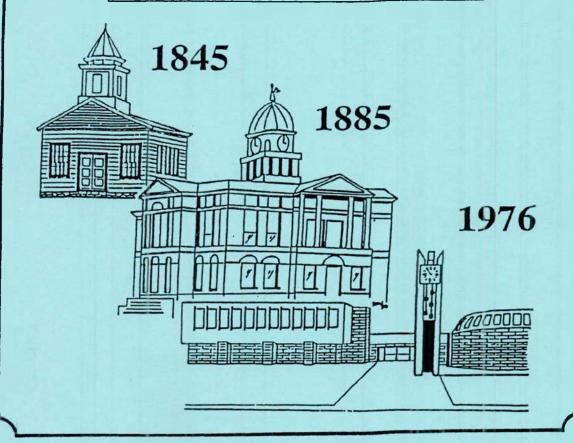
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Greetings ECGS members,

During 2001, the society had approximately 1,464 visitors come through our door. They came from all areas of Michigan, other states (including California, and Washington), and one of our members visited from Canada. If you are ever planning to be in the area, please call us so we can make arrangements to be open.

2002 is the year for the 1930 census to be released. As genealogists, this is very exciting. Of course it will depend on the library you use on when the microfilm will be available for patron use. The Library of Michigan has indicated we won't be able to peruse them until at least the Fall. I'm sure it will be worth the wait. One senior member of another local genealogy society mentioned, "This is a census where some of us will be listed." How fun is that!!!

FYI: You can now order via e-mail from the National Archives the forms necessary to get the military records you want to order. Write to >Inquire@nara.gov<. Type the word "form" on the subject line and then in the body of the message put your name and address along with the forms you need. They will mail the forms to you via snail mail.

For members who are searching for death information in Barry County, there is a new website available with an index of death certificates. The web address is: >http://www.co.branch.mi.us/deathsearch.taf<

Recently I heard a story on the news about a woman who had her identity stolen. The culprit apparently found this information on this woman from a genealogy listing on the internet. I bring this to your attention for those who have a web site to remind you that we need to be careful about what information is put out there for everyone to see. We all get excited when we find information on our ancestors on the internet, but at the same time, we need to be cautious about posting information about relatives who are still living.

ECGS will be sponsoring their annual workshop on Saturday, June 1, 2002 at the Lawrence Avenue Methodist Church in Charlotte. Our speaker this year will be Jean White from Arizona and she will be presenting a "Genealogy Problem Solving". Jean will try to answer as many questions as possible from the workshop participants. If you have the date free, we would love to have you attend. The society is also looking for door prizes to be given out at the seminar. If you have something you would like to donate, please get it to the society office by May 17th.

Happy researching...

Sue Polhamus, ECGS President

EATON COUNTY STATE OF **MICHIGAN MARRIAGES**

Abstracted by Betty Goostrey Spelling as written

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Date of Marriage: November 5, 1853 Groom: Charles Dunbar, age 22 years Residence: Windsor, Eaton County,

Michigan

Bride: Sophia Norton, age 20 yers

Offical Preforming: G.W. Newman, Justice

of Peace

Place of Marriage: Windsor Witnesses: O.D. Skinner

Wm. Beal

Residence: Both of Windsor Recorded: January 17, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: December 20, 1853 Groom: B.B. Monroe, age 45 years Residence: Bloomfield, Oakland County,

Michigan

Bride: Mary Huckins, age 22 years Residence: Eaton Rapids, Eaton County,

Offical Preforming: Samuel Ferris, Justice

Place of Marriage: Eaton Rapids Witnesses: Abija Huckins **David Huckins**

Residence: Both of Eaton Rapids Recorded: February 18, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: January 1, 1854 Groom: Samuel Hunt, age 35 years Residence: Onondaga, Ingham County, Bride: Sarah Jane Bennett, age 18 years

Residence:

Offical Preforming: E. Lamson, Justice of

Peace

Place of Marriage: House of Lyman Bennett

of Oneida

Witnesses: Harrison Pollard Sarah Pollard

Residence:

Recorded: March 15, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: October 30, 1853 Groom: Mr. Jonathan Dean, age 23 years Residence: Kalamo, Eaton County. Michigan Bride: Miss Diantha S. Allen, age 21 years Residence: Chester, Eaton County, Michigan Offical Preforming: Rev. John Tamkin,

Pastor of Baptist Church Place of Marriage: Chester Witnesses: Mr. Wm. Rich Mr. Franklin Allen

Residence: Both of Chester Recorded: January 31, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: March 22, 1854 Groom: Edward H. Collar, age 21 years Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County, Michigan

Bride: Sarah Ann Eury, age 18 years Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County,

Offical Preforming: Watson P. Wales,

Justice of Peace Place of Marriage: Witnesses: Harry Allen

Sophrona Taylor Residence: Both of Town of Eaton

Recorded: April 3, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: July 27, 1853 Groom: Henry Lucas, age 27 years Residence: Town of Layfaette, County of

Van Buren, Michigan

Bride: Mariah L. Wells, age 18 years Residence: Town of Bellevue, Eaton County,

Offical Preforming: Silvanus Huniker,

Justice of Peace

Place of Marriage: House of David Lucas,

Town of Bellevue Witnesses: Will Grant George Lucas

Residence:

Recorded: February 3, 1854

County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: March 26, 1854 Groom: Andrew Mitchell, age 24 years Residence: Oneida, Eaton County, Michigan Bride: Diana Mosure, (No age given) Residence: Oneida, Eaton County, Michigan Offical Preforming: Ephraim Stockwell,

Justic of Peace Place of Marriage Witnesses: T.J. Thomas Jane Thomas Residence: Both of Oneida

Recorded: March 28, 1854 County Clerk T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage February 16, 1854 Groom: Brazil Bailey age 32 years Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County, Michigan Bride: Mary Bacon, age 16 years

Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County, Michigan

Offical Preforming: Watson P. Wales,

Justice of Peace Place of Marriage: Witnesses: A.D. Marsh

Helen M. Marsh Residence: Both of Town of Eaton

Recorded: April 3, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: January 10, 1854 Groom: Elihu Granger, age 26 years Residence: Town of Roxand, Eaton County. Michigan

Bride: Juda Bosworth, age 17 years Residence: Town of Roxand, Eaton County,

Offical Preforming: M.L. Wilcox, Minister Place of Marriage: House of Luther Bosworth in Town of Roxand

Witnesses: Aaron Bark **Lewis Francis**

Residence:

Recorded: March 8, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: November 20, 1853 Groom: Henry L. Halley, (No age given) Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County, Michigan

Bride: Miss Maria Jones, (No age given)

Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County,

Michigan

Offical Preforming: Doyle Verplank, Juscit

co Peace Place of Marriage:

Witnesses: No witnesses Given

Residence:

Recorded: January 11, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: December 24, 1853 Groom: E.W. Barber, age 25 years Residence: Vermontville Township, Eaton

County, Michigan

Bride: Martha A. Chidester, age 30 years Residence: Vermontville Township, Eaton

County, Michigan

Offical Preforming: W.U. Benedict, Minister

Place of Marriage: The Academy of

Vermontville

Witnesses: R.W. Griswold W.R. Martin

Residence:

Recorded: February 24, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: November 5, 1853 Groom: Charles Hinckley, age 35 years Residence: Windsor, Eaton County,

Michigan

Bride: Rosaltha Dunbar, age 24 years Residence: Windsor, Eaton County,

Michigan

Offical Preforming: G. W. Newman, Justice

of Peace

Place of Marriage: Windsor Witnesses: O.D. Skinner William Beal Residence: Both of Windsor

Recorded: January 17, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: March 16, 1854 Groom: Joseph Perkey, age 26 years Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County, Michigan

Bride: Hannah Pixley, age 23 years Residence: Town of Eaton, Eaton County, Michigan

Offical Preforming: Watson P. Wales, Justice of Peace

Place of Marriage:

Witnesses: James Pixley Sarah Ann Pixley

Residence: Both of Town of Eaton

Recorded: April 3, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: January 8, 1854 Groom: **Orrin Doan**, age 30 years Residence: Ottawa County, Michigan Bride: **Polly King**, age 15 years Residence: Windsor, Eaton County,

Michigan

Offical Preforming: N.B. Albro, Justice of

Peace

Place of Marriage: Windsor Witnesses: H. Terril
Allice Terril
Residence: Both of Windsor

Recorded: April 8, 1854 County Clerk, T.D. Green

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Date of Marriage: April 6, 1854 Groom: **William Nelson**, age 26 years Residence:

Bride: Harriet Kent, age 20 years

Residence

Offical Preforming: **Henry Robinson**, Minister of Methodist E. Church

Place of Marriage: House of Joseph Kent of

Kalamo

Witnesses: Harmon Merchant
Catherine Merchant

Residence:

Recorded: April 14, 1854 County Clerk: **T.D. Green**

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Date of Marriage: December 25, 1853 Groom: **Newton Cosad**, age 23 years

Residence: (Not Given)

Bride: Mary A. Stearns, age 14 years

Residence: (Not Given)

Offical Preforming: H.A. Moyer Place of Marriage: Town of Benton

Witnesses: Robert Rix John Davis

Residence:

Recorded: February 21, 1854 County Clerk: **T.D. Green**

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Date of Marriage: February 12, 1854 Groom: **Alvin N. Jones**, age 25 years Residence: Town of Oneida, Eaton County,

Bride: Samantha A. Perry, age 20 years Residence: Town of Oneida, Eaton County,

Michigan

Offical Preforming: M.D. Brown, Justice of

Peace

Place of Marriage: House of Ira Russel

Witnesses: Harmon L. Jones Harriet Cole

Residence: Both of Town of Oneida

Recorded: April 4, 1854 County Clerk: **T.D. Green**

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Date of Marriage: March 4, 1854

Groom: William P. Kikendoll, age 26 years Residence: Town of Eaton Rapids, Eaton

County, Michigan

Bride: Susannah Breidenstine, age 20

vears

Residence: Town of Eaton Rapids, Eaton

County, Michigan

Offical Preforming: Cyrenus Kinter, Justice

of Peace

Place of Marriage: House of John Harsha in

the Town of Eaton Rapids
Witnesses: John Harsha
Harriet Harsha

County Clerk: T.D. Green

Residence: Both of Eaton Rapids Recorded: March 18, 1854

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Date of Marriage: January 14, 1854

Groom: Almon Gore, age 24 years

Residence: Eaton County, Michigan

Bride: Ann Eliza Lee, age 17 years

Residence: Eaton County, Michigan

Offical Proforming: Eth Day, Minister

Offical Preforming: E.H. Day, Minister Place of Marriage: House of Jonas Davis

Witnesses: David A. Wallace Jonas Davis

Residence: Both of Eaton County Recorded: April 13, 1854 County Clerk: **T.D. Green**

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Date of Marriage: January 1, 1854

Groom: Jonathan D. Rogers, age 29 years Residence: Town of Oneida, Eaton County,

Michigan

Bride: Mary M. Hatch, age 18 years

Residence: Town of Oneida, Eaton County,

Michigan

Offical Preforming: James Nixon, Minister of

United Brethren Place of Marriage:

Witnesses: James S. Hatch Edwin O. Hatch

Residence: Oneida

Recorded: February 28, 1854 County Clerk: T.D. Green

Eaton County Death Records

Abstracted from Microfilm by Drouscella Halsey

Spelling as written

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Charlotte, MI 48813
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Volume 1 Page 19 #361
Date of Death: March 7, 1869
Name: Marion I. Smith

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married Age: 22y __m __d

Place of Death: Summerset Hillsdale Co.,

Michigan

Cause of Death: Dropsy Birthplace: State of New York

Occupation:

Parents: Franklin D. Murdock
Amanda Murdock

Their Residence: Hillsdale Co., Michigan

Recorded: May 24, 1870

Volume 1 Page 19 #362 Date of Death: May 6, 1869 Name: Frances S. Reed

Sex: Female Marital Status: Single Age: 6y 6m __d

Place of Death: Eaton Rapids
Cause of Death: Congestion of Brain

Birthplace: Eaton Rapids

Occupation:

Parents: Henry A. Reed Martha A. Andrus

Their Residence: Eaton Rapids Recorded: May 24, 1870

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Date of Death: September 23, 1869

Name: Malvina Dacons

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single Age: 19y 5m 13d Place of Death: Eaton Rapids Cause of Death: Typhoid Fever Birthplace: Eaton County Michigan Occupation: Seamstress

Parents: James M. Dacons
Catherine Dacons

Their Residence: Eaton Rapids Recorded: May 24, 1870

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Date of Death: November 20, 1869

Name: Emily Meacham

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single Age: __y 9m 10d

Place of Death: Eaton Rapids Cause of Death: Fever Birthplace: Eaton Rapids

Occupation:

Parents: Lorenzo M. Meacham Clarisa Meacham

Their Residence: Eaton Rapids Recorded: May 24, 1870

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Date of Death: July 12, 1869

Name: Eiva V. Knight

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married Age: 29y 5m __d

Place of Death: Eaton Rapids Cause of Death: Child Borning

Birthplace: Leoni Mich
Occupation: Milenor
Percents: Josiah C Prestor

Parents: Josiah C. Preston A.A. Preston

Their Residence: Corunna Mich Recorded: May 24, 1870

Volume 1 Page 19 #366

Date of Death: October 27, 1869
Name: Alonson Harwood Jun.

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married

Age: 35y 6m 4d

Place of Death: Hamlin Mich Cause of Death: Consumption Birthplace: State of New York Occupation: Carpenter & Joiner Parents: Alonson Harwood Polly Harwood

Their Residence: Eaton Rapids Recorded: May 24, 1870

Volume 1 Page 19 #367

Date of Death: January 1, 1869

Name: Alabulah Vaughan

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married Age: 60v 11m 11d

Place of Death: Eaton Rapids Cause of Death: Kidney Complaint Birthplace: Saratoga Co. New York

Occupation: Housekeeper Parents: Samuel Crippin Rachel Crippin

Their Residence: Saratogo Co. New York

Recorded: May 24, 1870

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Date of Death: August 18, 1869 Name: John Brandeberry

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married Age: 33y 3m 9d

Place of Death: Eaton Rapids Cause of Death: Consumption

Birthplace: Ohio Occupation: Farmer

Parents: Aaron Brandeberry

Their Residence: Windsor Recorded: May 24, 1870

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Date of Death: October 20, 1869

Name: Fredy E. Black

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single

Age: __y 2m __d
Place of Death: Eaton Rapids Cause of Death: Fever Birthplace: Eaton Rapids

Occupation:

Parents: Abner Black Sarah E. Black

Their Residence: Eaton Rapids Recorded: May 24, 1870

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Date of Death: October 20, 1869

Name: Benjamin Knight

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single Age: Twin __y __m 4d Place of Death: Eaton Rapids

Cause of Death:

Birthplace: Eaton Rapids

Occupation:

Parents: William T. Knight Mary E. Knight

Their Residence: Eaton Rapids

Recorded: May 24, 1870

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Date of Death: October 20, 1869

Name: Amos Knight

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single Age: Twin __y __m 4d
Place of Death: Eaton Rapids

Cause of Death:

Birthplace: Eaton Rapids

Occupation:

Parents: William T. Knight Mary E. Knight

Their Residence: Eaton Rapids

Recorded: May 24, 1870

Township of Sunfield

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Date of Death: September 24, 1869

Name: Osker Reader

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married Age: 25y 6m __d Place of Death: Sunfield Cause of Death: Consumption

Birthplace: New York Occupation: Farmer Parents: William Reader Ellen Reader

Their Residence: Sunfield Recorded: May 28, 1870

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Date of Death: June 8, 1869

Name: Miron J. Peck

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single Age: 1y 2m 4d

Place of Death: Sunfield

Cause of Death: Birthplace: Mich

Occupation:

Parents: Lyman M. Peck Phobe A. Peck

Their Residence: Sunfield Recorded: May 28, 1870

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Date of Death: March 28, 1869

Name: John Jackson

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married Age: 56y 2m 4d

Place of Death: Sunfield

Cause of Death: Heart Disease

Birthplace: England Occupation: Farmer

Parents: Thomas Jackson
Ann Jackson

Their Residence: England Recorded: May 28, 1870

Township of Eaton

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Date of Death: February 1, 1869

Name: Christian Bush

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married
Age: 66y 6m __d
Place of Death: Eaton
Cause of Death: Gravel
Birthplace: Germany

Occupation: Farmer Parents: Philip Bush

Their Residence: Germany Recorded: May 30, 1870

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Date of Death: April 26, 1869

Name: Sally M. Beach

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married Age: 43y 2m __d

Place of Death: Eaton Cause of Death: Consumption Birthplace: Kingsbury New York

Occupation:

Parents: Elijah S. Laraway
Jane Laraway

Their Residence: New York Recorded: May 30, 1870

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Date of Death: April 11, 1869

Name: Lorenzo Force

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Married Age: 62y 11m 24d Place of Death: Charlotte Cause of Death: Paralysis Birthplace: New York Occupation: Farmer Parents: Isaac Force

Mary Force Their Residence: New York Recorded: May 30, 1870

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Date of Death: April 20, 1869

Name: Anna Hale Sex: Female

Marital Status: Single Age: 1y 6m __d

Place of Death: Eaton

Cause of Death: Inflam' of Brain Birthplace: Eaton Co. Mich

Occupation:

Parents: Daniel L. Hale Nellie Hale

Their Residence: Michigan Recorded:May 30, 1870

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Date of Death: May 23, 1869

Name: Jay E. Hartman

Sex: Male

Marital Status: Single

Age: 3y __m __d
Place of Death: Charlotte
Cause of Death: Measles

Birthplace: Ohio

Occupation:

Parents: Able Hartman

Elizabeth

Their Residence: Michigan Recorded: May 30, 1870

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Date of Death: June 28, 1870

Name: Margaret Dolson

Sex: Female

Marital Status: Married

Age: 28y __m __d

Place of Death: Charlotte

Cause of Death: Rheumatism

Birthplace: Michigan

Occupation:

Parents: David Kellogg

Mary A. Kellogg

Their Residence: Indiana Recorded: May 30, 1870

Continued

Can You Help?

We need help to identify this school, students and teacher. We think it could be either the **FORDHAM or STINE** School in Walton Township. The year is not known. The person who has the original picture is a **WEEKS** family decendent. This copy was submitted by **Sheila Mott**



Sabria Rider Obituary

Charlotte Tribune, July 14, 1897

Sabria Rider died July 7, 1897, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Phillip L. Green, of Vermontville. She had been ill eight weeks and on Wednesday evening passed away to her peaceful sleep, surrounded by all that devoted love could suggest.

She was born Dec. 3, 1812, in Cayuga County, N.Y. and in 1833 married **Henry A. Moyer.** They settled first in Washtenaw County, Michigan, but in 1838 they came to Eaton County cutting their own roads through the wilderness. They were among the first settlers and endured all the hardships of pioneer life, being obliged to go to Marshall and Battle Creek for supplies with an ox team and having no neighbors within eight or nine miles except the wolves and bears, and nature's children.

Their union was blessed with eight children of whom five survive her, W.I. Moyer, T.E. Moyer, H.A. Moyer, C.A. Moyer and Zilla Moyer Green. She also leaves thirteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, Hazel Youngblood and Mildred Moyer.

In 1856 Henry A. Moyer was fatally injured in falling from a wagon and died July 17 of that year. This left her alone with the care and responsibility of land and family. But no one can say that she did not accomplish all that anyone could expect, and the joy of her last days was that she had lived to see her children honored and respected citizens of Eaton County.

In 1870 she married **J. Rider** with whom she lived until 1887 when ill health compelled her to go live with her only daughter, where she lived until she died.

In early life she joined the M.E. Church and has always lived a devoted Christian life, a life that shed the light of Christ's love far and wide. She had kind words for the sad and sorrowful, meat for the hungry, money for the poor, shelter for the homeless and many can testify to the truthfulness of these words.

Such a life is a living monument to one's memory, and at its close we can but say, "Life is made sacred, but not sad, by death."

1869 - From the Diary of Chester Miller in *Patchwork Memories* - a book about Roxand Twp. compiled by Letha Bentley 1986.

In 1869 the first threshing device was brought by **Henry Moyer**. It simply was a hand operated spike tooth cylinder on a wooden frame which threshed the grain from the straw. This devise threshed grain about five times faster than could a man or woman with a flail.

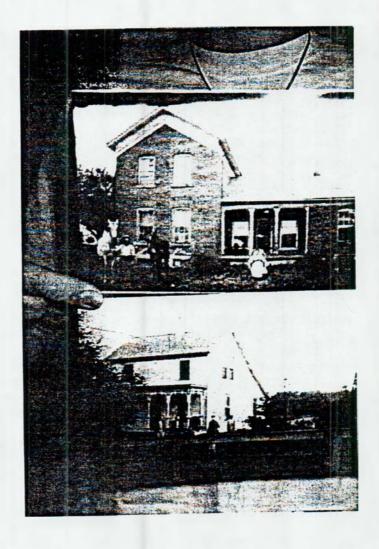
September 1839

Peter Vanhauten family moved in. They stayed with Henry Moyers until the outer shell of his cabin was done. (This was in Roxand Twp.)

(Submitted by Mary Jean Baker)

Henry A. Moyer House.
This house is located on Needmore Hwy, Roxand Township. Built about 1860. It served as the first postoffice in Roxand.

Bottom photo is the Carson Moyer house. Son of Henry, located on Mulliken Rd., Roxand Township. Both these houses still stand today. Carson's has been remodeled. Henry's looks nearly the same.



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"This Love of Mine" A Journal by Elizabeth File Lewis

Permission to publish by Carol Smith File Cuthbertson

Preface

The following is a "Journal" comprised of excerpts from Betty's letters to me over a span of a little more than a year (1996)-- after a 20 year gap--during which, in her words, we became "sisters and kindred friends".

Being aware. from her impassioned statements, that she desired put down her to remembrances of the early life of your family to share with offspring and siblings, and being hindered by health, I was planning a surprise for her birthday. Unbeknown to her, I was painstakingly going through each letter to capture all that pertained to it, and by paste-up, weaving it into somewhat of a story flow.

It was nearing completion, when we learned that Betty did not wait for her birthday. Losing heart, I put it aside for a time. She always wondered about her beloved home, and was so pleased when I only sent her a map of Charlotte. I'd also written a friend of mine who lives there, asking her to check out the site to see whether the old house is still standing. She only answered in the affirmative, but sent a color photo of it, plus new family history from records there. Betty would have been thrilled to have cast her eyes on the place where it all started for her.

But since this endeavor was ultimately intended for the family, I still want to honor her wish to the extent of its possibility. Obviously, these pages are not a complete account. It wasn't written with the thoroughness or continuity that would have resulted had purposely penned her reflections as such. These were merely letters to me - filling in much of her life, responding to many of my questions, mutual interest. and sharing Never-the-less. they are her memories, and what I have received, I consider a privilege to pass on.

Occasionally, I have condensed articles that Betty sent to become a part of the text; sometimes have redirected comments to me to read as a narrative; at times even added my own remarks, which are so designated.

The rest is a love letter, so to speak, to us all

Carol Smith File Cuthbertson April 1998

"This Love of Mine" A Journal By Elizabeth File Lewis

I have wanted to write a journal about my parents and anything I can remember about my grandparents. I feel compelled to try and make an accurate and sensitive account of how things were so that the grandchildren can feel some love and warmth for their "beginnings".

It's very hard for me to get started because I have a fault of saying things too briefly, leaving out important and interesting details.

I've thought maybe I could begin by having a notebook where I just jot down things as they come to me, and not try to write a thesis.

When I'm laying in the hospital I worry that it might not get done. I keep thinking, "God, I've go to write my journal about my parents! "But I always say the same thing-"Okay, when I feel better, I will." But so far its's not getting done.

When I'm in the hospital, or even in bed here at home, I spend my time planning out things I'm going to do, including writing letters or poems, etc. I keep my creativity glowing and I think it's the secret you just can't "let down". The mind is very powerful.

I think I have to find some way for the yard not to take up so much of my time. For example, the only time I was able to write music was when I lived in an apartment and had no yard work. I started my photo hobby years ago when I was still working. I had to have something in my life that was creative and artistic.

I have always believed that a person is the composite of the past, the present, and the future, and the only way one can be complete is to be all three things. For myself, I keep a close watch on my "three worlds" and make sure they are intact.

Things that Mother told me about her beginnings: She said she was told that both parents were killed in an accident. She remembers staying in a big house with a spiral staircase with a nice woman she "feels" was her Grandmother.

She remembers in the summertime visiting a farm in upper New York State with a nice man and his wife and some children (and animals). She felt very happy there, and I feel it may have been an Aunt and Uncle. (?)

She remembers her "Grandmother" asking what she would like for her birthday and she said, "Strawberries", and somehow the lady found some. This is all she remembers - after all, she was only three or so.

She remembers the ride on the train to California. She remembered she had a private nurse with her and she slept in Dr. Denton sleepers, which only rich people had because they were very expensive.

I learned from Dad that a person had to put up a \$10,000.00 deposit to enroll a child at Point Loma. That was a great deal of money in 1900, which means that all of the people there were well-to-do.

The picture of Mother at 3-4 old was taken vears Portraits" "Nussbaumer's Main St. Buffalo, N.Y., and I ordered bv assumed "Grandmother" but Mother didn't know, and I never was able to find out how it came to be in Mother's possession. There is a big mystery there somewhere. And we probably have relatives in upper New York State or Buffalo.

Besides changing her name, they also changed her birthplace to be Kansas and we always believed that until Mother got two Affidavits showing otherwise. We'll never know why there was such a big "cover-up", but I have always suspected it was money.

Note that Mother has a solitaire on her left hand - unusual, I think, for a child?

Mother was able to obtain affidavits as to her true identity from two different people who had known her in the past - one in Buffalo, NY where she was first brought to the Home, and the other at Point Loma, CA where she was transferred almost two years later.

The first was in 1961 by 87 year old **Winifred Davidson** who had become a member of the Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society in Buffalo, NY in the Fall of 1898 and personally knew Mother while she was there.

The second one was given in 1975 by Iverson L. Harris who from 1942-1945 was Chairman of the Cabinet of the Theosophical Society (Point Loma) and as such had access to its official records, and was identified with it for more than He was personally 50 years. Mother with from acquainted October 1900 when she came to the Point Loma location until after her marriage.

Both declared under oath that she was born Elizabeth May Budd of American parents Harry Steele Budd and Emma Comstock in Bridgeport, Connecticut on October 8, 1895. Further, that it was on Christmas Day 1898 that she was first brought to the Lotus Home - an institution conducted by members of Buffalo Branch of the Theosophical Society, where she stayed until October 14, 1900 when the children of the buffalo Home were transferred to Point Loma, CA where the Lotus Home had been moved, and the then International Headquarters of the Society.

Both swore that shortly thereafter her name was changed by the directress of the Lotus Home to Cora Mercer, under which name she grew up, was educated, and later married.

The two affidavits being in agreement adds validity to the information. Both have passed on, so I'm glad that she got them when she did!!

I have an open mind about a couple of things regarding Mother's beginnings. She was told that her parents were killed but never any details. Her Mother could have died in childbirth, which was common in those days.

There's something else to be considered as pieces of the "puzzle". The directress at Point Loma, **Katherine Tingley**, when she was young - before there was a Point Loma - was involved in "mercy work" when we were at war in Cuba, working with the Red Cross comforting the wounded service men.

She was interested involved in many humanitarian things, and established a home in Buffalo, New York, for destitute and homeless children (a result of This ties in with the wartime). soldiers, which I'm sure didn't all survive. Remembering that it was wartime helps a lot in trying to figure out the possibilities. The Red Cross work with the soldiers fits the idea that Mother's Father may have been an Army officer and didn't survive the war. The directress may have promised to "look after" his child.

This is very interesting because when Dad was still working at Point Loma he stumbled across a photo of a high-ranking officer (a

major or captain or something) who looked very much like Mother. He confronted **Katherine Tingley** with it, whereupon she grabbed it, put it in her desk drawer, and forbid Dad any further access to the records room. I suspect that the Army officer was her Father.

It's all very strange, and obvious that she had no intention of releasing Mother's identity or the picture. (I think the same thing was probably true of Mother's childhood photo, and it was probably only given to her when she married because it says on the back where it came from.)

There are so many pieces to this puzzle. Her mother could have been an unwed mother from a well-to-do family that enrolled her there.

The sporting goods family, the Spauldings, were big contributors to the Point Loma institution. (Photos show that Mrs. Spaulding was usually seated beside Katherine Tingley at the director's table.)

As a little girl Mother was selected to be the "flower girl" at the wedding of their daughter, and they bought her a fancy dress and had her pose in pre-wedding photos (4 generation?). Somehow it doesn't surprise me that Mrs. Spalding's name was - Elizabeth! The Spauldings may have been a relative - maybe not.

Another thing that I'm never able to forget about is that she and Betty Bonn look like sisters or maybe first cousins. I met Mrs. Bonn and her daughter Betty when they came to Mother's place on a "passing through" sort of visit on their way to San Diego. Jim noticed

it more than I did - he said the resemblance was unmistakable.

If there was a secret hidden there it will always be a secret. It seems tragic that she was deprived of family all her life. That's why her children and her grandchildren were so important to her.

Carol's notes from Betty's account:

In summary, the known facts

That Mother was orphaned or given up - even by extended family but that she had some faint though pleasant very early memories of places and people who may have been her relatives.

That she was born October 8, 1895, not in Kansas as she was led to believe, but according to affidavit, in Bridgeport, Connecticut - the same city where **Katherine Tingley** ministered to the wounded soldiers during the war with Cuba.

That her name was not actually Cora Mercer, the name she grew up under, but rather she was Elizabeth May Budd, the daughter of American parents Harry Steele Budd and Emma Comstock. (The affidavits do not specify whether Comstock was Emma's maiden name or her name at the time of the birth.)

That it was on Christmas Day, 1898, at the age of 3 years, 2 months, and 17 days, when Mother was first brought to the Lotus Home, which was an institution conducted by members of the Buffalo branch of the Theosophical Society.

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BRIEF MEMBERSHIP HISTORY OF THE EATON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The first organized meeting of the Eaton County Genealogical Society was May 18, 1988. At that time, the Historical Commission, located in the Courthouse, kept many historical books and records. The Historical Commission allowed the newly formed Society to use these books and provided a room in the Courthouse for housing these records and a space for research. Drouscella Halsey was elected the first president in January 1989. On March 8, 1989, the Genealogy Room opened regularly on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Society hosted its first workshop on May 6, 1989. Donations of books and materials began to come in and the room soon became too small. The Historical Commission moved the Society to the present ground floor level, where access to several more vaults was gained to house the growing holdings. Today our holdings are numerous, our membership has grown to 170 in 2001, and we have become well known for our outstanding workshops. Today researchers can find a wealth of information, not only relating to Eaton County, but to other areas of Michigan and the world.

Because Drouscella Halsey had kept such good records, I was able to put together a database that includes everyone that has ever been a paying member of the Eaton County Genealogy Society. That information provided the following people as charter members. An asterisk (*) before a name denotes the member is still a member of the Society. A pound sign (#) before a name denotes the member has been a member of the Society all 14 years (1988-2001).

*Jackie Adams Gladys Alien David Ammon

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*#Mary Jean Baker
*#Dorothy Clark
Harriet Converse
*#Debra Eddy
Janet Francis

*#Violet Geddie *#Gaynell & Louis Haley

*#Drouscella Halsey
Barbara J. Haun

*#Nancy Jourdan
*Leila Klaiss

Pat Koos

*#Rosemary McCarthy

Sandra Mick *#Jeannine Parker Jean Pixley *#Betty Polhamus

*#Susan Polhamus
Laura Ranville

*Jill Smith Beverly Wallace

The following people have been members for 13 years.

Jackie Adams William Braun Leila Klaiss Florence Lembeck Sandra Mick Shelia Mott Jill Smith

Fifty-four people have been members for 10 or more years with several more headed toward the ten-year mark during the 2002 membership year.

The Society continues to grow. Researchers from around the US come to use the facility. There are many opportunities for involvement other than the regular meetings. If you are interested in becoming actively involved, make your wishes known at the Society Room, 517 543-8792.

Barbara Smith, Membership Chairperson

Caduceus - Subject to falling

Camp fever - Typhus; aka Camp

madness-

Rabies,

sickness or epilepsy

diarrhea

Canine

hydrophobia

Disease Chart

Ablepsy - Blindness

Ague - Malarial Fever American plague - Yellow Fever Anasarca - Generalized massive edema Aphonia - Laryngitis Aphth - The infant disease "thrush" Apoplexy - Paralysis due to stroke Asphycsia/Asphicsia - Cyanotic and lack of oxygen Atrophy - Wasting away diminishing in size Bad Blood - Syphilis Bilious fever - Typhoid, malaria, hepatitis or elevated temperature and bile emesis Biliousness - Jaundice associated with liver disease Black plague or death - Bubonic plaque Black fever - Acute infection with high temperature and dark red skin lesions and high mortality rate. Black pox - Black Small pox Black vomit - Vomiting old black blood due to ulcers or yellow fever Blackwater fever - Dark urine

Canker - Ulceration of mouth or lips or herpes simplex Catalepsy - Seizures / trances Catarrhal - Nose and throat discharge from cold or allergy Cerebritis Inflammation cerebrum or lead poisoning Chilblain - Swelling of extremities caused by exposure to cold Child bed fever - Infection following birth of a child Chin cough - Whooping cough Chlorosis - Iron deficiency anemia. Cholera - Acute severe contagious diarrhea with intestinal sloughing. Cholera morbus - Characterized by vomiting, abdominal nausea. cramps, elevated temperature, etc. Could be appendicitis. Cholecystitus - Inflammation of the gall bladder Cholelithiasis - Gall stones Chorea - Disease characterized by associated with high temperature contortions convulsions. and Bladder in throat - Diphtheria (Seen dancing. on death certificates) Cold plague - Ague which is poisoning Bacterial Blood characterized by chills. infection; septicemia Colic - An abdominal pain and Bloody flux - Bloody stools cramping **Bloody sweat - Sweating sickness** Congestive chills - Malaria Bone shave - Sciatica Consumption - Tuberculosis Brain Fever - Meningitis Congestion - Any collection of fluid Breakbone - Dengue fever in an organ, like the lungs Bright's disease Chronic Congestive chills - Malaria with inflammatory disease of kidneys diarrhea Bronze John - Yellow fever Congestive fever - Malaria Bule - Boil, tumor or swelling Corruption - Infection Cachexy - Malnutrition Coryza - A cold Cacogastric - Upset stomach Costiveness - Constipation Cacospysy - Irregular pulse Cramp colic - Appendicitis

Crop sickness - Overextended stomach

Croup - Laryngitis, diphtheria, or strep throat

Cyanosis - Dark skin color from lack of oxygen in blood

Cynanche - Diseases of throat

Cystitis - Inflammation of the bladder

Day fever - Fever lasting one day; sweating sickness

Debility - Lack of movement or staying in bed

Decrepitude - Feebleness due to old age

Delirium tremens - Hallucinations due to alcoholism

Degue - Infectious fever endemic to East africa

Dentition - Cutting of teeth

Deplumation - Tumor of the eyelids which causes hair loss

Devil's Grip - Pleurisy / bronchitis

Diary fever - A fever that lasts one

Diptheria - Contagious disease of

Distemper - Usually animal disease with malaise, discharge from nose and throat, anorexia

Dock fever - Yellow fever

Dropsy - Edema (swelling), often caused by kidney or heart disease

Dropsy of the brain - Encephalitis Dry Bellyache - Lead poisoning

Dyscrasy - An abnormal body condition

Dysentery - Inflammation of colon with frequent passage of mucous and blood

Dysorexy - Reduced appetite Dyspepsia - Indigestion and hearburn. Heart attack symptoms Dysury - Difficulty in urination

convulsions during labor

Eclampsy - Symptoms of epilepsy,

Ecstasy - A form of catalepsy characterized by loss of reason Edema - Nephrosis; swelling of

tissues

Edema of lungs - Congestive heart failure, a form of dropsy

Eel thing - Erysipelas

Elephantiasis - A form of leprosy

Encephalitis - Swelling of brain; aka sleeping sickness

Enteric fever - Typhoid fever

Enterocolitis - Inflammation of the intestines

Enteritis - Nose bleed

Erysipelas - Contagious disease, due to Streptocccci with vesicular and bulbous lesions

Extravasted blood - Rupture of a blood vessel

Falling sickness - Epilepsy Fatty Liver - Cirrhosis of liver

Fits - Sudden attack or seizure of muscle activity

Flux - An excessive flow or discharge of fluid like hemorrhage or diarrhea

Flux of humour - Circulation

French pox - Syphilis

Gathering - A collection of pus

Glandular fever - Mononucleosis

Great pox - Syphilis

Green fever / sickness - Anemia

Influenza like Grippe/grip symptoms

Grocer's itch - Skin diesase caused by mites in sugar or flour

Heart sickness - Condition caused by loss of salt from body

Heat stroke - Body temperature elevates because of surrounding enviroment temperature and body perspire to reduce does not temperature. Coma and death result if not reversed

Hectical complaint - Recurrent fever

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LIST OF VOLUNTEERS

FURNISHED BY THE COUNTY OF Galory.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

SUPPORT OF THE COVERNMENT

-AND THE-

SUPPRESSION OF THE REBELLION.

DURING THE YEARN 1861 AND 1869.

Not including a Regiment of Three Months' Volunteers, incomplete Regiments remaining in the State, or Recruits enlisting after July 1, 1862, in Regiments then in service.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT, MICHIGAN.

ADJUTANT-GENI.RAL'S OFFICE, DETROIT, DEC 1, 1802.

To the Clerk of the County of Occord

This list has been compiled and is forwarded to you, under instructions contained in a Joint Resolution of the Legislature of Michigan, approved January 17, 1812. The delay in procuring returns from the Regiments in the field, together with a desire to add to the list the nature of volunteers enlisting in Regiments which have been mastered into service during the fall months, necessarily deferred the completion of the record beyond the time originally contemplated.

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These lists include the Infantry Regiments, from the First to the Twenty-Sixth Inclusive; the Cavalry, from the First to the Sixth inclusive; the First Mechanics and Engineers; the two Michigan Companies in the "Macrill Horse"; the Batteries, First to North Inclusive; all the Michigan Biarpelusteers (six companies) now in active services. Mellermott's Company in the Middigan (Biarpelusteer) and the "Manton Goard," callsted to guard rolled pulsances at Nackinsac—now dislanded. The First Leadance of Three Mouths, volunteers was touristical and left has books are consumpted and left on second of these books are consumpted and left on second of Regiment of Three Months' volunteers was mustered out of service before these books were contemplated, and lost no record of the residence of those connected with it. The Twenty-Seventh and Twenty-Eighth Intantry, Seventh, Eighth and Ninth Cavalry, First Sharpshooters, and the Tenth and Eleventh Batteries, yet incomplete and remaining in the State, together with the Secretary which have joined Regiments in the field since July 1st, 1862, will be included, should the present system continue, in future lists similar in character to this,

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It can hardly be necessary to impress upon the county officers who are made the custodians of these books, the importance

of their preservation. This is not pride un the part of the county. of their preservation. This is not only due to the brave men whose names are enrolled in them, but should be a matter of pride on the part of the county. Fifty years home, the public records will contain no more interesting memorials of the present age than are herewith entrusted to your safe-keeping.

Very respectfully,

Your obelieut serrant,

JOHN ROBERTSON, Adjutant General,

ECGS Call No: 406.32

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SHEPHERD - At her home in this city, on Friday, January 23, 1891. **Mrs. Arian Shepherd**, aged 85 years, 3 months and 14 days

Arian Walley was born in Milford, Otsego county, New York, October 9, 1805, and at the age of 18 was married to Hiram Shepherd, of Oneonta. Otsego county, New York, where they resided until the fall of 1819. They moved from Oneonta October 5 to Michigan and settled in the township of Eaton, Eaton county, two and one half miles southeast of Charlotte, arriving there October 25. Ann Arbor was the terminus of the M.C. railroad at that time and they were six days on the road from Ann Arbor with team and lumber wagon. The journey was a long and tedious one and very much impaired her health and for several months her life was despaired of. After one or two years she regained her usual health but was never strong at her best. About thirty years ago one of her eyes began to trouble her and gradually grew worse and her sight began to fail her. Everything possible was done to relieve her but of no avial. In a few years she lost the sight entirely; soon the other eye began to sympathize with the loss and she was taken to Ann Arbor and the East and examined by the best oculists but all to no purpose. About eight years ago she lost her eyesight entirely. She was always patient, was never heard to complain or murmur through all her afflections. She had a kind word for everyone, was always interested in and inquiring after the ills and troubles of others, and always forgetting her own. It has been truthfully said that she never was heard to speak unkindly to anyone and had the best wishes of all who knew her. She was the mother of eight children, one dying in infancy, seven living to the age of manhood and womanhood. Her husband died about twenty years ago. Five children survive her. She joined the M.E. church at the age of 20 years and remained

a consistent member of the same until her death. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the M.E. church, Rev. A. D.Newton officiating.

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Crosier_In this city, of cancer, on Saturday, January 24, 1891, Stephen P. Crosier, aged 65 years, 3 months and 20 days

Mr. Crosier has been a sufferer from concer for the past three years. He was a native of New York and had lived in this city for forty years. He was a plain, honest, good man and was universally respected for these sterling qualities. He served a year during the war and had a nearly completed claim for pension under the late act. His brothers, George W. and Wm. Crosier, of Ohio and Wm, Burt and Albert Crosier, of Jackson, were in attendance at the funeral which was held on Monday at 2 p.m. from the residence, Rev. S. Ferguson, of Carmel, officiating.

Henderson__ At the county farm in Chester, on Thursday, April 28, 1892, William Henderson, aged about 80 years. Mr. Henderson was generally known as "Uncle Billy" and will be remembered as the singing peanut vender.

Robinson_At his residence in Walton, on Saturday, April 29, of paralysis, Henry Robinson, aged 59 years.

Mr. Robinson was well known in Eaton county, having lived here the greater part of his life. He was the first white child born in Rome township, Lenawee county. He was married thirty-four years to Mary F. Scott who survives him. He also leaves four children. the funeral was held at the residence of his son-in-law, Barrett Vaughan, in Bellevue, on Sunday afternoon, under the auspices of the Charlotte Commandery Knights Templar, of which organization he was a member. A special train on the C. & G.T. took the knights to and from Bellevue. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Frank McAlpine.

Scott_At the home of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Robinson, in Walton, on Tuesday, April 19, 1893, of old age, Mrs. Thomas Scott.

The funeral was held Thursday from the home of **Charles E. Scott. Rev. Loomis** officiating, and the remains were interred at Olivet cemetery.

Shepherd___At her home in this city, April 20, **Mrs. Susan M. Shepherd**, aged 73 years.

Mrs. Shepherd was born in Oneonta, Otsego county, New York, January 11, 1819. She was married to Ira B. Shepherd, who survives her. They located in Charlotte in 1867. The funeral services were held at the M.E. church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Potter__At her home on Munson street, in this city, on Thursday, April 21, 1892, after a lingering lillness, Mrs. Beatrice Fosier (?) Potter, aged 53 years.

Mrs. Potter had lived in Michigan 37 yers and in Eaton county 24 years. She was married in 1859 to Francis M. Potter who with two married children, survives her. She was possessed of many excellent characteristics and highly esteemed by all who knew her. The funeral services were held at the home Friday afternoon, (Rest of article was cut off)

King___Suddenly, of heart disease, on Sunday, April 10, 1892, at his residence on Horatio avenue. Mr. Erastus Cook King, aged 67 years, 10 months and 7 days.

Mr. King was born June 3, 1824, in Tompkins Co., N.Y. At the age of 23 he married Miss Lurane Clark, at Yates, Orleans Co., NY., where he continued to reside until 1854, when they settled in this city. Six months later they removed to their farm south of the city, where they built up one of the finest homes in the county. Nine years ago they again settled in Charlotte, leaving the farm and its cares to the management of their son. Mr. K. leaves a wife and two children, Frank King, of Carmel, and Mrs. Della Spicer, of Brookfield. His sudden death was entirely unlooked for and came without a moment's warning. He had attended the funeral of a sister-in-law in Carmel that afternoon and had just finished his chores and had seated himself in a chair. His wife heard him fall and summoned the neighbors, but no help could avail. Mr. K. was a prosperous man and left, besides two good homes, a \$ 1,800 policy of insurance in the Royal Arcanum. He was highly respected and his genial qualities made him a host of friends. His funeral will be held this afternoon, at one o'clock, **Rev. Snashall**, of Grand (Article was cut off)

Men We Know_ Thomas Spicer, of Brookfield, was born at Kent county, England, February 16, 1824. At the age of seven years he, with his father's family, came to America, settling in Loraine county, Ohio, where he acquired a common school education and an ambition for getting on in the world, which has never deserted him. He learned the shoemaker's trade, which he worked at for several years, teamed it a great deal, worked out for others, finally bought a small farm which he sold in 1864, and on the 4th day of March, 1865, himself, wife and eight children settled in the town of Brookfield, on section six, where he has averaged sixteen hours hard labor daily ever since. Mr. Spicer has worked on the theory that whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well. His crops are always well cultivated, and himself and sons (the youngest a Michigan product) take their full share every year of premiums upon fancy stock. Their acres are gradually multiplying and they will soon own all the land that joins them. Many strangers, who look east from the five points south of the city, imagine they see Eaton rappids, but they are mistaken, it is nothing more nor less than an aggregation of buildings, very substantial ones, too, which adorn their fine farms. Like most other successful men Mr. Spicer made his great hit in life when he gained the consent, in 1846, of an intelligent girl to be his helpmeet throughout life's journey. In March of that year he married Miss Louisa Linderman, who was born in Tompkins county, New York, May 1, 1824, and settled in Ohio at the age of nine years. Mr. and Mrs. Spicer are the parents of nine children, not a crooked one in the lot, all of whom are living and thriving. There are not many couples nearing their three score and ten years who are as sprightly as Mr. and Mrs, Spicer.

(To be continued)

A Tragic Few Generations

Suicides in the Puffenberger/Powell Families

By Lois Wallace Fenske

Introduction

It was with surprise that as I progressed through my research into my Puffenberger/Powell lines that there seemed to be an inordinate number of suicides in just a few generations. This startling incidence of suicides is indicated in the following chart. Four of the five occurred in Eaton County, Michigan. Those underlined took their own lives.

George Puffenberger	Robert Powell
Catherine Null	Chloe Chaney
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Jacob Puffenberger_ Sarah Ann Powell	!
Their children:	
Catherine Puffenberger	
Mary Ellen Puffenberger	
	Villiam Puffenberger (son)
Rebecca Puffenberger	
Caroline Puffenberger	
Anna Puffenberger	
Frank Puffenberger	
Jedde Puffenberger	
Judson Puffenberger	
Minnie Puffenberger	
Jennie Puffenberger	
Fred Clyde Puffenberger	

There may be others in past or more recent generations, but these are the only ones I have documented.

Robert Powell

The first in the list of known suicides, Robert Powell, was born about 1810, probably in Pennsylvania. (1) He moved on to Ohio in about 1831 (2) and married Chloe Chaney. Their first child, Sarah Ann, was born in 1832, probably in Seneca County, Ohio. (3)

On October 28, 1849, Robert shot himself. The obituary in the <u>Seneca Advertiser</u> said "Suicide-Robert Powell of Liberty Township committed suicide on Wednesday by shooting himself through the head. He was laboring under mental derangement." He was 39 years old and left a wife and eight children with a ninth child, a son, born after his death. (4)

Shortly thereafter, on November 8, 1849, Chloe and Robert's daughter, Sarah Ann. married Jacob Puffenberger, son of George Puffenberger, another early settler in Seneca County. (5)

There are no known suicides among the generation of Sarah Ann or Jacob's brothers or sisters.

Jacob and Sarah Ann Puffenberger's Children

In 1866 Jacob and Sarah Ann moved from Seneca County to Eaton County, Michigan, at the time, a semi-rural county. (6) In 1867 Catherine, their first child, married Granville C. Wallace, a Civil War veteran from Kansas. (7) Catherine and Granville's first child, William Wallace, my grandfather, was born in Eaton Rapids, Michigan in 1868. (8) Catherine and Granville farmed in Kansas and Indian Territory (Oklahoma), homesteaded in Washington State in 1903 and returned to Oklahoma, where they both died in 1912. (9) They lived a long and fruitful life.

Some of Catherine's sisters and brothers were not as fortunate.

Sarah Ann and Jacob Puffenberger's fourth child, Rebecca was born January 9, 1857 in Ohio. She was a seamstress and had not married. According to the Death Book in the Court House, she died by "suicide by poison with arsnic" [sic] on May 4, 1877 in Eaton County at 20 years of age. The circumstances and reason for her suicide are unknown. (10)

There is no doubt as to the reason for Sarah Ann and Jacob's sixth child, Anna's suicide. Anna was born in 1862 in Ohio and died February 24, 1880 in Eaton County at age 18. (11) The articles that appeared in the Charlotte, Michigan Republican Newspaper record the tragedy. The first article, dated February 27, 1880, describes the suicide as follows:

The suicide of Anna, daughter of Jacob Puffenberger, Tuesday, adds another chapter to the old sad story of woman's blind trust and man's villainy. The circumstances of the case are about as follows: For some time past Chas. Hastings, a young man whose parents live in Eaton, has been paying his addresses to Anna. Some three weeks since Hastings and the girl went away together and on their return put up at his parents' home announcing that they were married. Here they resided until Tuesday morning when it came out that they were not man and wife. The girl had repeatedly begged Hastings to marry her, and he had as often promised he would. On this morning she asked him again and he put her off when she told him if he did not marry her she would kill herself. Not getting any satisfaction she walked to Eaton Rapids and obtained some strychnine and returned. When near the home of her sister Mrs. Geo. Larr, she took the fatal drug, went to the house, told them what she had done and died in less than half an hour. When she was dying she had nothing but kind words and loving thoughts for the heartless scoundrel who had betrayed her, and her only wish was that she might see him before she died. Her aged parents are bowed to the earth in grief over her untimely end, and the neighbors are in a state of excitement which bodes no good to her betrayer, should he put in an appearance there. The poor girl who has expiated her fault with her life was only eighteen years of age and described as comely and intelligent. The man for whom she sacrificed everything is twenty-five and does not bear a very good reputation. The parties all live in Eaton Township. Tuesday evening the Sheriff was notified and Wednesday a coroner's inquest was held which developed the facts as given above.

On March 5, 1880, the following letter to the editor appeared in the <u>Republican Newspaper</u>, signed only with "F":

Was She Not Already Married?

Editor of the Republican: If Anna Puffenberger had taken legal counsel before committing [sie] suicide she would now be alive as the lawful wife of Charles Hastings; that is, if your account of the case is correct. You say: 'For some time past Chas. Hastings, a young man whose parents live in Eaton, has been paying his addresses to Anna. Some three weeks since Hastings and the girl went away together and on their return put up at his parent's home, announcing that they were married. Here they resided until Tuesday morning, when it came out that they were not man and wife.' It has been repeatedly held by the courts that the acknowledging of each other as husband

and wife is sufficient proof of the marriage relation, even though there is no proof that the marriage has ever been solemnized. Our own supreme court has held that the contract is the marriage. Our statute says that so far as its validity in law is concerned marriage is a civil contract to which the consent of the parties, capable in law of contracting, is essential. The ceremony only furnishes clear proof of the contract previously made and is not the contract itself. The contract can be shown in other ways although no evidence of the solemnization can be found. I think, Mr. Editor that in every such case as that of Anna Puffenberger, society should hold the parties to a marriage contract even though one of them afterwards refuses to solemnize it. The young wife should be considered endowed with the young man's goods and lands, if he has any. She should be entitled to a wife's support and protection so that whoever boards or clothes her can receive pay from the husband. The issue of such a union should be considered legitimate. The mother should be treated by society as a wife, and not as an outcast. She should be told to live and hold up her head and claim her rights as a wife instead of taking strychnine. If the would be betrayer absconds and finally marries some other girl he should be punished with bigamy. If he deserts and remains away two years, she, if she desires it, ought to have an honorable divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

I believe all this must logically follow from the fact, from the law and the decision of the courts; that marriage is only a civil contract. If the parties live and act as husband and wife – in every way acknowledge themselves married, they should certainly be held to the contract for the purpose of saving girls from shame and self-destruction, and their innocent offsprings from lifelong disgrace. F.

This must have been a very difficult few years for the parents of these two young women.

Many years later, in 1935, Rebecca and Anna's younger brother, Fred Clyde Puffenberger, took his own life. The official report read: "I hereby certify that on December 11, 1935 I was called to view the body of one Fred Clyde Puffenberger found dead at the township of Onondaga in the county of Ingham and from investigation came to the conclusion that deceased came to his death by reason of an intentionally self inflicted gun shot wound. (suicide) (signed) William Sheelye, Justice of Peace in and for the city of Mason, Ingham Co, Michigan" (12)

As in the case of his sister, Anna, the journalists of the day dutifully fleshed out the story. (13) From the <u>Ingham County News</u> in Mason, the headline was:

"Bullet and Rope used to Make Death Certain: Kinneyville Man, Down to Last cent, Ends Life. Well-known Onondaga Resident Commits Suicide After Many Threats of Destruction."

An extract from the story was:

"Fred Puffenberger, 59, committed suicide at the home of Will Luke in Kinneyville, Onondaga hamlet Wednesday. His lifeless body was found lodged in the stairway by Luke and Harry Olds when they returned from a day of wood cutting about 5:30 Wednesday afternoon. Sheriff Allen A. McDonald, Deputy Robert J. Ingham and Justice William Seeley acting coroner, investigated the tragedy. They declared that the act was undoubtedly suicide.

When the officers arrived, they found the body lodged against the stair wall with a bullet hole from a 22-caliber rifle behind the right ear. Puffenberger had made sure of death. He had attached a rope to the railing of the stairs and slipped a noose around his neck. But the rope was not needed. The bullet found its mark and the slack was not taken out of the rope. Luke's rifle had been dropped at the foot of the stairs...Puffenberger's relatives and friends said that the man had threatened suicide for several years and that they were not surprised at his act."

As far as I know, the next generation experienced only one suicide. Sarah Ann and Jacob's third child, IIenry S. Puffenberger, had one son, William A. Puffenberger. Born in November 1876, he was a dentist and single at the time he killed himself on August 17, 1922 in Eaton Rapids, Michigan. No description of the event or reason for the suicide is available. (14)

Comparative Statistics

It is impossible to compare the number of suicides in the Puffenberger/Powell family with other families because no research appears to have been done regarding numbers of familial suicides. Nor is it possible to compare Eaton County, Michigan rates of suicides with other semi-rural counties in the United States in the same time periods because of lack of statistics.

There is very little data or research on suicides in any areas in the United States in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Some statistics and analyses are available for Philadelphia and San Diego. (15) As reflected in this research, even though statistics exist, their veracity is questionable. In those time periods, as is the case also today, many suicides were not listed as such. Even in obvious cases, people did not want "suicide" listed as cause of death on their kin's death certificate. There is a case recorded in which a person attempted suicide and as a result of the attempt caught pneumonia and only the pneumonia was listed as cause of death. (16)

If the true cause of death were listed, in examples similar to the above, it is estimated that actual rates would be twice what they are. And, just as today, persons who had *attempted* to take their lives are not counted at all, only completed suicides.

Observations and Conclusions

Al Lough statistics regarding familial suicides and the rate of suicides in Michigan and Ohio in these time periods is unknown, it is my contention that the Puffenberger/Powell family suffered tragedies beyond the norm.

The two Puffenberger suicides that were described in detail in the newspapers of the day reflect two different and historically classic scenarios. The first, in the case of Anna, was at a time when society would neither accept these situations nor offer support in any way. Barbara Welter in "The Cult of True Womanhood: 1820-1860," described the ideology of the time in which women adhered to the virtues of "piety, purity, submissiveness and domesticity" and that "a 'fallen woman' was a 'fallen angel', unworthy of the celestial company of her sex." Death was preferable to loss of innocence. (17) This ideology was certainly rampant in 1880 in Eaton County Michigan.

The second, that of Fred Clyde, was a case of mental illness, as apparently was his grandfather, Robert Powell's, reason for suicide.

Fortunately the extreme ideology, with death as the only answer as exemplified in Anna's suicide, does not exist extensively today, although some recriminations still exist in certain communities. Unfortunately, mental illness continues to be a major reason for suicide.

Endnotes:

I want to thank several professional genealogists who have done research for me on these lines: Rebecca Hill in Seneca County, Ohio, and Eleanor Adams and Joyce Marple Liepins in Eaton County, Michigan. Without their help, long distance genealogy would be impossible.

- 1. Birth date and place is from several census over the years.
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- 1850 Ohio Mortality Schedule and death notices in <u>Seneca Whig</u>, 16 Nov 1849, p. 2, and <u>Seneca Advertiser</u>, 16 Nov 1849, p. 2.
- 5. Marriage Records of Seneca County, Ohio, 1841-1865, Vol. II, P. 110.
- Birth date of son, Frank, born 1865 in Ohio, from Eaton County, Michigan Death Records, Book E, p. 434, and birth date of son, Jedde, born 1867 in Michigan from Eaton County Birth Records, Book 1, p. 89.
- 7. Certificate of Marriage, Wyandotte County, Kansas, Record 2, p. 4.
- 8. Eaton County, Michigan, Birth Records, Book 1, p. 40.
- Census in Kansas and Indian Territory; Homestead Application #15825; Final Certificate #8205, State of Washington; Death information from Funeral Notices in Nowata, Oklahoma newspaper and photos of gravestones taken at Nowata City Cemetery.
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EATON COUNTY QUEST

Editors Page

We are again at the begining of another year. Looking forward to doing great research on our families this year. Maybe even breaking through a few walls.

When the Quest #44 came out I had used the Ancestor Charts of Sue Chaplin Thompson. She has since corrected some of her information. If you are doing research on her families, please contact her for corrections.

I would like to thank the persons who have submitted articles for publication in the Quest. We welcome any and all articles that you would like to submit for publication. Regardless of the length.

A reminder:

June 1

Workshop. Register early you will have a great day.

Queries:

Showerman / McDerby

Seeking any information on my Gr. Gr. Grandmother's family. Elizabeth Fox Showerman b. 1815, Sproutbrook, Montgomery Co., N.Y., who married John McDerby 7 Nov 1846 at Kalamo, Eaton Co., Ml. Elizabeth had two children, Mary Jane Showerman, who married Austin Perry at Kalamo and Levi Showerman who married Catherine Jarvis at Bellevue. I believe Elizabeth and John McDerby had two children. Almyra and Frank McDerby. All buried in Riverside Cemetery, Bellevue, Ml.

Barbara Wright, 1113 Porter Dr., Charlotte, MI 48813 Ph. 517-543-0766

Searching for Descendants:

Wish to compare notes with descendants of the following families all living in Eaton Township and Bellevue, Eaton County on the 1850 census and all born in Germany: Henry Vanmeter; John Dittman; John Martin; Christian Dinma; George Garmes; Nicholas Simons; Cusser Furleman; Christian Bush; John Miller; Frederich Light; Ludwick Ashibochen; Francis Otenney.

Jean M. White, Po Box 11348, Glendale, AZ 85318 email jmcraewh@earthlink.net

Submitted by Phyllis Smith
Mrs. Gil H. Smith

Eva Adell, wife of Gil H. Smith, was born in Walton township, Eaton county. Michigan, May 24th, 1858, and passed away at her home in Carmel, July 27th, 1925.

She was the youngest daughter of **George W. and Mary Griest**, pioneer residents of Eaton county.

She was married to **Gil H. Smith** January 23rd, 1879. they began housekeeping in Walton township, moving from there to Bellevue in 1900, Charlotte in 1903, Jackson in 1906 and back again to Eaton county in 1916, settling on the farm in Carmel where she passed away.

Mrs. Smith was a very patient sufferer and during her long illness of over one and one-half years she was most tenderly cared for by her husband. She was a woman of sterling qualties --one ever ready to do for others, always giving her best regardless of the cost to herself.

She leaves besides her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Genevieve Marr, who at the time of her mother's death was confined in the maternity hospital at Jackson; a son, Don Smith of Battle Creek, nine grand children, two sister, Mrs. Jesse Krebs of Charlotte and Mrs. Alonzo Gruesbeck of Eaton Rapids, also a number of nephews and nieces. The funeral was held at the home Thursday afternoon. At Mrs. Smith's request, Clyde Fulton of Charlotte sang "Rock of Ages" and "Abide with Me." Rev. J.A. Beardsley officiated. Burial at Maple Hill

Those here from away to attend the Richard and Russel funeral were: DeYarmond of Jackson, Mrs. Eleanor Griest, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Griest, and Mrs. Ray Orwick of Detroit, Mrs. Minnie Young of Sylvania, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Ned McLaughlin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sawer and Mrs. Esther Nye of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Pitt Gruesbeck, George and Alonzo Gruesbeck of Ithaca, Mr. and Mrs. Don Smith and children, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gibbs and Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Latta of Battle Creek, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Griffin and sons of Albion and Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Gruesbeck of Eaton Rapids

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Robert I. Bursley		Place:	
69 Groveland St.		Died:	
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Pedigree Chart			Chart no. 2
No. 1 on this chart is the same as no. 8 on chart	no. 1		
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		Born:	cont.
		Place:	
	D I C DUDGI EV	Marr:	
	4 Rueben C. BURSLEY	Place:	
	Born: ABT 1824	Died:	
	Place: New York	Place:	
	Marr: 31 Aug 1848		
	Place:	9	
	Died:	Born:	cont.
	Place:	Place:	
		Died:	
2 Chester William BURSLEY		Place:	
Born: 1853			
Place: Eaton Co., MI			
Marr: ABT 1877			
Place:		10	
Died: 1914		Born:	cont.
Place: Eaton Co., MI		Place:	
. 1200. 2010.11		Marr:	
	5 Elizabeth A. STRODER	Place:	
	Born:	Died:	
	Place:	Place:	
	Died:		
	Place:	11	
		Born:	cont.
		Place:	
		Died:	
Ivan Isaac BURSLEY		Place:	
Born: 11 Nov 1883			
Place:			
Marr:			
Place:		12	
Died: Aug 1970		Born:	cont.
Place: Charlotte, Eaton Co., MI		Place:	
,		Marr:	
Ruby May AMES	6 Isaac FARRAH	Place:	
Spouse	Born:	Died:	
	Place:	Place:	
	Marr:	100	
	Place:	13	
	Died:	Born:	cont.
	Place:	Place:	

3 Eveline H. FARRAH

Born: Place: Died: Place:

> Place: Marr: 7 Betsy? Place: Born: Place: Died: Place: Died:

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15 Born: Place: Died: Place:

Died:

Place:

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Born:

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Tombstone abbreviations

and the organizations they represent

AF&AM (Masonic)

ALOH American Legion of Honor AOF Ancient Order of Foresters AOH Ancient Order of Hibernians AOKMC Ancient Order of Knights of Mystic Chain

AOUW Ancient Order of United Workmen

AUM Ancient Order of Mysteries-Masonic Order

BPOE Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks

BPOEW Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World

CBKA Commander Benevolent Knights Association

CCTAS Crusaders—Catholic Total Abstinence Society

CK of A Catholic Knights of America COOF Catholic Order of Foresters

CSA Confederate States Army CTAS Catholic Total Abstinence Society

DAR Daughters of American Revolution EBA Emerald Beneficial Association

F&AM Free and Accepted Masons FAA Free and Accepted Americans

FOE Fraternal Order of Eagles **GALSTPTR** German American

Legion of St. Peter

GAR Grand Army of the Republic **GLAUM** Grand Lodge Ancient Order of Mysteries-Masonic Order GUOOF Grand United Order of Odd Fellows

IHSV Red Cross of Constantine IOI Independent Order of Immaculates IOKP Independent Order of Knights of Pythias

IOOF Independent Order of Odd

IORM Improved Order of Redmen ISH Independent Sons of Honor IWW Industrial Workers of the World

JAOUW Junior Order—Ancient Order of United Workmen

JOUAN Junior Order-Order of United American Mechanics

KC Knights of Columbus KG Knights of St. George

KGL Knight Grand Legion

K of C Knights of Columbus K of FM Knights of Father Matthew

KFM Knights of Father Matthew

K of H Knights of Honor

K of L Knights of Loyola

KM Knights Militant

K M Knights of Malta (Masonic) KMC Knights of the Mystic Chain

KP Knights of Pythias

KPC Knights of Peter Claver

K of P Knights of Pythias KSC Knights of St. Columbkille

KSL Knights of St. Lawrence

KSTG Knights of St. George KSTI Knights of St. Ignatius

K of SJ Knights of St. John KSTJ Knights of St. Joseph

KSTM Knights of St. Martin

K of STP Knights of St. Patrick

KSTP Knights of St. Paul KSTP Knights of St. Peter

KSTT Knights of St. Thomas

K of 5TW Knights of St. Wenceslas KT Knights of Tabor

K of T Knights of Tabor

KGE Knights of Golden Eagle

KHC Knights of Holy Cross

KKK Knights of Ku-Klux Klan

KOTM Knights of Macabees

KSF Knights of Sherwood Forest

KT Knights Templars (Masonic)

KWM Knights of Wise Men

LAOH Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians

LK of A Loval Knights of America LOM Loyal Order of the M.O.O.S.E.

MOLLUS Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the United States

MRA Royal Arcanum

MWA Modern Woodsmen of America

NOK New Order Knights (see KKK) OES Order of the Eastern Star

OUAM Order of United American Mechanics

PM Patriarchs Militant (Independent Order of Odd Fellows) POSA ratriotic Order of the Sons of America

RAM Royal Arch Masons **RK** Roman Knights

RMOKHSJ The Religious and Military Order of Knights of the Holy Sepuichre of Jerusalem

RSTV Rite of St. Vaclara

RSTV Rite of St. Vita

RO-AUM Rosicrucian Order (Masonic) SAR Sons of the American Revolution

SBCL St. Bonifazius Catholic Union

SBL Society B. Lafayette

SCV Sons of the Confederate Veterans SNA-AUM Shrine of North America (Masonic)

SR Scottish Rite (Masonic Order)

SV Sons of Veterans

TH Temple of Honor—Independent Order of Odd Fellows

UCV United Confederate Veterans UDC United Daughters of the Confederacy

VFW Veterans of Foreign Wars WOW Woodsmen of the World

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Helpful sites for cemetery research

Association of Gravestone Studies www.gravestonestudies.org Political Graveyard http://politicalgraveyard.com/ How to Transcribe Cemeteries www.rootsweb.com/~cemetery/ howto.html

Ontario Cemetery Finding Aid www.islandnet.com/ocfa/

Graveyards of Chicago www.graveyards.com/

Research in cemeteries

Summertime is when many genealogists take to the fields - literally - to locate the final resting places of their ancestors. Genealogists should try two kinds of cemetery records:

- 1. Gravestone and monument inscriptions
- 2. Records kept by cemetery management or sextons There are five kinds of cemeteries in America:
- Churchyard: Members of a church buried on church grounds
- Church-owned cemetenes: Not connected with nor adjacent to the church building
- Government-owned cemeteries: Collectively owned by the people and supported and maintained by tax monies
- Privately owned, non-church cemeteries: Usually owned by a corporation and operated as a business enterprise
- Family cemeteries: Often a small area on a family farm set aside for burials

One of the most difficult problems of genealogical research is to determine the place of burial. Usually an obituary or a death certificate contains this

information, but when these records are not available, the search for their burial places can be an involved quest.

While many cemetery records have been inventoried and published by Daughters of American Revolution (DAR), the Works Projects Administration (WPA) and local genealogical societies, and microfilmed by the LDS (Mormon) Family History Library, it is best to visit a cemetery to view, as a whole, all graves in the same lot People buried in the same lot are usually related in some way.

Many old cemeteries are overgrown with weeds and brambles, and often infested with snakes and insects.

Wear old, casual clothes when you go searching in cemeteries. Take along tools to help cut through the underbrush and dig out gravestones that have become buried. A good, stiff-bristled (not wire) brush is handy to clean dirt from stones. Many genealogists rub chalk or soapstone over inscriptions to aid in reading them. Do not use anything that would mar or deface a gravestone. Even if you plan to photograph stones, record the information.

Record tombstone information exactly as you find it, even apparent errors.

Sexton records are valuable, but they vary in content and nature. Even if you are familiar with a cemetery, be sure to check the sexton's records. Not all family members are buried in the same location and not all have tombstones.

Large cemeteries are usually listed in telephone directories, but to find smaller ones, you may need to ask at the Chamber of Commerce, city hall or local library, or obtain a detailed county map. Local funeral directors are good sources. Not only are they familiar with cemeteries in their area, but often they have additional records.

If your ancestor died in a place where they did not reside, a funeral director at the place of death may have handled arrangements for embalming and transport of the body home. If you have been unable to find a local funeral home that handled a burial, check with funeral homes where your ancestor died. Since many funeral directors' records go back more than 100 years, they are invaluable. Los Angeles Times Syndicate, Excerpt from article by Myra Vanderpool Gormley, CG. Full article previously published by Roots Web.com, Inc., Roots Web Review: Roots Web's Genealogy News, Vol. 4, No. 21, May 23, 2001, www.rootsweb.com.

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Chester Township Gresham School 1928?

Front Row:

Harry Fernsler, Cleland Wilmore, John Blink, Margaret Bower, Norma Blink, Lidann Fernsler, Carroll Wilmore, Carol Mae Garn, Forest Rogers.

Back Row:

Dallas Canfield, Floyd Hill, Neil Canfield, Durwood Rogers, Mahlon Sage, Teacher: Miss Lyon, Lorna Phillip (?)
*Submitted by Joan Wilmore



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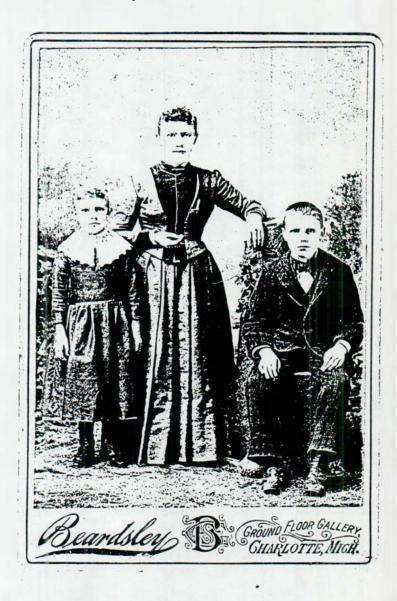


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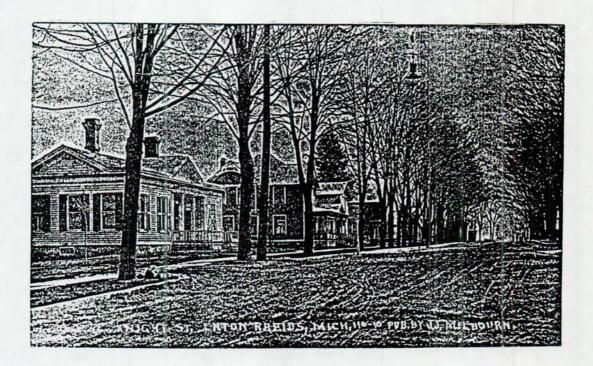


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Adams	Eleanor	27	Breidenstine	Susannah	3
Adams	Jackie	15	Brewer		14
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Adell	Eva	29	Brill	Ruth	27
Advertiser	Seneca	28	Brown	Anthony C.	19
Albro	N.B.	3 .	Brown	M.D.	3
Allen	Diantha S., Miss	1	Bryant	Mary	30
Alien	Franklin, Mr.	1	Budd	Elizabeth May	12, 13
Allen	Gladys	15	Budd	Harry Steele	12, 13
Allen	Harry	1	Burke	Bradley	20
Allis	Leonard	20	Bursley	Chester William	31
Alsdorf	Cyrus	19	Bursley	Ivan Isaac	30-32
Ames	John	32	Bursley	Leo Ivan	30
Ames	Ruby May	30-32	Bursley	Robert Ivan	30-32
Ammon	David A.	15	Bursley	Rueben C.	31
Andrus	Martha A.	4	Bursley	Steven Robert	30
Anson	John M.	20	Bush	Christian	6, 29
Arley	Isaac N.	20	Bush	Philip	6
Ashibochen	Ludwick	29	Campbell	Wm. O.	20
Aves	LaVern	15	Cardiel	Shelley	14
Aves	Mary Ellen	15	Chaney	Chloe	24
Bacon	Mary	2	Chidester	Martha A.	2
Bailey	Brazil	2	Chileote	James C.	20
Baker	Mary Jean	8, 15	Clark	Calvin E.	21
Barber	E.W.	2	Clark	Dorothy	15
Bark	Aaron	2	Clark	Homer I.	21
Barnes	Lymon	20	Clark	Lurane, Miss	23
Barry	Lillian Esther	30	Clyde	Fred Clyde	27
Вапу	Robert	30	Cole	Harriet	3
Beach	Sally M.	6	Collar	Edward H.	1
Beal	William	2	Comstock	Emma	12, 13
Beal	Wm.	1	Conley	Levi M.	20
Beardsley	J.A., Rev.	29	Converse	Harriet	15
Bell	Merton A.	20	Cook	Solon	19
Benedict	W.U.	2	Cooper	Lyman A.	20
Bennett	Lyman	1	Cosad	Newton	3
Bennett	Sarah Jane	1	Crippen	Rachel	5
Bentley	Letha	8	Crippin	Samuel	5
•	Isreal S.	20	Crosier	Albert	22
Bick	Daniel .	20	Crosier	Burt	22
Bisel	Abner	5	Crosier	George W.	22
Black	Fredy E.	5	Crosier	Stephen P.	22
Black	Sarah E.	5	Crosier	Wm.	22
Black	Samuel D.	19	Cuthbertson	Carol Smith File	10
Blackman		13	Dacons	Catherine	4
Bonn	Betty	13		James M	4
Bonn	Mrs.	20	Dacons	Malvina	4
Booth	Jerome	2	Dacons	Alva	20
Bosworth	Juda	2	Darling	Joseph	20
Bosworth	Luther	5	Darling		12
Brandeberry	Aaron		Davidson	Winifred	3
Brandeberry	John	5	Davis	John, Rev.	3

Davis	Jonas				
Day	E.H.	3	Goostrey	Betty	1, 14
Dean	Jonathan, Mr.	3	Gore	Almon	3
Decker	Stephen E.		Graham	John	20
Denton	Dr.	19 11	Granger	Elihu	2
DeYarmond	Richard	29	Granger	Joseph	19
DeYarmond	Russel		Grant	Edwin	20
Dinma	Christian	29	Grant	Will	1
Dittman	John	29 29	Green	Philip L., Mrs.	8
Doan	Orrin		Green	T.D.	3-Jan
Dodgson	John	3	Green	Zilla Moyer	8
Dodgson	30/11/1	14	Griest	Eleanor, Mrs	29
Dolson	Margaret	1 4 6	Griest	George W.	29
Droletts	Mitchell		Griest	George, Mr. & Mrs.	29
Dukes	Vicki	20	Griest	Mary	29
Dunbar		14	Griffin	Frank, Mr. & Mrs.	29
Dunbar	Charles	1	Griffin	Hiram L.	19
	Rosaltha	2	Grinnell	Thomas H.	20
Eastman	Alfred F.	21	Griswold	R.W.	2
Eastman	Charles A.	20	Gruesbeck	Alonzo, Mr. & Mrs.	29
Eddy	Debra	15	Gruesbeck	Alonzo, Mrs.	29
Eget	William	20	Gruesbeck	George	29
Elderkin	Henry	20	Gruesbeck	Pitt, Mr. & Mrs.	29
Engel	Edith	14	Hale	Anna	6
Eury	Sarah Ann	1	Hale	Daniel L.	6
Farrah	Eveline H.	31	Hale	Nellie	6
Farrah	Isaac	31	Haley	Gaynell	15
Fast	Henry W.	20	Haley	Louis	15
Fenske	Lois Wallace	24	Hall	Benjamin D.	21
Ferguson	S., Rev.	22	Halley	Henry L.	2
Ferris	Henry H.	20	Halsey	Drouscella	4, 14, 15
Ferris	Samuel	1	Hamchett	Charles	19
Finch		14	Hampton	Gloria (Bush)	14
Force	Isaac	6	Harned	James	20
Force	Lorenzo M.	6	Harris	Iverson L.	12
Force	Mary	6	Harsha	Harriet	3
Fordham		7	Harsha	John	3
Fowler	Marquis L	20	Hartford	Samuel D.	19
Fox	Elizabeth	29	Hartman	Able	6
Francis	Bettie Brewer	14	Hartman	Elizabeth	6
Francis	Janet	15	Hartman	Jay E.	6
Francis	Lewis	2	Harwood, Jun.	Alonson	4
Frusier	George	20		Polly	4
Fulton	Clyde	29	Harwood, Jun. Hastings	Charles E.	25
Furleman	Cusser	29	* · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Chas.	25
Galusha	George	20	Hastings	Edwin O.	3
Galvin	Morris	19	Hatch		3
Galvin	Oren	19	Hatch	James S.	
		29	Hatch	Mary M.	3
Garmes	George	15	Haun	Barbara J.	15
Geddie	Violet		Henderson	Uncle Billy	22
Gibbs	Earl, Mr. & Mrs.	29	Henderson	William	22
Gillett	Mathew	20	Hendrickson	Wm. H.	20
Gilman	Henry	19	Higgins	Henry F.	20

Hill	Rebecca	27	Larr	Geo., Mrs.	25
Hinckley	Charles	2	Latta	Earnest, Mr. & Mrs.	29
Hinkley	George L.	20	Lazell	Uriah	19
Hodgeman	Matie	32	Lee	Ann Eliza	3
Hodgeman	Philander	20	Lee	Wm. H.	20
Holden	Lewis S.	20	Lembeck	Florence	15
Hollister	Salon	20	Lewis	Elizabeth File	10
Holscher	Carol Ann	27	Liepins	Joyce Marple	27
Huckins	Abija	1	Light	Frederich	29
Huckins	David	1	Linderman	Louisa, Miss	23
Huckins	Mary	1	Little	Wm. E.	19
Hunt	Samuel	1	Long	George J.	21
Ingham	Robert J., Deputy	26	Loomis	Rev.	23
Irons	Daniel J.	20	Love's	Sharon (Starks)	14
Jackson	Ann Eliza	6	Lucas	David	1
Jackson	John	5	Lucas	George	1
Jackson	Thomas	6	Lucas	Henry	1
Jacquette	Helen	14	Luke	William	26
Jarvis	Catherine	29	Lunore	Frank	21
Jay	Ben A.	14	Luscomb	Henry	21
Jones	Alvin N.	3	Marr	Genevieve, Mrs.	29
Jones	Harmon L.	3	Marsh	A.D.	2
Jones	Maria, Miss	2	Marsh	Helen M.	2
Jourdan	Nancy	15	Martin	John	29
Kauffman	Peter	20	Martin	W.R.	2
Keeler	Isreal S.	20	McAlpine	Frank, Rev.	22
Kellogg	David A.	6	McBane	Jessie	19
Kellogg	Mary A.	6	McCarthy	Rosemary	15
Kent	Hamet	3	McDerby	Almyra	29
Kent	Joseph	3	McDerby	Frank	29
Kikendoll	William P.	3	McDerby	John	29
King	Erastus Cook, Mr.	23	McDonald	Allen A., Sheriff	26
King	Frank	23	McGlocklin	Aaron	21
King	Polly	3	McGlocklin	George	21
Kinter	Cyrenus	3	McGlocklin		21
Klaiss	Leila	15		John P.	29
Klaiss	Leila	15	McLaughlin	Ned, Mr. & Mrs.	
Kleinfelt	Wanda	14	McNamee	David A.	19
Knight	Amos	5	Meacham	Clarisa	4
Knight	Benjamin	5	Meacham	Emily	4
Knight	Eiva V.	4	Meacham	Epharim	19
•	Mary E	5	Meacham	Lorenzo M.	4
Knight Knight	William T.	5	Meginn	Hugh	19
Knowles	William I.	14	Meginn	John	19
Koos	Pat	15	Mercer	Cora	12, 13
		29	Merchant	Harmon	3
Krebs	Jesse, Mrs.		Merritt	Nelson O.	20
Kushner	Howard I.	28	Michigan	Eaton County	27, 28
Lamson	E.	1	Mick	Sandra	15
Landes	Elijah P.	21	Mikesell	Howard	14
Lane	Roger	28	Mikesell		14
Laraway	Elijah S.	6	Miller	George	21
Laraway	Jane	6	Miller	Gretchen Jane	30

Miller	John	29	Peck	Lyman M.	5
Miller	Robert	30	Peck	Miron J.	5
Miller	William H.	21	Peck	Phobe A.	5
Miller	Andrew	2	Perkey	Joseph	2
Mitchell	Thomas J.	21	Perry	Austin	21, 29
Mitchell	B.B.	1	Perry	Samantha A.	3
Monroe	John S.	20	Petty	Henry	19
Montgomery		2	Pixley	Hannah	2
Mosure	Diana	7, 14, 15·	Pixley	James	2 *
Mott	Sheila	21	•	Jeannine	15
Mount	Richard	8	Pixley	Sarah Ann	2
Moyer	C.A.	9	Pixley Ploof	Francis	19
Moyer	Carson			Betty	15
Moyer	H.A.	3, 8	Polhamus	Susan	15
Moyer	Henry A.	8, 9	Polhamus	Harrison	1
Moyer	Mildred	8	Pollard		1
Moyer	T.E.	8	Pollard	Sarah	21
Moyer	W.I.	8	Porter	Albert P.	21
Moyers	Henry A.	8	Porter	Jonathon	23
Mummer	Jacob	21	Potter	Beatrice Fosier, Mrs.	23
Murdock	Amanda	4	Potter	Francis M.	
Murdock	Franklin D.	4	Powell	Robert	24, 27
Murray	Patrick	19	Powell	Sarah Ann	24
Myers	Abel J.	19	Preston	A.A.	4
Nelson	William	3	Preston	Josiah C.	4
Nettleton	Herman	21	Proctor	Hazel	14
Newman	G.W.	1, 2	Puffenberger	Anna	24-26
Newspaper	Republican	28	Puffenberger	Barbara	28
Newton	A.D., Rev.	22	Puffenberger	Caroline	24
Nixon	Hiram L.	21	Puffenberger	Catherine	24, 25
Nixon	James	3	Puffenberger	Frank	24, 28
Norton	Sophia	1	Puffenberger	Fred Clyde	24, 26, 28
Null	Catherine	24	Puffenberger	Henry	24
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Ogden	Elias	21	Puffenberger	Jedde	24, 28
Ohio	Seneca County	27, 28	Puffenberger	Jennie	24
Olds	Напу Е.	26	Puffenberger	Judson	24
Orwick	Ray, Mrs.	29	Puffenberger	Mary Ellen	24
Otenney	Francis M.	29	Puffenberger	Minnie	24
Ovenshire	John W.	21	Puffenberger	Rebecca	24-26
Pagburn	Chas A.	21	Puffenberger	Sarah Ann	25
•	David L.	19	Puffenberger	Sarah Ann	27
Page	William W.	19	Puffenberger	William	24
Paine	Josiah	19	Puffenberger	William A.	27
Pangburn	Alexander	21	Puffenberger	George	24
Parist	Jeannine	15	Puffenberger/Powell		24, 27
Parker	Rufus	21	Pull	lone	30
Parker	Ruius	14	Quarterly	American	28
Parker	James E	19	Randall	Larry	14
Parks	James E.		Ranville	Laura	15
Parmenter	Alongo	21		Ellen	5 •
Paznter	William	20	Reader	Osker	5
Peabody	Elsie	14	Reader	Oskei	

Reader	William	5	Spaulding		14
Reed	Frances S.	4	Spaulding	Elizabeth	13
Reed	Henry A.	4	Spauldings	Mrs.	13
Rich	Wm., Mr.	1	Spauldings		13
Rider	J.	8	Spicer	Della, Mrs.	23
Rider	Sabria	8	Spicer	Thomas	23
Rix	Robert	3	Spicer	William	21
Robertson	John	18	Sprague	Wm. H	21
Robertson	William	21	Starks	Oliver J.	14
Robertson	Wm. "No 1"	21	Starkweather	Albert H.	20
Robinson	Henry	3, 22	Steams	Mary A.	3
Robinson	Henry, Mrs.	22	Stewart	Szlvenus	21
Robinson	Shadrick	19	Stine		7
Rogers	Jonathan D.	3	Stockwell	Ephraim	2
Rogers		14	Storr	Geo. H	21
Rolfe	Darwin	21	Stow	Alfred H., Jr.	21
Rose	Orin	19	Stroder	Elizabeth A.	31
Rouse	Shadrack	21	Swan	William W.	19
Russel	Ira	3	Swift	Hoyt A.	21
Sackett	Ralph	27	Tamkin	John, Rev.	1
Sawer	Joseph, Mr. & Mrs.	29			
Schenck	John S.	14	Taylor	Sophrona	1
Scott	Charles E.	23	Terril	Allice	3
Scott	Mary F.	22	Terril	Н.	3
Scott	Thomas, Mrs.	22	Thomas	Jane	2
Seeley	William, Justice	26	Thomas	T.J.	2
Sheelye	William	26	Thomas	W.H.	19
•	Arian, Mrs.	22	Thompson	Sue Chaplin	29
Shepherd			Thuma	Lynn & Mary	14
Shepherd	George	19	Thuma	Sharlene	14
Shepherd	Hiram	22	Thuma	Sharlene (Kelley)	14
Shepherd	Ira B.	23	Thuma	Terry L.	14
Shepherd	Susan M., Mrs.	23	Tingley	Katherine	12, 13
Showerman	Levi	29	Union	San Diego	28
Showerman	Mary Jane	29	Vanhauten	Peter	8
Showerman	Elizabeth Fox	29	Vanmeter	Henry	29
Showerman/McDerby		29	Vaughan	Alabulah	5
Simons	Nicholas	29	Vaughn	Barrett	22
Skinner	Benjamin D.	20	Verplank	Doyle	2
Skinner	O.D.	1, 2	Waggoner	Horace	21
Smith	Barbara J.	15	Wagoner	Isaac C.	21
Smith	Don	29	Wahl	Michael T.	14
Smith	Don, Mr. & Mrs.	29	Waldron	John Thomas	21
Smith	Gil H., Mrs.	29	Waldron	Samuel	21
Smith	Jill	15	Wales	Watson P.	1, 2
Smith	Marion I.	4	Wallace	Beverly	15
Smith	Phyllis	29	Wallace	Catherine	25
Snashall	Rev.	23	Wallace	David A.	3
Solomon	Joshua M.	21	Wallace -	Granville C.	25
Spaulding	George	14	Wallace	William	25
Spaulding	George E.	14	Walley		
Spaulding	Louella	14	Walton	Arian, Mrs.	22
Spaulding	Willis	14		Joseph S.	21
opauloling	1411113	1-7	Weaver	Abram	21

Weed	Wm. H.	21
Weeks		7
Wells	Mariah L.	1
Welter	Barbara	27
Wheeler	Harry E.	21
Whig	Seneca	28
White	Jean M.	29
White	Torrence	19
Wilcox	M.L.	2
Willis	Luke B.	20
Wood	Henry O.	21
Wood	Lewis A.	19
Wright	Barbara	29
Wright	Wait	19
Young	Minnie, Mrs.	29
Youngblood	Hazel	8

