 Tin squares \$0.25
6 Table spoons 6 cents each \$0.37
1 Tea-pot \$1.25
Cups and saucers \$0.30
1 Tea canister \$0.25
\$9.34 1/2

“Inventory of household furniture continues

1 Shell or dinner horn \$0.50
1 Milk cup 2 plates \$0.12
1 Pair steelyards \$0.50
1 Glas bottle \$0.12
1 Tea kettle \$0.73
1 Dinner pot \$1.00
1 Small dish kettle \$0.75
1 Small Do Do [dish kettle] \$0.37 1/2
1 Frying pan \$0.37
1 Pounding barrel \$0.25
1 Crane & hook \$1.50
1 Pair and-irons \$0.75
Shovel & tongs \$1.25
12 Plates earthen \$0.50
1 Bread dish \$0.25
1 Lot knives and forks \$0.37 1/2
1 Glas & bowl \$0.12

1 Candle stand	\$1.00
8 Chairs	\$2.63 1/2
5 Bags 18 cents each	\$0.90
6 Chairs 3/- each	\$2.25
Clock & case	\$7.00
Two trunks	\$1.00
1 Chest	\$0.50
1 Tea table	\$3.00
15 Linen laces	\$12.74
1 Bed quilt	\$1.50
3 Linen table cloths	\$1.75
4 Do (linen) towels	\$0.65
2 Woolen blankets	\$2.00
3 Pillow cases	\$0.50
1 Looking-glas	\$0.75
1 _____[unreadable/C.W.P.]_____	\$6.00
1 Chest	\$0.75
1 Bed, Bedding & Bedstead	\$15.00
1 Bed, Bedding & Bedstead	\$11.00
1 Bed, Bedding & Bedstead	\$6.00
6 Run (sic) woolen yarn	\$1.00
1 Large spinning wheel	\$1.00
1 Reel	\$0.70
1 Small spinning wheel	\$1.25
1 Flax latchet	\$1.00
1 Women's saddle	\$7.00
1 Pair portmanteaus	\$0.50
3 Run tow yarn	\$0.30
1 Bedstead	\$1.00
1 Large kettle	\$4.50
1 Moody & 1 crock	\$0.12
2 Wooden bowls	\$0.37
1 Colander	\$0.06
1 Table	\$1.50
1 Chest	\$0.85
1 Bedstead & cord	\$2.00 (sic)
Books	\$2.00
1 Rocking chair	\$1.00
2 Pauls	\$0.50

Amount of Household furniture \$133.34

Amount of Personal property \$309.12

Moses Dixon)
Robert Hopkins) Appraisers
Filed July 10, 1824
Wheat on the ground \$30.00” [Added to bottom of list/C.W.P.]

Eleanor Barnes Family

Eleanor was born between 1795 and 1800 at Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut. Sometime between 1815 and 1820 Eleanor married Isaac Shaver, who was born between 1790 and 1800.

The Isaac and Eleanor (Barnes) Shaver family was living next door to the Aaron and Martha Barnes family in Mentz, Cayuga County, New York when the 1820 Federal census was taken. In the household were the following people.

Males:	Females:
1 Under 10 years	1 Under 10 years
1 between 26-45 years	1 between 16-26 years

The 1830 Federal census found the family of Isaac Shaver living at Butler, Wayne County, New York. In the household were the following people:¹²

Males:	Females:
1 under 5 years	1 between 5-10 years
2 between 5-10 years	1 between 30-40 years
1 between 10-15 years	
1 between 40-50 years	

The 1840 Federal census found the family of an Isaac Shaver living at Concord, Jackson County, Michigan. In the household were the following people:

Males:	Females:
2 between 5-10 years	1 between 5-10 years
1 between 40-50 years	1 between 40-50 years

Julia Anna Barnes Family

Julia Anna was born between 1795 and 1800 in Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT, and died before 1839.¹³ She married Calvin Tanner 2-12-1825 in Cayuga County, New York, son of Thomas Tanner and Hannah Spencer. He was born 4-14-1800 in Exeter, Washington County, Rhode Island, and died 6-25-1850.

¹² In 1830 the Isaac and Eleanor (Barns) Shaver family was enumerated on page 7 of the Butler census, the family of Eleanor's brother Thomas was enumerated on page 9, and the family of their brother Jeffrey was enumerated on page 19.

¹³ Considering their closeness in age from the various early census reports, there is a possibility that Julia Anna and Jeffrey Samuel were twins.

The 1830 Federal census found the family living at Skaneateles, Onondaga County, New York. In the household were the following people:

Males:	Females:
2 under 5 years	1 under 5 years
1 between 20-30 years	1 between 20-30 years

The 1840 Federal census found the family of a C. S. Tanner living at Sennett, Cayuga County, New York. In the household were the following people:

Males:	Females:
1 between 30-40 years	1 between 30-40 years

The female in the 1840 census was most likely Hannah McCarty Tanner, whom Calvin is said to have married 11-01-1839. In 1880, 72-year-old Hannah Tanner was living with her daughter and son-in-law Angeline and Francis Hazzard in Howell, Livingston County, Michigan.

Children of Julia and Calvin:

1. Lorenzo Edwin Tanner, b. Abt. 1826.
2. Dennis Tanner, b. Abt. 1828.
3. Mary Ann Tanner, b. Abt. 1830.

Jeffrey Samuel Barnes Family

Jeffrey Samuel Barnes was born 4-4-1800 in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut, and died 3-1-1870 in Butler, Branch County, Michigan. Jeffrey married Lucretia Storke October 11, 1818, daughter of Daniel and Margaret (Grey) Storke. She was born about 1798 in New York and died 3-30-1886 at Quincy, Branch County, Michigan. Jeffrey would die of "apoplexy," or heart attack, similar to what had claimed his younger brother Thomas almost four years before.

At the time of the 1820 Federal census, Jeffrey and Lucretia were living next door to Aaron and Martha Barnes in Mentz, Cayuga County, New York. A single child, a daughter less than 10 years old, was living with them. Jeffrey and family were living in Brutus, Cayuga County, New York, when he administered the last will and testament of his father Aaron Barnes in 1824.

The 1830 Federal census found the family living at Butler, Wayne County, New York. In the household were the following people:¹⁴

Males:	Females:
1 between 30-40 years	2 under 5 years
	1 between 10-15 years
	1 between 30-40 years

¹⁴ In 1830, the Eleanor Shaver family was enumerated on page 7 of the Butler census, the Thomas Barnes family was enumerated on page 9, and the Jeffrey Barnes family was enumerated on page 19.

The 1840 Federal census found the family living at Galen, Wayne County, New York. In the household were the following people:

Males:	Females:
1 between 5-10 years	1 under 5 years
1 between 10-15 years	1 between 5-10 years
1 between 15-20 years	2 between 10-15 years
2 between 20-30 years	1 between 20-30 years
1 between 40-50 years	2 between 40-50 years

The family was living at Murray, Orleans County, New York, at the time of the 1850 Federal census. In the household were: Jeffrey S. Barns, 50 years old, born in Connecticut, and a farmer; Lucretia Barns, 52 years old, born in New York; Florilla Barns, 24 years old, born in New York; Louisa Barns, 22 years old, born in New York; Aaron Barns, 20 years old, born in New York; Margaret Barns, 18 years old, born in New York; Moses Barns, 16 years old, born in New York; Morgan Rublee, 25 years old, born in New York, and a merchant; Henry Hows, 19 years old, born in New York, also a farmer.

At the time of the 1860 Federal census, Moses, his wife Ellen, and their firstborn son Henry were living with Jeffrey and Lucretia in Niles Township, Berrien County, Michigan. Jeffrey was listed as a farmer with real estate valued at \$4,000 and personal estate valued at \$300. Moses was listed as a farmhand with a personal estate worth \$150.

The entire Barnes household moved to Butler, Branch County, Michigan, by 1870. That year Jeffrey died of apoplexy in March, and Ellen died from "congestion of the lungs" in August. Later, Moses, with his five children and mother Lucretia, moved to Quincy Village, Branch County, where they were farmers. Moses also kept a saloon and would die of *del tremens manic apatu*.

Children of Jeffrey and Lucretia:

1. Julia L. Barnes, b. 5-26-1819, NY; d. 2-10-1895, Mendon, Monroe Co., NY.
2. Florilla Barnes, b. 7-24-1825, NY; d. 1-13-1878, Quincy, Branch Co., MI.
3. Louisa Barnes, b. Abt. 1828, NY.
4. Aaron Barnes, b. 7-11-1828, NY; d. 5-24-1907, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI.
5. Margaret Elizabeth Barnes, b. 2-10-1832, NY; d. 10-11-1907, Coldwater, Branch Co., MI.
6. Moses Barnes, b. 8-20-1834, Wayne Co., NY; d. 6-16-1880, Quincy Village, Branch Co., MI.

Julia L. Barnes b: 5-26-1819 in NY, d: 2-10-1895 in Mendon, Monroe Co., NY, m: 12-31-1837 in Rose, Wayne Co., NY, to Philetus Chamberlain b: 11-26-1814 in Mendon, Monroe Co., NY, d: 4-4-1896 in Mendon, Monroe Co., NY.

Children of Julia and Philetus:

1. Mary Esther Chamberlain b: 1841 in Wayne Co., NY, d: 4-26-1897 in Wolcott, Wayne Co., NY, m: George P. Graves b: 10-1842 in NY, d: 1923 in NY.
Children: (1) Harry K. Graves b: 8-1872 in NY d: 1934, m: Mary E., b: 1-1872 in

- IN; (2) Edward G. Graves b: 1874 in NY d: 1891 in NY; and (3) Raymond G. Graves b: 5-1876 in NY.
2. Louisa Lucretia Chamberlain b: 8-9-1842 in Wayne Co., NY, d: 10-8-1908 in Columbia, Jackson Co., MI, m: 8-4-1877 in Grand Rapids, Kent Co., MI, to Horace Field b: 4-1-1829 in NY, d: 12-22-1904 in Jackson, Jackson Co., MI. Children: None. (See the topic: "The Following Are Histories Of Some Barnes Cross-Branch Families," about marriages of Field family members with Barneses, and its subtopic "Some Barnes Family Trivia," in Part 2, starting page 30.)
 3. Philena Lovina Chamberlain b: 11-8-1846 in Wayne Co., NY, d: Bef. 1930, m: Abt. 1871 to Eugene Goff b: 2-1847 in NY. Children: (1) J. Burton Goff b: 11-1875 in NY.
 4. Alice Julia Chamberlain b: 12-29-1853 in Rose, Wayne Co., NY, d: 3-23-1930 in Bath, Steuben Co., NY, m: Aft. 1900 to Dudley D. Allerton b: 5-20-1859 in Steuben Co., NY, d: Aft. 1930. Children: None.
 5. Philetus Chamberlain, Jr. b: 4-14-1855 in Rose, Wayne Co., NY, d: 8-5-1937 in Monroe Co., NY, m: 11-13-1884 to Elizabeth Stone VanDoorn b: 8-1859 in NY, d: 1939 in NY. Children: (1) Belle Margrette Chamberlain b: 8-1885 in NY, m: Charles P. Oliver b: 9-1884 in NY; (2) Arthur Van Doorn Chamberlain b: 4-28-1891 in Rochester, Monroe Co., NY, d: 3-18-1971 in Rochester, Monroe Co., NY, m: 2-18-1915 in Rochester, Monroe Co., NY to Helen Florence Mason b: 12-3-1892, d: 5-28-1974 in Rochester, Monroe Co., NY.

Philetus Chamberlain, Jr., was the first of a dynasty of attorneys that continues into the 21st century. He remained active in his profession until his death at age 82. His son Arthur Van Doorn Chamberlain became president of the New York State Bar Association in 1951, and grandson Philetus Mason Chamberlain, in 1948, was appointed New York's Assistant State Attorney General for the Rochester, Monroe Co., NY area.

6. Emma Cookingham Chamberlain b: 6-28-1864 in Rose, Wayne Co., NY, d: 5-22-1901 in NY, m: 12-31-1890 in NY to Benjamin F. Davis b: 8-1858 in IL. Children: (1) Julian S. Davis b: 12-1895 in Chicago, Cook Co., IL.

Julia L. and Philetus resided at Rose until moving to a 300-acre farm at Mendon, Monroe Co., NY, in 1866.

Florilla, never having married, died of "paralysis" 1-13-1878, two years before her brother Moses passed away.

Aaron Barnes was born 7-11-1828 in NY, and died 5-24-1907 in Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI. He married (1) Maria D. Abt. 1849. She was born Abt. 1829 in NY. He married (2) Elizabeth "Lizzie" Ferguson 2-15-1879 in Girard, Branch Co., MI. She was born 3-1852 in Niagara Co., NY.

Child of Aaron Barnes and Maria is:

1. Charles H.⁸ Barnes, b. Abt. 1-1852, Jackson, Jackson Co., MI, m: Abt. 1878 to Emma M., b: Abt. 6-1858 in Hudson, Lenawee Co., MI. Children: (1) Charles A. Barnes, b. 9-23-1879, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI. (2) Pearl Miner Barnes, b. 3-7-1882, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI. (3) Gertie May Barnes, b. 6-5-1884, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI. (4) Deborah M. Barnes, b. Abt. 12-1891, IN.

Children of Aaron Barnes and Elizabeth Ferguson are:

2. Louis Clayton Barnes, b. 3-15-1880, Quincy, Branch Co., MI; d. 11-12-1901, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI; m. 10-28-1916 to Minnie Evans at Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI; b. Abt. 1890, MI.
3. Harry Barnes, b. 2-1882, MI.
4. Rhea Barnes, b. 10-1883, MI; m. 8-11-1904 to Leslie L. Donahue at Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI; b. Abt. 1880, MI.
5. Glen Barnes, b. 6-1-1885, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI; m. 12-13-1911 to Edith Almas at Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI; b. 1-30-1882, MI; d. 10-23-1917, Douglas Twp., Montcalm Co., MI.
6. Emma Barnes, b. 11-3-1886, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI.
7. Claude Barnes, b. 11-18-1892, Stanton, Montcalm Co., MI.

The family was living at Sturgeon, Boone County, Missouri at the time of the 1860 Federal census. In the household were: Aaron, 29 years old, born in New York, a carpenter; Maria D., 29 years old, born in New York; and Charles H., 8 years old, born in Michigan.

By the time of the 1870 Federal census, the family of three was living at Ionia, Ionia County, Michigan. Aaron was now listed as a stonemason, Maria D. as a dressmaker, and Charles as a day laborer.

From the 1880 Federal Census of Precinct 3, Fremont County, Colorado:

Name	Relation	Marital Status	Gender	Race	Age	Birth-place	Occu-pation	Father's Birth-place	Mother's Birth-place
Aaron Barnes	Self	M	Male	W	48	NY	Brick Mason	CT	NY
W. R. Armington	Other	S	Male	W	18	IA	Painter	NY	GERM
Lucius Eldridge	Other	M	Male	W	59	NY	Works At Carpenter-ing	NY	VT
C. H. Barnes	Other	M	Male	W	28	MI	Stone Mason	NY	NY

Margaret Elizabeth Barnes was born 2-10-1832 in NY, and died 10-11-1907 in Coldwater, Branch Co., MI. She married Thomas Heddle, son of St. Clair Heddle and Ann Mann. He was born 10-16-1826 in Canada, and died 12-12-1907 in Coldwater, Branch Co., MI. Children: None.

Moses Barnes was born 8-20-1834 in Wayne Co., NY, and died 6-16-1880 in Quincy Village, Branch Co., MI. He married Ellen Lane, daughter of Edmond Lane. She was born 11-5-1840 in Cork, Ireland, and died 8-18-1870 in Butler, Branch Co, MI.

At the time of the 1860 Federal census, Moses, his wife and son, were living with his parents Jeffrey and Lucretia Barnes in Niles Township, Berrien Co., MI. Moses was listed as a farm hand with a personal estate worth \$150.

Children of Moses and Ellen:

1. Henry Ward Barnes b: 3-1861 in MI, d: 1-3-1906 in Quincy, Branch Co., MI; m: 11-4-1885 to Caroline Roth in Branch Co., MI, b: 9-1859 in Quincy, Branch Co., MI, d: 4-16-1902 in Quincy, Branch Co., MI. Children: None.

At the time of the 1870 Federal census of Butler, Branch County, Henry Ward Barnes' name was listed as "Henry." At the time of the 1880 Federal census of Quincy Village it was "Ward." At the time of his death it was "Henry Ward Barnes."

Caroline had been married 1-28-1878 to William W. Makyes at Quincy, Branch Co., MI, b. Abt. 1855 in Cayuga Co., NY. Child: Lena Mckeyes, b. 2-1879 in MI. The surname spellings of Makyes and Mckeyes tended to be used interchangeably.

2. Louisa Barnes b: Abt. 1861 in MI
3. Marian D. Barnes, b: Abt. 1863 in Quincy, Branch Co., MI, d: Aft. 1920; m: 12-27-1882 to Herman S. Clizbe in Branch Co., MI, b: Abt. 1861 in Quincy, Branch Co., MI. Children: (1) Leslie Warren Clizbe b: 1-18-1892 in Chicago, Cook Co., IL. (2) Leroy H. Clizbe, b: Abt. 1893 in Chicago, Cook Co., IL; m: 11-22-1919 to Mary D. Hunt in Quincy, Branch Co., MI, b: Abt. 1899 in MI. (3) Wesley J. Clizbe, b: Abt. 1898 in Chicago, Cook Co., IL
4. Sidney a.k.a. Sydney Barnes b: 5-8-1864 in Quincy, Branch Co., MI, d: 4-12-1943 in Monroe, Snohomish Co., WA; m: (1) 12-2-1883 Mollie E. Bigelow in Camden, Hillsdale Co., MI, b: Abt. 1864 in Litchfield, Hillsdale Co., MI, d: Bef. 1892. Child: Jennevieve V. Barnes, b: 12-6-1884 in Quincy, Branch Co., MI.

Sidney Barnes m: (2) Abt. 1892 to May Higgins, b: Abt. 6-18-1866 in Northern Ireland, d: 9-16-1932 in Machios, Snohomish Co., WI. Child: William F. Barnes, b: 3-11-1894 in WA, d: 12-1967 at Bitter Lake, King Co., WA; m: Helen Estella Woodcock, b: 11-1894 in WA, d: 7-14-1951 in Lake Stevens, Snohomish Co., WA.

Sidney and May were living in Machias Precinct, Snohomish County, Washington, at the times of the 1910-20-30 Federal censuses. May's family had immigrated to America about 1878. At the time of the 1910 census, their 16-year-old son William F. Barnes, born in Washington about 1894, was living with them.

May claimed to have had four children, only one of which was still living. In 1910 Sidney was employed as a shingle filer at a shingle mill, and in 1920, a saw filer at a shingle mill. In 1930 the couple owned a dairy ranch.

5. Lillie Barnes, b: Abt. 1866 in MI.

Thomas Barnes Family

The family of Thomas is covered extensively elsewhere.

Horace Barnes Family

Horace was born in 1804 in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut, and died 11-1877 in Galen, Wayne County, New York. He married Sarah, daughter of Dr. Benjamin Tucker. She was born 1811 in New York, and died 7-10-1879 in Wayne Co., NY. Horace and Sarah are buried in Maple Grove Cemetery at Clyde, Wayne Co., NY.

Horace and family lived in the Galen area, where they settled in about 1829 and appeared in the 1840 through 1870 Federal censuses.

The notation: "Barnes, Horace, farmer 100" (acres) was included in the Gazetteer and Business Directory of Wayne Co., NY. 1867; published by Hamilton Child & Co., Syracuse, NY 1867.

The Barnes family real estate was worth \$10,000 in 1870, and Horace's personal wealth totaled about \$1,500.

From the Clyde (Wayne Co., NY) Times newspaper dated November 8, 1877

HORACE BARNES

In our columns to-day we chronicle the death of another one of those who helped to clear away the primeval forests of this our flourishing town, and make the wilderness bloom. Horace Barnes had been an occupant of the farm upon which he died 48 years, and was the oldest settler, as we remember, of that region where he lived. He was born in Sharon, Conn., in 1804. At the age of 12, his father and a brother moved their families to Mentz, Cayuga Co., where they took up a considerable portion of land, which was finally divided among their children. At 25, Horace came to Butler, Wayne Co., and married Sarah Tucker, the eldest daughter of Dr. Benj. Tucker, of that town, he immediately after purchased the farm from which he has recently been borne to his long home. It may be said of him as of many of those who laid the foundation upon which others of us have built, he was strictly honest and upright, shunning all forms of immorality. He had a profound respect for religion, and ever sought to protect the good while he denounced evil. May the places of these veterans be filled by men as worthy.

Children of Horace and Sarah:

1. Benjamin Barnes, b. 1831, Galen, Wayne Co., NY; d. 3-30-1900, Seneca Falls, Seneca Co., NY; m. (1) Emily; b. 3-16-1829, NY; d. 11-27-1860. Benjamin and Emily were living in Galen at the time of the 1860 Federal census. Benjamin was listed as a farmer with about \$500 in real estate. Benjamin m: (2) Aft. 1860 to Mary J., b. Abt. 1843 in NY. Children by either wife: None.

The Clyde Times, Thursday, April 5, 1900:

MORTUARY RECORDS

Hereabouts

BARNES--Benjamin S. Barnes, a former resident of Galen, died at his home in Seneca Falls, March 30, 1900, from Bright's disease. Deceased was 68 years of age and had been in failing health for the past year and half. He was a member of Clyde Lodge No. 341, F. & A. M., and at the request of W. M., E. Q. Corrin the funeral services were conducted by the officers of Pocahontas Lodge of Seneca Falls in a very able and impressive manner. The remains were deposited in a vault at Seneca Falls, and later, will be interred in the family lot in the Shepard's Corners cemetery. A delegation from Clyde Lodge, consisting of E. Q. Corrin, J. E. McGinnis, G. D. Bartlett and B. N. Marriott, attended the services and were most cordially entertained by the members of Pocahontas lodge.

2. Mary Barnes, b. 1834, Galen, Wayne Co., NY.
3. Harriet Barnes, b. 1836, Galen, Wayne Co., NY.
4. Webster H. Barnes, b. 1845, Galen, Wayne Co., NY; d. 5-30-1890, Owosso, Shiawassee Co., MI; m. Mary; b. Abt. 1844, NY. Children: (1) Mariette Barnes, b. 1871, MI. (2) Harry Barnes, b. 1874, MI.

Webster H. took his family to Michigan, where he was a railroad engineer at the time of the 1880 Federal census of the 1st Ward, Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan.

5. Elizabeth Adella Barnes, b. 5-28-1847, Galen, Wayne Co., NY.

Elizabeth Adella's name was variously spelled "Ellen" in 1850 and "Della" in 1860 and 1870, in Galen census reports.

Sarah Barnes Family

Sarah was born 4-2-1808 in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut, and died 3-8-1851 in Dansville, Ingham County, Michigan. She married Hampton Dexter Granger 10-3-1832 in New York, son of John Granger and Rosanna Robinson. He was born 1-17-1812 in Skaneateles, Onondaga County, New York, and died 6-15-1904 in Ashland, Newaygo County, Michigan.

The 1840 Federal census found the family of "H.D. Granger" living at Sennett, Cayuga County, New York. In the household were the following people:

Males:	Females:
1 between 20-30 years	1 under 5 years
	1 between 5-10 years
	1 between 20-30 years

Hampton D. Granger was listed as a taxpayer for Ingham County, Michigan in 1844, and was Treasurer in that County in 1851.

The 1850 Federal census found the family living at Ingham, Ingham County, Michigan. In the household were: Hampton D. Granger, 38, a farmer born in New York; Sarah Granger, 42, born in Connecticut; Sarah E. Granger, 15, born in New York; Martha Granger, 10, born in New York and listed as "idiotic"; and Oscar D. Granger, 3, born in New York.¹⁵

Children of Sarah and Hampton:

1. Sarah Ellen Granger, b. 8-12-1835, NY; m. Charles E. Royce, 5-27-1860; d. 2-11-1892. The Royce family's post office address was Dickinson, Michigan.
2. Martha Rosannah Granger, b. 4-6-1840, NY; d. 4-24-1851, Ingham Co., MI.
3. Oscar D. Granger, b. 3-25-1847, MI; m. Mary Pickham, 5-20-1897 at Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.

Sephronia Barnes Family

Sephronia was born about 1-1812 and died 4-11-1835 at Cayuga County, New York. She married (1) Chester Crandall sometime between 1823 and 1831 in Cayuga County; and married (2) Chester Craw sometime after 1831. Sephronia was not married when her father Aaron Barnes wrote his will in May of 1823. She was married by 1831, at which time the Crandall family was living at Sennett, Cayuga County.

Sephronia is buried in the Pine Hill Cemetery at Throopsville, Cayuga County, next to her father A(a)ron Barnes. She was listed as being 23y 3m old.

Aaron Barnes' Parents and Siblings

Aaron's father, Thomas Barnes, son of Thomas and Rebecca Hungerford (Cone) Barnes, was born 5-12-1732 in East Haddam, Middlesex County, Connecticut, and died 3-7-1807 in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut. He married a woman by the name of Sarah. She was born 1734, and died 9-11-1800.

From page 111 of the General History of the town of Sharon, Litchfield County, Conn.:

Barnes, Thomas, was an early settler in the northwest part of the town, and lived near the present residence of Mr. Roswell H. Hazzard. He came into town in 1750. He had three sons, Thomas, Dan & Jonah. He died in 1760...

Thomas, the eldest son, lived on the same place until his death, March 7, 1807, at the age of 74...

Children of Thomas and Sarah:

1. John Barnes, b. 4-22-1752, New Milford, Litchfield, CT; d. 12-20-1765.
2. Eleanor Barnes, b. 11-9-1754, Sharon, Litchfield, CT.
3. Reuben Barnes, b. 12-19-1756, Sharon, Litchfield, CT.

¹⁵ The 1850 Federal census had Oscar listed incorrectly as being born in New York. It was corrected to being Michigan in the 1860 census.

4. Aaron Barnes, b. 5-30-1758, Sharon, Litchfield, CT; d. 1-1-1762.
5. Statira Barnes, b. 8-23-1761, Sharon, Litchfield, CT; d. 5-19-1830, Cayuga Co., NY.
6. Aaron Barnes, b. 11-4-1763, Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; d. 1-3-1824, Throopsville, Cayuga Co., NY.
7. Thomas Barnes, b. 7-28-1772, Sharon, Litchfield, CT; d. 8-24-1841, Cayuga Co., NY.

Aaron's Sister Statira

Statira (pronounced Sta'turra) would settle in New York about the same time as her brother Aaron and his family between 1810 and 1820. Never having married, she died on May 19, 1830, and was buried at the McMasters Corners Cemetery, Sennett Township, Cayuga County. Her date of birth was given, at that time, as "abt. 1761." Statira's nephew Chester, a son of her youngest brother Thomas Barnes who had brought his family to Cayuga County between 1795 and 1797, lived near McMasters tavern stand. Statira's niece, a daughter of Thomas, would be buried near her in 1842.

Aaron's Brother Thomas

NOTE: There is another claim to the ancestry of this Thomas Barnes. According to a five-page document entitled, "The Barnes family of Connecticut, New York and Michigan," submitted to the publication *Yesteryears* in 1964 by Mrs. Donald A. Wilson of Medina, Washington, it was declared that this Thomas was a son of Nathaniel and Anne (Allen) Barnes of Killingly, Windham Co., CT. That document is now being used by a number of researchers as proof of a correlation between the Thomas Barnes who married Polly Tyler (a.k.a. Mary) and the Thomas Barnes that was born 08-01-1765 to Nathaniel and Anne. However, that document does not list any sources other than Mrs. Wilson's personal assurance that the "material is pretty well worked out." On the contrary, there is significant substantial and circumstantial evidence to indicate that this Thomas was a son of Thomas and Sarah Barnes of Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT, and Aaron's brother.

1. When Thomas Barnes married Polly Tyler (a.k.a. Mary) he was listed as Thomas Barnes, **Jr.** They were united by "Roswell Hopkins, a prominent citizen and Justice of the Peace in the adjoining town of Amenia, [Dutchess Co.,] NY."

Source: Van Alstine, Lawrence, Born, Married and Died in Sharon, Conn. (Sharon: Press of Pawling Chronicle, 1897).

Daniel Barnes, an uncle of Aaron and Thomas, Jr., purportedly resided during his lifetime in East Haddam, Middlesex Co., CT; Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT; Amenia, Dutchess Co., NY; and Athens, Bradford Co., PA. (Amenia, NY, was originally called Nine Partners, NY.) It might have been while Daniel was living in Amenia that Thomas, Jr. was married there. Another uncle, Jonah Barnes, was a physician in Sharon.

- Sources: (1) Ibid. (2) Charles F. Sedgwick's book, General History of the Town of Sharon, Litchfield County, CT, (Amenia, N.Y.: Charles Walsh, Printer and Publisher, 1898).
2. Statira, daughter of Thomas and Sarah Barnes of Sharon, also immigrated to Cayuga Co., NY, around the same time as her brother Aaron, which was in 1816. Thomas, Jr. had settled there more than a decade before. Statira was buried at the McMasters Corners Cemetery. Five years later, in 1835, Thomas, Jr.'s daughter Louisa (Barnes) Mills was buried near her.

Source: (1) The Charles W. Paige collection of genealogical material regarding the Thomas and Sarah Barnes of Sharon family and that of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes. (2) Year of immigration from Sharon to Mentz from Aaron Barnes' son Horace's obituary appearing in the *Clyde* (Wayne Co., NY) *Times* newspaper dated November 8, 1877. (3) Record of burials for McMasters Corners Cemetery, Sennett Twp., Cayuga Co., NY.
 3. Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes' son Augustus lived in Mentz, Cayuga Co., NY, for much of his life and died there in 1880. Aaron Barnes (purportedly Thomas' brother) died at Mentz in 1824, and Aaron's grandson David Barnes was born there in 1826.

Sources: (1) Augustus Barnes' obituary, "Death of Augustus Barnes," recorded in C.A. Storke's book, The English Storke in America, (Santa Barbara, CA 1935), Daniel Storke section: p. 29. (2) Aaron Barnes' probate records, Surrogate Box #4 and Will Book B-1, page 193, stored at Cayuga County Records Management, 12 Court Street, Auburn, Cayuga Co., NY. (3) David Barnes' obituary, "Another Pioneer Dead," appearing April 13, 1895, in the *Horton* (Jackson Co., MI) *Local* newspaper.
 4. Elliot G. Storke, brother of Augustus Barnes' wife Elizabeth and author of The History of Cayuga County, New York 1789-1879, and Thomas Barnes, Jr.'s son Amos Barnes were witnesses to the signing of David Sittser's last will and testament October 9, 1841, and later testified to that effect. Amos Barnes and wife Phena were buried in the cemetery that was then located on David Sittser's homestead. David Sittser's daughter Sarah had married Aaron Barnes' son Thomas in about 1822.

Sources: (1) Augustus Barnes' obituary, "Death of Augustus Barnes," recorded in C.A. Storke's book, The English Storke in America, (Santa Barbara, CA 1935), Daniel Storke section: p. 29. (2) David Sittser's probate material, Cayuga Co., NY, Will book Vol. E, page 184, LDS microfilm 0853220, New York State, Cayuga County, Wills Box 2, p.184-187; Transcribed by Mary Lou Olsen Stanley on June 6, 2000 & proofed by William E. Stanley on June 5, 2000 from LDS microfilm copy. (3) Headstone pictures and record of burials at the "Community, or Sitzer, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Twp., near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton), Cayuga Co., NY. (The Skilton material is now located in the Local History Archives at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY). (4) The Charles W. Paige

collection of genealogical material regarding the Thomas and Sarah (Sittser) Barnes family.

5. The given names Nathan, Nathaniel or Nathaniel do not appear in the names of descendants of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes. The name James appears once in the early 20th century. The names Thomas and William appear a number of times each.

Source: Inspection by Charles W. Paige of his extant Barnes family database as of September 2009.

Thomas Barnes, Jr. was born 7-28-1772 in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut, and died 8-24-1841 in Cayuga County, New York. He married Mary Tyler 8-8-1794 in Sharon, daughter of Gideon Tyler and Phebe Elliot. She was born about 5-26-1776, and died 12-28-1843 in Cayuga County. Mary was sometimes called "Polly."

From Chester A. Storke's book "The English Storke's in America:"

Thomas Barnes settled in the Town of Throop, near Auburn, NY.

From Elliot G. Storke's book "History of Cayuga County, New York 1789-1879, D. Mason & Co., Syracuse, NY, 1879; Chapter XL, Town of Sennett:"

"Settlements were made in 1795, by Judge Daniel Sennett, Amos Bennett, Jacob, Rufus and Daniel Sheldon, and Thomas Barnes"... "Thomas Barnes was also from Connecticut, and August, Chester, Amos and Warren were sons of Thomas. He settled first at Tyler's spring in Auburn, where he took up twenty acres, and after three or four years moved to where Warren now lives, in Sennett, about a mile west of the village, where he took up 100 acres, for which he paid \$200. Chester is also living in Sennett, near the old McMaster tavern stand. Augustus, a son, and Sarah, wife of Horace Johns, a daughter of Thomas Barnes, are living in the northeast part of Throop, to which town Augustus removed in 1818, and settled where he now lives. He has two sons and three daughters living in that town. In this year (1795) the first school was taught by Betsy Morely; and the first store opened by Sheldon & Lathrop.

Children of Thomas and Mary:

1. Sylvia Barnes, b Abt. 1795, CT; d. 4-10-1862, NY; m. Smith Taylor.
2. Augustus Barnes, b. 8-14-1797, CT; d. 3-5-1880, Cayuga Co., NY; m. Elizabeth R. Storke 3-6-1819.
3. Chester Barnes, b. Abt. 1798, NY; m. Hannah; m. Maria; m. Clarissa Tyler Gilbert Aft. 1848.

4. Amos Barnes, b. 1801, NY; d. 7-12-1862, Cayuga Co., NY; m. Phena (or Tryphena).
5. Deborah Barnes, b. Abt. 1805, NY; m. William Lobdell, 1841, said to be "of Argentine, Genesee Co., MI."
6. Phoebe Barnes, b. Abt. 1808, NY; m. Abram Mills.
7. Silas Barnes, b. Abt. 1810, NY.
8. Sarah Barnes, b. Abt. 1-1811, NY; d. 12-9-1886, NY; m. Morton Hosford; m. Horace Johns Abt. 1832.
9. Louisa Barnes, b. Abt. 1812, NY; d. 9-5-1835; m. Mr. Mills.
10. Warren Barnes, b. 1816, NY; d. 6-17-1901, Cayuga Co., NY; m. Sarah.
11. Esther Barnes, b. 7-17-1818, NY; d. 12-26-1842, Cayuga Co., NY.
12. Mary Barnes, Jr., b. 3-26-1822, NY; d. 8-10-1839, Cayuga Co., NY.

Thomas and Mary are buried at the "Community, or Sitzer, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton).¹⁶ They are buried near daughters Esther and Mary as well as several other children, other descendants and in-laws, and extended family. The last name was spelled "Barns." Son Augustus has a Masonic emblem on his tombstone.

Sylvia Barnes, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, married Smith Taylor.

Children of Sylvia and Smith:

1. Elizabeth Taylor.
2. Cook Taylor, b. Abt. 1834; m. Florilla Miner; b. 7-25-1838, Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY.

Sylvia is buried at the "Community, or Sitzer, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton).

Augustus Barnes, son of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, was born 8-14-1797, and died 3-5-1880. He married Elizabeth R. Storke 3-6-1819, daughter of Daniel Storke and Margaret Grey. She was born 1-30-1800 in Mentz, Cayuga County, New York, and died 12-10-1886.

From page 341 of History of Cayuga County, NY 1789-1879, Chapter XL, Town of Sennett:

Augustus, a son, and Sarah, wife of Horace Johns, a daughter of Thomas Barnes, are living in the northeast part of Throop, to which town Augustus removed in 1818, and settled where he now lives. He has two sons and three daughters living in that town.

¹⁶ The Community, or Sitzer, Cemetery is located on a portion of the original David and Sarah (Mills) Sittser family farm—Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line, Cayuga County, NY. Most burial information is delineated in Book 65 Skilton. (The Skilton material is now located in the Local History Archives at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY.) However, Mary Barnes, Jr. is NOT in that book.

From Chester A. Storke's book "The English Storke's in America:"

Augustus and Elizabeth spent most of their married life on the Barnes homestead in Mentz, now called Throop.

In the old Barnes family Bible the names of the children of Augustus and Elizabeth R. Storke Barnes are recorded in their father's handwriting. It is interesting to note that the name Barnes was spelled "Barns" in these records of over 100 years ago, but after 1850 the name appears "Barnes" as it is now used.

Children of Augustus and Elizabeth:

1. Polly Barnes, b. 2-15-1820, Throop, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 3-24-1876.
2. Minerva Barnes, b. 8-30-1821, Throop, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 3-1904, Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY.
3. Gilbert B. Barnes, b. 8-11-1823; d. 2-9-1908.
4. Lavina Barnes, b. 12-8-1825; d. 1903.
5. Margaret E. Barnes, b. 4-2-1828; d. 4-24-1831.
6. Amanda L. Barnes, b. 9-23-1830, Throop, Cayuga Co., NY; d. 2-18-1924.
7. William Henry Barnes, b. 2-21-1833; d. 10-24-1912.

Augustus is buried at the "Community, or Sitzler, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton).

Chester Barnes, son of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, married (1) Hannah before 1818. He married (2) Maria after 1830. She was born 2-28-1803, and died 3-19-1848. He married (3) Clarissa Tyler Gilbert after 1848. Clarissa was born about 1803 in NY, probably died before 1880, and was a cousin of Chester's on the Tyler line.

Children of Chester and Hannah:

1. Miner Barnes, b. 2-26-1818; d. 4-3-1842.
2. Myron Barnes, b. Abt. 1821, NY, m. Esther and moved to Meridian, Ingham Co., MI, before 1880.
3. Thomas Barnes, b. 12-1830; d. 9-5-1831.

Children of Chester and Maria:

1. Ursina Barnes, b. Abt. 1832, NY (Ursina's name may also be spelled "Irene.")
2. Montgomery Barnes, b. Abt. 1836, NY; m. Jane Worden.

Chester was boarding with his brother Warren and sister-in-law Sylvia at the time of the 1880 Federal census of Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY.

Maria, Miner, and Thomas are buried at the "Community, or Sitzler, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton).

Amos Barnes, son of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, was born 1801 in NY, and died 7-12-1862 in Cayuga County. He married "Phena" (Tryphena?) She was born 1800 in NY, and died 3-18-1881 in Cayuga County.

Children of Amos and "Phena":

1. Sylvia Barnes, b. 10-6-1823, NY; m. John Johnson; b. 5-28-1825, NY.
2. Maurice or Morris Barnes, b. Abt. 1826, NY.
3. Maranda Barnes, b. Abt. 1828, NY; m. Samuel Blackwell; b. 3-11-1820, NY.
4. Tyler Barnes, b. Abt. 1832, NY; m. Elizabeth; b. Abt. 1838, NY.

Tyler and wife Elizabeth were living in Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY, next door to Tyler's sister and her husband, Sylvia and John Johnson, at the time of the 1860 Federal census.

5. Cornelia Barnes, b. Abt. 1834, NY.
6. Susan Barnes, b. Abt. 1837, NY.
7. Nelson Barnes, b. Abt. 1839, NY.

Nelson was listed as living with his parents in Brutus at the time of the 1860 Federal census, and was also listed as boarding with his sister and her husband, Sylvia and John Johnson, in Sennett.

The family was living at Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY, at the time of the 1850 Federal census. Amos had real estate valued at \$6,000. The family was living next door to Amos's brother Warren.

The family was living at Brutus, Cayuga Co., NY, at the time of the 1860 Federal census. The only child still living at home was their son Nelson, a farm laborer. Amos had real estate valued at \$5,000. Also in the household was the family of Christian Shaver, a 27-year-old cabinet maker, and his 22-year-old wife Catharine, both born in Wurtenburg and their son George E., 3 months old and born in NY. **NOTE:** Nelson Barnes was also listed as boarding with his sister and her husband, Sylvia and John Johnson, in Sennett.

Amos and Phena are buried at the "Community, or Sitzler, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton).

Deborah Barnes, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, was born Abt. 1805 in NY and died after 1880 in MI. She married William Lobdell. They settled in Argentine, Genesee Co., MI, and William died Bef. 1844 in MI.

Children of Deborah Barnes and William Lobdell are:

1. Warren C. Lobdell, b. Abt. 6-1826, NY; d. 12-20-1879, Linden Village, Genesee Co., MI; m. Euphemia; b. Abt. 1836, Canada. Warren was a cooper.

Euphemia, 44 years old, Mary E., 10 years old, and Eunice, 3 years old, were living in same household with Warren's mother Deborah Lobdell at Fenton,

Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1880 Federal census. Both Deborah and Euphemia were listed as widows.

2. Warner Lobdell, b. Abt. 1828, NY; m. (1) Catherine, Bef. 1854; b. Abt. 1832, Canada; m. (2) Lucinda, Bef. 1871; b. Abt. 1839, MI.

The family was living at Argentine, Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1860 Federal census. In the household were: Warner, 32 years old, a cooper, born in NY; Catherine, 28 years old, born in Canada; Mary, 6 years old, born in MI; Esther, 4 years old, born in MI; William, 3 years old, born in MI; and George Chase, 30 years old, a blacksmith, born in NY.

The family was living in the village of Pentwater, Oceana Co., MI at the time of the 1870 Federal census. In the household were: Warner, 47 years old, a cooper, born in NY; Lucinda, 31 years old, born in MI; Esther, 15 years old, born in MI; William, 12 years old and born in MI; Peter Barchard, 25 years old, a fisherman, born at Byron (perhaps is meant Port Byron, Cayuga Co., NY); and Charles Wenker, 22 years old, born in WI.

The family was living in the village of Chesaning, Saginaw Co., MI at the time of the 1880 Federal census. In the household were: Warner J., 49 years old, a cooper, born in NY; Lucinda, 43 years old, born in MI; John, 9 years old, born in MI; Charles, 6 years old and born in MI; Eddie, 2 years old and born in MI. The family of Warner's brother Horace was living next door.

3. Esther L. Lobdell, b. Abt. 1835, MI; d. 6-1836, Argentine, Genesee Co., MI.
4. Thomas Lobdell, b. Abt. 1838, MI; m. (1) Jenett Collins, Bef. 1865; b. Abt. 4-1844, NY; d. 5-9-1873, Fenton, Genesee Co., MI; m. (2) Florence, Aft. 1870; b. Abt. 1848, NY.

The family of Thomas and Jenett Lobdell was living at Fenton, Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1870 Federal census. In the household were: Thomas, 31 years old, a blacksmith with real estate valued at \$700 and personal estate valued at \$200, born in MI; Jenett Lobdell, 26 years old, born in NY; and Nora E. Lobdell, 5 years old, born in MI. The family lived next door to the household of Thomas's mother Deborah Lobdell and the Sampson and Laura Hall family.

After Jenett died, daughter Nora was sent to live with her aunt and uncle, Rosaline and Francis Lyman of Martinsburgh, Lewis Co., NY, sometime between 1870 and 1880.

The family of Thomas and Florence Lobdell was living at Fenton, Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1880 Federal census. In the household were: Thomas, 47 years old, a blacksmith, born in MI; Florence Lobdell, 32 years old, born in NY; Viola Lobdell, 10 months old, born in MI; and Thomas's stepdaughter May R. Rider, 9 years old, born in MI.

5. Horace Lobdell, b. Abt. 1844, MI; m. Amanda, Abt. 1869; b. Abt. 1852, MI.

The family was living at Fenton, Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1870 Federal census. In the household were: Horace, 26 years old, a cooper with real estate valued at \$200 and personal estate valued at \$100, born in MI; Amanda, 18 years old, born in NY; and son Frankie, 1 month old, born in MI.

The family was living at Chesaning, Saginaw Co., MI at the time of the 1880 Federal census. In the household were: Horace, 32 years old, a cooper, born in MI; Amanda, 28 years old, born in NY; son Frankie, 10 years old, born in MI; and Maude, 7 years old, born in MI. The family was living next door to the family of Horace's brother Warner.

Deborah and two sons were living in the same household at Argentine, Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1860 Federal census. In the household were: Deborah Lobdell, 55 years old, a farmer with real estate valued at \$4,000 and personal estate valued at \$765, born in NY; Thomas Lobdell, 22 years old, a farm manager, born in MI; Horace Lobdell, 17 years old, a farm laborer, born in MI; and Charles Harris, 19 years old and born in NY.

Deborah was living at Fenton, Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1870 Federal census. Deborah had real estate valued at \$1,200 and personal estate valued at \$400. Also in her house were the following: Sampson Hall, 44 years old, a blacksmith with real estate valued at \$6,000 and personal estate valued at \$600, born in NY; wife Laura A. Hall, 37 years old, born in NY; Amanda J. Hall, 17 years old, born in MI; Ella M. Hall, 13 years old, born in MI; Frank G. Hall, 7 years old, born in MI; Fred A. Hall, 4 years old, born in MI; Charlie Hall, 2 years old, born in MI; and Russ Hall, 1 year old and born in MI. Deborah's son Thomas Lobdell and family lived next door.

Euphemia Lobdell, 44 years old, and her daughters Mary E., 10 years old, and Eunice, 3 years old, were living in the same household with Warren's mother Deborah Lobdell at Fenton, Genesee Co., MI at the time of the 1880 Federal census. Both Deborah and Euphemia were listed as widows.

The following paragraphs about the Lobdells are from:

History of Genesee county, Michigan. With illustrations and biographical sketches of its prominent men and pioneers. Ellis, Franklin, 1828-1885., Everts & Abbott. Philadelphia: Everts & Abbott, 1879.

Pages 305 and 306—ARGENTINE TOWNSHIP

EARLY SETTLERS

“The first white men who became residents of what is now Argentine township were James H. Murray and William Lobdell, who located in March, 1836; but it is at this time impossible to determine which of the two came first. The former has been generally given the credit, but neither his widow—now Mrs. Palmer—who is yet living at Argentine village, nor the widow of Mr. Lobdell, who resides at Linden, can tell positively the facts in the case. Beyond dispute, however, they settled during the same month and very nearly at the same time...”

“William Lobdell, who came from near Auburn, Cayuga Co., NY, settled near Argentine village, as stated, in March, 1836. He built a log house on his place, chinking up the crevices. He had come to Detroit with his family in the fall of 1835, and stayed at that place during the winter. He was the owner of a wagon and three horses, and found plenty of employment in transporting pioneer families and their effects through to Grand River. On one of these trips he found the land upon which he afterwards settled. He teamed more or less after settling in Argentine, besides working his farm. The lake near the village was named for him.”

“...Mr. Lobdell’s house, like nearly all other pioneer habitations, was always open to settlers who were on their way to their new homes, and one night forty persons slept in it. As usual the mosquitoes were on hand with their *bills*, and sleep was almost out of the question. One Irish woman among the number remarked, ‘The muskethers crawl through a very small hole.’ They were coming in through the chinks.”

“Upon the old Lobdell farm (which was east of Argentine village, and is now owned partly by John Hyatt, of Fenton) were two most excellent springs, one of which was near the shore of the lake, and never froze over. Murray’s dam finally caused its overflow by back-water. The other was further back, and the Indians often encamped beside it. In Mrs. Lobdell’s possession is a fine fossil tooth, which was found on the farm when it was first settled.”

“The first death in the township was very probably that of an infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lobdell, which died in June, 1836. A man named Bugbee lived in the neighborhood, and perhaps a son of his, born on his place, was the first white child born in town. It died when about a year old. Mr. Lobdell’s little girl, Esther L., who died when a year and a half old, was also born in the township, and one or two children were born early in the family of William Beamer, who had settled early in the summer of 1836. He stayed with William Lobdell until he could build a house for himself. He finally sold out to Benjamin Taylor.”

“A man named Ayers, who lived on the White Lake road, in Tyrone, Livingston Co., showed Mr. Lobdell the land he purchased, and in 1837 the Messrs. Rhodes, who lived also in Tyrone, came up and helped Mr. Lobdell cut his marsh hay; this was plenty, and the only kind to be procured.”

Phebe Barnes, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, was born Abt. 1808 in NY. She married Abram Mills. He was born Abt. 1807 in NY.

Children of Phebe Barnes and Abram Mills are:

1. Thomas Mills, b. Abt. 1831, NY.
2. Louisa Mills, b. Abt. 1833, NY.
3. Chester Mills, b. Abt. 1835, NY.
4. Genett Mills, b. Abt. 1838, NY.
5. Mary Mills, b. Abt. 1840, NY.
6. Amelia Mills, b. Abt. 1842, NY. (Amelia's name was spelled "Pernelia" in the 1850 Federal census. In the 1860 census it was spelled "Amelia.")
7. Morgan Mills, b. Abt. 1848, NY.

The family was living at Mentz, Cayuga Co., NY at the time of the 1850 Federal census. Abram was listed as a farmer, with real estate valued at \$600, and Thomas was a boatman. By the time of the 1860 Federal census, the children were scattered.

Per the 1860 Federal census: Thomas may have gone to Manchester, Jackson Co., WI. Chester, Genett, and Amelia were living at Montezuma, Cayuga Co., NY, near Port Byron. Genett and Amelia were keeping house, and Chester was a boatman. Morgan was staying with Charles and Emily Dixon of Brutus, Cayuga Co., NY.

Sarah Barnes, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, was born Abt. 1-1811 in NY, and died 12-9-1886 in NY. She married (1) Morton Hosford Bef. 1832. She married (2) Horace Johns Abt. 1832 in NY. He was born 4-27-1804 in MA, and died 6-3-1875 in NY. Morton was the widower of Sarah's cousin Sarah Tyler.

Children of Sarah Barnes and Horace Johns are:

1. Mary Elizabeth Johns, b. Abt. 1833, NY; m. Mr. Trent.
2. Cynthia Ester Johns, b. Abt. 1835, NY; m. James B. Lyon.
3. Pluma J. Johns, b. Abt. 1837, NY; m. Albert J. Morton, by whom she had four children.
4. Thoron Johns, b. 7-4-1850, NY; d. 11-6-1855, NY.

From page 341 of "History of Cayuga County, NY 1789 to 1879," Chapter XL, Town of Sennett:

Augustus, a son, and Sarah, wife of Horace Johns, a daughter of Thomas Barnes, are living in the northeast part of Throop, to which town Augustus removed in 1818, and settled where he now lives.

The family was living at Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY, at the time of the 1850 Federal census. In the household were: Horace Johns, 46 years old, a farmer, born in MA; Sarah Johns, 40 years old, born in NY; Elizabeth Johns, 17 years old, born in NY; Cynthia Johns, 15 years old, born in NY; Pluma Johns, 13 years old, born in NY; Elizabeth Johns, 82 years old, born in MA; Jane Johns, 2 months old, born in NY; and Patrick McCarty, 33 years old, born in Ireland.

The family was living at Throop, Cayuga Co., NY, at the time of the 1860 Federal census. In the household were: Horace Johns, 56 years old, a farmer, born in MA; Sarah

Johns, 49 years old, born in NY; Pluma Johns, 23 years old, a dress maker, born in NY; Horace Johns, 14 years old, born in PA.

The family was still living at Throop, Cayuga Co., NY, at the time of the 1870 Federal census. In the household were: Horace Johns, 66 years old, a farmer, born in MA, with real estate valued at \$11,000 and personal estate valued at \$1,000; Sarah Johns, 59 years old, born in NY; Pluma Johns, 33 years old, born in NY; Jenny L. Johns, 9 years old, born in NY; Louise C. Johns, 6 years old, born in NY, Ellen C. Griffin, 17 years old, a domestic, born in NY; and Joseph Clow, 16 years old, a farm laborer, born in NY.

Sarah Johns was a widow at the time of the 1880 Federal census of Throop, Cayuga Co., NY. In the household were: Sarah Johns, 69 years old, born in NY; widow Pluma Martin, 43 years old, born in NY; and Louise Martin, 16 years old, born in NY.

Sarah and Horace Johns are buried at the "Community, or Sitzler, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton).

Louisa Barnes, daughter of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, was born about 1812, and died 9-5-1835. She married Mr. Mills. (Louisa's name is sometimes presented as "Lucretia.")

Children of Louisa and Mr. Mills are:

1. Smith Mills.
2. Antoinette Mills.
3. Mary Mills.

Louisa is buried in the McMasters Corners Cemetery, Sennett Township, lot 18, Town of Sennett, Cayuga County, according to Book 65, Records taken 1920. She is buried near her Aunt Statira Barnes, who never married.

Warren Barnes, son of Thomas and Mary (Tyler) Barnes, was born 1816 in NY, and died 6-17-1901 in Cayuga Co., NY. He married (1) Sarah Bef. 1839 in NY. She was born 1-19-1819 in NY, and died 2-22-1871 in Cayuga Co., NY. He married (2) Sylvia Aft. 1871 in NY. She was born Abt. 1829 in NY.

Children of Warren and Sarah:

1. Sylvia Barnes.
2. Thomas H. Barnes, b. Abt. 1839, NY.
3. Mary E. Barnes, b. Abt. 1840, NY.
4. Eveline Barnes, b. Abt. 1845, NY.
5. Sarah Jane Barnes, b. Abt. 4-1850, NY. (Died as an infant.)
6. Cecelia A. Barnes, b. Abt. 1851, NY.
7. Viola L. Barnes, b. Abt. 1853, NY.
8. Charles W. Barnes, b. Abt. 1858, NY.

The family was living at Sennett, Cayuga Co., NY at the time of the 1850 Federal census. Amos had real estate valued at \$4,000. Of the children, Thomas, Mary, Eveline, and Sarah Jane were in the household at that time. Also in the household were 19-year-old,

Irish-born Dennis O'Brien, and 18-year-old, New York-born, John Shepard, both also farmers. The family was living next door to Warren's brother Amos.

The family was still living at Sennett when the 1860 Federal census was taken. Warren owned real estate valued at \$4,510 and had \$700 in personal estate. Also in the household, besides Warren and Sarah, were: Thomas H., Mary E., Evaline, "Secelia A.," Viola L., and Charles W.

The family was still living at Sennett when the 1870 Federal census was taken. Warren owned real estate valued at \$7,000 and had \$900 in personal estate. Also in the household, besides Warren and Sarah, were: daughter Viola O., 18 years old; son Charles W., 12 years old; George W. Soules, 9 years old; and Mary E. Soules, 7 years old. All were born in NY. The family was living next door to Warren's niece-in-law Florilla Taylor, her children, and her father.

Sarah died at age 52 years one month and 3 days. Due to copying error in records, invalid date of death is listed as February 22, 1811. She and Warren are buried at the "Community, or Sitzler, Cemetery," Lot 96, Throop Township, near Sennett Town Line (Book 65 Skilton) along with their daughter Sylvia..

Aaron Barnes' Ancestors

Thomas Barnes and Rebecca Hungerford Cone

Thomas, son of William James and Mary (Smith) Barnes, was born 3-26-1706 in East Haddam, Middlesex County, Connecticut, and died 1759 in Sharon, Litchfield County, Connecticut. He married Rebecca Hungerford Cone, a daughter of Stephen and Mary (Hungerford) Cone, on 3-14-1728/29. She was born 5-6-1704. Rebecca's older sister Mary had married Thomas' brother William, Jr. four years earlier. Thomas and William's sister Mary married Daniel Cone, first cousin to Rebecca and Mary Cone.

Samuel Evans of Haddam was appointed as guardian to Thomas, age 12 years, after the death of his parents. Thomas' brothers William, Jr., age 19 years, and Samuel, age 8 years, were placed under the guardianship of Joshua Braynard of Haddam, and sisters Abigail, age 13 years, and Eunice, age 9 years, were placed under the guardianship of James Smith of Coventry.

When biographies were done of local people in a book entitled "General History of the Town of Sharon, Litchfield County, Conn.," by Charles F. Sedgwick, only one Barnes family was mentioned (Page 111). It reads:

Barnes, Thomas, was an early settler in the northwest part of town, and lived near the present residence of Mr. Roswell H. Hazzard. He came into town in 1750. He had three sons, Thomas, the oldest son, lived on the same place until his death, March 7, 1807, at the age of 74. Dan lived in the town of Amenia, N.Y. Jonah, the youngest son, was a physician, and a man of great wit and shrewdness. He lived at what is now called the Evertson place, west of the Governor house.

http://www.archive.org/stream/generalhistoryof00sedg/generalhistoryof00sedg_djvu.txt

"General History of the Town of Sharon, Litchfield County, Conn., from Its First Settlement," by Charles F. Sedgwick, A. M., Second Edition, Amenia, N. Y. 1877.

From: Chapter IV: Indians in Sharon, & Chapter VI: The History of the Moravian Missions in Sharon

The following two bracketed paragraphs are paraphrases by C. W. Paige of several pages of text found in the *History of Sharon*. Material from additional sources is also included for a more complete picture. The indented text is from the historical account.

[Thomas Lamb purchased land in Litchfield County, Connecticut, in about 1727 from the Mohican language-speaking Sharon Indians living in an area they called Wequagnock along Indian Pond (to the Moravian missionaries it was known as " Gnadensee," the Lake of Grace, and is now called Wequagnock Lake). Thanks to Lamb this Indian settlement would soon be overlapped by the town of Sharon, causing future conflict. Lamb represented that the deed of purchase was only for a certain, agreed-upon part of the Indian land. However, he misrepresented the deed, and in fact he would claim all of their land in the area. Lamb subsequently sold the land to the government which, in turn, sold it to white settlers, who began moving in and moving the Indians out. On May 2, 1742, the Indians and new proprietors petitioned the government to investigate the Indian claim and work out some form of settlement. Another petition was presented in 1745.]

[The government acted on the petitions, called memorials, but not very effectively. The Indians ended up only getting back 50 acres of the disputed land. The Indians weren't happy with the settlement and most of them left the area, with some returning now and again to cause mischief for proprietors who purchased land still claimed by the Indians. Two years after Thomas Barnes arrived in the area he purchased from chiefs Nequitimaugh (also sometimes spelled Nequitimaug and Nequitimauk) and Bartholomew the only land the Indians had received back. The land happened to abut property Barnes had already purchased from Joseph Skinner.]

From Chapter IV: Indians in Sharon, P. 35

About the year 1750, Thomas Barnes moved into the town from New Fairfield, in Fairfield county, and purchased a large tract of land in the neighborhood of the Indian territory. In the course of a year or two, he persuaded the Indians to sell out their lands to him, and took a formal deed of their possessions from two of their chiefs, Nequitimaugh and Bartholomew. It was contrary to law to take deeds of the Indian proprietors in that way, but the Legislature, on the petition of Barnes, confirmed his title, and he took possession of the disputed territory, the Indians having gone to other parts....

APPENDIX D. P. 188-9

The following is a copy of the deed by which the Indians conveyed away their last claim of title to lands in Sharon:

To all People to whom these presents shall come — greeting:

"Know ye that We, Nequitimaug, alias Moses and Bartholomous, alias Bartholomew, Indian Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, in Litchfield County, in the Colony of Connecticut, in New England, for the consideration of fifty Pounds current money of the Province of New York received to our full satisfaction of Thomas Barns, of Sharon aforesaid, do give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto the said Thomas Barnes, his Heirs and assigns, a Certain tract or Parcel of land lying and being in the township of Sharon aforesaid, and containing by estimation fifty acres, be the same more or less, abutting South upon the land said Thomas Barnes bought of Joseph Skinner ; North upon Salisbury line; West upon the Pond called the Indian Pond, and extending East so far as to take in all Our improvements in said Township of Sharon, it being the whole of what Land We claim in said Township. To Have and To Hold the above Granted and Bargained premises with the appurtenances thereof, unto Him, the said Thomas Barns his Heirs and Assigns forever, to his and their own proper use and behoove; and also, We, the said Moses and Bartholomew, do for ourselves and our heirs covenant with the said Thomas Barns his Heirs and Assigns, that at and until the ensealing of these presents. We are well seized of these premises as a good indefeasible estate in Fee Simple, and have good Right to Bargain and sell the same in manner and form as is above written, and that the same is free from all encumbrances whatsoever, and Furthermore, We, the said Moses and Bartholomew, by these presents bind ourselves and our Heirs forever, to warrant and defend the above Granted and Bargained Premises to Him, the said Thomas Barns his Heirs and Assigns, against all Claim and Demand of any Person or Persons Whatsoever. In Witness whereof We hereunto set our hands and seals the 24th Day of July, 1752, in the 26th year of His Majesty's Reign. Signed, Sealed and Dd. In presence of

John Hamilton
John Williams

Moses alias Nequitimaug
his mark

Bartholomous alias Bartholomew
his mark

Litchfield County, ss. — Sharon, July 24th, 1752, then
personally appeared the Indians called Moses and Bartholo-

mew, the ensealers of the within written instrument, and acknowledged the same to be their voluntary act and deed.

John Williams, Justice of the Peace.
Rec'd July 24th, 1752, and entered.
John Hamilton, Register.

Thomas' family purportedly came from Fairfield, Fairfield Co., CT, and also from East Haddam, Middlesex Co., CT. A way to reconcile these two locations is to have the Barnes family leave East Haddam, located on the east bank of the Connecticut River, and travel south on that river to its mouth on Long Island Sound. Now west on the Sound to Fairfield located along the shore, where they may have remained for some years. Then they could have traveled a short distance east on the Sound to the mouth of the Housatonic River, taking this river north as it wended its way up through the western side of Connecticut passing Sharon, the family's destination, on its way to Massachusetts.

Children of Thomas and Rebecca:

1. Eleanor Barnes, b. 2-10-1729/30, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT.
2. Thomas Barnes, b. 5-12-1732, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; d. 3-7-1807, Sharon, Litchfield, CT.
3. Daniel Barnes, b. 6-23-1735, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT.
4. Rebecca Barnes, b. 12-16-1737, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; d. 1794; m. Sylvanus Holly.
5. Susannah Barnes, b. 8-14-1739, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; m. Jr. Robert Johnston, 1761; b. 1736; d. 1818.
6. Jonah Barnes MD, b. 7-11-1741, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT. Jonah's christening: 8-9-1741, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT.
7. Dorcas Barnes, b. 11-6-1743, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; d. 9-8-1827, Alford, Berkshire, MA; m. Capt. Jabez Hamlin; b. 7-17-1735; d. 9-8-1826. Dorcas' christening: 4-1-1744, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT.
8. Dorothy Barnes, b. 1747, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; m. Stephen Rogers, 7-5-1768. Dorothy's Christening: 4-26-1747, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT.

Daniel Barnes was born 6-23-1735 in East Haddam, Middlesex, Connecticut. He married Dinah Pardee. She was born 1742.

The family would reside in the Connecticut towns of East Haddam and Sharon; the New York town of Amenia, Dutchess County (Amenia was originally called Nine Partners); and the Pennsylvania town of Athens, Bradford County.

Children of Daniel and Dinah:

1. Daniel Barnes, b. 3-4-1761.
2. Jesse Barnes, b. 1-9-1763.
3. Louisa Barnes, b. 2-14-1758.

William James Barnes and Mary Smith

William James Barnes, son of Thomas and Abigail (Goodenow) Barnes, was born 4-3-1669 in Marlborough, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and died 2-15-1714/15 in Marlborough, Middlesex County. He married Mary Smith 8-20-1696 in East Haddam, Middlesex County, Connecticut, daughter of Samuel Smith and Mary Ensign. She was born 1-18-1672/73 in Northampton, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, and died 11-18-1714 in East Haddam.

The family probably moved to East Haddam in 1702.

Children of William and Mary:

1. Mary Barnes, b. 7-7-1697, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; d. 7-24-1763; m. Daniel Cone, 12-26-1718.
2. William Barnes, b. 8-7-1698, Brookfield, Worcester, MA; m. Mary Cone, 7-2-1724; b. 2-2-1702/03. William Barnes resided in Brookfield, MA and East Haddam, CT. Joshua Braynard of Haddam appointed guardian to William Barnes, age 19.
3. Mercy Barnes, b. 11-14-1700, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT.
4. John Barnes, b. 9-22-1702, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT.
5. Abigail Barnes, b. 1-2-1704/05, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; m. Stephen Cone, 6-6-1724; b. 1696. James Smith of Coventry appointed guardian of Abigail, age 13.
6. Thomas Barnes, b. 3-26-1706, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; d. 1759, Sharon, Litchfield, CT.
7. Eunice Barnes, b. 7-21-1707, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; m. Edward Park, 1-1-1729/30. James Smith of Coventry appointed guardian to Eunice, age 9.
8. Hannah Barnes, b. 10-15-1709, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; m. Isaac Parsons, 2-1-1727/28; b. 1699; d. 1756.
9. Lt. Samuel Barnes, b. 10-15-1710, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; d. 5-15-1778, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; m. Lucy Cone, 11-5-1733, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; b. 5-24-1707, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; d. 1-20-1766, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT. Joshua Braynard of Haddam appointed guardian to Samuel Barnes, age 8.

Mary Smith's Grandparents and Parents

Rev. Henry Smith was born 1588 in Norwich, England, and died 1648 in Wethersfield, Massachusetts. He married Dorothy 1635. She died 1694 in Hadley, Hampshire County, Massachusetts.

Child of Henry and Dorothy:

1. Samuel Smith, b. 1638, Wethersfield, MA; d. 9-10-1703, Hadley, Hampshire Co., MA.

Samuel Smith, son of Rev. Henry and Dorothy Smith, was born 1638 in Wethersfield, Massachusetts, and died 9-10-1703 in Hadley, Hampshire County, Massachusetts. He married Mary Ensign 1662, daughter of James and Sarah Ensign.

Samuel was said to be "of Northampton, afterward of Hadley."

Child of Samuel and Mary:

1. Mary Smith, b. 1-18-1672/73, Northampton, Hampshire Co., MA; d. 11-18-1714, East Haddam, Middlesex Co., CT.

James Ensign died 1670 in Hartford, CT. He married Sarah. She died 1676.

The following paragraph is from: "The Original Proprietors"

Author Talcott, Mary Kingsbury, 1847–1917

Publishers (1) J. Hammond Trumbull(?). 1886.

(2) Society of the Descendants of Hartford, 1986, 2nd printing

(3) Robert A. Buckman, 2001 (electronic edition), 3rd printing

James Ensign (Ensing), Cambridge, 1634; freeman, Mass., March 4, 1635; an original proprietor at Hartford, 1639; his home lot was on the south side of the highway now Elm St.; chosen constable, 1649, 1662; chimney-viewer, 1655; townsman, 1666. He and his wife, Sarah, were original members of the South Church, Feb. 12, 1670. He d. 1670; will dated Nov. 23; inv. Dec. 23, £729. 2. 9. His widow, Sarah, d. in 1676; inv. taken May 29, 1676. Ch.: i. Sarah, m. May 6, 1651, John Rockwell, of Windsor; d. June 23, 1659. ii. David, b. ab. 1644, Hartford; m. Oct. 22, 1663, Mehitabel, dau. of Thomas Gunn, of Windsor; she obtained a divorce from him, October, 1682; m. (2) Sarah, dau. of John and Sarah (Wadsworth) Wilcox; chimney viewer, 1666; surveyor of highways, 1669; settled in the West Division about 1686; an original member of the West Hartford Church, 1713; died Dec. 13, 1727. iii. Mary, m. ab. 1662, Samuel Smith, of Northampton, afterward of Hadley. iv. Hannah, m. Joseph Easton (q. v.). v. Lydia, bapt. Aug. 19, 1649.

Thomas Barnes and Abigail Goodenow

Thomas Barnes was born 10-18-1636 in England, and died 1679 in Marlborough, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. He married Abigail Goodenow 7-2-1662 in Marlborough, Middlesex County, daughter of Thomas Goodenow and Jane Ruddick. She was born 3-11-1641/42 in Sudbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and died 4-21-1734.

Thomas, at age 20, came to America on the Speedwell, sailing from Gravesend about May 20, 1656 and landing in Boston, Massachusetts, Jun 27, 1656, in company with Shadrack Hopgood age 14, John Fay age 8, Nathaniel Goodinough age 16, and Thomas Goodynough age 20 (spellings are from the ship's register).

(It is tantalizing to think that Nathaniel and Thomas Goodynough were kin to the Thomas, Edmund and John Goodenowe that had sailed to America on the Confidence nearly twenty years earlier. Thomas Barnes would eventually meet and marry Abigail

Goodenow, daughter of the Thomas Goodenow who had arrived earlier and eventually settled in Marlboro, Massachusetts, where Thomas Barnes, Shadrack Hopgood, John Fay, Nathaniel Goodinough, and Thomas Goodynough had also settled.)

Thomas Barnes bought land (8 acres) of Jonathan Johnson in 1663. His house and goods were burned by Indians during the destruction of Marlborough, Massachusetts in 1676 in King Philip's War. He temporarily moved to Concord, Massachusetts. This is where his youngest child, Susanna, was born. Upon returning to Marlborough, he bought land in the old Indian Plantation, Ockoocangansett. Thomas was active in community affairs, as evidenced by his name on numerous petitions and public documents. He first bought land in the then newly formed town, Marlborough, in 1662 and received additional land grants later.

Sources: History of the Town of Marlborough, Middlesex Co., MA, by Charles Hudson, 1862.

History of Hadley Including the Early History of Hatfield, South Hadley, Amherst and Granby, MA, by Sylvester Judd (also Family Genealogies by Lucius M. Boltwood), 1905.

East Haddam, CT Vital Records.

~ GRANT of LANDS ~

Source Colonial Records by Franklin Rice Pub 1910:

At a Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town, ordered by the General Court to be Called Marlborough, on September 20, 1660.

It is ordered that every person "yt" claims any interest in the Town of Marlborough, shall pay to all publicke charge, both for minister and all other town charges that have arisen about the plantation to this day from the beginning thereof, according to their proportion in ye rate now presented with said proportion due; every person to pay at or before the 10th of Novemeber next ensuing, or else loose all legal interest in the aforesaid plantation; that is to say, four pence an acre for each acre of their House Lotts to the Minister, and three pence for all the estate that hath been kept or bought to keep, being found in the town or about the town; and nine pence an acre for every acre of their House Lotts to town charges, till all the debts that are due from the town to them that have been employed by the town or the plantation thereof

Signed:

Edmund Rice	William Kerly
Thomas King	Henry Kerly
Soloman Johnson	John Howe
Richard Newton	Christopher Banister
William Ward	John Johnson
Thomas Goodnow	John Ruddocke

They proceeded, on the 26th of November, to lay out their house lots. Some persons had been in this plantation for three years and this was confirmation of the lands they had occupied. The following is a list of the lot owners and acreage they now owned or where about to own.

Edmund Rice - 50 acres	Henry Kerly - 19 1/2 acres	Abrham Howe - 25 acres
William Ward - 50 acres	Richard Barnes - 16 acres	Thomas Goodnow Jr. - 20 acres
John Ruddocke - 50 acres	Thomas Rice - 35 acres	
Thomas Goodnow - 32 acres	Joseph Holmes - 18 acres	John Rutter - 30 acres
Joseph Rice - 22 acres	Samuel Howe - 16 acres	John Barrett - 18 acres
Samuel Rice - 21 acres	Andrew Belcher - 20 acres	John Rediat - 22 1/2 acres
Christopher Banister - 16 acres	Obadiah Ward - 21 acres	A Black Smith - 30 acres
Thomas King - 39 1/2 acres	Edward Rice - 35 acres	Henry Axtell - 15 acres
William Kerly - 30 acres	Richard Ward - 18 acres	John Newton - 16 acres
Soloman Johnson - 23 acres	John Woods Sr. - 30 acres	
John Johnson - 30 acres	John Maynard - 23 acres	End of List
Richard Newton - 30 acres	Peter King - 22 acres	
John Howe Sr. - 30 acres	Benjamin Rice - 24 acres	
John Howe Jr. - 16 acres	A Minister - 30 acres	
	Peter Bent - 30 acres	
	John Bellows - 20 acres	

The number of acres granted to the thirty eight parties mentioned, for house lots in the town, amounted to 993 1/2.

Children of Thomas and Abigail:

1. Thomas Barnes, b. 3-23-1661/62, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; d. 4-23-1734, Brookfield, Worcester, MA; m. Mary How, 4-14-1685, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; b. 3-2-1664/65, Sudbury, Middlesex, MA; d. 2-4-1718/19, Brookfield, Worcester, MA.
2. Dorothy Barnes, b. 2-6-1663/64, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; d. 6-17-1686, Stow, Middlesex, MA; m. Ephraim Heldreth, 6-11-1685, Stow, Middlesex, MA; b. 1653, Cambridge, Middlesex, MA; d. 4-5-1731, Chelmsford, Middlesex, MA.
3. Deacon John Barnes, b. 12-25-1666, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; d. 4-5-1752, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; m. Hannah How, 1695, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; b. 4-6-1677, Sudbury, Middlesex, MA; d. 11-8-1742, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA. John was a deacon of Rev. Mr. Breck's church. Was a member of Samuel Morrill's Garrison at Fort Meadow in Indian War, 1711-13.

4. William James Barnes, b. 4-3-1669, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; d. 2-15-1714/15, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA.
5. Abigail Barnes, b. 1-14-1670/71, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; d. 11-4-1749, Stockbridge, Berkshire, MA; m. Capt. Josiah Jones, 1692, Watertown, Middlesex, MA; b. 10-20-1670, Watertown, Middlesex, MA; d. 12-21-1734, Watertown, Middlesex, MA. Capt. Josiah Jones was elected as deacon, Feb 13, 1714, as successor his father; but he refused to accept.
6. Theophilus Barnes, b. 2-10-1672/73, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; d. 2-1674/75, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA.
7. Susanna Barnes, b. 2-2-1675/76, Concord, Middlesex, MA; d. 1712; m. Supply Weeks, 6-4-1699, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA; b. 8-26-1671, Dorchester Marlborough MA; d. 9-22-1755, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA. Supply Weeks was a cordwainer. At the time of his birth, there was a great scarcity of provisions on account of a drought; on the night of his birth a vessel with supplies arrived, in commemoration of which timely relief the child was named Supply.

Thomas Barnes, son of Thomas and Abigail (Goodenow) Barnes, was married in Marlborough, but later moved to Brookfield, Worcester County, Massachusetts during its second settlement, circa 1695. He inherited part of the Indian Plantation lands of Marlborough from his father in 1697 and was involved in a title dispute to his land (as were his neighbors) until 1719, when the courts finally recognized the validity of the deed of purchase of these Indian lands obtained by the residents of the plantation area. Like his father, he was active in community affairs, and he was a leading resident of Brookfield. Thomas and his son, Samuel, were chosen town assessors in 1718. Thomas acquired considerable land through grants and later, purchases.

Thomas was one of eight men commissioned to build a sawmill in the town of Brookfield—the first in the town. For this, each of the eight men received a grant of 40 acres of land. His house and goods were destroyed in King Philip's War by the Indians March 20, 1676. In 1691 Thomas received a grant of 40 acres in Brookfield, Mass. where he built. He bought other lands and held, in all, 1100 acres. Assessed property valuation, circa 1717, was second only to that of the famed Col. John Pynchon. Thomas Barnes' tax rate was 4 pounds 8 pence, and John Pynchon's tax rate was 5 pounds, 5 shillings. The next highest assessment, just below that of Thomas Barnes, was that of John Hamilton, Sr., who had an assessment of 3 pounds, 17 shillings, and 8 pence.

Thomas was a leading citizen of Brookfield. His house was the stopping point of the Committee when on duty at Brookfield and expenses were granted to his wife. Late in life he lived with his son Comfort north of Ditch Meadow Swamp. Thomas was gored to death by a bull.

Abigail Goodenow's Parents

Thomas Goodenow, son of Thomas Goodenow and Ursula Fayme, was born 1608 in Donhead, St. Andrews, Wiltshire, England, and died 9-29-1666 in Marlborough, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. He married Jane Ruddick 1634 in Shaftesbury, Dorsetshire, England. She was born 1613 in Shaftesbury, Wiltshire, England, and died 7-15-1666 in Sudbury, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

Date of arrival on "Confidence" varies by source:

April 11, 1638 per Popes' Pioneer

April 24, 1638 per N.E. General Registry, Savage and Whitney Wund & Allied Families

John Jacobson was Master of the ship.

Thomas and Jane Goodenow settled in Sudbury in 1639, and there lived until 1656, when they, with other residents of Sudbury, founded Marlboro, Middlesex County, Massachusetts. He was a Freeman May 10, 1641 and shared in the early division of the land there.

Thomas was granted a house lot of five acres in Sudbury, which he sold to Peter Noyes and then had a house lot south of the old mill pond and not far from the present Wayland Station.

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In 1656, when Marlborough was settled, he moved there, being one of the petitioners for "Ye Plantation".

In 1661, 1662 and 1664 he was selectman of Marlborough. His will dated Sept. 29, 1666 is on file at Cambridge N.E.R.

Petitions for "Ye Plantation"

Thomas Goodenow 1656 household lots voted 32 acres.

Thomas Goodenow three cornered meadow 8 acres.

Thomas Goodenow to build a bridge across Sudbury River.

Thomas Goodenow surveyor of ye highways.

Marlborough Colonial Record:

Thomas Goodenow surveyor 1664-5 32 al6al6 rd. N.E.R

Thomas was a husbandman from Shaftesbury, England and was supposed to have been formerly at Donhead. On the Confidence with him was his brother John, age 42, his wife Jane and daughters Lydia and Jan; Edmund Goodenow, age 27, with his wife Ann and sons Thomas and John, age under 4 years; his sister Ursula, who died at Sudbury unmarried.

[Donald B. Goodenow, in the following write-up, mentions a sister Dorothy. According to ship's records, Dorothy did not come to America with her sister and brothers on the Confidence. However, that does not mean she did not make the journey at another time.]

According to Donald B. Goodenow:

Five members of the Goodenowe family came to America from the South of England in 1638. Three brothers, John, Thomas and Edmund, and their sisters, Ursula and Dorothy. The brothers had lived nearby each other in England: John in Semley, Thomas in Shaftesbury, and Edmund in Donhead, in the neighboring shires of Dorset and Wilts.

In 1638, they sailed from Southampton to Boston aboard the 200 ton Ship Confidence. Shortly after their arrival, they joined others to settle the 19th town in Massachusetts. To this day the name is well known there, and the Goodenow Library stands as a tribute to the descendant of the line of Edmund Goodenow.

The oldest brother, John, had only daughters, thus ending the name in his line. Edmund, the youngest, was by far the most distinguished of the three, being prominent in Sudbury town affairs all his life. His death in 1688 is still commemorated by an ancient tombstone in the old Sudbury Cemetery in Wayland, Massachusetts. Three grandsons by his son John, has sizable families are the ancestors of about half the families in America today.

The remaining brother, Thomas, stayed in Sudbury until 1656, when he joined a group that pushed westward to settle the town of Marlboro, Massachusetts. The name is well known in that area from the loss of one of his granddaughters. On the highway west of town stands a marker in memory of Mary Goodenow.

The following account regarding the death of Mary Goodenow, one of Thomas and Jane's granddaughters, is taken from the annals of Marlboro, Massachusetts history:

In 1707 many homes in Marlboro were fortified for protection against Indian raids, and families in their vicinity were assigned to them for their protection. A troop of horsemen, under Captain Thomas Howe, was kept ready to repel Indians. On August 18, 1707 a band of twenty Indians captured two men in a hayfield: One, Daniel Howe, managed to escape his guard by wrestling the Indian's gun from him and breaking it over the Indian's head. He spread the alarm and Thomas Howe's troop took off up the Post Road route to find the raiding band. At Stirrup Brook crossing (now at the Northboro boundary) they found that the Indians had assailed the Garrison House of Samuel Goodenow and had captured Mary Goodenow, a lame girl, who had been in a nearby field with her sister-in-law gathering herbs. The sister-in-law managed to get back to the garrison, but Mary could not run, and in giving herself up, contrived a delaying action to afford the other girl more time to escape.

After an hour or so spent in trying to find a safe entry to the garrison (which was defended by only one man, with the women keeping his muskets loaded), the Indians withdrew westerly along the Post Road or the Connecticut Path, along which Captain Howe's men followed them. Howe's troops were joined by a troop from Groton Town at evening, and having scouted out where the Indians encamped for the night about ten miles into Lancaster territory, they waited for dawn, and made an attack killing a few Indians and capturing their packs. In one pack was found the scalp of Mary Goodenow. The body of Jonathan Wilden, the other man captured at Marlboro, was found, he having been killed by the Indians at the start of the day-break attack. Not being equipped for further pursuit, Captain Howe's men returned to Marlboro, and the next day, August 20, Mary Goodenow's body was found a short distance from the garrison which had been her home, and was buried at that spot in a patch of woodland. There a stone monument was later erected over her isolated grave.

Child of Thomas and Jane:

1. Abigail Goodenow, b. 3-11-1641/42, Sudbury, Middlesex, MA; d. 4-21-1734.

John Goodenow, son of Thomas Goodenow and Ursula Fayme, was born 1596.

Children of John Goodenow:

1. Lydia⁴ Goodenow.
2. Jane Goodenow.

Edmund Goodenow, son of Thomas Goodenow and Ursula Fayme, was born 1611, and died 1688 in Wayland, MA. He married Ann. Edmund was buried at Sudbury Cemetery.

Children of Edmund and Ann:

1. John Goodenow.
2. Thomas Goodenow.

Abigail Goodenow's Grandparents and Great-Grandparents

Thomas Goodenow, son of John and Margaret Goodenow, was born 11-1569 in Donhead, Wiltshire, England, and died 12-20-1617 in Donhead, St. Andrews, Wiltshire, England. He married Ursula Fayme 1599 in Donhead, St. Andrews, Wiltshire, England. She was born 1569 in Donhead, Wiltshire, England, and died 5-22-1634 in Donhead, Wiltshire, England.

Children of Thomas and Ursula:

1. John Goodenow, b. 1596.
2. Thomas Goodenow, b. 1608, Donhead, Wiltshire, England; d. 9-29-1666, Marlborough, Middlesex, MA.
3. Ursula Goodenow.

4. Edmund Goodenow, b. 1611; d. 1688, Wayland, MA.
5. Dorothy Goodenow.

John Goodenow was born 1535 in Donhead, Wiltshire, England, and died 1-7-1592/93 in Ebsborne, Wiltshire, England. He married Margaret 1560. She was born in Donhead, Wiltshire, England.

Child of John and Margaret:

1. Thomas Goodenow, b. 11-1569, Donhead, Wiltshire, England; d. 12-20-1617, Donhead, Wiltshire, England.

Martha Eggleston's Parents and Siblings

Samuel Eggleston, son of Samuel Eggleston and Abigail Bevin, was born 8-17-1738 in E Middletown (Portland), Middlesex County, Connecticut, and died 1-25-1822 in Northeast Dutchess County, New York. He married Hester Buck 3-18-1761 in Dutchess County. She died 1-10-1828. Samuel was baptized 9-17-1738.

The Samuel Eggleston family was listed as living in Northeast Town, Dutchess Co., NY, at the times of the 1790 and 1820 Federal censuses. In 1790 the last name was spelled "Eggleston" and in 1820 it was spelled "Eggleston." The "Spencer's Corners" mentioned in the following account is located near Millerton, which is near the border with Connecticut. It is less than ten miles north by northwest of Sharon, Litchfield Co., CT.

HISTORY OF THE TOWN OF NORTHEAST, From
HISTORY OF DUTCHESS COUNTY, NEW YORK
By James H. Smith, 1882, Chapter XXI.

Part Two:

Among the earliest settlers was Samuel EGGLESTON, who located in the vicinity of what is now known as Spencer's Corners, and who was the ancestor of all the families in North East who bear that name. The emigrant ancestor of that name was Bigot EGGLESTON, who was born in Exeter, England in 1585, and who in 1630 came to Dorchester, Mass., bringing his twin sons, James and Samuel, aged ten years. In 1635 he removed to Windsor, Conn. In 1661 Samuel married Sarah, daughter of Nicholas DISBRO, of Weathersfield, Conn., and settled in Middletown, in that State, where he died in February 1691, leaving his real estate to his eldest child, Samuel, born, March 6, 1662-'63, who on the 8th of July, 1703 married Patience PAYNE, and by her had eight children--Samuel, John, Joseph, Susannah, Abigail, Sarah, Patience and Mary. Samuel died in Middletown, Dec. 24, 1736. Some time prior to his death (Feb. 9, 1727-'28) he had executed a deed of certain premises situate in Middletown, to his said son, Samuel, with this proviso--that the premises should not be sold except on the recommendation of two judicious persons. This restriction so displeased young Samuel that he refused to have anything to do with the land thus conveyed, although he had in part paid for the same. Very soon thereafter he married Abigail RIBBINS and moved to Salisbury, (now North East, as the boundary line was changed,) and there reared John, Martha, Abigail, Joseph, Prudence, Nicholas, Benjamin, Amos, Ruth, and Samuel, born June 8, 1738, [O.

S.,] who married Hester BUCK, daughter of Israel BUCK, of Amenia, March 18, 1761, and who is the ancestor of all the families of that name in this section of the country. He died January 24, 1822, and Hester, his wife, died January 10, 1828. They were buried in the cemetery near Spencer's Corners.

Children of Samuel and Hester:

1. Phebe Eggleston, d. Sangerfield, NY; m. Joseph Conger.
2. Elizabeth Eggleston, d. Geneseo, NY; m. Joseph/Stephen Sherwood.
3. Hester Eggleston, d. Hillsdale, NY; m. Samuel Gilbert.
4. Martha Eggleston, b. Abt. 1768, Northeast Dutchess Co., NY.
5. Nicholas Eggleston, b. 11-8-1769.
6. David Eggleston, b. 1771; m. Olive Cartwright, 3-24-1794. Olive was of Boston Four Corners (CT or NY?).
7. Abigail Eggleston, b. 1773; m. Lemuel Case. Abigail was baptized as an adult 2-26-1789.
8. Samuel Eggleston, b. 5-2-1777; m. Deborah Landers, 4-1-1798. Samuel was baptized as an adult 2-26-1789. His family resided in Northeast Dutchess County, New York.
9. Eunice Eggleston, b. 5-1779; m. (1) John Dawson/Darrow; m. (2) Mr. Spafford; m. (3) Mr. Fuller. Eunice was baptized as an adult 2-26-1789. She removed to Wheatland, New York, then to Holly, New York in 1859.
10. Susan Eggleston, b. 1-8-1782; m. Joseph Huntley. Susan was baptized as an adult 2-26-1789.
11. Keturah Eggleston, b. 3-3-1785; d. N.E. Dutchess Co., NY; m. Brewster Jewett.

Martha Eggleston's Ancestors

Martha Eggleston's Grandparents

Samuel Eggleston and Abigail Bevin

Samuel Eggleston, son of Samuel Eggleston and Patience Payne, was born 1-2-1706/07 in Middletown (Portland), Middlesex County, Connecticut. He married Abigail Bevin 11-2-1729 in Middletown, Hartford County, Connecticut, daughter of Thomas Bevin and Martha Stancliff. She was born 3-3-1709/10 in Glastonbury, Hartford, Connecticut, and died 9-30-1801.

Some information obtained for this family from the following sources:

Sylvesters Hist. Saratoga County, pg 392

Middletown V.R.'s

Estate of T. Bevin

SRC: "Our Eggleston and Allied Families" compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie Eggleston Kempton, (abt 1970)

The following is proof that Samuel Eggleston m. Abigail "Bevin" (not as often written: "Bemis," "Bibbins," etc.) comes from estate of Thomas Bevin of Haddam, Conn. 1742 #216:

Received the 13th day of Dec 1742 to my full satisfaction of the
administration of the estate of Thomas Bevin, deceased, in full of
my wife's portion of pay received by me.

Signed

Samuel Eggleston

Abigail (X) her mark

Jan. 30, 1730 Thomas Bevin sold land in Middletown, Conn. to Samuel Eggleston, Jr.
Liber 5 Pg 405.

Src: "Our Eggleston and Allied Families" compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie
Eggleston Kempton. (abt 1970)

Children of Samuel and Abigail:

1. John Eggleston, b. Abt. 1731, East Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co., CT.
John was baptized 9-2-1731.
2. Martha Eggleston, b. Abt. 1733, E. Middletown,(Portland), Middlesex Co., CT.
Martha was baptized 8-26-1733.
3. Abigail Eggleston, b. 2-23-1735/36, E. Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co.,
CT. Abigail was baptized 2-29-1735/36.
4. Samuel Eggleston, b. 8-17-1738, E Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co., CT; d.
1-25-1822, Northeast Dutchess Co., NY.
5. Joseph Eggleston, b. 10-28-1740, E Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co., CT;
d. 9-6-1799.
6. Benjamin Eggleston, b. 3-23-1742/43, E Middletown,(Portland), Middlesex Co.,
CT; d. 1-26-1749/50. Benjamin was baptized 7-28-1743.
7. Prudence Eggleston, b. 9-22-1745, E Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co., CT;
m. Ephraim Goss, 1764, E Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co., CT. Prudence
was baptized 9-22-1745.
8. Nicholas Eggleston, b. 4-12-1747, Portland, Middlesex Co., CT; d. 10-6-1853,
Northeast, NY.
9. Benjamin Eggleston, b. 12-26-1749, E Middletown, (Portland), Middlesex Co.,
CT.
10. Amos Eggleston, b. 11-20-1751, E Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co., CT;
d. 11-20-1813, Bath, Steuben Co., NY.

Martha Eggleston's 1st Great-Grandparents

Samuel Eggleston and Patience Payne

Samuel Eggleston, son of Samuel Eggleston and Sarah Disbrough, was born 3-6-1662/63
in Wethersfield, Hartford County, Connecticut, and died 12-24-1736 in Middletown,
Hartford County, Connecticut. He married Patience Payne 8-7-1703, daughter of John

Payne and Mary Hall. She was born 8-19-1678 in Middletown, Hartford County, Connecticut.

Samuel was an original member of the church in East Middletown, now Portland, Middlesex County, Connecticut.
Src: F E Robbiins Manuscript.

He left his home in Middletown, Connecticut to his wife, dau. Patience and son-in-law John Benton on the condition that the latter care for his wife and son, Joseph, during their lifetime. Widow in Guilford in 1749.
Src: Linda Eggleston McBroom

Will of Samuel Eggleston, 1663-1736

Middletown, Conn. Invt. 876-04-15

Taken Jan 10, 1736 by Solomon Adkins & William Rockwell: and in Guilford by Judah Everts, Ebenezer Chittedan and Samuel Chittedan. Dated April 13, 1736.

I, Samuel Eggleston, of Middleton in the county of Hartford being advanced in age to 73 years and being very infirm in body, do make this my will and testament.

I give to patience, my wife, the use of my dwelling house and all my home lots, being about 20 acres, during her natural life or so long as she remains my widow and 1/3 part of my moveable estate to be at her own disposal. I give to my son, Samuel, what I have already given him and likewise all my land divided and undivided on the east side of the Great River in Middletown forever. I give to my son-in-law, John Benton and Abigail his present wife, my dwelling house and the south side of my present home lot, to be 15 rods wide from end to end and the equal half of my land on the east side of Hop Swamp Brook, to lay on the north side, to them and their heirs for ever provided my said son-in-law doth comfortably maintain my wife until her decease or marriage and my son Joseph during his natural life, and the remainder of my home lot and the southern half of my land on the east side of Hop Swamp Brook. I give to my daughter, Susannah, Sarah, Patience and Mary, they to pay my son, Samuel, the sum of \$20; to pay \$5, Susannah and Sarah to pay the sum of \$10 within one month after my decease and my daughter Patience and Mary each \$5 after they arrive to lawful age.

And further, my will is that my beloved wife, patience, shall have a decent mourning suit and pay for the same out of my estate after she hath received her third thereof...and what remains of my moveable estate give equally to my daughter, Susannah,

Abigail, Patience and Mary. I hereby constitute my son-in-law,
John Benton and my friend Stephen Blake, executors.

Samuel Eggleston

Witnesses: Jabez Brooks

Robert Johnson

William Rockwell

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One source says her name was Patience "Prior" rather than "Payne."

Src: ("Bygod Eggleston, Englishman & Colonist.")

Children of Samuel and Patience:

1. Amos Eggleston. Amos removed to Western New York, as recorded in the notes of Rev. Ambrose Eggleston. (Src: FER)
2. Benjamin Eggleston.
3. John Eggleston, d. in infancy.
4. Mabel Eggleston, m. Mr. Wight.
5. Nicholas Eggleston.
6. Susanah Eggleston, b. 2-25-1704/05, poss. Middletown, Hartford, CT.
7. Samuel Eggleston, b. 1-2-1706/07, Middletown (Portland), CT.
8. Abigail Eggleston, b. 3-11-1706/07; m. John Benton.
9. Sarah Eggleston, b. 2-7-1710/11.
10. John Eggleston, b. 8-15-1714; d. 2-28-1718/19.
11. Joseph Eggleston, b. 10-4-1716.
12. Patience Eggleston, b. 10-18-1719.
13. Mary/Marcy Eggleston, b. 6-29-1723.

Thomas Bevin and Martha Stancliff

Thomas Bevin, son of Arthur and Mary Bevin, was born 7-15-1682 in Haddam, Middlesex County, Connecticut, and died 5-17-1742 in Haddam, Middlesex County. He married Martha Stancliff about 1706, daughter of James and Mary Stancliff. She was born 12-21-1688 in Middletown, Hartford County, Connecticut, and died 11-8-1725 in E. Middletown (Portland), Middlesex County, Connecticut.

Information on this family obtained from:

Middletown VR's.

Will of Thomas Bevin on file, Conn. State Library

NEHG Vol 13, pg 133.

Thomas Bevin was a taxpayer in Glastonbury, Hartford County, Conn. 1713.

Src: "Our Eggleston and Allied Families" compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie Eggleston Kempton. (abt 1970)

Child of Thomas and Martha:

1. Abigail Bevin, b. 3-3-1709/10, Glastonbury, Hartford Co., CT; d. 9-30-1801.

Martha Eggleston's 2nd Great-Grandparents

Samuel Eggleston and Sarah Disbrough

Samuel Eggleston, son of Bygod Eggleston and Mary Talcott, was born 1627 in England, and died 2-1-1690/91 in Windsor, Hartford County, Connecticut. He married Sarah Disbrough 5-18-1661 in Wethersfield, Hartford County, daughter of Nicholas Disbrough and Mary Bronson. She was born 1642 in Connecticut.

Samuel took the freeman's oath in Windsor in May, 1658, a year after Bygod and James did the same. Stiles says he beat the drum at the meetinghouse in Windsor in 1651. His children were all born in Middletown, Connecticut. Samuel died in Feb 1691, Middletown.

Src. "Bygod Eggleston, Englishman & Colonist"

Some of the information on this family obtained from:

Stiles, Ancient Windsor

Middletown, CT VR's.

Src: "Our Eggleston and Allied Families" compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie Eggleston Kempton (abt 1970)

Samuel was Christened in 1659 at Middletown, CT, was a landowner in Middletown between 1679 – 1689, and was buried at Wethersfield in 1691.

Children of Samuel and Sarah:

1. Samuel Eggleston, b. 3-6-1662/63, Wethersfield, Hartford, CT; d. 12-24-1736, Middletown, Hartford Co., CT.
2. Thomas Eggleston, b. 6-4-1667; d. 8-27-1667.
3. Joseph Eggleston, b. 1-24-1668/69; d. 1-31-1668/69.
4. Sarah Eggleston, b. 10-26-1670, Middletown, Hartford, CT; d. 1708.
5. Susannah Eggleston, b. 5-19-1674, Middletown, Hartford Co., CT; d. 1-4-1701/02, Winchester, Hartford Co., CT; m. Job Payne, 1-11-1698/99; b. 1-5-1676/77, Middletown, Hartford Co., CT; d. 4-1-1701.
6. Nicholas Eggleston, b. 12-23-1676.
7. Mary Eggleston, b. 1678; d. 4-2-1762; m. Judah /Jacob Evarts, 9-5-1706 of Guilford, New Haven, CT. According to FER, Mary Eggleston m. Judah Evarts 5 Sep 1705 (not John Benton). Linda Eggleston McBroom reported that Mary's sister Mercy (b. 27 July 1679) m. John Benton, as well as Samuel Miller
8. Mercy Eggleston, b. 7-27-1679; d. 9-2-1751.
9. Ebenezer Eggleston, b. 7-7-1684, of Middletown, CT; d. 4-28-1761.

John Payne and Mary Hall

John Payne died 12-10-1681 in Middletown, Hartford County, Connecticut. He married Mary Hall 1-8-1675/76, daughter of Richard and Mary Hall. She was born 1646 in

Middletown, Hartford County, and died 1684. Mary was christened at Guilford, New Haven County, Connecticut.

Information on this family obtained from the following:

Middletown, CT VR's
First Settlers of Conn. by Savage.

"Our Eggleston and Allied Families" compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie Eggleston Kempton (abt 1970)

Child of John and Mary:

1. Patience Payne, b. 8-19-1678, Middletown, Hartford Co., CT.

Arthur E. and Mary Bevin

Arthur E. Bevin died 12-15-1697 in Glastonbury, Hartford County, Connecticut. He married Mary. She died 12-18-1712 in Glastonbury, Hartford County.

Information on this family obtained from the following:

Glastonbury, CT VR's
Woodstock Families by Bowen, pg. 415
Savage

"Our Eggleston and Allied Families" compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie Eggleston Kempton (abt 1970)

Child of Arthur and Mary:

1. Thomas Bevin, b. 7-15-1682, Haddam, Middlesex Co., CT; d. 5-17-1742, Haddam, Middlesex Co., CT.

James and Mary Stancliff

James Stancliff was born about 1686 in Middletown, Hartford County, Connecticut, and died 10-3-1712 in Middletown, Hartford County. He married Mary about 1685 in Middletown, Hartford County. She died 12-30-1712 in Middletown, Hartford County.

Information on this family obtained from the following:

Savage Genealogy Dictionary
Middletown VR's
N.E.H.G. Reg. Vol 14, pg. 133

"Our Eggleston and Allied Families" compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie Eggleston Kempton (abt 1970)

Child of James and Mary:

1. Martha Stancliff, b. 12-21-1688, Middletown, Hartford Co., CT; d. 11-8-1725, E. Middletown (Portland), Middlesex Co., CT.

Martha Eggleston's 3rd Great-Grandparents

Bygod Eggleston and Mary Talcott

Bygod Eggleston, son of James Eggleston and Margaret Harker, was born 2-20-1585/86 in Settrington, Yorkshire, England, and died 9-1-1674 in Windsor, Hartford County, Connecticut. He married (1) Mary Talcott about 1610 in England. She was born about 1587 in England. He married (2) Mary Wall about 1627 in Massachusetts. She was born about 1610 in England. He married (3) Sarah Talcott about 1658 in Connecticut. She was born 1591 in Connecticut.

Additional Sources:

Our Eggleston and Allied Families, by Elsie E. Kempton, 1975
The American Genealogist, Vol. X, pp 197, 8
Vital record for Mercy from the CT Historical Society
Eggleston Genealogy by F. Eggleton Robbins
Eggleston ... Facts and Fiction, Genevieve Tylee Kiepora
National Genealogical Society Quarterly, Vol 57, #4, p 255
The Mary and John, Maude Pinney Kuhns
Edwin D Witter, Jr.
Boston City Document No. 9, Dorchester Town Records.
Dorothy Griebel, Lynnfield, MASS., 1995

SRC: F E Robbins' Manuscript - NEHG Lib.

Unlike his brothers, Bygod did not remain at home in England. The parish records of St. Margaret's de Westwick, at Norwich, show that by 1612 he had removed to that city (Norwich, Norfolk, England), where his uncle was living, was married, and on 13 April had recorded the baptism of a son, James. The boy died and was buried on 15 Aug 1613, but in the meantime a dau. Mary was baptized on 6 Jan 1613. By the will of their uncle, probated 29 Sep 1612, Bygod and his sisters Dorothy and Jane each received a legacy of 20 shillings, and in the next year each of them—Bygod, Dorothy, James, Elizabeth, Margaret, and Alice—inherited L6 from their father's estate; their brothers, as we have already seen, divided the buildings and lands between them, and were given the remainder of the estate after legacies, debts, funeral expenses, and the gifts to Ralf Harker and his family had been deducted (Ralf Harker may have married James Eggleston's sister) (G.S.C., Hartford Times, 9 Mar 1946).

What Bygod Eggleston was doing at this time we do not know; his own will, made many years later, suggests that perhaps he worked with skins or hides. Apparently he left Norwich soon after 1613, for there is no further mention of him in the records; yet he must have been living somewhere in England for 17 years longer before he came to America. Stiles speaks of the tradition that he came from Exeter, but there is no real proof of this. Certain it is, however, that during this time two more sons, James and Samuel, emigrants to New England, like their father, were born to him; his will is proof of their parentage. James, who was old enough to be a soldier in the Pequot War of 1637, was probably the elder, and may have been born in 1617, or earlier; traditionally Samuel was his twin, but in fact he may have been younger, perhaps born not before 1620. It

may be noted that James became a freeman earlier than Samuel, and that his eldest child was seven year older than Samuel's.

Bygod was born in Settrington, East Riding (now North Yorkshire), England. Sometime before 1612 he arrived in Norwich, Norfolk, England. He married and had four children who were born in England. He immigrated to America about 1630, (some say on the ship "Mary and John", which sailed from Plymouth, England on 20 March 1630. They landed ten weeks later at Dorchester, Massachusetts), where he had seven more children.

About 1635 he moved to Windsor, Hartford County, Connecticut, which is at the confluence of the Farmington and Connecticut Rivers. Windsor is about six miles north of where the city of Hartford stands today.

Some ten years after Bygod Egleston came to Windsor he was involved in a curious affair, which it is difficult to interpret accurately. The Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut I, 127, report that at a Particular Court held at Hartford 5 Jun 1645 "Baggett Egleston, for bequeathing his wife to a young man, is fyned 20 s. George Tuckye, for his misdemeanor in words to Egleston's wife, is fyned 40 s. and to be bownd to his good behavior and to appear the next Court. Tho: Ford acknowledgeth himself to be bownd in x L to this Comonwealth and George Tucky in 20 L that the said George shall appear at the next Court, and keepe good behavior in the meane season." Tucky did not appear at the next session, and nothing further about the affair is to be found in the records. Whatever happened, it does not seem to have seriously interrupted Bygod Egleston's family life. He was at the time 58 years old, had four young children besides the two older sons, and was to have three more within the next eight years. A fanciful account in the KNICKERBOCKER MONTHLY for January, 1851, represents Bygod as an aging man of plebeian character whose young wife is constantly quarreling with him because of his failure to attain higher social position; this bickering makes him angry enough to wish to be rid of her.

Bygod and his son James were admitted as freemen of Connecticut Colony 21 May 1657 (Pub. Rec. Col. Conn. I, 297), the name being spelled "Begatt Eglstone." On 18 Jan 1659/70 his name is in the list of householders in Windsor who had paid for seating in the meetinghouse, and in May 1668, it is reported that for 50s. he underook "to cleanse the meeting-house this year" and for 28s to beat the drum for meetings (Stiles). "Begatt Eggleston" and his sons James and Thomas are on the list of freemen dated 11 Oct 1669 (Pub. Rec. Col. Conn. II, 519; N. E. Reg. 5, 247). Stiles thus describes his land holdings in Windsor:

Lot gr. on Backer Row, 14-1/2 r. wide from the Palisado Road; sold place to Nicholas Hoyt and resided 1654 in the Palisado, his lot being N of the meeting-house, bounded E on the highway, N by the palisades; and in 1654 the Town gave him the 1 rod road between him and the Elias Parkman lot, and the road across the N end of his lot between it and the palisades, during the pleasure of the Town. His lot in the _____ and his family had been deducted.

Bygod's will shows that a widow survived him and there is record that she contributed 4 s. in cloth to the Connecticut Fund for the Relief of the Poor in Other Colonies, which was raised in 1676. The Windsor Records also say that the widow

Egleston died 25 July 1689. All this is evidence that Bygod married a third wife, but her identity is just as obscure as that of his first and his second.

Mathew Grant of Windsor thus records Bygod Egleston's death: "Begot egleston Dyed septem'r 1, 74. nere 100 yer ould." As a matter of fact, he was only 87.[egglston.ftw]

Bygod Egleston was baptized at the All Saints Church, Settrington, East Riding, (now North Yorkshire) England 2-13-1585/86. In 1630, he immigrated from England to Dorchester, Massachusetts. In 1635 he moved to Windsor, Hartford, Connecticut. And in 1674 his Will was probated in Hartford District Court.

Children of Bygod Egleston and Mary Talcott:

1. James Eggleston, b. Abt. 1612; d. 8-15-1613, Norwich, England. James was baptized on 13 Apr 1612 and later buried at St. Margaret's Church, Norwich, England.
2. Mary Eggleston, b. Abt. 1613, Norwich, Norfolk Co., England.
3. James Eggleston, b. Bef. 1617, England; d. 12-1-1679, Windsor, Hartford, CT.
4. Samuel Eggleston, b. 1627, England; d. 2-1-1690/91, Windsor, Hartford, CT.

Children of Bygod Egleston and Mary Wall:

1. Thomas Eggleston, b. 8-26-1638, Windsor, Hartford, CT; d. 5-1697, Windsor, Hartford, CT. Thomas never married. With his brother Samuel made freeman 20 May 1658 (Pub. Rec. Col. Conn. I, 315); res. E. Windsor on land bought of John Terry. Thomas built the first brick house in Connecticut. He died May, 1697.
2. Mary/Marcy Eggleston, b. 5-29-1641, Windsor, Hartford, CT; d. 8-24-1684, Windsor, Hartford, CT.
3. Sarah Eggleston, b. 3-28-1643, Windsor, Hartford, CT; d. 7-8-1713.
4. Rebecca Eggleston, b. 12-8-1644, Windsor, Hartford, CT. Records had her named spelled "Rebekah"; the name is sometimes given as Deborah (e.g., in N.E. Reg. 5, 225). Perhaps died young as she is not mentioned in her father's will.
5. Abigail Eggleston, b. 6-12-1648, Windsor, Hartford, CT; d. 7-30-1689, Windsor, Hartford, CT.
6. Joseph Eggleston, b. Bef. 3-30-1651, Windsor, Hartford, CT; d. Abt. 1720, Stonington, New London, CT.
7. Benjamin Eggleston, b. 12-18-1653, Windsor, Hartford, CT; d. 1732, East Windsor, Hartford, CT.

Nicholas Disbrough and Mary Bronson

Nicholas Disbrough was born 1612 in England, and died 8-31-1683 in Hartford or Wethersfield, Hartford County, Connecticut. He married Mary Bronson 4-2-1640, daughter of Roger Bronson and Mary Underwood. She was born about 3-1621/22 in England, and died before 1670 in Hartford, Hartford County, Connecticut.

Nicholas Desbrough of Hartford, Connecticut, was an early settler of this area and one of the original landowners. He was a chimney and ladder reviewer, died 1683 and left four

children: Mrs. Obadiah Spencer, Mrs. Samuel Egglestone (Sarah Disborough), Mrs. John Kelsey, Mrs. Robert Flood (Abigail Desbrough m. Robert Flood in 1646).
Src: Rosemary Paul, Broken Arrow, OK (1995)

In the Hartford, Conn. Athenaeum are two beautiful chests carved by Nicholas Disbrough. His name is on a list of soldiers from Hartford, Connecticut to receive Grants of Land courtesy of Hartford for military service in the Pequot War. He went with Capt. Mason 1 May 1637 when the Connecticut Colony declared war 10 June 1637. The names are preserved in the ancient Town Record Book of Hartford.

The following two paragraphs are from: "The original proprietors"
Author Talcott, Mary Kingsbury, 1847–1917
Publishers (1) J. Hammond Trumbull(?). 1886.
(2) Society of the Descendants of Hartford, 1986, 2nd printing
(3) Robert A. Buckman, 2001 (electronic edition), 3rd printing

NICHOLAS DESBOROUGH (also spelled DISBROUGH, DISBRO, DESBROUGH, DISBOROW, DESBROW), Hartford, 1639, a proprietor "by courtesie of the town"; his home-lot was on the east side of road to the Cow Pasture (North Main St.), not far from the present tunnel. He served in the Pequot War; received a grant of fifty acres for his services, May 11, 1671. He m. 1640, Mary Brunson, prob. sister of John. Chosen chimney-viewer, 1647, 1655, 1663, 1669; surveyor of highways, 1665; freed from training, etc., March 6, 1672–3, when sixty years old. He m. (2), after 1669, Elizabeth, widow of Thwaite Strickland (Note) Cotton Mather (Magnalia, vi. 69) tells a marvelous story of molestations in Desborough's house by invisible hands, in 1683. He d. in 1683; inv. Aug. 31, £81. 15 . —Ch. : i. Mary, m. Obadiah Spencer, of Hartford. ii. Sarah, m. Samuel Eggleston, of Middletown; iii. Phebe, bapt. Dec. 20, 1646; m. John Kelsey, of Hartford, who removed to Killingworth. iv. Abigail, b. Feb. 1, 1648–9; m. (1) Robert Flood, of Wethersfield; (2) Matthew Barry. Src: "Our Eggleston & Allied Families" compiled by Ione Ward Eggleston & Elsie Eggleston Kempton.

Note (for Thwaite Strickland): Elizabeth, dau. of Edward Shepard of Cambridge, prob. m. (1) Thwaite Strickland, of Hfd.; (2) Nicholas Disboro, Gregory Wilterton gave her land in Hfd. by deed, with reversion to her dau. by her first husband, Thwaite Strickland, and her sons, John, Joseph, Jonathan, and Ephraim Strickland. The dau. m. John Andrews, — Gen. Reg. xxxix. 192; xxxiii. 356.

The following is from "Thaumatographia Pneumatica" by Cotton Mather

(The account was first written about by Cotton's father Increase Mather, minister and first president of Harvard College, in his "Remarkable Providences, An Essay For the Recording of Illustrious Providences" (Boston, 1684).¹⁷

The Fourth Example

In the year 1683 the house of Nicholas Desborough, at Hartford, was very strangely molested by stones, by pieces of earth, by cobs of Indian corn, and other such things, from an invisible hand, thrown at him, sometimes through the door, sometimes through the window, sometimes down the chimney, and sometimes from the floor of the room (though very close) over his head; and sometimes he met with them in the shop, the yard, the barn, and in the field.

There was no violence in the motion of the things thus thrown by the invisible hand, and though others besides the man

¹⁷ The "Desborough" incident was but one example used by the Mathers to drum up support for what less than a decade later would be called the Salem Witch Trials. The probability is high that the original Desborough event was based simply on a false, misleading or exaggerated statement by the politically powerful man, a Mr. Allyn or Allen, who was in dispute with Nicholas over the purchase of a clothes chest made by Nicholas. One piece of tell-tale evidence to this possibility was the fact that the supernatural or "praeternatural" events stopped once the dispute was settled. The episode was undoubtedly stressful to Nicholas and he died in 1683—the year he was "suspicioned" of witchcraft.

The following is from "The Witchcraft Delusion In Colonial Connecticut (1647-1697)" by John M. Taylor, online at: <http://www.fullbooks.com/The-Witchcraft-Delusion-In-Colonial-Connectic3.html>

NICHOLAS DESBOROUGH. Hartford, 1683. Suspicioned of witchcraft.

Desborough was a landowner in Hartford, having received a grant of fifty acres for his services in the Pequot war. He owes his enrollment in the hall of fame to Cotton Mather, who was so self-satisfied with his efforts in "Relating the wonders of the invisible world in preternatural occurrences" that in his pedantic exuberance he put in a learned sub-title: "Miranda cano, sed sunt credenda" (The themes I sing are marvelous, yet true).

Fourteen examples were chosen for the "Thaumatographia Pneumatica," as "remarkable histories" of molestations from evil spirits, and Mather said of them, "that no reasonable man in this whole country ever did question them."

Desborough stands in place as the "fourth example." No case more clearly illustrates the credulity that neutralized common sense in strong men. It was a case of abstraction, or theft, or mistaken thrift. A "chest of cloaths" was missing. The owner, instead of going to law, found his remedy "in things beyond the course of nature," and he and his friends with "nimble hands" pelted Desborough's house, and himself when abroad, with stones, turves, and corncobs, and finally some of his property was burned by a fire "in an unknown way kindled." Is it not enough to note that Mather closes this wondrous tale of the spiritual molestations with the very human explanation that "upon the restoring of the cloaths, the trouble ceased"?

happened sometimes to be hit, they were never hurt with them. Only the man himself once had pain given to his arm, and once blood fetched from his leg by these annoyances, and a fire, in an unknown way kindled, consumed no little part of his estate.

This trouble began upon a controversy between Desborough and another person about a chest of clothes which the man apprehended to be unrighteously detained by Desborough, and it endured for divers months, but upon the restoring of the clothes thus detained, the trouble ceased. At Brightling in Sussex in England there happened a tragedy not unlike to this, in the year 1659. 'Tis recorded by Clark in the second volume of his Examples.

The following is from the account by Increase Mather mentioned above:

But I proceed to give an account of some other things lately hapning in New-England, which were undoubtedly praeternatural, and not without Diabolical operation. The last year did afford several Instances, not unlike unto those which have been mentioned. For then Nicholas Desborough of Hartford in New-England was strangely molested by stones, pieces of earth, cobs of Indian Corn, etc., falling upon and about him, which sometimes came in through the door, sometimes through the Window, sometimes down the Chimney, at other times they seemed to fall from the floor of the Chamber, which yet was very close ; sometimes he met with them in his Shop, the Yard, the Barn, and in the Field at work. In the House, such things hapned frequently, not only in the night but in the day time, if the Man himself was at home, but never when his Wife was at home alone. There was no [Page 34] great violence in the motion, though several persons of the Family and others also were struck with the things that were thrown by an invisible hand, yet they were not hurt thereby. Only the Man himself had once his Arm somewhat pained by a blow given him; and at another time, blood was drawn from one of his Legs by a scratch given it. This molestation began soon after a Controversie arose between Desborough and another person, about a Chest of Clothes which the other said that Desborough did unrighteously retain : and so it continued for some Moneths (though with several intermissions) . In the latter end of the last year, when also the Man's Barn was burned with the Corn in it, but by what means it came to pass is not known. Not long after, some to whom the matter was referred, ordered Desborough to restore the Clothes to the Person who complained of wrong; since which he hath not been troubled as before. Some of the stones hurled were of considerable

bigness; one of them weighed four pounds, but generally the stones were not great, but very small ones. One time a piece of Clay came down the Chimney, falling on the Table which stood at some distance from the Chimney. The People of the House threw it on the Hearth, where it lay a considerable time: they went to their Supper, and whilest at their Supper, the piece of Clay was lifted up by an invisible hand, and fell upon the Table; taking it up, they found it hot, having lain so long before the fire, as to cause it to be hot. [56]

[56] These experiences of Nicholas Desborough were reported by the Rev. John Russell, of Hadley, in a letter of August 2, 1683, which may be found in the Mather Papers (pp. 86-88). Russell says he received the account from "Capt. Allyn, a neer neighbor to Disborough." John Allyn, long secretary of the colony, was one of the foremost men in Connecticut.

Children of Nicholas and Mary:

1. Mary Disbrough, m. Obadiah Spencer. Obadiah was said to be "of Hartford."
2. Sarah Disbrough, b. 1642, CT.
3. Phebe Disbrough, m. John Kelsey. Phebe was baptized Dec. 20, 1646. John was said to be "of Hartford." The family removed to Killingworth, Middlesex Co., CT.
4. Abigail Disbrough, b. 2-1-1648/49; m. (1) Robert Flood; m. (2) Matthew Barry. Robert was said to be of Wethersfield, Hartford Co., CT.

Src: "Our Eggleston & Allied Families" compiled by Ione Ward Eggleston & Elsie Eggleston Kempton.

Richard and Mary Hall

Richard Hall, son of John and Esther Hall, was born about 1620 in England, and died 3-27-1691 in Middletown, Hartford County, Connecticut. He married Mary. She died 3-30-1691 in Middletown, Hartford County.

Information on this family obtained from:

Middletown, CT VR's
Savage, Pg. 334
Hall Family by Rev. David Hall

Will.

Large landowner and weaver.

Src: Our Eggleston and Allied Families, compiled by Ione Eggleston Ward and Elsie Eggleston Kempton (abot 1970).

Child of Richard and Mary:

1. Mary Hall, b. 1646, Middletown, Hartford Co., CT; d. 1684.

Martha Eggleston's 4th Great-Grandparents

James Eggleston and Margaret Harker

James Eggleston was born about 1552 in Settrington, England, and died 3-30-1613 and was buried at Settrington, England. He married (1) Margaret Harker, daughter of Miles and Dorothy Harker. She died about 1595. He married (2) Juliana Frear. She was buried 8 Jan 1636/37.

The parish records show that he was buried 30 Mar 1613, and his will (see F F Starr "English Goodwin Papers", Hartford, 1921) informs us that he owned a double house at Settrington, in one half of which he himself lived, renting the other to Rowland Colby. There were also "buildings, garth, and dovehouse," arable land, pasture land, and common land, the amount of which was not specified. He was able, besides, to provide six legacies of six pounds each for his children. He calls himself a yeoman, and for those days was certainly a man of some substance, probably farming his "errable land" and raising sheep, as did his neighbors, on the hilly grazing lands that were part of his estate.

We do not know, as yet, where James Eggleston was born or who his parents were, but we are informed that he had a brother Sylvester who was a baker in the city of Norwich, in Norfolk, and who was buried only six months before James, on 27 Sept 1612 (will and records cited by Starr, op. cit.). There was in Settrington, too, a John Eggleston who married, first, Janeta Ranyell 10 Nov 1592, and second, after her death in 1597, Modwina Tomlinson 6 Nov 1597, and then, apparently, a third wife, Jane. He may have been a brother of James, but on the other hand he is not mentioned in James' will and not he, but a brother-in-law, was called upon to settle James' estate.

The brother-in-law's name was Ralf Harker, and thus it may follow that James' wife, Juliana, was born Juliana Harker, but we do not know her parentage or birthplace, or the time and place of her marriage.

According to the parish records and the will of James the children were: Bygod, bpt 20 Feb 1587; Elizabeth, bp. 8 Oct 1592; Janeta (Jane), bp. 2 Nov 1595; James, bp. 19 June 1603; John, bp. 6 Apr 1606; Margaret, bp. 28 Feb 1609; Dorothy (mentioned in the wills of both her father and her uncle); and Alice, (mentioned in her father's will).

(SRC: F.Eggleston ROBBINS manuscript, "Bygod EGLESTON" - deposited in safe in 1962 of the NEHG Library, Boston, MA)

After James Eggleston's death, Juliana married again to William Bainton.

SRC: F E ROBBINS ' manuscript, "Bygod Eggleston" - NEHG Lib.

Juliana's four children were born within eight years 1603-1611. She was buried just a week after she wrote her will. It was probated in February 1637/38.

Children of James and Margaret:

1. Bygod Eggleston, b. 2-20-1585/86, Settrington, Yorkshire, England; d. 9-1-1674, Windsor, Hartford Co, CT.
2. Dorothy Eggleston, b. Abt. 1589; m. Mr. Barwicke. Dorothy is mentioned in the wills of both her father and her uncle.
3. SRC: F E Robbins Manuscript - in safe at NEHG. (from parish records - The church, dedicated to All Saints, Settrington, Yorkshire, England). She was living in Norwich (England) at the time of (her stepmother) Juliana's death in 1636/37. SRC: Donald Eggleston of Charlotte, NC, 1995.
4. Elizabeth Eggleston, b. Abt. 10-1592. Baptized 10-8-1592.
5. Jane Eggleston, b. Abt. 11-1595; m. Samuel Clarke 11-1632, St Peter Mancroft, Norwich, England. Jane was baptized 11-2-1595. She was living in Norwich, England at the time of (her stepmother) Juliana's death.

Children of James and Juliana:

1. James Eggleston, Jr., b. Abt. 1603, Settrington, East Riding, England); d. 3-1646/47, Settrington, East Riding, England.
2. John Eggleston, b. Abt. 1606, Settrington, East Riding, England.
3. Margaret Eggleston, b. Abt. 1608; m. John Avison, 7-27-1635. Margaret was baptized 2-28-1608/09.
4. Alice Eggleston, b. Abt. 1611; m. Mr. Burnby. Alice was baptized Abt. 1611.

Roger Bronson and Mary Underwood

Roger Bronson married Mary Underwood.

Child of Roger and Mary:

1. Mary Bronson, b. England; d. Bef. 1670, Hartford, Hartford Co., CT.

John and Esther Hall

John Hall married Esther.

Child of John and Esther:

1. Richard Hall, b. Abt. 1620, England; d. 3-27-1691, Middletown, Hartford Co., CT.

Martha Eggleston's 5th Great-Grandparents

Miles and Dorothy Harker

Miles Harker married Dorothy.

Child of Miles and Dorothy:

1. Margaret Harker, d. Abt. 1595.

Memoirs of William Hood Barnes

(See the notes following the memoirs.)

Great-Grandfather Aaron Barnes came to Troopsville, Caugua County, New York from Sharon Conn. in about 1790.

Great-Grandmother on father's side named Eggleston. Great-Grandfather Barnes married her in Conn. Her name was Martha.

Grandfather Thomas Barnes moved to Wayne County Butlertown. Moved back to Caugua County, moved to town of Rose. Moved to Seneca Falls. Came to Michigan in 1843, October 24th to Jackson.

Great-Great-Grandfather on mother's side named Sittser lived in Caugua County town of Senate. Went to Germany in about 1770 to get money from an estate. Never heard from after he started back with money. He was born in Germany. Grandfather on mother's side lived in town of Senate, Caugua County, New York.

Great-Grandfather (grandmother's father's name was Mills), lived in Caugua County town of Victor.¹⁸

Great-Grandmother Isabel Duncan came from Scotland when eighteen years of age. She lived and married in Philadelphia, married a man by the name of McNelley. He was a soldier in the War of 1812 and died while a soldier. Great-Grandfather McNelley came from Ireland.

Great-Great-Grandfather Duncan married a woman by the name of Wilson. She was a sister of Alexander Wilson the ornithologist of Philadelphia.

Isabel Duncan came to America in about 1797. She was about three months coming across the ocean, coming on a sailboat.

Grandmother Katherine McNelley was born in 1803 in Philadelphia. They moved to Ovid, Seneca County, New York, in 1809. They moved to Putney, Stueben County, New York. Katherine McNelley was married in 1820 to James Hood. He was born in Pennsylvania. They had ten children, Robert born 1826, Isabel in 1828, Jane in 1830, John in 1832, Mary in 1834, Kate in 1835, Libbie in 1837, Caroline in 1840, James and William in 1842.

Grandmother died November 20, 1842. They came to Novi-Oakland County in April 1835.

by William Hood Barnes, circa 1940s

¹⁸ The memoirs were written in light pencil on notebook paper. When I included my original transcription in the Barnes and Related Families Abridged Genealogical Record I had read the name "Mills" as "Willis." Aunt Helen (Barnes) Leggett later provided a transcription with the correct name—proven by further investigation. Sadly, the original memoirs are now presumably lost.

The following notes are meant to clarify, amplify, and sometimes correct information in Will Barnes' memoirs.

Notes to Will Barnes' Memoirs, by C. W. Paige:

- 1) Senate = Sennett, a town just northeast of Auburn, NY
- 2) Caugua = Cayuga (a county in north-central New York)
- 3) Victor = either Victory, or Will meant Victor, Wayne Co., NY
- 4) Troopsville = Throopsville (though it is pronounced "Troopsville"), a town just north of Auburn
- 5) Putney = Pulteney
- 6) Stueben = Steuben (a county in southwestern New York)
- 7) It was Aaron Barns' younger brother Thomas who early settled in Throopsville (then still part of Mentz), New York, along with the Treat family, Manrows (later evolved to Monroe), and others from Sharon, Connecticut. Thomas and wife Mary (Tyler) had the first two of their twelve children in Connecticut, in 1795 and 1797, and the remainder in New York starting 1798.

Aaron and Martha Barns had all seven of their children in Connecticut. According to an article about Aaron and Martha's son Horace, appearing in the *Clyde* (Wayne Co., NY) *Times* newspaper, dated November 8, 1877, the year was 1816 when the Aaron and Martha Barnes family immigrated to Mentz/Throopsville. One especially informative passage told of Horace: "He was born in Sharon, Conn., in 1804. At the age of 12, his father and a brother moved their families to Mentz, Cayuga Co., where they took up a considerable portion of land, which was finally divided among their children."

8) Cayuga County played a very prominent role in Barns/Barnes family history, and many Barnes relatives remained in the area after Thomas and Sarah emigrated to Seneca Falls, Seneca County, New York, and then to Jackson County, Michigan. Besides the Barns and Sittser families (Auburn, Sennett, Throopsville, Mentz), the Bliss family's Hubbards and McCleans (Auburn, Moravia) also came from this county. Many geographical names from Cayuga County were transplanted to Michigan locales denoting a large population movement to southern Lower Michigan from that area.

9) "Sittser" is a variation of "Sitzer," which was an early spelling. Near the town of Throop is the "Community or Sitzer Cemetery," but the only Sitzers buried there spelled their name "Sittser." The cemetery is located on part of the original David and Sarah (Mills) Sittser farm and is where ancestors David and Sarah, and some of their sons and other relatives, are buried. Further back in history the family spelled the name Zitzer.

Sarah Mills was a daughter of Samuel and Sarah Mills. According to a Memorial written for David and Sarah's grandchild Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) and husband Rev. Benjamin Franklin Willoughby, "Through the wife of Samuel Mills, the Sittsers for the generations succeeding David can trace their ancestry back to Ethan Allen, the revolutionary hero,

who took possession of Fort Ticonderoga 'in the name of Jehovah and the Continental Congress.'"

Since Sarah and Ethan Allen were contemporaries (of the same generation), and since Ethan apparently had no sister Sarah according to known records, our Sarah at best could be a cousin. One "Sarah Allen" I discovered in the descendants of Ralph Allen of England, born around the same time as ours (and may very well have been her), was part of the seventh generation of Ralph Allen. I also located Ethan Allen at the same level of descent from Ralph. By this reckoning, Sarah and Ethan would have been 4th cousins. Considering the fact that Andrew Sitzer's wife's name was Sarah Allen, perhaps the memorial's author was mistaken in which Sarah was related to Ethan. David's mother being the correct relative would make the following statement more sensible, "the Sittsers for the generations succeeding *David* can trace their ancestry back to Ethan Allen."

The entire two-paragraph insert about the Sittsers and Mills was written from the perspective of David Barnes, not David's son William Hood Barnes. Will probably wrote it down verbatim from a Bible or other record. From David's perspective, the entire series of generations was laid out accurately.

Will's account claimed that the Sittsers were from Germany, whereas an Indiana cousin and 3rd great-granddaughter of David and Sarah Sittser claimed that the family was originally from Holland, and that it was during the ancestor's return from Holland with an inheritance that he disappeared without a trace. Her additional detail to the story was that he boarded a ship bound for America but was not onboard when the ship arrived.

According to the Willoughby Memorial, Sarah Elizabeth (Sittser) Willoughby's father Matthew Sittser "...was a grandson of Andrew Sittser, whose exact place of residence is not known, but who lived somewhere on the Hudson in the latter half of the eighteenth century. Tradition has it that a more remote ancestor came to this country from Holland the century before. Andrew served in the Revolutionary war. He died April 19, 1806, aged 63 years..."

The late Douglas Norton Sittser of Muskegon, Michigan—3rd great-grandson of David and Sarah Sittser—claimed that the father of David Sittser was Peter Sitzer/Sittser, who came to America on the ship *Snows Good Intent* out of Bremen, Germany, in 1749. Peter was believed to have boarded ship when it stopped at Rotterdam, Holland en route to England and Philadelphia. However, Doug's account did not include Andrew Sitzer, who would have been of the generation between Peter and David. More recent and overwhelming evidence has since eliminated this Peter altogether from the family line and in his place is Johann Friederich Zitzer/Sitzer and his wife Johanna "Anna" Wingfiel/Wutfiel.

The above-mentioned overwhelming evidence also refutes Holland as the originating country and places the pre-emigration family in Poppenweiler, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany, where it is recorded the families of the brothers Andreas and Johann Martin Zitzer left for America 2 April 1738. Earlier generations lived at Muntingen in Germany's Black Forest near the border with France. Johann Friederich was a son of Johann Martin Zitzer and his wife Maria Catharina.

Andrew Sitzer was born about 1743, and his given name was sometimes spelled "Andreas" and "Andries." He was baptized on October 16, 1743 at St Paul's (Zion's) Lutheran Church of Red Hook, Dutchess County, New York, and parents were listed as Friederich Zitzer and Anna Wingfiel. Baptismal sponsors at Red Hook were the baby's Great-Uncle Andreas and Great-Aunt Elisabet Zitzer.

Our Andreas was later married to Sarah Allen, variously spelled Sara, about 1760, and an Andrew Sitzer was married to an Elizabeth Ten Eyck December 1, 1799, at the Dutch Reformed Church, Coxsackie, Greene County, New York. [Coxsackie is on the Hudson River just south of Albany.]

From <http://www.threerivershms.com/docnyhistservicemilitiacoxsackie.htm>:

On March 26, 1781, Andrew Sitzer, Ensign, was assigned to the Eleventh Regiment (Coxsackie and Groote Imbocht) militia, along with Captain James Waldron, 1st Lieut. Coenradt F. Ten Eyck, and 2d Lieut. Jacobus Moll. The men were from a Company that was formerly part of the Fifth Regiment.

Andrew's son David brought his family from Berne, Albany County, New York, to the Sennett/Throopsville area of Cayuga County sometime between 1812 and 1815. He was a stonemason and settled there to work on the new state prison at Auburn. He owned an extensive amount of property on which he and his sons built a large farmhouse on what became known as Sittser Road. Upon his death the property was divided between his wife and their children "Andrew Sittser, Samuel Sittser, Matthew Sittser, Sally, wife of Thomas Barns, John Sittser & Peter Sittser."

10) John McNelley's last name was spelled a number of different ways by the family and legal documents, including McNelly, McAnnelly, McAnnally, McAnally, McNally, McNally; and for a time, his son James spelled the last name "McNella" while some of his children spelled it "MacNelly." Regardless of the spelling, it is a sept of Clan Niall (from which comes MacNeill, O'Neill, etc.), one of the more ancient of the Irish and Scottish clans.

11) PA or NY: Cousin Harris Ely Hood claimed James Hood, Sr. was born in New Paltz, Ulster County, New York, as that locale was listed as the father's birthplace on James' son William McNelly Hood's death certificate. Mary (Hood) Barnes was not the only child of James and Catharine who believed James was born in PA, but the belief sometimes varied from census year to census year and from child to child as illustrated by the following chart. In the 1850 Federal census of Salisbury, LaSalle Co., Illinois, James claimed his birth state was PA. In the 1860 census of Moscow, Hillsdale Co., Michigan, he claimed it was NY. However, it was not unusual for a person's opinion to change about their own birth state from census to census, depending on memory and possible clarification between the census years. Very near the time of James' birth his parents were living in PA, presumably Turbot Twp., Northumberland Co. Also very close to his birth the family immigrated to the Romulus/Fayette area in Cayuga Co., NY—an area that soon became part of Seneca Co. The belief that James was born in PA persisted in the family history memoir passed to posterity by Mary's son William Hood Barnes.

James' older sister Elizabeth "Betsy" (b. 7-31-1792 PA d. 5-18-1886 NY) married Joseph McDuffie (b. 6-6-1788 NJ d. 12-29-1859 NY) on 1-10-1810 in Romulus, gave birth to

ten children—the last when in her early 50s, and remained in the Romulus/Varick area for the last 88 years of her 94-year life. She claimed to have spent her first six years living near Muddy Run, a river in Turbot Township. That would have made the Robert and Jane Hood family's migration north about 1798, the year James turned two years old.

— In 1880, Isabell “Belle” Fowle claimed that both parents were born in NY. In 1900 she claimed her father was born in NY and mother was born in PA.

— In 1880, Jane Gale claimed that her father was born in NY and mother born in PA. In 1900 she claimed both were born in PA, and in 1910 that her father was born in PA and mother was born in Philadelphia.

— In 1880, Mary Barnes claimed that both her parents were born in PA. In 1900 she claimed her father was born in NY and mother was born in PA.

— In 1880 and 1900, Catharine Mills claimed that both her parents were born in NY. In 1910 she claimed her father was born in NY and mother born in PA.

— In 1880 and 1900 Elizabeth Hendershot claimed that her father was born in NY and mother was born in PA. In 1910 she claimed that both were born in PA.

— In 1880, Caroline Gale claimed that both her parents were born in NY. In 1900 she claimed that her father was born in PA and mother was born in NY.

— In 1880, William Hood claimed that his father was born in NY and mother was born in Scotland. In 1900 and 1910 he claimed that his father was born in NY and mother was born in PA.

12) Research by Harris Ely Hood has come up with a marriage date for Catherine and James Hood as being August 28, 1825. This makes sense, since Catharine is closer to the normal marriage age, plus she didn't start having children until 1826. Incidentally, Catharine's sister Mary was married to her first husband Samuel Waddell about 1820.

13) Catharine was apparently born in 1808 rather than 1803. On her tombstone near South Lyon, Michigan, she is mentioned as being 34 years old when she died in 1842. The year 1808 was also the year her sister Isabel was born, so it looks like another set of twins. [Sets of twins: Isabel and William Duncan, Catharine and Isabel McNelley, William and James Hood, David and Doris Barnes, etc.]

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- 1850—Galen, Wayne Co., NY.
- 1850—Ingham, Ingham Co., MI.
- 1850—Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1850—Murray, Orleans Co., NY.
- 1850—Spring Arbor, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1860—4th Ward of Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1860—Galen, Wayne Co., NY.
- 1860—Ingham, Ingham Co., MI.
- 1860—Niles Township, Berrien Co., MI.
- 1860—Rives Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1860—Sturgeon, Boone Co., MO.
- 1860—Tompkins Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1870—1st Ward of Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1870—2nd Ward of Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1870—Albion, Calhoun Co., MI.
- 1870—Butler, Branch Co., MI.
- 1870—Galen, Wayne Co., NY.
- 1870—Ingham, Ingham Co., MI.
- 1870—Ionia, Ionia Co., MI.
- 1870—Summit Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1870—Tompkins Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1880—1st Ward of Owosso, Shiawassee Co., MI.
- 1880—3rd Precinct, Fremont Co., CO.
- 1880—Albion, Calhoun Co., MI.
- 1880—Blackman Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1880—Day, Montcalm Co., MI.
- 1880—Hanover, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1880—Quincy, Branch Co., MI.
- 1880—Tompkins Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1900—6th Ward of Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1900—29th Ward of Lake Twp, Chicago, Cook Co., IL.
- 1900—32nd Ward of Hyde Park Twp., Chicago, Cook Co., IL.
- 1900—Elkhart, Elkhart Co., IN.
- 1900—Hanover Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1900—Moscow, Hillsdale Co., MI.
- 1910—2nd Ward of Jefferson Twp., Fayette Co., IA.
- 1910—2nd Ward of Mason, Ingham Co., MI.
- 1910—5th Ward of Dubuque, Dubuque Co., IA.
- 1910—33rd Ward of Chicago, Cook Co., IL.
- 1910—Byron, Ogle Co., IL.
- 1910—Hanover Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1910—Tompkins Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1920—2nd Ward, Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo Co., MI.
- 1920—3rd Ward of Albion, Calhoun Co., MI.
- 1920—4th Ward of Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1920—48th Precinct of Missoula, Missoula Co., MT.
- 1920—Hanover Twp., Jackson Co., MI.
- 1920—Steam Ship Aculeo, Brooklyn, Kings Co., NY.
- 1920—Tenmile River Twp., Mendocino Co., CA.
- 1930—2nd Ward of Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1930—6th Precinct of Adrian, Lenawee Co., MI.
- 1930—6th Precinct of Albion, Calhoun Co., MI.
- 1930—8th Ward of Jackson, Jackson Co., MI.
- 1930—32nd Ward of San Francisco, San Francisco Co., CA.
- 1930—Elyria, Lorain Co., OH.
- 1930—Pasco, Franklin Co., WA.
- 1930—Summit Twp., Jackson Co., MI.

