

SOME
DESCENDANTS OF
JOHN AND RACHEL BURK

(and some female lines)

JOHN BURK
Born in Ireland

Resided In

Spencer, Mass.
Brookfield, Mass.
(Later of Braintree, Vt.)

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Foreword

The Burk Genealogy has been a "Labor of Love" from the authors to the Burk descendants.

It has been their goal to obtain as much information about each generation that could be learned.

The Burk Family, as descended from John and Rachel (Haire) Burk, had no printed genealogy and little was known about this family until now. Many years of diligent research were involved in order to produce this genealogy as such.

As John Burk had been a Patriot during the entire American Revolutionary War, it was thought pertinent by the authors that future Burk generations should be able to trace their roots to this man.

Special Thanks

A sincere "Special Thanks" to our dear cousin and fellow researcher, Robert Tryon Drummond, who with much expertise, patience and dedication, contributed invaluable to this Burk Genealogy.

Dedication

With considerable love for family history and its preservation, we dedicate this genealogy to the descendants of Nelson William Burke and Laura Adella (Gleasant) Burke.

JENNIE BURKE HAZEN
NANCY HAZEN MACHUGA

SOME BRANCHES OF A FAMILY TREE

THE FIRST THREE GENERATIONS IN AMERICA (BURKE)

JOHN BURK OF IRELAND

13 GENERATIONS OF KNOWN DIRECT ANCESTORS

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FIRST THREE GENERATIONS IN AMERICA

J O H N B U R K

1746--1832

Born in Ireland

Died in Orange Co., Vt.

- I. Married 1st: 19 Jan. 1775, Married 2nd: 10 Nov. 1808,
Rachel Haire, b. 1739 Mass., Hannah Burrige, b. 1787
d. 1800 Vt. Mass., d. ?, Vt.

CHILDREN

(1st wife)

(2nd wife)

1. Polly Burk, b. 1775/6 Mass. 1. Martin Burk, b. 1809 Vt.
d. 1883 Vt. No issue.
2. JOHN BURK, JR., b. 9 Oct. 1777, 2. Sarah (Sally) Burk, b.
d. 20 Oct. 1840, Leoni, Michigan 1812 Vt., d. 1897 Vt.
No issue.
3. A son, no records on him

- II. JOHN BURK, JR.: Married 1803, Betsey Greene, b. 23 Oct. 1786,
Oakham, Mass., d. 9 Sept. 1850 Leoni, Michigan. Nine children.

CHILDREN

- III. 1. Betsey Burk: b. 1803 Braintree, Vt. Married Samuel Giles
2. Martha Burk: b. 1805 Braintree, Vt. Married Sheldon Matthews
3. John Spencer Burk: b. 1807 Braintree, Vt., d. 1889 Michigan.
Married 1st: ?, 3 children, Married 2nd: Mary Schoonhouse,
7 children
4. WILLIAM BURK: b. 1809 Braintree, Vt., d. 5 Nov. 1887, Mer-
idian, N.Y. Married 1st: Catherine Stoner, 7 children.
Married 2nd: Lydia A. Vickery, b. 1822 N.Y., d. 1896 N.Y.
5 children.
5. Aurelia J. Burk: b. 1812 Vt. Married Bildad Bennett
6. Nelson Perry Burk: b. 1814 Danby, Vt., d. 1895 Cato, N.Y.
Married Fanny Olmstead, b. 1825, d. 1888, 7 children.
7. Polly M. Burk: b. 1817 Danby, Vt., d. 1867, married ~~A.W.~~
~~Gillett~~ *M. 1st John M. Whitwell, m. 2nd Amos W. GILLET*
8. Electa L. Burk: b. 1821 Marcellus, N.Y., d. Fairport, N.Y.
Married Charles W. Goodrich
9. a daughter: b. 1825/6 Marcellus, N.Y., d. before 1854 Mi.

- I. JOHN BURK, the immigrant ancestor, was from the southern part of Ireland, possibly the northern part of ~~Kilkenny~~ *Carlow* County. He was born either July or August of 1746 and died *Apr. 10, 1831* at age 85 years in Orange County, Vermont possibly Braintree town. He was a Protestant. (Note: Edmund Burke, the famous English statesman, who protested against coercion of the American Colonies, was born in Dublin, Ireland of a Protestant father and a Catholic mother. He was born in 1729 and died in 1797.)

A genealogical research by the Hibernian Research Co., Ltd. of Dublin, Ireland was unsuccessful in finding any birth or Church record for John Burk. As civil registration of births did not begin in Ireland until 1864, there was no possibility of tracing his birth in the civil records. Parish and land records are among the best sources for the earlier period but, in John Burk's case, some of the records were inadequate since they did not begin early enough to show his birth.

BURKE, Bourke, de Burgh.

Burke is much the most numerous of the Hiberno-Norman surnames. It is estimated that there are some 19,000 people of the name in Ireland to-day: with its variant Bourke it comes fourteenth in the list of commonest names. It came to Ireland at the time of the Anglo-Norman invasion in the person of William Fitzadelm de Burgo (called William the Conqueror by Irish annalists), who succeeded Strongbow as Chief Governor. In 1179 vast estates in Connacht were granted to the de Burgos, or Burkes, but beyond sporadic ravaging, they did not, properly speaking, possess the territory until the next generation when it was regranted to Sir Richard de Burgo, or Burke, by Henry III. Having regard to the large number of Burkes, or Bourkes, now living—the figure 19,000, given above, must be multiplied several times to include emigrants of Irish stock to America and elsewhere—it is hardly possible that they all stem from the one ancestor (the name, it may be remarked, is not found in England except in families of Irish background); nevertheless, even if several different Burkes came to Ireland in the wake of Strongbow, it is the one great family, mentioned above, which has been so prominent in Irish history.

From: "A Guide to Irish Surnames"

THE BURKE FAMILY.

(Crests Nos. 8 and 11. Plates 67 and 68.)

THE Burke family is of Norman origin, and, with the Butlers and Fitzgeralds, is ranked with the most distinguished of the Norman-Irish. The ancestor of the Irish Burkes was William Fitz-Aldelm de Burgo, who accompanied King Henry the Second to Ireland as his steward, in 1171. The family was related by blood to that of William the Conqueror. Two of them, Robert de Burgo and William, his half-brother, were with him at the invasion of England, and the former was afterward created Earl of Cornwall.

From:

"Genealogy of
Irish Families"



SHOWN: approximate area in southern Ireland from which John Burk came.

shown: the Bann & Foyle Rivers in Northern Ireland from which Patrick Green came.

COUNTIES OF IRELAND

Carlow	Cavan	Clare	Cork	Donegal	Dublin	Galway	Kerry	Kildare	Kilkenny	Laois	Leitrim	Limerick	Longford	Louth	Mayo	Meath	Monaghan	Offaly	Roscommon	Sligo	Tipperary	Waterford	Westmeath	Westford	Wicklow
Car	Cav	Clr	Cor	Don	Dub	Gal	Ker	Kild	Kilk	Lao	Leit	Lim	Lon	Lou	May	Mea	Mon	Off	Ros	Slig	Tip	Wat	West	West	Wex

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FROM

Irish Families

JOHN BURK grew to maturity in Ireland and was subsequently impressed into the English Navy. After serving awhile he escaped and then migrated to America sometime before 1774. He settled in Spencer, Worcester County, Mass. and on 19 January 1775, he married Rachel Haire of Brookfield, Mass. John Burk was 28½ years of age and Rachel Haire was 35½ years old when they were married. Rachel Haire was born 14 August 1739 in Brookfield, Mass. and died in the Spring of 1800 in Braintree, Orange County, Vermont at age 60. She was the daughter of William and Elizabeth (Owen) Haire.

WILLIAM HAIRE was from Ireland and settled in Brookfield in 1719. He was the first of that name in Brookfield. He became a clothier in Brookfield as, on 5 Dec. 1720, a stream was granted to him and John Patterson for a fulling mill for them to set up the trade of dressing cloth. Between April and November of 1754, William Haire served in Captain Joseph Wilson's Company of Militia, French and Indian War.

Note: In November of 1719 a ship named the "Elizabeth" arrived in Boston, Mass. from Ireland with 49 people aboard. Because they were poor Scotch-Irish, they were turned away by the Bostonians for fear they would become town charges. Brookfield records state that William Haire came to Brookfield in 1719 by way of Providence, Rhode Island. Another record states a William Hare arrived in Boston in Nov. of 1719 aboard Capt. Dennis' ship.

Rachel Haire's maternal grandparents were Samuel Jr. and Marcy (Mary) Owen of Brookfield, Mass. Her great-grandparents were Samuel Sr. and Ann (Canning)(Petty) Owen. Ann Canning was first married to John Petty in Boston, Mass., on 30 March 1662. They moved from Boston to Springfield, Mass., in 1665 and John Petty died there on 8 March 1680. Ann, his widow, married Samuel Owen on 5 Sept. 1681. Samuel Owen was born in 1651 in Wales. In 1688 Samuel and Ann Owen left Springfield and came to Brookfield, now North Brookfield, Mass. They settled in the fork of the road east of Warding Rock. In 1691 Samuel Owen was granted a permit to operate an Inn or Tavern. Gilbert's Fort was convenient for refuge to the families around Owen's Tavern. In 1694 Samuel Owen and John Lawrence went into the woods to search for a man who was missing when they were set upon by a lurking band of Indians. Lawrence was killed but Owen escaped. (Information from Springfield and Brookfield Histories and Vital Records.) See Petty, Owen and Haire records.

JOHN BURK first joined the Patriot Forces while residing in Spencer, Mass. He enlisted as a Private on 12 May 1775 in Capt. Joel Green's Regiment and served for 2 months and 25 days. He participated in the Battle of Bunker Hill (Breed's Hill) on 17 June 1775. In 1776 he served under Col. Brewer. In March of 1777 he enlisted in the 4th Worcester County Regiment under Col. Sheppard to serve three years. John Burk participated in the Battle of Bennington, Vt. under General John Stark on 17 August 1777. During the Battle of Bemis Heights (Saratoga), N.Y. he was taken prisoner by the British at Freeman's Farm on 19 Sept. 1777. He was taken to Quebec and kept there where he suffered everything but death. He and 14 others escaped and returned to Col. Sheppard's Regiment in Rhode Island. According to his pension records, he was discharged at Fishkill, N.Y. on 27 February 1780. (No. S 40781)

Early Massachusetts Marriages

PRIOR TO 1800

ORIGINAL
CHURCH
RECORD
COPY

John Burk & Rachel Hair,

Jan. 19, 1775.

1-19.1775 John Burk & Rachel Haire were married by Rev. Eli Forbes.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

COPY OF RECORD OF MARRIAGE

Town of Brookfield

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am clerk of the Town of Brookfield
that as such I have custody of the records of the marriages required by law to be kept in my office;
that among such records is one relating to the marriage of
John Burk and Rachal Haire
and that the following is a true copy of so much of said record as relates to said marriage namely;

Date of Marriage January 19, 1775

Place of Marriage Brookfield, Ma.

Date of Record Birth & Deaths, Volume 1, Town of Brookfield



And I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy from said records.

Witness my hand and seal of said Town of Brookfield

on this 31st day of August 19 81

Year

Leonard Terry



National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Office of the Registrar General

1776 D Street, N. W.

Washington, D. C. 20006-5397

Genealogical Division

Burke, John
Green, William SR

Pvt
Pvt

Name of soldier (or patriot)

Rank

Your supplemental has been verified. Please
notify your Chapter Registrar that the duplicate
will be returned to her as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Donald Zimmerman
Registrar General, NSDAR

DAR confirmation of research material compiled and submitted by
their great-great-great-great-granddaughter Nancy Hazen Machuga.

DAUGHTERS

OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION MAGAZINE

NEW ANCESTOR RECORDS

April 18, 1987 and April 24, 1987

Burford, Solomon: b 11-17-1763 d 2-27-1837 m (1) X (2)
Elizabeth --- PS NC

X Burke, John: b c 1746 d 4-10-1832 m (1) Rachel Haire (2)
Hannah Burridge Pvt MA PNSR

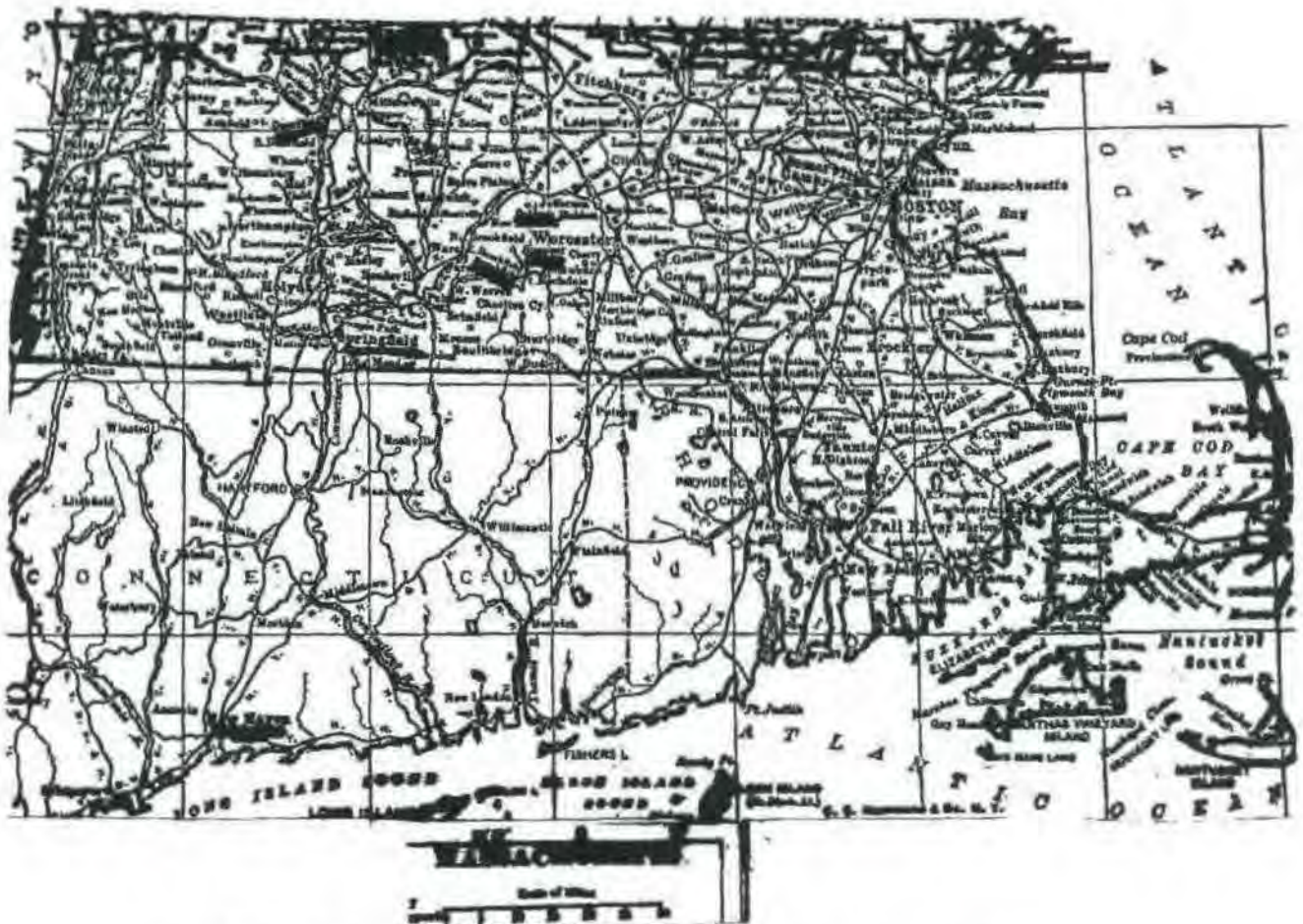
Burt, Henry: b 12-24-1737 d 12-13-1804 m X Pvt MA

Calk, James: b c 1755 d c 1825 m Susannah --- Pvt SC

Gilpatrick, Jeremiah: b 3-19-1753 d 9-25-1790 m Sa
Dyer Sol MA

Gray, Joseph: b c 1764 d 1840 m Catherine --- Pvt
PNSR

X Green, William: b c 1741 d p 1800 m Sarah Stone I
MA



SHOWING: Brookfield, Oakham and Spencer, Mass.
ALSO: Springfield, Deerfield and Northfield, Mass.;
Woodbridge, Ct. a suburb of New Haven

Rev. War Pension NUMBER

Burk, John
 Burke

S. 40781

10.241

John

Mapachussetts

John Burke

William now in the state of Massachusetts
 was a private in the regiment commanded by
 Daniel Chipard of the Mapachussetts
 for the term of Three Years 1777

scribed on the Roll of Mapachussetts
 at the rate of eight Dollars per month, to commence on
 the 20th of August 1818

certificate of Pension issued the 5th of May 18.
 and sent to Daniel Chipard
 Northampton Mapachus

years to 4th of March 1815. 52.12
 semi-ann. all'ce ending 4th Sep. 1815. 48.00
 \$100.00

{ Revolutionary claim, }
 { Act 18th March, 1818. }

The Irish at Bunker Hill

John Burke of Spencer enlisted under Captain Joel Cox
 12th May, 1775; Patrick Lyons of Southbridge under C
 Adam Martin on 1st May; Oliver Sullivan of Roxbury
 Captain Curtis on 11th May; William Kenny under C
 Isaac Bolster on 27th April; and Hugh McCalley of New
 tree under Captain John Granger on 26th April.

In May 1775 John Carroll of Sutton, Mass., was on the
 Captain Curtis's company as John Carrell, and Thomas C
 of Dudley, Mass., was on Captain Putnam's roll as T
 Carril. However, in town records, both men were lis
 Carroll. They were both on the rolls of their respective com
 on 17th June.

Matthew Gilligan, an emigrant from Ireland, was in the
 from April, 1775, till the end of the war. He was first liste

I John Burk now resident at Northampton in the
 County of Hampshire in the Commonwealth of Mass:
 do hereby certify that I enlisted in the month of March 1777
 at Brookfield in said Commonwealth as a private
 Soldier in the Company commanded by Capt. Resbun
 Clayton in the Regiment commanded by Col. Will:
 am Shepard and marched to Peekskill in the
 State of New York & in the Brigade commanded
 by Gen. Glover, I think it was called the fourth
 Battalion of the Massachusetts line, in the first
 three years service I continued in the service
 untill the Battle at Brim's Heights where I was
 taken prisoner and was carried to Quebec by
 the British and was kept there & suffered every
 thing but death, & I finally, with fourteen
 others, deserted from them and got back to
 Providence in Rhode Island where Col. Shep-
 herd's Regiment was then stationed and I
 marched in the same Company above mentioned
 to the State of New York & continued to serve
 in the same Company & Regt. untill the three years
 expired & was regularly discharged at Peekskill
 in the State of New York - My discharge I have
 lost - I have never been placed on any pension
 List - I am in reduced circumstances and stand in
 absolute need of assistance from my Country
 Support. August 20th 1810.

John Burk

Hampshire

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Aug^t 20. 1810

The subscriber Judge of the Court of Probate of wills
 all within and about the County of Hampshire

do hereby

attest

JOHN BURK'S PENSION STATEMENT (REVOLUTIONARY WAR) S40781

I John Burk now resident at Northampton in the County of Hampshire in the commonwealth of Massachusetts being 72 years of age testify and say that I enlisted in the month of March 1777 at Brookfield in said commonwealth as a private soldier in the company commanded by Capt. Reuben Slayton in the Regiment commanded by Col. William Shepard and marched to Peekskill in the state of New York and I was placed in the Brigade commanded by Gen. Glover. I think it was called the 4th Battalion of the Massachusetts line, in the first three years service and I continued in the service until the battle of Bemis Heights where I was taken prisoner and was carried to Quebec by the British and was kept there and suffered everything but death, and I finally, with fourteen others deserted from them and got back to Providence in Rhode Island where Col. Shepards regiment was then stationed and I marched in the same company above mentioned to the state of New York and continued to serve in the same company and Reg. until the three years expired and was regularly discharged at Fishkill in the state of New York. My discharge I have lost. I have never been placed on any pension list. I am in reduced circumstances and stand in absolute need of assistance from my country for support. August 20, 1818.

John Burk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Hampshire Co. Aug. 20, 1818. John Burk came before me the subscriber, Judge of the Court of Probate of Wills, and within and for said county and made solemn oath that the above declaration and deposition by him subscribed, is the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth and I certify from my own knowledge that he the said John Burk is a very poor man and is in absolute need of assistance from his country for support, and he states to me that when he rejoined the company and Reg. after his captivity the officers supposed he was killed in the action of Bemis Heights, and he says he was reported being dead and thinks it may so appear on the rolls. The Testimony where of I have here unto, set my hand and affix to the seal of this court the day and year forsaid.

Samuel Hinckley Judge of the Court
of Probate of Wills and within
and forsaid county.

NOTE:

Re: Battle of Bemis Heights, N.Y. was part of the battle of Saratoga, N.Y. (He was captured at Freeman's Farm)

STATE OF VERMONT, }
Orange County, ss. }

On this

4th

day of

July

1820

personally appeared before the *County* court for said county of *Orange* in open court, (said court being a court of record, agreeably to the laws of this state, having the power of fine and imprisonment, &c.) *John Burk* aged *73* years, resident in

Braintree in said county of *Orange* who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth, on his oath declare, that he served in the revolutionary war, as follows: *Enlisted in Jan. 1779*

under Capt. Reuben Slaton in Col. Stephen's Regiment and served
until Nov. 1780 and was discharged by Major Ball at the highland
wherein some time was in the class with Captain Col. Brewer in 1781
 that he made his original declaration on the *20 day of April* 1818

has received a Pension Certificate, No. *10241* And I do solemnly swear, that I was a resident citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March, 1818; and that I have not, since that time, by gift, sale, or in any manner, disposed of my property, or any part thereof, with intent thereby so to diminish it, as to bring myself within the provisions of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to provide for certain persons engaged in the land and naval service of the United States, in the Revolutionary War," passed on the 18th day of March, 1818;—and that I have not, nor has any person in trust for me, any property or securities, contracts or debts, due to me; nor have I any income other than what is contained in the schedule hereto annexed, and by me subscribed. *the whole amount*

of property as appraised by a Librarian under
oath amounts to twenty Eight Dollars 17 Cts
and no Debt. See me but am owing,
Eight Dollars fifty Cents —

my occupation is farming my family consists
of my self & wife Hannah aged 35 years whose
health is not good and daughter nine years
of age health good. Signed John Burk

John Burk

BURK, JESSE. Private, Capt. Joseph Bates's co., 14th regt.; service from Aug. 1, 1780, to Oct. 1, 1780, 2 mos.; also, statement of Continental balances certified May 6, 1782; Col. Bradford's regt.; enlistment, during war.

→ BURK, JOHN, Brookfield. Private, Capt. Nathan Hamilton's co., Col. Samuel Brewer's regt.; service from Aug. 3, 1776, to Sept. 30, 1776, 1 mo. 29 days; also, same co.; receipt for wages for Oct., 1776, dated Ticonderoga Mills, Nov. 3, 1776; also, Capt. Hamilton's co., Col. Brewer's regt.; pay abstract for mileage from Fort Edward to Brookfield dated Brookfield, Feb. 6, 1777; credited with 8½ days allowance; also, return of men enlisted into Continental Army from Capt. Nowell's (7th) co., Col. James Converse's (4th Worcester Co.) regt., dated Feb. 21, 1778; residence, Brookfield; enlisted for town of Brookfield; joined Capt. Heaton Slayton's co., Col. William Sheppard's regt.; enlistment, 3 years; also, Private, Capt. Field's co., Col. Sheppard's regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Feb. 27, 1777, to Dec. 31, 1779; also, Capt. Slayton's co., Col. Sheppard's regt.; muster return dated Valley Forge, Jan. 30, 1778; reported taken captive Sept. 9 (also given Sept. 19), 1777; also, same co. and regt.; pay abstract for Nov., 1778, sworn to in Quarters at Providence; also, Colonel's co., Col. Sheppard's (3d) regt.; muster roll for March and April, 1779, dated Providence; enlisted Feb. 27, 1777; reported on command at Boston Neck; also, Colonel's co., Col. Shepard's (4th) regt.; Continental Army pay accounts for service from Jan. 1, 1780, to Feb. 27, 1780; reported discharged Feb. 27, 1780; also, return dated West Point, Jan. 28, 1780.

Peckham's
Farm
Barns N.Y.

BURK, JOHN, Spencer. Private, Capt. Joel Green's co., Col. Benjamin Leonard's regt.; muster roll dated Aug. 1, 1775; enlisted May 12, 1775; service, 2 mos. 25 days; also, company return (probably Oct., 1775).

THE PENSION ROLL OF 1835

IN FOUR VOLUMES

Volume I

John Burk Priv. 96 9909 75 Mass May 5, 1819 Aug. 20, 85 Transferred fr
1818 Hampshire Co.
Massachusetts,
March 4, 1820
DIED APRIL 10, 1832!!!

Charles Bowles	Private	96 00	1,551 69	N. H. com Sept. 1, 1819	April 21, 1818	74	Suspended under act May 1, 1820
James Bishop	Do	96 00	163 51	Mass Sept. 20, 1819	July 15, 1818	64	Do do
Levi Bacon	Do	96 00	118 79	Do Dec. 6, 1819	Dec. 10, 1818	63	Died July 16, 1822.
Joseph Bowen	Do	96 00	410 52	N. H. April 7, 1819	April 7, 1818	69	Suspended under act May 1, 1820
Paul Brigham	Captain	240 00	87 99	Mass May 9, 1819	Oct. 23, 1818	74	Transferred from Hampshire co Massachusetts, March 4, 1820
John Burk	Private	96 00	1,509 73	Mass May 2, 1819	Aug. 20, 1818	83	Died April 10, 1832

CHILDREN OF JOHN BURK & (1st WIFE) RACHEL (HAIRE) BURK

1. Polly Burk: born 1775/6, married ^{JESSE} ~~asa~~ Mix 23 November 1793
2. JOHN BURK, JR.: born 9 October 1777. At this time in history, John Burk, Jr. was born just after the Battle of Bemis Heights which took place on 19 September 1777. His father had been taken prisoner by the British in this battle and was taken to Quebec. During the Revolutionary War it was a common practice that women (& children) followed their soldier-husbands. They cooked, washed and sewed their husbands' clothing and did other chores in camp. It was a means of support for them as the government did not pay dependents of soldiers who stayed at home. After the Battle of Bemis Heights, many women who had lost their husbands had to return home in groups and it is written that several of these women gave birth on the trails back to their homes. No birth record could be found for John Burk, Jr. in either Spencer or Brookfield, Mass.
3. a son: born circa 1780. No further information about him.

After the Revolutionary War and, on 10 October 1787, John Burk, Sr. bought from Samuel Harwood, lot #111 in the 1st Division of Braintree, Orange County, Vermont. Braintree is located in the central part of Vermont and is on the eastern side of the Green Mountains. Lot #111 contained 100 acres and it was upon this lot that John Burk made his farm. It was located about one mile up the Riford Brook Road. His log cabin (~~was located~~) was located south of the road and creek. It was later owned by the "Duttons". He also acquired lot # 26 in the 2nd Division which was located on Oak Hill. This lot also contained 100 acres. The 1790 census of Braintree does not list John Burk as living there, so he was probably still living in Massachusetts and making trips to his Braintree property to clear the land and to build a dwelling. The 1790 Mass. census lists a John Burk family living in Shutesbury, Hampshire County; a John Haire family living in Greenwich, Hampshire County and a Robert Haire living in Leverett, Hampshire County. These may have been Rachel's brothers. It appears that the John Burk family did not leave Massachusetts to actually settle in Braintree, Vermont until about 1791/2. Note: A U.S. Land Grant Record No. 12758 shows a John Burk received a 100-acre grant on 17 August 1789. This land grant, along with

many others, was used by James Parker to locate 4000 acres of land in the U.S. Military District of Ohio.

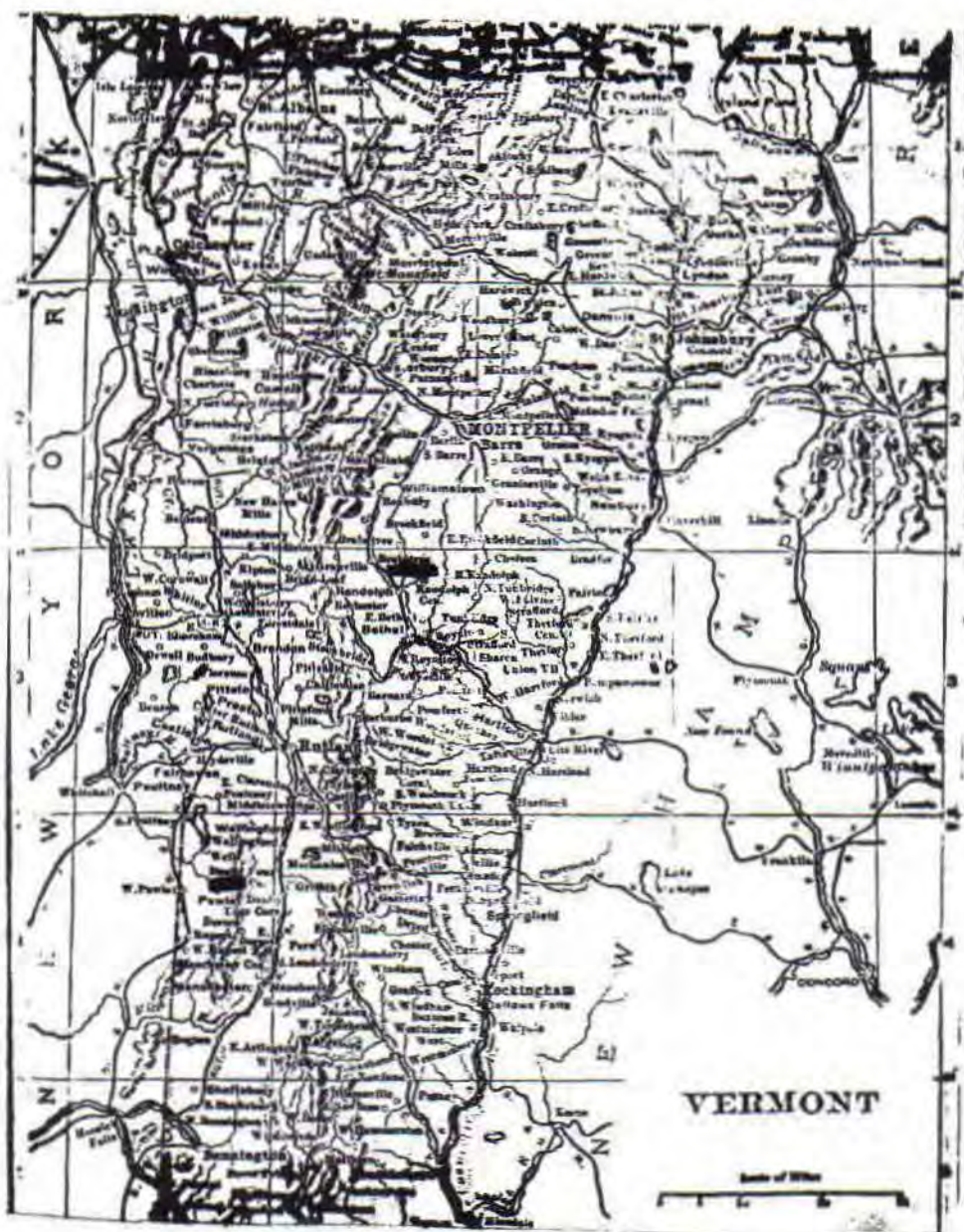
The Town Clerk's Office of Braintree, Vermont has land records that show on 8 March 1800 an indenture of John Burk, Jr. to John Burk, Sr. for \$1000 was made. John Burk, Jr. was to care for his mother and father, Rachel and John Burk, in a pleasant and comfortable manner, in sickness and in health during their natural lives. John Burk, Jr. became the owner of his father's farm under this indenture. The 1800 census of Braintree lists John Sr. and John Jr. but doesn't list Rachel so it is assumed that Rachel Burk died soon after this indenture was made. Another land record shows that on 14 August 1800, John Burk, Sr. sold lot #26. It is about this time that John Burk, Sr. returned to Ireland for a visit and on his return he brought back potatoes to plant on his farm. In 1804, John Jr. sold back to his father the southern third of lot #111 comprising 24 acres. On page 81 of the book The History of Braintree, Vt. is the story of John Burk, Sr. introducing the celebrated "Burke potato" to the town. It was about this time that the first potato distillery was established in Braintree. This variety of potato was in existence for over 100 years. In the "Biographical Review of Cayuga County, N.Y." Nelson Perry Burke tells of his grandfather, John Burk, Sr., bringing back from Ireland potatoes to plant on his farm and they became known as the "Burk Potato".

About 1803 John Burk, Jr. married Betsey Green. She was the daughter of William Jr. and Betsey (Hudson) Green who were originally from Oakham, Worcester County, Mass. having been born and married there. Around 1800 the William Green, Jr. family went to Danby, Vermont. According to the 1800 Braintree census Betsey Green was living with her grandparents William Sr. and Sarah (Stone) Green on the Riford Brook Road not far from the Burk family. William Green, Sr. was a lister for Braintree in 1803. (See Green records.)

After they were married John Jr. and Betsey Burk resided in a house situate in a very pretty setting on the north side of Riford Brook Road and creek across from the home of John Burk, Sr. On 18 June 1807 John Burk, Jr. sold his property consisting of 76 acres in lot #111, lying north of the Riford Brook Road, in-

cluding his home, to Solomon Holman. The John Burk, Jr. family resided in Braintree in 1810 according to the census but shortly thereafter moved to Danby, Vermont.

On 10 November 1808 John Burk, Sr. married for a second time. He married Hannah Burrridge who was born 27 July 1787 in Quincy, Mass., the daughter of John Sr. and Mary (Spear) Burrridge of Braintree, Vermont. (See Burrridge records.) John Burk, Sr. was 62 years of age and Hannah was 21 when they married. On 24 November 1808 John Burk, Sr. sold to the selectmen of Braintree for \$200 the southern third (24 acres) of lot #111 thus ending the ownership of any property by the Burks in Braintree, Vt.



Braintree & Danby, Vt.

nable to the highest bidder, the price to be paid to Daniel White, Jr., who was Casey's bondsman. Jonathan S. Flint bid it off for \$22.

Care was constantly exercised to prevent any from becoming paupers and consequently a town charge. March 2, 1793, it was voted "that the Selectmen take the legal steps of the Law with Silas Flint as to his conduct, past, present, and to come, and to do all in their Power that he change venue to the town on said Flint's account." As near as has been ascertained this was a son of Silas Flint, the first settler, and he is said to have been rather shiftless and improvident. Voted March 7, 1807, "that all persons who have not gained a residence, and all that shall move into town hereafter, shall be warned out." In 1810 the selectmen issued summons to thirteen persons to leave the town in accordance with this vote, which was intended to prevent poor people from gaining a residence. Voted also in 1807 that the selectmen be directed to take proper care of John Burke and his property, so that he be not allowed to squander it away. Burke was addicted to hard drinking. He was the one who brought from Ireland and introduced into this town the celebrated Burke potatoes.

The first notice here given to the care of the poor is in the minutes of the town meeting March 2, 1793, when the selectmen were directed to look out to the poor as they thought best. The next year the keeping of several paupers was put up to the highest bidders, and William Ford, Jr., Zion Copeland and Seth Mann were chosen first Overseers of the Poor.

From: History of Braintree, Vermont Page 81



Overlooking the area which was once John Burk's farm the section (76 acres) north of Riford Brook Road and creek.



Riford Brook Road

This road divided John Burk's farm. 76 acres to the north and 24 acres to the south.

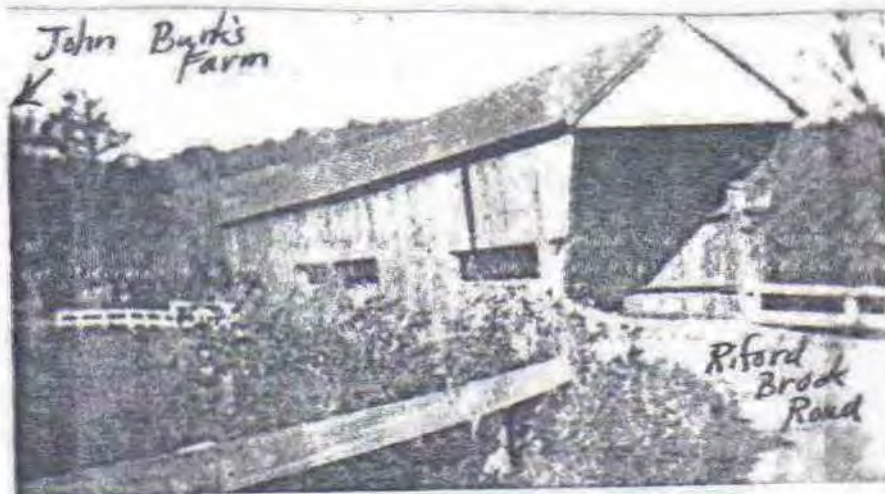
From the book THE WAY OUR PEOPLE LIVED by W. E. Woodard

Page 193: "It is not easy for us, living in this age of comparatively little drinking, to realize the extent of alcoholic indulgence throughout the whole colonial period and for fifty years or more after the Revolutionary War. A thorough research into the customs and manners of that era can hardly fail to convince an openminded observer that if liquor drinking could kill a nation, then the whole American people would have curled up and died sometimes around the first decade of the nineteenth century."

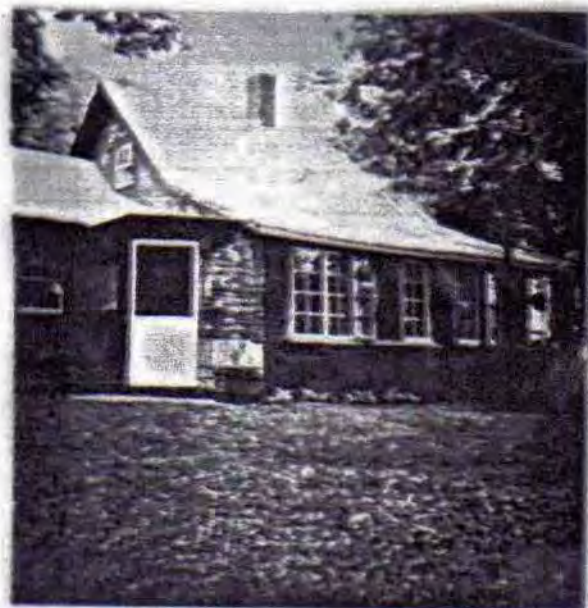
Note: The above book contains fascinating information about the manners and customs of average Americans over three centuries, which might well be called " a history of America in terms of the common man". In story form, the author paints in the authentic background of the country, the habits and habitations, the ambitions and dreams, the fashions and foibles of the everyday men and women who helped to found and build our nation.

Note: Senator George F. Hoar wrote in his Autobiography this description of the prevailing intemperance among the post-revolutionary generation:

"The habit of excessive drinking was then universal in this country. Even the clergyman staggered home from his round of pastoral calls, and bearers partook of brandy, gin and rum at funerals. It was not uncommon to see farmers, highly respected in the town, lying drunk by the roadside on a summer afternoon or staggering along the streets. I have heard Nathan Brooks, who delivered the first temperance lecture in Concord at the request of the selectmen, say that after it was over, he and some of the principal citizens went over to the tavern and each took a drink of flip."



Covered bridge at Ford's Crossing, destroyed in 1927 Flood.



Tannenburg Property: 1985

John Burk Jr.'s house location, just north of Riford Brook and Riford Brook Road. Situated in a pretty setting, the original house burned and another house, which is the right section of the house in the picture, was moved onto the foundation of what was once John Burk Jr.'s house.

CHILDREN OF JOHN BURK, SR. & (2nd WIFE) HANNAH (BURRIDGE) BURK

1. Martin Burk: born 9 August 1809 in Braintree, Vt., died 11 March 1883 in Braintree, Vt. He is buried in the Lower Branch Cemetery, Braintree, Vt. Martin never married. At age 8 an indenture bound him to his uncle, Jacob Burrige, until he was 21 years of age. On 25 March 1831 he became the ward of Araunah Spear and on 30 July 1832 Araunah Spear filed with the Court the following inventory of Martin's property: (Martin's father John Burk, Sr. had died on 10 April 1832) Wearing apparel including his trunk (\$17.00), Gun & equipment (\$3.50), Money due on indenture of Jacob Burrige (\$125.00), which was considered uncollectable, Money due from Capt. Spear in unsettled accounts (\$40-50.00), and money due from Sam Spear on a note (\$3.00). Martin was able to care for himself during his lifetime financially. Court records from guardians during his lifetime show that he earned money working for many farmers in Braintree. His estate paid for his last illness (\$280.00), funeral expenses, casket & robe (\$25.00), grave digging (\$3.00), drawing hearse (\$2.00), minister (\$5.00), and monument (\$25.00). The remaining money (\$159.46) went to his sister Sally Burk. (Information from Probate Court Records now on file in Chelsea, Vermont.) In 1850 Martin Burk was residing with the Joseph Spear family of Braintree and, in 1880, he resided with the Earl Cushman family and was a laborer.
2. Sarah (Sally) Burk: born 28 January 1812 in Braintree, Vt., died 19 January 1897 in Braintree, Vt. at age 84 years. She never married. In 1850 Sally was living with relatives, Joseph Riford and Polly (Burrige) Riford of Braintree. (See Burrige records.) In 1880 Sally resided with the Earl Cushman family as a servant.

Note: the 1870 Braintree census lists Earl Cushman, W. Randolph Post Office, having 12 cows, 50 sheep, 650 sugar trees on a 280 acre farm.

TOWN OF BRAINTREE, VERMONT
OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK
 Post Office - Randolph, Vermont 05060

Date of Death: Jan. 19, 1897
 Name of Deceased: Sally Burk
 Age: 84
 Sex: female
 Race or color: Irish
 Married, single or widowed: single
 Disease or cause of death: old age
 Place of death: Braintree
 Place of Birth: Braintree
 Name of parents: John and Hannah (Burridg)

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a death registered in the Town of Braintree, Vermont in Book of Deaths #4, page 1 and received for record on Feb. 20, 1897.

Attest,

Janice L. Thresher

Town Clerk

September 18, 1981

MARRIAGE RECORD

Name of Groom

John Burke

Name of Bride

Hannah Burridge.

Residence of Groom

Braintree Vt.

Date of Marriage

November 10th, A.D. 1808

Color

Age in Years

No. of Marriages

Widowed
Divorced

Occupation

Birthplace

Name Party Officiating

*Ammie Nichols**Preacher of the Gospel**Braintree**Ammie Nichols*

Martin Burk's Headstone
 Lower Branch Cemetery
 Braintree, Vt.

BRAINTREE, VT. LAND RECORDS

1. Samuel Harwood to John Burk, Sr., 10 Oct. 1787. Original right of Edward Davis of Oxford, Mass.
2. John Burk, Sr. to John Burk, Jr., dated 7 Dec. 1799; 8 March 1800, for \$666.00 all of Lot #111 in 1st Division.
3. John Burk, Jr. to John and Rachel Burk, to farm on Lot #111 as they seemed fit (a lease). Dated 7 Dec. 1799; 8 March 1800, Lot #111 in the 1st Division.
4. John Burk, Jr. agrees to support his father and mother, John and Rachel Burk for \$1000, an indenture.
5. John Burk, Sr. to Thompson Baster 14 August 1800. Lot #26 in the 2nd Division for \$160.
6. John Burk, Jr. buys from John Frazer, 5 Jan. 1802, Lot #40 in the 3rd Division. for \$223.
7. John Burk, Jr. to Jacob Spear, 5 Jan. 1802, Lot #40 in the 3rd Division for \$233.
8. John Burk, Jr. to John Burk, Sr., 23 Nov. 1804, part of Lot #111 for \$300. (Southern third, 26 acres)
9. John Burk, Jr. sold to Solomon Holman, 18 June 1807, the remaining 76 acres (northern 2/3) of Lot #111.
10. John Burk, Sr. to the Selectmen Of Braintree, Vt., 24 Nov. 1808, part of Lot #111 for \$200. (southern third, 26 acres)

A title search of the present-day Tannenburg property on the Riford Brook Road in Braintree, Vermont traces back to John Burk, Sr. This property is part of the original Lot #111. Since 1942, Newman sold it to Brown. Brown then sold it to the Church and the Church sold it to the Tannenburgs who owned it in 1982.

FROM LAND RECORDS OF BRAINTREE, ORANGE COUNTY, VERMONT

Book 2 Page 175

I know all men by there presents that John Burk Junior of Braintree in the County of Orange and state of Vermont, am and bound and obliged unto John Burk of Braintree of foresaid in the full and sum of one thousand dollars lawfull money to the payment of which I bind myself and my heirs executors and administerers firmly by these present sealed with my seal. Dated at Braintree this eight day March one thousand eight hundred.

The condition of the above obligation is such that whereas the said John Burk Junior has agreed as in to provide for and suport his Honorable Father and Mother John Burk and Rachel Burk in a pleasant and comfortable manner in sickness and in health during each of their natural lives and also to pay all the just demands that are against the said John Burk at this date.

In present of

Amos Lamson

John French

March 8,th 1800

Rec'd for & Recorded

John French Town Clerk

John Burk Junior

Book 2 page 176

This indenture of lease made this Seventh day of December in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-nine, by and between John Burk Junior of Braintree in the County of Orange and State of Vermont and John Burk of Braintree aforesaid. Witnesseth that the said John Burk Junior for and in consideration of One Thousand Dollars paid me in hand before the delivery of this lease do by these presents lease and to farm let unto him the said John Burk and his wife Rachel Burk for and during their natural lives, one whole lot of land lying and being in Braintree aforesaid, viz., the whole lot of No. One Hundred Eleven in the First Division of allotments in the Township foressaid with all the priviledges and appurtenances belonging or appertaining to the same lot and the said John Burk and Rachel Burk is to cut timber on this said lot and use of the same at their pleasure during their natural lives further, the said John Burk and Rachel Burk have the priviledge of plowing, sowing, and to occupy said leased premises as they think proper.

Signed and sealed in presence of

Amos Lamson

John French

John Burk Junior

March 8,1800

Recorded

John French

T.Clerk

I know all Men by these presents that I John Bush
 of Braintree in the County of Suffolk and State of
 Massachusetts have and have received of
 John Bush of Braintree aforesaid in the
 full and true sum of one Thousand Dollars
 lawful money to the true payment of which
 I bind myself my heirs Executors and Adminis-
 trators jointly by these presents sealed with my seal
 of office at Braintree this eight day of March one
 Thousand eight hundred and

the conditions of the above obligation is such
 that whereas the said John Bush Junior has
 agreed as is to provide for and support his
 Honored Father and Mother John Bush & Rachel
 Bush in a Decent and comfortable manner
 in sickness and in health during each of their
 Natural lives and also to pay all the just
 demands that are against the said John Bush
 at this date

In presence of
 Amos W. W. W.
 John French

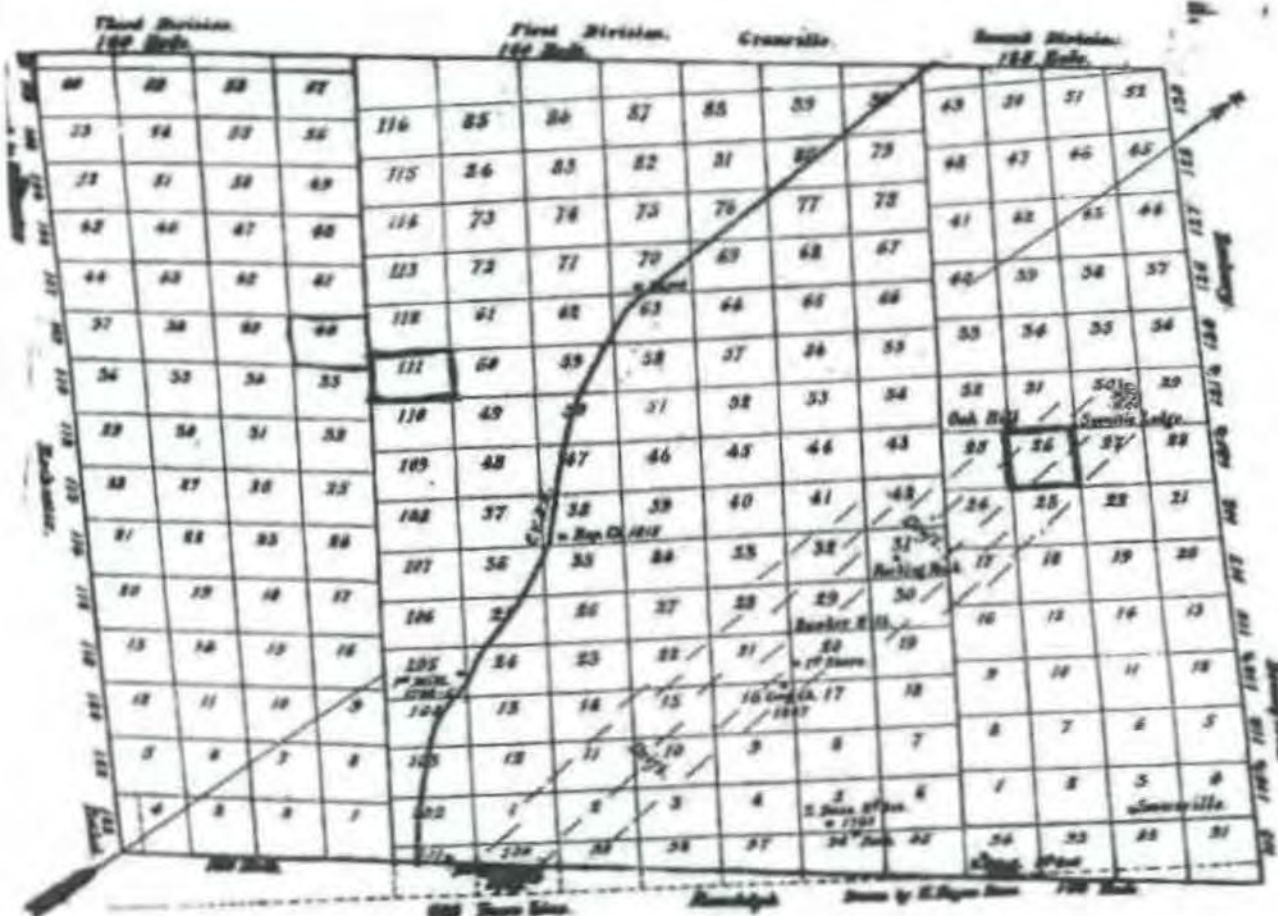
John Bush Junior

March 8th 1800

Attest to & Recorded

John French Town Clerk

indentured
 John Bush
 Jr



Map of Original Lots John Burk's Lot #111 & Lot #26
Braintree, Vermont

Early History

Jefferson Pratt's), and on to Quaker hill Road." The first intention was to have this road follow the brook from Edward Bass's and come out on Quaker hill road near Henry (formerly Jonathan) Bass's; it was laid out instead to the S. E. corner of sixteen.

2. From the branch road "at the eastside of the mill on to Mr. Goodall's house, thence on to Samuel Dunbars Lot," (up Riford's brook to 110-1.) This road crossed Brackett's mill pond where the bridge in 1822 was established in 1789. *John Burk owned lot III.*



The town of Braintree, from an 1858 map by H. F. Walling.

1858 Map
"DUTTON"

Location of
John Burk, Sr.'s house
→ "MARSH"
→ Location of
John Burk, Jr.'s house



1877 Map
John Burk, Sr.'s
house is gone

The summer of 1816 was especially hard for the people of Vermont. It is said that there was no summer at all, with frosts occurring every month, even snow falling. Farmers lost their crops and then the winter of 1816/7 was one of the severest of all time. Many people left Vermont so that they would not starve. It is under these circumstances that John Burk, Sr., his wife Hannah and daughter Sally, left Braintree and went to Northhampton, Mass. Their son Martin did not go with them as an indenture bound him to his uncle Jacob Burridge.

In 1818, "The Pension Act" was passed and the Revolutionary War Veterans were able to apply for pensions. John Burk, Sr. applied for his pension at Northhampton, Mass. According to his pension record he was a poor man at this time. He received a pension of \$8.00 a month.

In 1820 when he was 73 years of age and his wife Hannah was 35 years old, they returned to Braintree, Vermont. The 1820 census of Braintree shows that he is back farming. The 1830 census of Braintree does not list him as a head of household. According to the book Pension Rolls of Vermont of 1835 John Burk died 10 April 1832 in Orange County, Vermont, probably Braintree. His exact place of burial is unknown. He was 85 years of age at his time of death. (Pension Record No. S40781)

About 1813 John Burk, Jr., his wife Betsey and their 5 children left Braintree and went to live in Danby, Vermont. Her parents William Jr. and Betsey (Hudson) Green resided in Danby. Several of Betsey Burk's brothers and sisters also lived in Danby. Her father died there in 1816. In 1817 John Burk, Jr., Betsey and 7 children removed from Danby, Vt. and settled in Marcellus, Onondaga County, New York. The Burk family stayed in Marcellus until the mid-1830's when they then went to Leoni, Jackson County, Michigan. Two of their sons, William and Nelson Burk, did not go to Michigan but, instead, settled in the Cato-Meridian area of Cayuga County, New York.

John Burk, Jr. died in 1840 in Leoni, Michigan and his

- II. JOHN BURK, JR.: born 9 Oct. 1777 probably Mass., died 20 Oct. 1840 in Leoni, Jackson County, Michigan. at age 63 years and 11 days. He is buried in the Leoni Cemetery in Section 2. In 1983 his headstone was broken and laying on the ground. Leoni is located in the southern part of Michigan about 8 miles east of Jackson, Michigan. There are many land records of the Burk family and Probate Court records in the Court House and Library in Jackson, Michigan.

John Burk, Jr. was about 14 years of age when his parents left Mass. to settle in Braintree, Vt. In 1800 he became the owner of his father's farm (lot#111) which was located about 1 mile up the Riford Brook Road in Braintree, Vt. The Town Clerk's Office has land records about the Burk family and the book The History of Braintree, Vt. contains maps showing the farm's location.

In the Spring of 1800 John Jr.'s mother Rachel (Haire) Burk died. In 1803 John Jr. married Betsey Green who was born 23 Oct. 1786 in Oakham, Mass. She died 9 Sept. 1850 in Leoni, Michigan and is probably buried in the Leoni Cemetery with no headstone. Betsey was the daughter of William Jr. and Betsey (Hudson) Green of Danby, Vt. They were born in Oakham, Mass. and were married there. Betsey Green Burk's grandparents were William Sr. and Sarah (Stone) Green. Her great-grandparents were Patrick and Eleanor (Nellie)(McMains) Green also of Oakham, Mass. In 1800 The William Green, Jr. family went to Danby while William Sr. and his family went to Braintree. The 1800 census of Braintree shows that Betsey Green lived with her grandparents William and Sarah Green on Riford Brook Road not far from the Burk residence.

On 18 June 1807, John Jr. sold his part of the farm to Solomon Holman. About 1813 he and his family left Braintree and went to Danby, Vt. In 1817 they left Danby and came to Marcellus, N.Y. Two more children were born to them in Marcellus, making a total of 9 children. All

In the early 1830's John Burk, Jr. and Betsey with some of their daughters and oldest son, John Spencer Burk, left Marcellus and went to Leoni, Michigan to homestead a farm. Their other sons, William and Nelson Burk, settled in Cayuga County.

John Burk, Jr. and his family were among the pioneers who settled Michigan. Improving a homestead there they spent their last years on their farm. John Jr. was a man of strong convictions and very strong in his religious views (Protestant). He reared his children under strict and rigid discipline.



MAP OF MICHIGAN

Showing; Leoni, Paw Paw, Vicksburg & Comstock

LEONI, JACKSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN



John Burk, Jr.'s
Headstone
Leoni Cemetery
Michigan



Robert T. Drummond

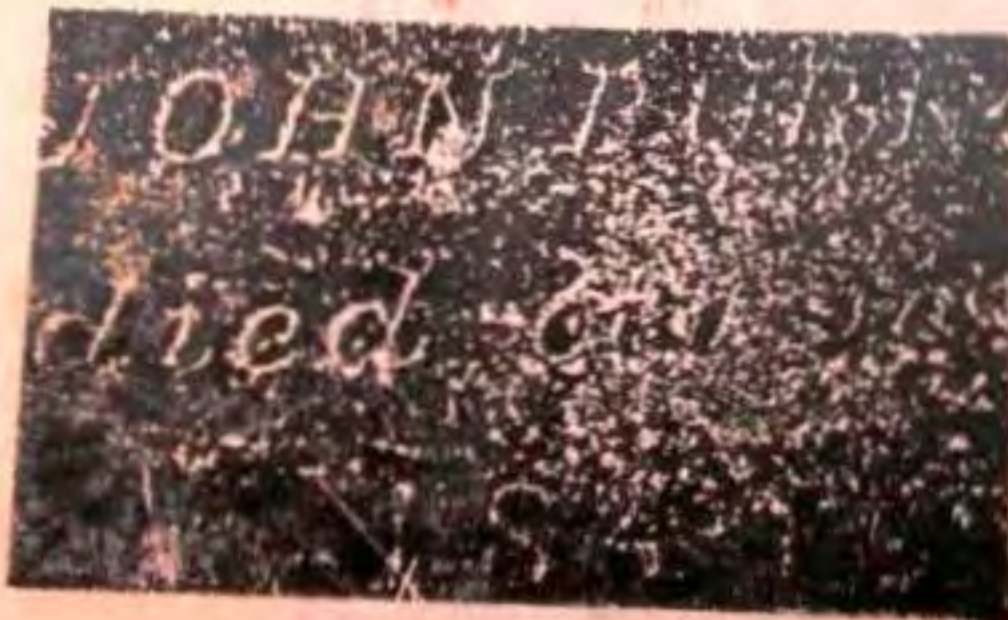
(Pictures: courtesy of Robert T. Drummond)

CEMETERY RECORDS: JACKSON COUNTY MICHIGAN

Burke, John Died Oct. 20, 1840, Age; 63 yr. 11 da.

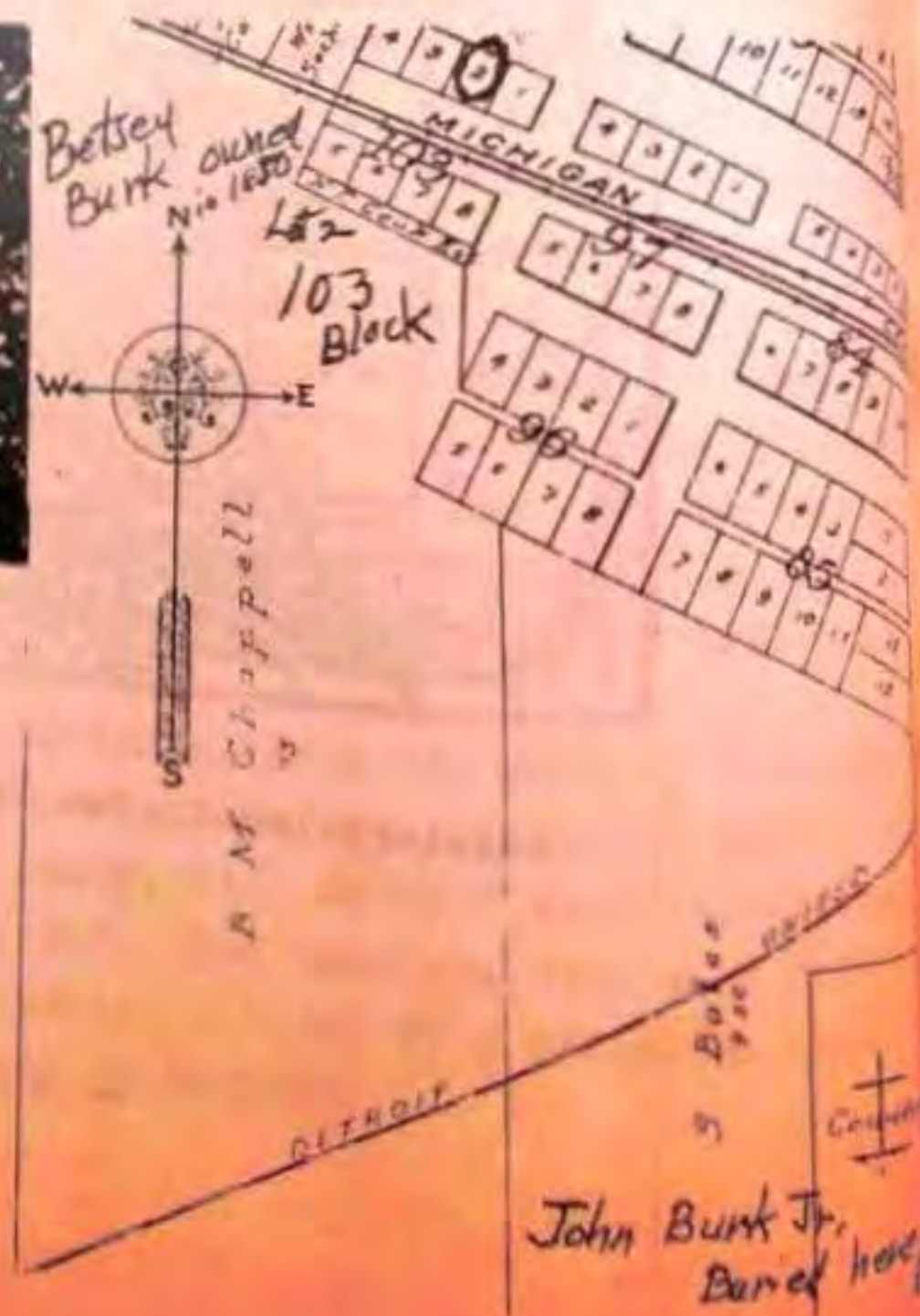
LEONI CEMETERY Section 2, Leoni Twp.

John Burk, Jr.'s Headstone



Map of Leoni, Michigan
In 1850 Betsey Burk
owned lot #2 in block 103

LEONI
LEONI TWP.
Scale 350 ft to 1 inch



FROM: BETSEY BURK'S PROBATE RECORDS

State of Michigan } Probate Court for
County of Jackson } S. Saice County

To Jonathan L Videto Judge of Probate
your Petitioner John S
Burke would represent to said Court that
he is the son and heir at Law of Betsey Burke
who departed this life at the township of Leoni in
Saice County in the fall of 1850 And that
the said Betsey Burke was a Resident of the
said Township of Leoni in Saice County at the
time of her decease And that she died ^{as your}
petitioner believes intestate And that she had at
the time of her decease both personal and Real
~~estate in said County to be administered~~
And that the persons hereinafter ^{named} are all the persons
that are interested as heirs to the said Betsey Burke

Names	Residence
Aurelia Bennett	Leoni Michigan
Abner Matthews	Comstock "
John S Burke	Leoni "
William Burke	Cato New York
Nelson Burke	" "
Betsy Giles	" Illinois
Elietta Goodrich	" Illinois
Polly Gillette	" "

Burke

CHILDREN OF JOHN BURK, JR. & BETSEY (GREEN) BURK

1. Betsey Burk: born Vermont, married Samuel Giles. (Pg. 30)
2. Martha Burk: born Vermont, married Sheldon Matthews. (Pg. 30)
3. John Spencer Burk: born Vermont, married twice. (Pg. 33)
4. WILLIAM BURK: born Vermont, married twice. (Pg. 45)
5. Aurelia J. Burk: born Vermont, married Bildad Bennett. (Pg. 31)
6. Nelson Perry Burk: born Vermont, married Fanny Olmstead. (Pg. 36)
7. Polly M. Burk: born Vermont, married a Mr. ^{Burk} Gillett. (Pg. 31)
8. Electa L. Burk: born New York, married Charles Goodrich. (Pg. 31)
9. A daughter: born circa 1825 New York, died before 1854.

1. Betsey Burk: born 1803 Braintree, Vermont, married Samuel Giles, b. 1792 Connecticut (?). She may have been his 2nd wife. In 1840 they were living in Meridian, N.Y. Records from the Presbyterian Church of Meridian show that Betsey Burk Giles joined the church on 10 Mar. 1838, as married, and left the church on 7 April 1844. In 1850 they were living in Hartland Township, McHenry County, Ill. The 1850 census lists these children:

1. Allen Giles: b.c. 1829 New York State
2. Fanny Giles: b.c. 1831 New York State
3. William Giles: b.c. 1834 New York State
4. Charles N. Giles: b.c. 1837 New York State
5. Marcus D. Giles: b.c. 1839 New York State
6. Jasper C. Giles: b.c. 1846 Illinois

2. Martha Burk: born 1805 Braintree, Vermont, died 23 Oct. 1878, buried in Comstock, Michigan Cemetery in section 18. Married circa 1832, Sheldon Matthews, born 1813 N.Y. Michigan land records show that Sheldon Matthews, bought land as early as 14 Sept. 1833 in Jackson County. In 1838 they owned land in Washtenaw County. In 1840 they returned to New York State but returned to Michigan by 1844. In 1850 they were living in Comstock, Michigan. The 1850 census lists the following children:

1. Charles Matthews: b.c. 1834 Michigan
2. Ross Matthews: b.c. 1841 New York State
3. Virginia Matthews: b. 1848 Michigan
4. Imogene Matthews: b. 1845 in Kalamazoo, Michigan, died 9 Dec. 1938 in PawPaw, Michigan and is buried in the Comstock cemetery. Married her 1st cousin Marshal Benton Burk, 30 Dec. 1868 in Ceresco, Mi. He was the

31.

son of William and (1st wife) Catherine (Stoner)
Burk. (see Burk records.)

reid, A. Burk: born 1812 Vermont, married circa 1832 Bildad
Bennett, b. 1811 and d. 11 Apr. 1894, age 85 years. according
the History of Leoni Township, Jackson Co., Michigan, Bildad
came to Leoni, Michigan in the Spring of 1832. Jackson County
and records show that Bildad Bennett bought and sold many por-
tions of land. On 25 May 1835, Aurelia Bennett owned land near
Leoni which was then in Grass Lake Township. In 1850 they were
living in Leoni and Bildad is listed as a carpenter. The 1850
census lists 4 children:

1. Dewitt Bennett: b.c. 1835 Michigan
2. Dwight Bennett: b.c. 1838 Michigan
3. Nelson Bennett: b.c. 1843 ~~Michigan~~ West State
4. Edwin Bennett: b.c. 1845 Michigan

Elly W. Burk: born 18 Jan. 1817 in Danby, Vt., died 2 Mar. 1867
and is buried in the Cato-Meridian, N.Y. cemetery, on the eastern
side of her brother's (Nelson K. Burk) lot. married a Mr. ^{AS} Gillett
and there are no further records on her. (New York) 1 ch. Francis A. b. b. May 5



1853, in Jackson, N.Y., died Sept. 11, 1857 in New York.
Mr. Charles C. Farnham d. 1872 in Jordan, N.Y.
He b. June 22, 1857, Hannibal, Mo., d. Mar. 23, 1891
Hannibal, Mo. 4 children: Fred, Mary, etc.
Apr. 3, 1873 in Jordan, N.Y. Dr. July 16, 1906 Rem.

Elly (Burk) Gillett's
headstone
Cato-Meridian, N.Y. Cemetery

2. George Thomas Farnham b. Jan. 1 1818 Torr.
3. Harry K. Farnham, b. Apr. 13 1842 Madison.
4. Myrtle H. b. b. 1870, Madison D.
- 4 June 1899 San Diego, Calif.
(Larkin from Los Angeles.)

daughter: born circa 1825 Marcellus, N.Y., died before 1854.
no further records on her. (Anne Eliza)?

Leola W. Burk: born 1 May 1821 Marcellus, N.Y., died 6 Mar. 1903
Fairport, N.Y. at age 81, buried Greenvale Cem. in Fairport. In

(Giles) Goodrich who later lived in Cato, N.Y. (Cyprian was the son of Eliakim and Sarah (Leland) Goodrich of Ct.) After their marriage Charles and Electa (Burk) Goodrich went to Illinois with his brother Ansel and his sister Prudence who married Joseph Golder. In 1845 they were living in Cary, Ill. and in 1846 they bought land in Hartland, Ill. They sold this in 1854. Charles and Electa Goodrich then returned to Cato, N.Y. and settled on the first farm north of the Chase Road on the Short Cut Road. The 1860 census shows that the farm value was \$5000 and they raised barley, wheat, corn and Irish potatoes. They had cows, horses and pigs. Also, they made butter and cheese while raising another crop, tobacco.

A short time before 1870 they moved from the Cato area and, in 1900, Electa was living in Fairport, N.Y. with her daughter Charlott. Charles and Electa Goodrich had 5 children:

1. George N. Goodrich: b. 1845 Cary, Ill., d.c. 1869 of drowning at age 25. He was single.
 2. Charles Edwin Goodrich: born 1847 Hartland, Ill. He married 15 Oct. 1879 in Jersey City, N.J., Anne Lewis Thompson, b. May 1862, d. Sept. 1901, daughter of William and Matilda (Robinson) Thompson. They had 5 daughters:
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4. Florence Goodrich: b. 1888^{0, 1974}, married Herman Miller.

5. Marion Goodrich: b. 7 Mar. 1891, d. 18 May 1975.

She was single.

3. Ann Eliza Goodrich: b. 1850 Ill., died before 1900.

4. Jacqueling Goodrich: b. 1854 Ill., died before 1900.

5. Charlott Goodrich: b. July 1858 Cayuga Co., N.Y., died 1934. Married 1881/2 Frank W. Howard, b. 1858, d. 1934, son of Ansel Jr. (1808-1892) and Melissa (1821-1892) (Austin) Howard. Buried in Greenvale Cemetery, Fairport, N.Y. Ansel Jr. was the son of Ansel, Sr. (1783-1843) and Hulda (Johnson) Howard. The Howard family was a large and well known family in Fairport, N.Y. Quite a bit is written about them. Frank and Charlott (Goodrich) Howard had 3 children:

1. ?, died before 1900.

2. Ansel J. Howard III: born Dec. 1891

3. Carleton G. Howard: born Oct. 1895.

7. John Spencer Burk: born 1807 in Braintree, Vermont, died 5 March 1889 in Vicksburg, Kalamazoo County, Michigan. John S. Burk was about 5 years old when his family left Braintree and went to Danby, Vt. In 1817 the family left Danby and came to Marcellus, N.Y. to live. They resided in Marcellus until about 1832 when John and his parents with several of his sisters went to Michigan to homestead a farm. They settled near Grass Lake and Leoni, Michigan in Jackson County. John Spencer married and had at least 3 children by his 1st wife.

1. Marion Burk: b.c. 1839 Mi. Living (1850) in ^{Leoni}~~Vicksburg~~, Mi.

with her grandmother Betsey Burk

2. Marshall A. Burk: b.c. 1840. Living (1860) in Vicksburg, Mi.
3. Adelbert Burk: b.c. 1842. Living (1850) with his grandmother Betsey Burk in Leoni.

Land records of Jackson County, Michigan show that John Spencer Burk bought and sold several parcels of land between 1837-1840. In or about 1853 he married again and his 2nd wife was Mary H. Schoonhouse, b. New Jersey. By 1860 the John Spencer Burk family had left the Leoni area and had settled in the Schoolcraft and Vicksburg, Michigan areas. In 1868 he was a Justice of the Peace in Brady Township. He was also a wagonmaker. John S. Burk and his 2nd wife had 7 children:

1. John Spencer Burk, Jr.: born 7 April 1854 Leoni, Mi., died 8 Jan. 1933 in Vicksburg. Married 1st in the Autumn of 1875, Emma Ross, b. 1858, d. 10 Dec. 1881. 3 children;
 1. Myrtle L. Burk: b. 1877, married a Mr. Briggs.
 2. Electa H. Burk: married a Mr. Beal
 3. a child: b. 10 Dec. 1881, died in infancy

John Spencer Burk, Jr. married 2nd in April 1887, Ida D. Perry, b. 1850, d. 2 Feb. 1935. No children.

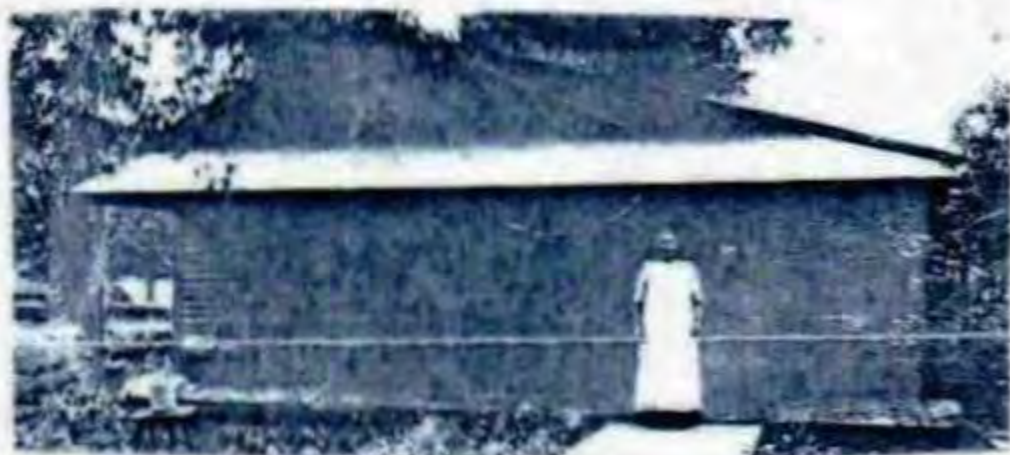
2. Orlando Burk: born 1856. In 1880, living with parents.
3. VanArman Burk: born 1859, d. 22 June 1936. in Vicksburg. Married Emma (?), b. 1859, d. 7 Jan. 1922
4. Emma Burk: b. 1860. In 1880, living with her parents.
5. Mary Burk: b. 28 July 1862 Schoolcraft, d. 12 Feb. 1929. Married Aaron Bullard 24 Sept. 1881 by Rev. Wisiner. 9 children:

1. Carrie Bullard: married a Mr. Anderson
2. Lucy Bullard: married a Mr. Fitch
3. Cecil Bullard;
4. Alba Bullard: Alba was a son
5. Emery Bullard:
6. Valeria Bullard: married a Mr. Maxam and had 2 daus.
Dau. Beulah: married a Mr. Smith.
7. Theo Bullard: married a Mr. Kissinger.
8. Volney Bullard:
9. Golda Bullard: married a Mr. Crouch. She died 26 July 19

6. Jefferson D. Burk: born 1865, died 1932. Married Mary (?), born 1868, died 1950. 2 children:
1. Thomas S. Burk: b. 1890, died 1946. Married Ruth (?), born 1913
 2. Mrs. Claude Selby
7. Yancy Burk: born 1869, died 15 April 1932. Married Hazel (or Emerald) Bullard of Vicksburg. Had at least 1 child:
1. David Henry Burk: born 14 Oct. 1897 in Vicksburg, Michigan and died 12 Jan. 1955. Married 1st (?), No children. Married 2nd Eva Leona Eggleston 1 June 1946. Eva was born 23 Mar. 1903. They adopted a daughter:
 1. Robin Diane Burk: born 28 Nov. 1952

"BURK HOUSE"

NW corner of Kalamazoo Ave. and Highway Street
Vicksburg, Michigan





NELSON PERRY BURKE

FANNY (OLMSTEAD) BURKE

C. 1880 (Pictures: courtesy of Robert T. Drummond)

B. Nelson Perry Burke: born 17 Jan. 1814 in Danby, Vt., died 27 July 1895 in the Town of Cato, N.Y. He married 3 Jan. 1846 Fanny Olmstead born 19 Dec. 1825, died 16 June 1888, daughter of John and Rachel (Sturge) Olmstead.

Nelson Perry Burke was three years old when his family moved from Danby, Vt. to Marcellus, N.Y. He lived in Marcellus from 1817 until 1834, where he received his education from the Marcellus School District and from a subscription school where each family paid accordingly to the number of pupils from each household. He settled in Cato, N.Y. in 1834 as a farmer. His farm was located on the Short Cut Road just north of the Smither Road. The census of 1860 lists his farm as consisting of 50 improved acres and 17 unimproved acres. Farm value was \$3600. In 1868 he purchased another farm which was located opposite the Cato-Meridian Cemetery. By excellent management he brought it to a high state of culture, making it one of the most valuable estates in the area. It contained 200 acres and farming was carried on in an extensive scale. He became a prosperous farmer and was numbered among the influential citizens. He took part in the management of local affairs and served various offices. Nelson P. Burke was a Democrat and during the Civil war contributed liberally to the cause of the Union.

The biographical review The Leading Citizens of Cayuga County, N.Y. of 1894 contains a lengthy article about the Nelson P. Burke family. It is in this article that Nelson Perry Burke speaks of his father and mother, John Burk, Jr. and Betsey (Green) Burk, their coming to Marcellus from Vermont in 1817 and their going to Michigan as pioneers. He also tells of his grandfather John Burk, Sr. who was born in Ireland, pressed into the English Navy, escaping and coming to America, where he joined the Patriot forces and served under General Stark at the Battle of Bennington, Vt. in 1777. The story of the "Burk" potato is also in this article. (See pages 43-44.)

Nelson P. and Fanny Olmstead Burke are buried in the Cato-Meridian Cemetery. They had 7 children:



Nelson & Fanny Burke's
Gravestone
Cato-Meridian Cemetery, N.Y.

Picture (below) circa 1882
Courtesy of Robert T. Drummond



STANDING:
Sarah (Burke) Ferris
Charles Ferris
Volney Burke
Wilfred Burke

SEATED:
Belle Burke
Ann (Burke) Drummond
Robert L. Drummond
Mrs. Volney Burke
Julia (Riker) Burke

CHILDREN OF NELSON PERRY BURKE & FANNY (OLMSTEAD) BURKE

1. Wilfred Montessor Burke: born 28 Nov. 1846, died 1 Jan. 1928, married 13 Feb. 1879 Julia P. Riker in Ontario, N.Y. by the Rev. J. D. Smith. She was born 1848 and died 1937. He was generally known as "Mont", taught school and was, at one time, a Justice of the Peace in Ontario, N.Y. Later, they moved to Meridian, N.Y. and took over his father's farm. When he "Mont" retired they moved into the Village of Meridian. He was secretary of the Meridian Cemetery Association during his retirement years. They are buried in the Cato-Meridian Cemetery. They had no children.
2. Volney E. Burke: born 7 Sept. 1850, died 24 Dec. 1884 at age 34. Married (?). No children. He is buried in the Cato-Meridian Cemetery on his parents' lot.
3. Sarah Lovina Burke: born 1854 and died 20 May 1901, aged 46. Married 2 March 1875 Charles J. Ferris, born 19 Aug. 1850, died 17 Nov. 1893. He was killed in an accident when a train struck his horse and wagon on a railroad track. Sarah and Charles were married by the Rev. J.D. Smith and Wilfred Burke & Sarah A. (Ferris) Cadwell were their witnesses. She was nicknamed "Nin". After the death of her husband Sarah moved to Auburn, N.Y. They are buried in the Cato-Meridian Cemetery.

They had 2 children:

1. Bell M. Ferris: born 18 June 1883, died 18 Mar. 1892
2. Beth Ferris: born 1887, died 28 May 1937, married 1 Jan. 1907, Clair Tabor. They had 1 child:
 1. Donald: named after his paternal grandfather, Donald Tabor



Sarah (Burke) Ferris
Picture courtesy
of
Robert T. Drummond

4. Rose Bell Burke: born 1858, died New Mexico. Married circa 1900 James Drummond, b. 27 Oct. 1848 Victory, N.Y., d. 18 Oct. 1937 in New Mexico. Before her marriage to James Drummond, Bell was a school teacher for many years in the Meridian school district. She was a very capable person and accomplished whatever she attempted with determination and enthusiasm. She signed her name "Bell". Like everyone else she had her peculiarities. Most teachers wore an apron to protect their dark wool dresses from chalk dust. The story is that Bell had worn one for so much that she insisted upon wearing one when she was married. Bell and James Drummond had a silver mine in New Mexico. They came back to Meridian for a short while but soon returned to ^{Kingston,} New Mexico where they spent the remainder of their lives. They had no children.



James Drummond
Picture courtesy of
Robert T. Drummond

5. M. Dorans Burke: born 30 Apr. 1853, died 23 Mar. 1864, age 11. She is buried in the Cato-Meridian Cemetery on her parents' lot.
6. Betsey A. Burke: born 19 Sept. 1866, died 29 Dec. 1876, age 12. Rev. J.D. Smith officiated at the funeral for Bettie A. Burke. He wrote that she was sick for about 14 months and died of consumption. She is buried on her parents' lot in the Cato-Meridian Cemetery.
7. Ann Electa Burke: born 29 Mar. 1848 in the Town of Cato, N.Y. She died 6 April 1920 in Auburn, N.Y. She married 14 Oct. 1872 Robert Loudon Drummond, born 21 Aug. 1842, died 12 Dec. 1919 in Auburn, N.Y. He was the son of James and Sarah (Louden) Drummond. James Drummond was born 11 Apr. 1797 and died in Victory, N.Y.
- Robert L. Drummond was born in New York City and was 3 years old when his family came to Cayuga County. He spent his boyhood on a farm, attending school winters until he was 16. After

completing his schooling at the Union Academy in Red Creek, he taught school. Among other positions, he was principal at Public School No. 4 in Auburn, N.Y. At the time of the Civil War he was mustered in as a Private in Co. H, 111th N.Y. Infantry Vols., Hancock's Co., Army of the Potomac. He was taken prisoner in front of Port Alexander Bay and was confined in prisons in Petersburg, Libby and Salisbury until 2 March 1865. After the war, while regaining his health, he read law. In 1871 he graduated from the law department of the University of Albany, N.Y. and was admitted to the practice of law 18 May 1871. In 1878 he was elected District Attorney and served 9 years. He was a trustee and ruling elder of the Calvary Presbyterian Church. Robert and Ann Drummond are buried in the Soule Cemetery. They had 6 children:

1. Ada Drummond: died young
2. Sarah Drummond: died young
3. Richard Cadwell Steel Drummond: born 2 Jan. 1877, died 1960 in Auburn, N.Y. Married 14 Sept. 1904 Lura Belle Wills. 2 children:
 1. Elspeth Drummond: b. 16 Oct. 1905, married Harry Hull
 2. Burke Wills Drummond: b. 1909, Married twice, no children. Is a lawyer in Auburn.
4. Nelson Loudon Drummond: b. 1880, d. 1951 in Auburn, N.Y. He was a lawyer. Married Elsie Tuttle. They had 3 children:
 1. Charles Drummond: resides in California
 2. Nelson Loudon Drummond Jr.: resides in Batavia, N.Y.
 3. Jean Drummond:
5. Alexander Magnus Drummond: b. 15 July 1884, d. 29 Nov. 1956 in Ithaca, N.Y. He had polio as a child and never married. He attended Hamilton University and was a teacher in the Drama Dept. at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y.
6. Robert Wilfred Drummond:
 - b. 13 Aug. 1889, d. 21 Mar. 1948 Oneida, N.Y. He married 12 June 1915 in Auburn, Olive



Alexander Drummond

Meyer Tryon, b. 28 Aug. 1890, d. 9 Jan. 1972. She was the daughter of Oscar (1855-1932) and Jane (Meyer) Tryon (1858-1918). They had 4 children:

*He Died
Apr. 26
1990*

1. Robert Tryon Drummond: b. 16 Dec. 1920 in Newton, Mass. Married in Lancaster, Pa. on 2 Aug. 1947 Grace Alexander, born 4 June 1923. Robert Tryon Drummond enlisted as a Private in Co. E, Seventh Infantry on 30 July 1942 and was discharged 18 Dec. 1944 having been wounded at the Battle of Anzio, Italy on 2 Feb. 1944. He attended Oberlin College Conservatory of Music and became a music teacher in Fort Wayne, Indiana. On 10 June 1983 both he and his wife retired after many years devoted to teaching. They have 2 children:

1. Alexander Loudon Drummond: b. 16 May 1954
2. Laura Tosey Drummond: b. 7 Nov. 1955

2. Ann Loudon Drummond: b. 29 Dec. 1922, d. 16 Jan. 1928 from drowning.

3. Jane (Gregory) Loudon Drummond: b. Sept. 1926, married Donald Hanlon. 4 children:

1. Thomas Hanlon
2. Kevin Hanlon
3. Robert Hanlon
4. Margaret Hanlon

4. Gregory Alexander Drummond: b. 19 Feb. 1929, married Shirley Hobbs. 3 children:

1. Peter Drummond
2. Andrew Drummond
3. Susan Drummond



Robert Tryon Drummond

*N.P. →
Burke's
Farm*



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ure of a mortgage and the loss of a valuable property. In the matter of membership he has also been successful. On every charge there has been a healthy increase, and in some instances to an extent marked and substantial.

NELSON PERRY BURKE, one of the few surviving members of the band of early settlers of Cayuga County, is a resident of the town of Cato, ripe in honors as well as years. A man of foresight and energy, he has long been prominent in matters pertaining to the development and progress of this region of the country, ever aiding and encouraging every enterprise for the public benefit; and now, in his declining years, he is held in that respect and reverence accorded those whose lives have been distinguished by integrity and usefulness. By his own unaided efforts he has advanced from a modest beginning to a good position, both socially and financially, among his fellow-townsmen.

Mr. Burke was born on January 17, 1814, on the east side of the Green Mountains in the State of Vermont. His grandfather, John Burke, was born in the Emerald Isle, where he grew to maturity, and was subsequently pressed into the service of the English Navy. After serving there awhile he escaped, and, emigrating to America, joined the patriot forces, and was one of the brave band under General Stark who won the battle of Bennington. He served in Washington's army till the close of the Revolution, and afterward

settled in Vermont, where he engaged farming, dying there at the venerable age of eighty years. In the mean time, long in the familiar scenes of his childhood, he visited Ireland, and on his return brought potatoes to plant on his Vermont farm. A variety of potato is still in existence, known as the Burke potato.

John Burke, Jr., son of the emigrant, married Betsey Green, who like himself was and bred in the ^{MASSACHUSETTS} Green Mountains. There, ^{Vermont} they were married. From Vermont they migrated to this State in 1817, settling in the town of Marcellus, in Oneida County, where they spent several years. Going thence to Michigan, they were among the pioneers of that State, and, improving a homestead there, spent their last years on their farm, he dying at the age of sixty years, and his wife at sixty-four years of age. He was a man of strong convictions, very firm in his religious views, and reared his children under a strict and rigid discipline. Of nine children born unto him, and his wife only two are now living: Nelson P. and Mrs. Electa L. Goodrich, of Fairbairn, N. Y.

Nelson Perry Burke, who was but five years old when his parents removed to Marcellus, received his education in the district schools and in a subscription school, in each family paid according to the number of pupils sent from its household. He remained at home until seventeen years of age, when he began the battle of life on his own account, and the following summer worked as a

laborer for Levi Parsons, receiving eight dollars a month wages. As soon as he had accumulated a little money, he invested it in real estate in Marcellus, where he engaged in farming for a short time. In 1832 or 1833 he came to Cayuga County, and, having sold his property in Marcellus, bought one hundred acres of land in the town of Cato, on which there were no improvements. Deer and other wild game were to be found, and the land was covered with a heavy growth of timber. Having cleared a goodly portion of it, he sold that and purchased another tract of land containing sixty acres, from which he improved a valuable farm, and lived thereon many years. In 1868 Mr. Burke purchased the homestead where he now resides; and by excellent management he has brought it to its present high state of culture, making it one of the most valuable estates in this part of the county. It contains two hundred acres of rich and fertile land, on which he has made many and substantial improvements, and carries on general farming on an extensive scale, being considered one of the most prosperous farmers of this vicinity. His residence is a handsome and commodious one, and is known far and wide for the open hospitality and geniality of its inmates.

The marriage ceremony which united the destinies of Mr. Burke and Miss Fanny Olmsted took place January 8, 1846. Mrs. Burke was a native of Cato, being the daughter of John R. and Rachel (Sturge) Olmsted, who were early settlers of the town of Cato, where Mr. Olmsted was numbered among the influ-

ential citizens, and served for a number of years as Justice of the Peace. Nelson P. Burke and his wife reared seven children, of whom the four now living are as follows: Wilfred M., a farmer in Cato; Ann, the wife of District Attorney Robert L. Drummond; Sarah L., the widow of Charles Ferris, and the remaining sister, Rose Bel, who live at home with their father. A daughter, Lorana, died at the age of fourteen years; Bettie, when only thirteen years old; and a son, Volney E., at the age of thirty-five years. The family of Mr. Burke was also doubly bereaved when on June 16, 1888, Mrs. Burke, the kind wife, good mother, and faithful friend, a woman of exceptionally fine character, passed on to meet the loved ones on the other shore.

Mr. Burke has taken an important part in the management of local affairs, and has held the various offices within the gift of his fellow-townsmen, among others being that of Highway Commissioner and Supervisor, which he has held two terms. His financial ability and honesty are so widely recognized that he has often been called upon to settle estates for his neighbors, which he has done most satisfactorily. In politics he is a staunch Democrat, and he has never missed a vote since casting his first ballot. He has always been opposed to slavery; and during the late Civil War he contributed liberally to the cause of the Union. He is broad and liberal in his religious views, and lives a sincere and worthy life. Socially, he is a member of the Union Grange, No. 718, at Meridian.

William Green Burk

- III. 9. WILLIAM BURK: born 1809 in Braintree, Orange County, Vermont, died 5 Nov. 1887 at age 79 in the Town of Cato, Cayuga County, N.Y. He was about 3 years of age when his family left Braintree and moved to Danby, Rutland County, Vt. His maternal grandparents William Jr. and Betsey (Hudson) Green resided in Danby. William Burk was the great-grandson of William Sr. and Sarah (Stone) Green. His great-great-grandparents were Patrick and Eleanor (McMains) Green of Oakham, Worcester County, Mass. (See Green records)

William Burk was about 8 years of age when his family left Danby, Vt. in 1817 to settle in Marcellus, Onondaga County, N.Y. He received his education in the Marcellus schools and in a subscription school where each family paid according to the number of pupils from each household.



William Burk
& 2nd wife
Lydia Vickery

c. 1860



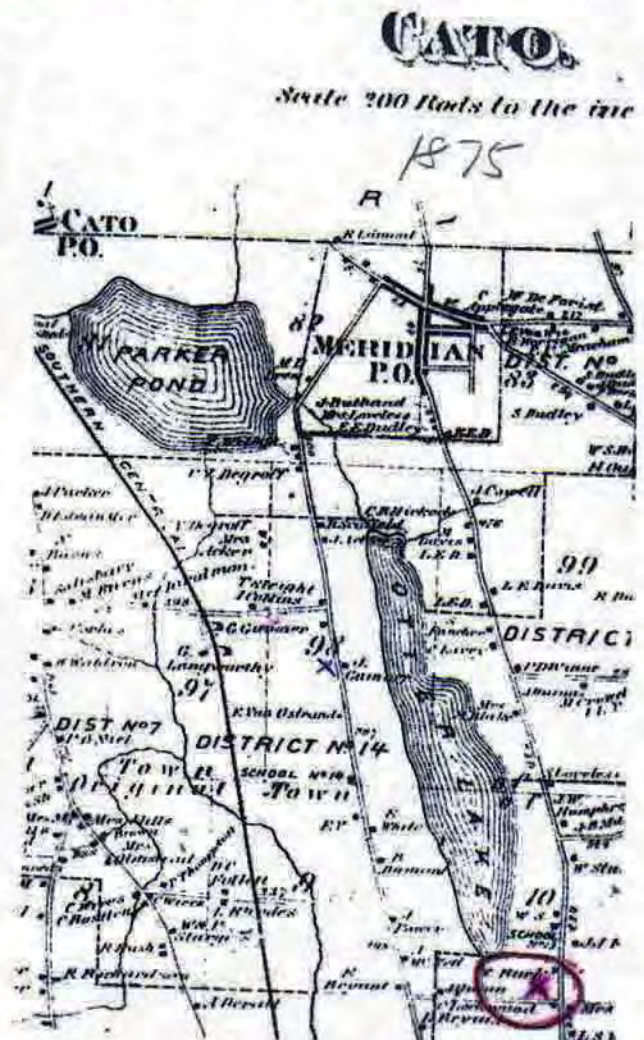
According to the book History of Cayuga County William Burk settled in the Town of Cato, N.Y. in 1834. His parents, brother John Spencer Burk, and his sisters left Marcellus, N.Y. about this time to homestead a farm near Grass Lake and Leoni, Michigan. In 1850 William Burk is listed as an attorney and a farmer according to the census. His home was located about 2 1/2 miles south of Meridian, N.Y. on the first farm north of the Lockwood Road off the Bonta Bridge Road. (In 1982 this area has not changed and his farm including the house were still standing.) The 1860 census shows that his farm consisted of 60 improved and 20 unimproved acres. Farm value was \$8000. Machinery value was \$495,

livestock value was \$1190 (7 horses, 7 cows, 1 pig, 2 calves and 2 oxen). Produce quantity was: wheat 630 bushels, corn 800 bushels, Irish potatoes 50 bushels, barley 100 bushels and hay 10 tons. Orchard produce value was \$30 and butter quantity was 900 lbs.



William Burk's farmhouse
1982

Map shows location of
William Burk's farm



William Burk married 1st, Catherine Maria Stoner, circa 1834. She was born 1816 in Cato, N.Y. She died 27 July 1844 age 28 years. One of her sisters, Susan Ann Stoner, married Charles Colton. Another sister, Jule Stoner, married David Duncan and they moved to Duluth, Minnesota where Mr. Duncan did very well in the lumbering business. Catherine (Stoner) Burk is buried in the old part (Dutton Cemetery) of the Meridian Cemetery. William and Catherine (Stoner) Burk had 7 children.

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| 1. Orlando Giles Burk: b.c. 1835 | (See page <u>47</u>) |
| 2. Fernando Niles Burk: b.c. 1837 | (See page <u>48</u>) |
| 3. Adelaide Burk: b.c. 1838 | (See page <u>49</u>) |
| 4. Marshal Benton Burk: b.c. 1839 | (See page <u>50</u>) |
| 5. Marcus Duncan Burk: b.c. 1841 | (See page <u>51</u>) |
| 6. Jenett M. Burk: b. 1843 | (See page <u>52</u>) |
| 7. Catherine Burk: b. 1844 | (See page <u>53</u>) |

WILLIAM BURK married 2nd Lydia A. Vickery daughter of Abner Vickery (b.c. 1770 Vermont, died 19 Feb. 1844) and Lydia Vickery (b. 1792 Mass., died Apr. 1878). Lydia (Vickery) Burk had a sister Sarah who died 9 Aug. 1846 at age 16 years and 11 months. Abner Vickery and his daughter Sarah are buried in the old part of the Meridian Cemetery (Dutton part). It is assumed Abner's wife Lydia is buried there also without a marker. Lydia (Vickery) Burk was born c. 1822 in Cayuga County, N.Y. and died 22 March 1896. William and Lydia Burk moved into the Village of Meridian, N.Y. during their retirement years. Since he bought lot #407 in the Meridian Cemetery (Monumental Grove), he and Lydia are probably buried thereupon with no markers. William and Lydia had 5 children.

1. William Marion Burk: died 30 Sept. 1851, aged 3 years, 9 months and 3 days. Buried in Old Dutton Cemetery.
2. FRANK EUGENE BURKE: born 1851. Married Jennie E. Thomas. (See page 56).
3. Fred ~~M.~~ ^{m: Cora Marion Smith 1906 (see p. 163)} Burke: born 1853, married (?), son Myron born c. 1904. ^{D. 1939}
4. Elbie Burk: died 22 Feb. 1855, aged 4 months and 24 days. Buried in Old Dutton Cemetery.
5. Agetta L. Burk: b.c. 1861, died at age 14. She is probably buried with her parents on lot #407 in the Meridian Cemetery with no marker.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM BURK & 1st WIFE CATHERINE (STONER) BURK

1. Orlando Giles Burk: b. 5 Nov. 1835 in the Town of Cato, N.Y. He died 4 March 1915. (AKA Giles Orlando Burk). He died in Jordan, N.Y. and is buried in Maple Grove Cemetery, Elbridge, N.Y. Orlando was a veteran of the Civil War, enlisting at age 27 on 6 Aug. 1862 as a Private in the 138th N.Y. Infantry Vols. He was promoted to Corporal and transferred to the 9th Heavy Artillery. On 6 April 1864 he was promoted to Sergeant. Orlando was discharged on 6 July 1865 near Washington, D.C. Army papers describe him as 5'10½" tall, having a light complexion, grey eyes and light brown hair. Orlando married 1st Margaret Setright circa 1859. She died c. 1861. No children. Orlando married 2nd Mary Fidelia Spinning on 24 May 1866. They were married by Rev. S.B. Sherrill, pastor

of the Presbyterian Church of Meridian, N.Y. At a later time they lived in the old brick house on the Sardis Dudley farm on the Jordan Road. Mary (Spinning) Burk died 4 Oct. 1902. Orlando and Mary Burk had 3 children.

1. Mary M. Burk: b. 29 Jan. 1871, married Robert (Donald) Mawhiney. He died 11 Jan. 1943. No children.
 2. Florence A. Burk: b. 6 May 1873, married Guy Sands. They first lived on a farm near Jordan, N.Y. which they sold to Father Grimes. They then moved to Warners, N.Y. They had 5 children all who settled in Warners and Camillus, N.Y. (Sands: Ruth, Warren, George, Edwin and Albert).
 3. Marion Burk: died before 1898. Married Fritz Shultz. He owned a garage business in Warners.
2. Fernando Niles Burk: b.c. 1836, d. 1867, age 31 years. Married Myra E. Bowen, b. 28 July 1838 in Darien, N.Y., died 6 Nov. 1906. Both are buried in the Meridian Cemetery. Fernando Burk was a schoolteacher. While so engaged, he met Miss Bowen in Attica, N.Y. They married in April of 1860. They worked a farm in partnership with her brother for one year. In Nov. 1861 Fernando purchased the 75 acre farm in Meridian on the NW corner of the junction of routes 370 & 176. (Meacham Corners). In 1867 Fernando fell in the barn and was so seriously injured that he died. His wife Myra sold the farm and invested the proceeds into 2 double houses in Meridian. Fernando and Myra Burk had 1 child, Stella, b. 1862. The rent from the houses supported Myra and Stella until Stella was old enough to teach school. Stella, an accomplished musician, gave private music lessons. On 27 Dec. 1906 and after her mother's death, Stella Burk married her cousin Dwight Bowen. They enjoyed traveling and toured Europe and Ireland for 6 months. Although they wintered in Florida, Meridian



Fernando Burk



Fernando, Myra and Stella



Stella Bowen

was always their headquarters. Dwight Bowen died 30 Oct. 1932 and is buried by his 1st wife in Attica, N.Y. Stella (Burk) Bowen died in 1934 and is buried with her parents in the Meridian Cemetery.

3. Adelaide Burk: b. 6 June 1838, d. 8 Jan. 1922, aged 83 years. Married Daniel Gumaer, b. 26 Mar. 1838, d. 8 Nov. 1892, aged 54 years. Both buried in the Meridian Cemetery, lot #447. Daniel and Adelaide Gumaer lived on a farm on Route #370, 1½ miles east of Meridian. This was a place where relatives congregated. In 1894 Adelaide's daughter-in-law, Harriette (Gordenier) Gumaer died of typhoid. Shortly thereafter, Adelaide move to Meridian into a house owned by her sister-in-law Myra (Bowen) Burk, widow of Fernando Burk. Adelaide's grandson Harry Gumaer lived with her until his marriage and she, then, lived with them. Her son William Gumaer lived on the farm east of Meridian. Daniel and Adelaide Gumaer had 2 children.

1. Myrtle Gumaer: b. 30 Sept. 1862, d. 17 Sept. 1866
2. William J. Gumaer: b. 30 Mar. 1868, d. 28 Oct. 1933, Married 1st Harriett Gordenier, b. 16 Sept. 1862, d. 3 June 1894 of typhoid. They had 1 child.

1. Harry Gumaer: b. Apr. 1892. Married Ruth C. Harrington Sept. 1910. She was b. 16 June 1892, d. 1979. They had 4 children.

1. Wayne Gumaer: Married Iris Mitchell. 3 sons: Harlon, James and Robert
2. Woodrow Gumaer: Married Mary Makavage. 2 children: Marilyn and Robert
3. Harriette Gumaer: Married Merton Snyder. 2 girls: Nancy and (?). Both died young.
4. Donald Gumaer: Married Jacquiline (?). 2 children. 1 adopted.

William J. Gumaer married 2nd Dora Pooler, b. 1874, d. 27 Feb. 1927. They had 15 children.

1. Ralph Gumaer: b. 24 Jan. 1896, d. 13 Apr. 1964. Married Aileen Stubbs. 7 children: Dorothy, Barbara, Erma Jean, Bruce, Curtis, Gordon and Robert.
2. Ruth Augusta Gumaer: b. 8 Nov. 1897, d. 27 Mar. 1964. Married Russ Slausen, b. 1890, d. 1937. 1 child: Vincent b. 1920, d. 1933.

3. Dorothy Gumaer: b. 14 Oct. 1899, married Thurlow Booth (1896-1968). They had 3 children: Beth, Arlene, Thurlow Jr.
 4. Bessie Gumaer: b. 9 Dec. 1901, married James McQueen. They had 1 adopted son.
 5. Twin: William J. Gumaer: b. 15 Nov. 1903, married Jennie Calkins. Both were living in 1980. 1 child: Dora Jean married Thomas Lynch.
 6. Twin: Anna Frances Gumaer: b. 15 Nov. 1903. Married Florant Calkins and they had 3 children: George who married Genevieve Hoag (2 children), Florant Jr. and Suzanna who married Robert Damswood.
 7. Twin: died shortly after birth
 8. Twin: died shortly after birth
 9. Twin: Elbert Gumaer: b. 26 June 1906, d. 16 Nov. 1979. Married Helen Wilbur and they had 2 children: Harvey and Marlene.
 10. Twin: Elba Gumaer: b. 26 June 1906, living 1980. Married 1st Raymond Stachpoole. Married 2nd Harold Greibno.
 11. Twin: Marjorie Gumaer: b. 4 Sept. 1909, married Nelson Purdy.
 12. Twin: Mary Esther Gumaer: b. 4 Sept. 1909, married Howard Jones.
 13. Harvey Gumaer: b. 8 May 1911, d. Dec. 1928. Killed in a trolley accident in Jordan, N.Y.
 14. Erma Gumaer: b. 1912, d. Dec. 1928. Killed in a trolley accident in Jordan, N.Y.
 15. Clayton Howard Gumaer: b. 1914, died 19 April 1914.
4. Marshal Benton Burk: b. 15 Nov. 1839, d. 27 Apr. 1914 in Paw Paw, Michigan. Married Imogene Matthews, his cousin, on 30 Dec. 1868 in Ceresco, Michigan, by the Rev. James Verney of the Congregational Church. Imogene was born 1845 in Kalamazoo, Michigan, died 9 Dec. 1938 in Paw Paw, Michigan. She was the daughter of Sheldon and Martha (Burk) Matthews. Marshal B. Burk was a veteran of the Civil War enlisting as a Private, at age 20, in Co. K, 44th N.Y. Vol. Infantry. His enlistment date was 23 Sept. 1861 in Albany, N.Y. He was wounded in action on 1 July 1862 in the Battle of Malvern Hill which near Richmond, Va. In Sept. of 1862 he was promoted to 2nd Lt. and reassigned to the 138th N.Y. Vol. Regt. which was the same reg-

iment as his older brother Orlando G. Burk enlisted in on 6 August 1862. On 11 Feb. 1863, Marshal was given a commission as 1st Lt. in the 9th Heavy Artillery. He was wounded again (gunshot wound to the left arm) on 9 July 1864 in the Battle of Monocacy. Although his name appears on the plaque in the 44th N.Y. Vols.' memorial at Little Round Top situated in the Gettysburg, Pa. Battlefield Park, Marshal did not participate in the Battle of Gettysburg, which occurred 1-3 July 1863. He had not returned to his regiment (the 44th) after being wounded at Malvern Hill. He was promoted to Captain 15 Dec. 1864 and discharged from service on 26 Sept. 1865. After the Civil War, Marshal B. Burk went to Michigan. An uncle, John S. Burk, several aunts and many cousins were already living in Michigan. Marshal and Imogene Burk had 1 child. (*Both buried Comstock, Michigan Cemetery*)

1. David Burke: b. 13 June 1870 in Ceresco, Michigan, died before 1938. Married (?). He was a mailman for many years in Paw Paw. 2 children.

1. Dwayne B. Burke: in 1938 living at 316 E. St. Joseph St., Paw Paw, Michigan. Died before 1981.

2. Gaylord Matthews Burke: living in 1981.

5. Marcus Duncan Burke: b. 7 May 1841, d. 5 June 1917 in Rochester, N.Y. Married 14 Feb. 1866 Isabella Henry, by the Rev. Sherrill, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Meridian, N.Y. She was born in New York City where she received her education and spent her early childhood. Her home, at one time, was on 19th St. which was later occupied by Simpson, Crawford & Simpson Dry Goods Store. She died 12 Mar. 1906 in Clifton Springs, N.Y. at age 65. In 1906 she had 2 sisters living, Margaret Converse of Jordan, N.Y. and Mrs. William Stevenson of New York City. Marcus D. Burk was a veteran of the Civil War enlisting at age 19 in Albany, N.Y. (with his brother Marshal) on 23 Sept. 1861. He enlisted as a Private in Co. K, 44th N.Y. Vol. Regt. and was wounded in action near Richmond, Va. in the Battle of Malvern Hill on 1 July 1862. He participated in 18 severe battles. After he was wounded he returned to the 44th N.Y. and was promoted to Corporal on 1 Feb. 1863, a rank he held during the Battle of Gettysburg. His name appears upon the plaque inside the Romanesque-type

castle dedicated as a memorial monument to the 44th N.Y.Vols. on Little Round Top at the Gettysburg, Pa. National Military Park.. In 1864 he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and was mustered out of the Army on 11 Oct. 1864. He was 5'10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " tall, fair complexioned with grey eyes and brown hair. Marcus and Isabella Burk had 1 child.

1. William Henry Burke: b. 31 Jan. 1869. Married Alice May. They had 1 child.

1. Carleton Henry Burke: b. 1901 in Clifton Springs, N.Y., died 1976 in Elmira, N.Y. Buried in Woodlawn Cemetery. He was an author and wrote several books on Indian lore, poems and music, entitled Home in these Hills, The Indian and His River and Symphony Iroquois. Carleton was employed by the Rochester Museum of Arts and Sciences. In 1939 he was awarded a Museum Fellowship for his contribution to the fields of folk literature and photography. Carleton Henry Burke married 1st Dorothy (?), married 2nd Hazel (?), married 3rd Elizabeth Clark. 1 child by the first wife.

1. William Glen Burke: b. 1923. Married twice and has 3 daughters. In 1984, was living in Reston, Virginia.

Indian Lore Authority



CARLETON BURKE

6. Jennett Leanora Burk: born 1843, d. 10 June 1894 at age 51 from typhoid. She contracted the disease while helping in the care of Adelaide Burk Gumaer's daughter-in-law, Harriett Gumaer, who also died from the disease. Jennett was a schoolteacher and made her home with her sister Adelaide while teaching in the Meridian District. She was tall and thin while Adelaide was short and plump. Jennett is probably buried on her father's lot in the Meridian Cemetery. She has no headstone and she never married.



7. Catherine Burk: born 1844, died before 1910. Her mother Catherine Stoner Burk died soon after she was born. She was known as "Kate" and she married a Mr. Aumock. They had 4 children.

1. Myrtie Aumock: died May 1960. Married a Mr. Delvin and they had no children.
2. Blanch Aumock: She stayed with her Aunt Adelaide (Burk) Gumaer and went to school in District #4 when her cousin Stella Burk was a teacher there.
3. Elba Aumock: married a Mr. Legg.
4. William F. Aumock: died 27 July 1959. Married Addie (?), No children.

Cato-Meridian Cemetery Headstones



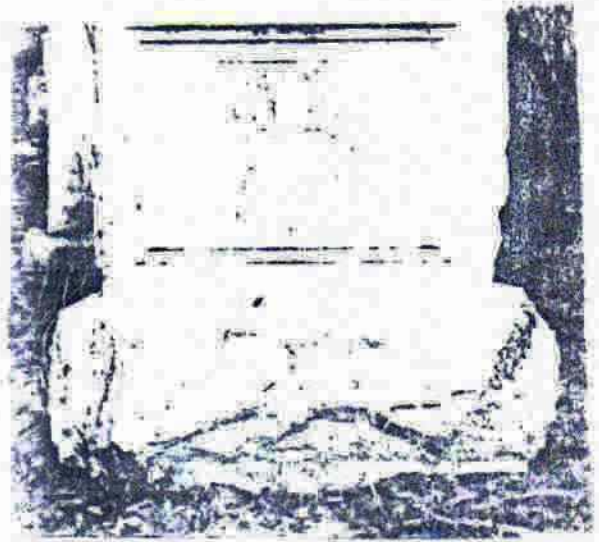
Fernando & Myra (Bowen) Burk
Daughter Stella (Burk) Bowen
Fernando, son of William & Catherine
(Stoner) Burk



Daniel & Adelaide (Burk) Gumaer
Adelaide, daughter of William &
Catherine (Stoner) Burk

Cato- Meridian, N.Y.
Cemetery Headstones

Wilfred & Julia (Riker) Burke
Wilfred, son of Nelson P. &
Fanny Rachel (Olmstead) Burke



Frank & Jennie (Thomas) Burke
Frank, son of William and 2nd
wife Lydia (Vickery) Burk

Note: Lot #407 in the Meridian Cemetery, bought by William Burk, contains 12 plots. Evidently many of William and Lydia (Vickery) Burk's children and other relatives are buried here without markers. The lack of markers on the graves could be a reflection on William's Quaker ancestry whereas Quakers did not believe in elaborate stones to mark graves. (His Quaker grandmother, Betsey (Hudson) Green is buried in the Quaker-Nichols Farm Cemetery in Danby, Vermont and her grave, along with many others, lacks a stone.)

IN MEMORIAM.

LINES IN REMEMBRANCE OF

MISS GETTY L. BURK

We saw her of late, in her youthful bloom,
And we thought not of pain and sorrow,
And the joyous play, of her sweet face to-day,
We felt would return with the morrow.

She moved like a fairy, the fairest among,
A buoyant spirit of lightness,
And awakened the song, in the dance along,
Like a Sylph, of grace and brightness.

Her cheeks' faint glow, seemed the hue of health,
To us, who knew not her weakness,
'Till the fever flush, like the dawn's first blush,
Came o'er to disturb its sweetness.

But the spoiler came, the 'ANGEL OF DEATH',
And each face wore a look of sorrow,
And we cried, sad and wild, alas! for our child,
No waking hast thou for the morrow.

And friends passed away from that couch of woe,
All had finished each mournful duty,
And the flowers wove, by the hands of love,
Seemed mute, in a withering beauty.

Sad sounded the death knell in our ears,
And our hearts were a weary with aching,
As they buried her deep, for a long, long sleep,
The sleep that knows no waking.

Oh! God 'tis a strange, a mysterious thought,
That our darling, so early, should perish,
That the robe of the tomb—should enwrap a form,
A bosom of love, might have cherished.

Farewell! loved and lost, in the home of the blest,
Precious, jewell, thy brow, are adorning,
And though weeping with us, may endure for a night,
Our joy will come with the morning.

MRS. THEODORE COGSWELL.



A
REMEMBRANCE
WRITTEN FOR
MISS GETTY L. BURK
c. 1875
BY
MRS. THEODORE COGSWELL
a neighbor

Getty L. Burk
daughter of William & 2nd
wife Lydia (Vickery) Burk

IV. FRANK EUGENE BURKE: born 5 Sept. 1851 Town of Cato, N.Y., died 7 May 1928. Married 18 Nov. 1873 Jennie Emma Thomas, born 12 Apr. 1855 in Jordan, N.Y. and died 26 July 1926 in Meridian, N.Y., age 71 years. She was the daughter of John A. Thomas and Sarah (Failing) Thomas. Her grandparents were John A. Failing and Jane (Owen) Failing of Jordan, N.Y. and Noyes H. Thomas and Emma (Baldwin) Thomas of Woodbridge, Ct. (See Baldwin, Failing and Thomas records.) Jennie (Thomas) Burke was a practical nurse. During their retirement, Frank and Jennie Burke lived on West Main Street, Meridian, N.Y. (Rt. 370). Their home was located several houses east of the Meridian Cemetery. They are buried on lot #407 in the Meridian Cemetery. This lot was bought by Frank's father William Burk. Frank and Jennie Burke have a headstone. They had 3 children.

1. Lillian Burke: b. 24 Aug. 1875, d. 1945. Married Floyd Hapeman, a carpenter and machinist. They resided in Cato, N.Y. and had 3 children.
 1. Carleton Hapeman: b. Feb. 1895, d. 1946, married Florence VanPatten. 2 children: Edwin and Patricia.
 2. Harold Hapeman: b. 12 May 1902, d. before 1946, married (?) and had 1 child: a daughter.
 3. Cora Maude Hapeman: b. Mar. 1906 and married Leon Upcraft. 1 child: Gloria. Cora Maude and Gloria reside in Florida.
2. Cora Frances Burke: b. 26 Oct. 1878, d. 10 June 1950, married 22 Mar. 1899, Stanley Jewell, b. 25 Nov. 1880, d. 14 Sept. 1945. He was the son of Wilbur M. and Mary (Weager) Jewell. All are buried in the Union Hill Cemetery. Stanley and Cora (Burke) Jewell made their home in the Cato-Meridian, N.Y. area for many years. At one time he operated a meat market. Later, they worked on the State Farm in Syracuse, N.Y. When they retired they purchased property overlooking Cross Lake. They had 1 child.
 1. Wilbur Nelson Jewell: b. 21 Apr. 1900, d. 1 Apr. 1964. Married 23 Feb. 1924 Neva Wells Sowarby, b. 17 May 1904, d. 11 July 1976. They had 5 children.

1. Jennie (Jane) Elizabeth Jewell: o. 29 July 1926
 2. Dorothy Cora Jewell: b. 1 Jan. 1928
 3. Virginia Emily Jewell: b. 14 July 1930
 4. Wilbur Gordon Jewell: b. 18 June 1932
 5. Stanley George Jewell: b. 15 Aug. 1936
3. NELSON WILLIAM BURKE: born 21 June 1882 in the Town of Gato, N.Y., died 4 Sept. 1938 in Corning, N.Y. Married Laure Adella Gleasman on 3 Sept. 1902 in Ava, N.Y. She was the daughter of Christian and Caroline (Senn) Gleasman. They had 5 children. (See page 58).

"BURKE" REUNION AT THE "JEWELL" FARM. 1920.



Seated: Laura Burke & Dan Burke, Mrs. (Cora Marien Smith) Fred Burke, Jennie Burke, Lillian Hapeman, Cora Jewell, Florence Burke, Norman Burke, Cora Maudie Hapeman.
 Standing: Nelson W. Burke, Stella (Burk) Bowen, Dwight Bowen, Fred Burke, Floyd Hapeman, Stanley Jewell, Frank Burke, Wilbur Jewell, Carl Hapeman, (?) Gumaer, Harold Hapeman, Leland Burke, and Myron Burke.

(Above)
 Cora Maude Hapeman
 Florence Burke
 Leland Burke
 Myron Burke



Nelson W. Burke

1901



Laura Adella Gleasman

- V. NELSON WILLIAM BURKE: born 21 June 1882 in the Town of Cato, N.Y., died 4 Sept. 1938 in Corning, N.Y. Married 3 Sept. 1902 Laura Adella Gleasman, born 23 Oct. 1880, died 1 Aug. 1962 in Corning, N.Y. They were married at the Old Homestead of Valentine Gleasman (1804-1903) in Ava, N.Y. She was the daughter of Christian Justice Gleasman and Caroline (Senn) Gleasman. Before her marriage Laura worked at the Utica Knitting Mills, staying with her sister Flora Beard who lived in Utica, N.Y. Nelson worked for a milk company in Peruville, N.Y. Nelson and Laura met at the farm of another sister, Olive (Gleasant) Iexton, who lived in Oriskany, N.Y. Nelson had come there to help with the hop harvest and Laura had come there to help her sister cook for the hop pickers.

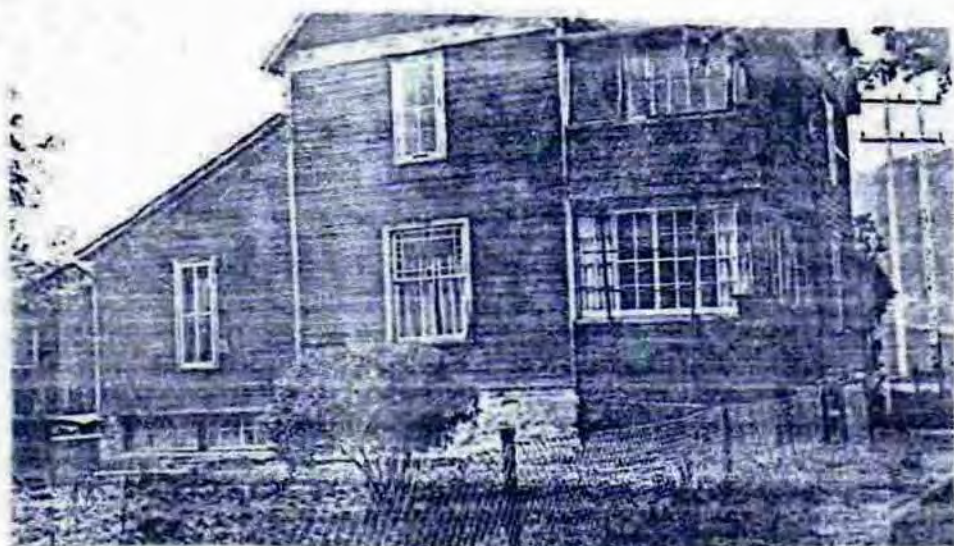
After their marriage they lived in Peruville, moving to Cortland, N.Y. in 1904. There, he worked for the Wick, Wire, and Nail Company. In 1905 they moved to Corning, N.Y. residing at 445 Delevan Ave. From 1905 until 1914 he was employed by the New York Central Railroad as a fireman. For the next 12 years Nelson worked independently as a Well Driller and drilled wells around the Corning area and into Pennsylvania. In the Spring of 1914 he bought the property at 13 Conhocton St. in Corning. This property was bought by the Corning Glass Works in 1962 and the house with all its outbuildings was torn down.



Nelson and Laura Burke
Prior to marriage 1902



Laura Burke & children: Ireland &
Florence 445 Delevan Ave.,
Corning, N.Y. 1907



13 Connocton Street, Corning, N.Y. 1962

Headstone
Nelson & Laura Burke
Coopers Plains Cemetery
Coopers Plains, N.Y.



In 1926 Nelson W. Burke worked for the City of Corning with the Dept. of Public Works as a steam roller operator during summer and as a blacksmith during the winter. In 1932 he became an engineer with the water Dept., working at the Pumping Station on Conhocton Street, until his death in 1938. Nelson W. Burke and Laura (Gleasant) Burke are buried in the Coopers Plains Cemetery, Coopers Plains, N.Y. They had 5 children.



1932

Standing: Florence Burke, Leland Burke, Laura and Nelson Burke
Front: Daniel Burke, Jennie Burke, Norman Burke

1. Leland Nelson Burke: born 11 Aug. 1903 in Peruville, N.Y., died 29 Feb. 1988 in Corning, N.Y. Married 2 Aug. 1925 Margaret Jane McCarty, born 10 Sept. 1906, daughter of Robert and Rachel (Hotalen) McCarty. Leland was a U.S. Navy Veteran of World War II, serving as a shipfitter 1st Class in the "Seabees". He lived in Corning for many years and worked for the Corning Natural Gas Corporation. Leland and Margaret had 2 children.

1. Leland Nelson Burke Jr.: b. 21 Oct. 1926 in Corning, N.Y. Married 19 Nov. 1949 Betty M. Strayer, b. 8 July 1926 daughter of George and Ruth (Willmore) Strayer.

They had 3 children.

1. Richard Douglas Burke: b. 31 Aug. 1950.
2. Janet Lee Burke: b. 22 Aug. 1952. Married 31 May 1975, Rev. Craig Lohr, b. 15 Oct. 1953, son of Herbert L. and Mary E. Lohr. They had 2 children.

1. Jennifer Lohr: b. 7 Aug. 1973
2. Sarah Kay Lohr: b. 28 Sept. 1980

3. Lorraine Kay Burke: b. 24 Oct. 1953

2. Gordon Elray Burke: b. 29 Apr. 1928 in Corning, N.Y. married 11 June 1955 Patricia Lee Martin, b. 27 Nov. 1931, daughter of Leo and Margaret (Schlafer) Martin. They had 6 children.

1. Cynthia Margaret Burke: b. 8 Sept. 1958. Married 1st Paul F. Dickinson, b. 19 Feb. 1958, d. 25 Jan. 1981 in a car accident. He was the son of Ralph E. and Mary L. (Meade) Dickinson. Paul and Cynthia (Burke) Dickinson had 3 children. Cynthia married 2nd in 1983 Robert Flumer and had a daughter.

1. Michael Anthony Dickinson: b. 24 June 1977
2. Robert Paul Dickinson: b. 27 Apr. 1979
3. Jennifer Lynn Dickinson: b. 4 Sept. 1980
4. Daughter (Flumer)

2. Jeffery Mark Burke: b. 1 Aug. 1959 m. Sherry ^{Temple} Hanrah ^{22 July 1985}
3. David Gerard Burke: b. 19 Sept. 1960
4. Kathy Lynn Burke: b. 30 Sept. 1961
5. Nancy Jane Burke: b. 7 Mar. 1963. Married 25 May 1985, James Kaiser. ^{Son: Mathew Zackery}
6. Martin Francis Burke: b. 13 June 1968. Injured seriously in a car accident. In coma for years. ^{son, Kyle b. 1 Jan. 1985}

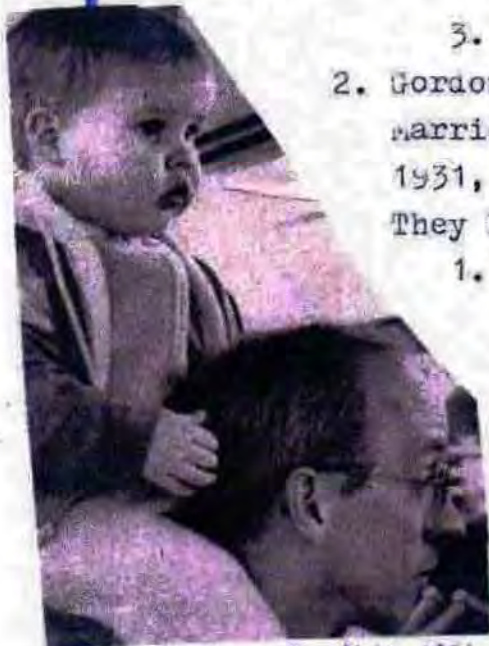


Leland
&
Margaret
Burke
c. 1940



Hope Cemetery, Corning, N.Y.

only male
descendant of
Frank & Jennie
Thomas Burke
as of 2000.



Jeff Burke & Son Kyle 1991

Son: Arnold Ralph
Carbaugh III



Leland N. Burke, Sr.
c. 1943

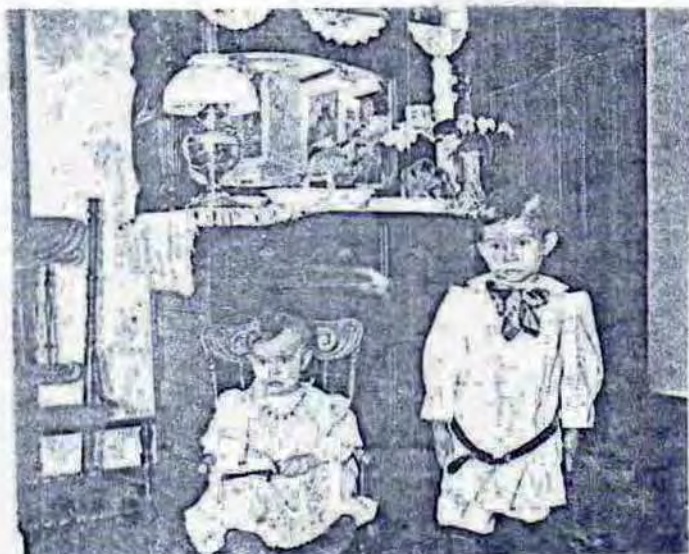


Leland N. Burke, Sr. c. 1920
(His roadster)



Laura Burke and children
Leland, Florence, Norman
circa 1914

Florence & Leland Burke
at 445 Delevan Ave.
Corning, N.Y.
1907



Florence, Norman & Leland Burke
circa 1914

James and Florence (Burke) Perkins
1945



2. Florence Laura Burke: born 13 July 1906 at 445 Delevan Ave., Corning, N.Y. married 1st Dwight Michael Lauterborn on 17 July 1923. He was b. 3 Jan. 1900, d. 27 Mar. 1951. He was the son of Michael and Hulda (Reiter) Lauterborn. (See Lauterborn records.) Dwight and Florence (Burke) Lauterborn had 1 child.

1. Gloria Esther Lauterborn: b. 15 Apr. 1925. Married 2 June 1944 Walter Eugene Love, b. 15 Mar. 1922, son of Harry and Louise (Hulster) Love. They had 1 child.

1. Joel David Love: b. 2 Sept. 1945

Florence (Burke) Lauterborn married 2nd James H. Perkins, b. 12 Sept. 1904, d. 6 Apr. 1979 in San Diego, Ca. he was the son of Herbert and Anna (Dusenbury) Perkins. They had 1 child.

1. Judith Ann Perkins: b. 7 June 1947. Married 5 June 1964 Terry Kyte, b. 2 Dec. 1942. They had 2 children.

1. Jeffery Kyte: b. 29 Apr. 1970

2. Jason Kyte: b. 14 Sept. 1971

3. Norman Eugene Burke: b. 12 June 1913 at 445 Delevan Ave., Corning, N.Y., died 28 Feb. 1984 in Corning. Married 1st 11 Nov. 1933 Alice Winifred Rose, b. 23 Aug. 1915, d. 15 June 1948, daughter of Melvin and Emma (Jacobs) Rose. Both are buried in Hope Cemetery, Corning, N.Y. They had 2 children.

1. Patricia Eileen Burke: b. 27 Mar. 1940. Married 28 Feb. 1962 John Buchinger, b. 10 Dec. 1938, son of Felix and Helen (Flood) Buchinger. They had 1 child.

1. Kathleen Buchinger: b. 16 Apr. 1964. Married 19 Aug. 1986 Steven Halm.

2. Gerald Eugene Burke: b. 1 July 1947. Married 29 June 1968 Mary Trondsen, b. 12 Nov. 1947, daughter of Carl and Florence (Personious) Trondsen. They had 2 children.

1. Deborah Marie Burke: b. Mar. 1974

2. Holly Eileen Burke: b. 5 Feb. 1980

Norman Eugene Burke married 2nd 16 July 1949, Alice Duffey, b. 7 Jan. 1925, daughter of Amos and Madeline (Cody) Duffey. No children. For many years, Norman Burke worked for the

She died 1996

*Nov 2004,
Debbie's husband they
had triplets (fertility drugs used)
1) Emma
2) Madeline
3) Charles*

Corning Glass Works and he resided at 34 Main St., Corning,
(Gibson), N.Y.



Alice Winifred (Rose) Burke
Patricia Burke
Norman Burke
c. 1944



Alice (Muffey) Burke
Norman Burke
c. 1949



Alice Winifred (Rose) Burke
Burial place
Hope Cemetery, Corning



Headstone
Norman E. Burke
Hope Cemetery,
Corning, N.Y.

*He
Died
July 4,
1990*

*Burke Funeral Home
Haledale, Pa.*

4. Daniel Woodrow Burke: born 23 June 1918 at 13 Connocton St., Corning, N.Y. married 15 Sept. 1945 Waneta Hamblin, b. 19 Sept. 1923, daughter of Paul D. and Margaret (Owen) Hamblin. (See Owen records.) Daniel Burke worked for the Corning Glass Works for many years. Resides in Big Flats, N.Y. They had 5 children.

1. Sharon Kay Burke: b. 21 July 1946. married 30 December 1966 Ernesto de la Osa Cruz, b. 27 Mar. 1941. 3 children.



*Steven & Lisa (Hatch)
De La Osa Cruz*

1. Steven Marcos de la Osa Cruz: b. 31 Aug. 1968.
2. Anita Marie de la Osa Cruz: b. 1 Jan. 1971
3. David Michael de la Osa Cruz: b. 23 Apr. 1974

2. Kathleen Rose Burke: b. 10 Apr. 1951. married 28 June 1970 Ronald Orr, b. 28 Mar. 1943. 4 children.

1. Charles Bernard Orr: b. 5 June 1971
2. Debra Leigh Orr: b. 6 Apr. 1978
3. Robert Brian Orr: b. 18 Apr. 1979
4. Andrew Joseph Orr: b. 28 June 1986



*Eunice Burke
Hagois*

3. Eunice Ann Burke: b. 22 Jan. 1955. married 27 Aug. 1978 William Hagois. 2 children.

1. Rebecca Ann Hagois: b. 29 Jan. 1980
2. William Michael Hagois: b. 23 Feb. 1982

4. Lois Gail Burke: b. 21 Jan. 1958. married 10 Aug. 1978 Mathew Steven Phillips, b. 23 Jan. 1959. 2 children.

1. Heather Phillips: b. 26 Oct. 1983
2. Cayla Marie Phillips: b. 3 Dec. 1986

5. Billie Caroline Burke: b. 12 Dec. 1961



*Daniel &
Waneta Burke
1945*



*Norman & Daniel Burke
circa 1919*



Daniel Burke
1940



Norman, Jennie & Daniel Burke
1928



Nancy Hazen
1964



Claude DuWayne Hazen &
Jennie (Burke) Hazen
1944



Lisa Selander
1987

5. Jennie Caroline Burke: born 3 May 1924, married 22 Dec. 1944, Claude DuWayne Hazen, ^{Died Aug 8, 1999} b. 28 Dec. 1921, son of Alvin and Dora (Aldrich) Hazen. He worked for many years at the Ingersoll-Rand Co. in Painted Post, N.Y. Claude and Jennie Hazen reside at 207 Seneca Street, Corning, N.Y. He served for 5 years with the First Marine Division during World War II and she worked for the Eclipse Machine Plant in Elmira, N.Y. 1 child.

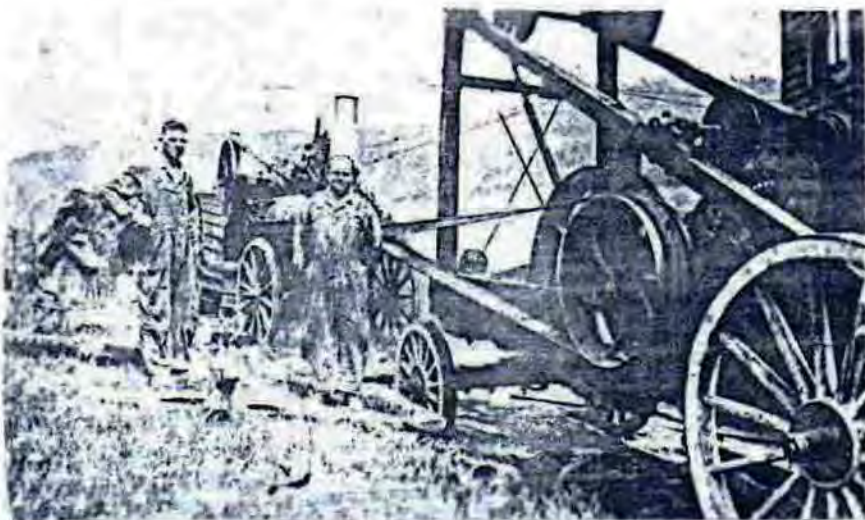
1. Nancy Jean Hazen: born 23 June 1946. Married 1st 15 July 1965, Roger Selander, b. 30 Jan. 1945, son of John O. and Bernice (Bailey) Selander. 4 children.

1. Lisa Ann Selander: b. 24 Sept. 1966. ^{M. Kevin Granger 19}
2. Scot Alan Selander: b. 16 Nov. 1972. ^{Ch. Alexander b. 1971}
3. Twin: John Eric Selander: b. 14 Dec. 1973. ^{Caroline b. 1973}
4. Twin: Todd Ryan Selander: b. 14 Dec. 1973

Nancy Jean Hazen married 2nd 5 April 1986, Robert Steven Machuga, b. 24 Feb. 1946, son of Joseph and Helen (Kubasti) Machuga.



Nelson W. Burke (right)
hunting in the
Adirondacks
circa 1910



Nelson W. Burke (right)
Well Drilling Rig
circa 1920



"The Bible Rock"
"Chimney Narrows"
(Gibson)
Corning, N.Y.
1937

See Book "Descendants of Gleasman" ^{& Ancestors}
GLEASMAN (KLESSMAN) FAMILY

Information from Vernon & Margaret Gleasman
 and Laura (Gleasman) Burke

Howard and Le Roy Gleasman (See page 149)

- I. JOHANN GLEASMAN: b. 1737 d. 12 Feb. 1805. Married 8 Sept. 1763, Marie Susanna Staller, b. 13 Mar. 1746 in Permasens, Bavaria (now Germany), daughter of Rudolf Staller of Permasens. ^{Died 1815} Permasens, Germany is located near the border of France, opposite Nancy, France.

Johann Gleasman was a Corporal Soldier for the Count Ludwig XIX in Permasens. He was 6' 4" tall. He entered the regiment of Erphrinz in 1760, served until 1790 and stood guard at the castle. He became an invalid.

Older generations
 of Dietzenbock, Ger

1. Casper Sr.

2. Casper Jr.
 b. 1567

3. Balthasar
 m: 1622

4. Hans Peter
 B. 1637
 D. 1707

5. Hans Peter
 B. 1680
 D. 1749

6. Johannes
 B. 1706
 D. 1745

7. Johannes
 b. 1737
 D. 1805

m: Marie
 Susanna
 Staller.

See top of
 page



From G. B. Smith's Germany, 1615-1850, by courtesy of the author and Messrs B. Arnold

A map of Germany showing Permasens

II. JOHANN ERNEST GLEASMAN: d. 3 Aug. 1835 in Permasens. He was

*Laura (Gleasant)
Records:
Salome Gleasant
came to America
in advice of son
Valentine. Was
very disappointed
to find him living
in a hut.
Buried on
Sasenburg Hill,
Ave, N.Y.*

a tailor by trade. Married 19 Aug. 1794 ^{Salome} Anna Marie Eich, b. 19 July 1775 in Permasens, still living in 1835, daughter of Valentine & Marie Barbara (Leibham) Eich. Valentine Eich was born in 1753 in Mittelburn, Sicchinger Estate, today Landnühl. He died 11 Mar. 1813. He was 7' 3" tall and also entered the regiment of Erhpriaz and served 1774-1790. He stood guard at the castle and later became an invalid. He was the son of Johann Peter Eich, a shoemaker, b. 1720, d. 12 Apr. 1776. Valentine Eich married 16 Dec. 1773 in Permasens, Marie Barbara Leibham, daughter of Nicholas Leibham of Truebem, Nicholas Leibham was also a Grenadier.

*Gottlieb's
children:*

Louis

Fred

Caroline

Dorothy

David - never

married

(Black Gleasant)

is mother: Salome

Gleasant

Lived on West

Leyden Rd. near

Road to Valentines.

Elizabeth died

Aug. 24, 1885 aged

85

Boonville, N.Y.

Cemetery

Between 1835 & 1836, George, Gottfried and ^{Salome} VALENTINE & David Gleasman, sons of Johann Ernest & Anne Marie (Eich) Gleasman, came to America. In 1853 a cousin Gottlieb and his children left Permasens and came to the United States. A Gleasman family in Germany owned a boat-freight line. They all settled around Ava, West Leyden and Boonville, N.Y. They brought with them their wives and children.

^{Salome} Sons of Johann Ernest & Anne Marie (Eich) Gleasman

1. George Gleasman: b. 10 Jan. 1799 in Germany, killed in action in the Battle of Antietam, 17 Sept. 1862. He enlisted as a Private in Co. H, 97th N.Y. Vols. in Boonville, N.Y. on 30 Nov. 1861. He was 5' 8" tall, of dark complexion, grey eyes and sandy hair. George participated in the Battles of Cedar Mountain, Rappahannock Station, Thoroughfare Gap, 1st Bull Run (Manassas), Chautilly and Sputh Mountains. He was a shoemaker by trade. He married 10 July 1825, Elizabeth Konig, in Permasens. The marriage was performed by Mayor Frederick Kesinkoff at the City Hall. Elizabeth Konig was ^(died 1888 Boonville Cemetery) born 3 Mar. 1802. They had many children. ¹⁸³³ Rachel, ¹⁸³⁴ Chrisjohn, ¹⁸³⁶ Barbara, All born Germany

1. Frederica: b. 2 Feb. 1826 in Germany.

2. Catherine: b. 7 June 1828 in Germany.

3. Gottfrey: b. 1830 Germany, died 1876, m: Elizabeth Traxel - p. 73

4. Louisa Elizabeth: b. 1848 in Ava, N.Y.

2. Gottfried Gleasman: b. 15 Dec. 1805, in Germany, killed in action (like his brother George) 17 Sept. 1862 in the

Battle of Antietam during the Civil War. He, too, enlisted as a Private in Co. H, 97th N.Y. Vols. He enlisted in Boonville, N.Y. on 19 Oct. 1861. He was 5' 10" tall, dark complexioned, had grey eyes and black hair. Gottfried participated in the same battles as his brother George. He also was a shoemaker by trade. He married in Permasens on 15 Aug. 1829, Henrietta Schewner, b. 1808. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Louis Kiesom, pastor of the Lutheran Church. Gottfried and Henrietta Gleasman had 8 children. *Henrietta died Sept. 2, 1886, Rockton, Illinois Aged 79*

1. Louisa: b. 3 May 1830 in Germany.
2. Catherine: b. 19 Mar. 1835 in Germany.
3. Valentine: b. 2 Mar. 1838 in Boonville, N.Y.
4. George: b. 30 June 1840 in Boonville, N.Y.
5. Frederick: b. 19 Sept. 1842 in Boonville, N.Y.
6. Phillip: b. 18 Dec. 1845 in West Leyden, N.Y.
7. Lizette: b. 14 Feb. 1848 in West Leyden, N.Y.
8. John: b. 3 Aug. 1851 in West Leyden, N.Y.

4. *David b. 1808. (Black Gleasman) lived with mother Salome. No children*
 From the book History of the 97th Regiment N.Y.S. Volunteers,
 page 63, description of the deaths of George and Gottfried Gleasman.

HISTORY OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH

Two German brothers by the name of Gleasman—from Lewis county, N. Y.—were standing in line together, when one of them was killed by the unerring aim of a Confederate marksman who had steadied his piece against a tree. The other, aware of the position of the man who had fired the fatal shot, said: "There is the man who killed my brother, and he is taking aim now against that tree." An elbow was seen to protrude from a solitary oak in the enemy's line, and the next moment he lay dead beside his brother, shot by the same hand which had slain the other.

"While visiting this field subsequent to writing the description of our part of this contest, we noticed this tree did not appear in front of the ground which the 97th occupied on the day of the battle; but following the strip of briars where the enemy's line had stood, along to the left the stump was found and the sprouts surrounding it established the fact that it had been recently cut down.

†Eggleston.

III.3. VALENTINE GLEASMAN: b. 24 Jan. 1804 in Permasens, Germany, died 7 Oct. 1903 at age 99 yrs., 8 mos., and 13 days. He married ^{Nov 1, 1827} Johanna Buttinger, b. 18 Feb. 1810, d. 9 May 1879, daughter of Justus & Louisa Christianna (Borg) Buttinger. Her father was a nailsmith. He died at age 83 and her mother died at age 56. A brother Charles died from drowning at age 23.

Valentine, a tailor by trade, was 24 when he and Johanna and daughter Christianna came to the U.S. ^{in 1828} They purchased in 1832 133 acres of land near Ava, N.Y. They cleared the land and built a log cabin and barn. Later, in 1838, they built a story and one-half house. In Nov. 1849, they purchased 50 more acres of land. In 1856 the Dutch Reformed Church of West Leyden was constructed and Valentine was President of the Officers of the Consistory. Valentine and Johanna are buried in the West Leyden Cemetery. They had 9 children, 2 of whom, died in infancy.



Valentine & Johanna Gleasman
West Leyden, N.Y. Cemetery



Children of
David & Caroline (Dorn) Gleasman
West Leyden, N.Y. Cemetery

*Betsinger*CHILDREN OF VALENTINE & JOHANNA (BUTTINGER) GLEASMAN

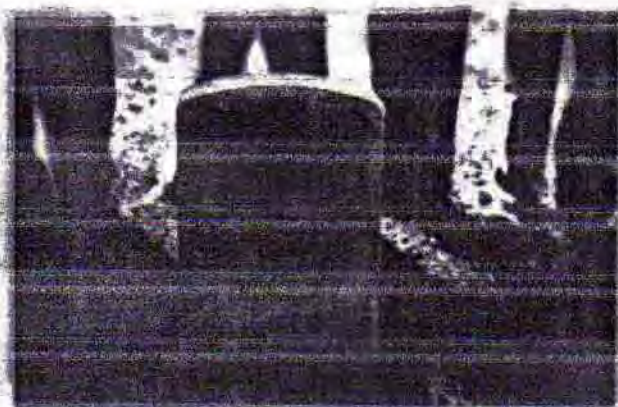
1. Christianna: b. 1 Apr. 1826 in Permasens, Germany, d. 1917 at age 91 years. Married Jacob Bergman. 4 children.
 1. Charles Bergman: married Flora Whitman.
 2. George Bergman:
 3. Madeline Bergman: married Godfrey Liebe.
 4. Louisa Bergman: married Tom Hurry.
2. Louisa: b. 29 Mar. 1833 in Ava, N.Y., d. at age 97. Married Charles Hartman and had 4 children.
 1. A daughter:
 2. Charles Hartman: Married: Died young of ruptured stomach
 3. William Hartman: *Godfrey V. Gleasman*
 4. George Hartman: *Born Mar. 11, 1835 died Aug. 22, 1918 Cemetery stone Beonville*
3. *1850 Census Lists him as 15 yrs.* Godfrey: died in his 80's. Married 1st S. Dorn, Married 2nd M. Dorn and had 4 children. (Jesse, Carrie, Reggie and Charles) *Rocky Ford*
William Pitcher
 Jesse settled in Colorado. Charles died in Colorado of mysterious circumstances. *(Drowned - La Junta, Colo. May 4, 1945)*
 (There is record of another Godfrey Gleasman who was born in 1830 and died in 1876. He was born in Germany and was son of *George* Gleasman. This Godfrey married Elizabeth Traxel, b. 1832, d. 1914 and they had 7 children. *D. 2/11/1904 aged 48* (George, Gottfried, Henry, Francis, Lizzie, Susie and Amelia) *William Savenbury*
4. David: b. 14 Dec. 1837, d. 29 July 1892. Married 2 March 1864 Caroline Dorn and they had 6 children.
 1. Romeyn Andrew Gleasman: b. 16 Apr. 1875, died at age 83. Married 3 Sept. 1902 Ann Dora Ziegler. They were married at high noon at the home of the bride's parents which was down the road from the Gleasman Homestead. Their witnesses were Laura Gleasman and Nelson Burke, who were married that very evening at 8:30 o'clock at the Gleasman Homestead. Romeyn and Dora (Ziegler) Gleasman were their witnesses. Romeyn and Dora had 5 children. (Ralph, Stuart, *Howard F.*, Mrs. Harold Platt and Mrs. Mark Young) *Supplied info on Black Gleasman*
 2. Twin: Gideon: married Bertha Gaines. 1 son.
 3. Twin: Marritt: d. 24 Sept. 1894 at age 27.
 4. Julia: married William Gruhel. 3 children.
 5. Aldo: died at age 18. *29 Dec. 1896*
 6. Newton: married Maude Pixley. 2 children.

5. Charles: born 1843, died at the U.S. General Hospital at Fort Monroe, Va., on 19 Oct. 1864. He was a soldier in the Civil War having enlisted in Rome, N.Y. on 9 Aug. 1862 as a Private in Co. H, 117th N.Y. Vols. He was 21 years old, was 5'7" tall, dark complexioned with blue eyes and dark hair. Charles was a carpenter by trade. He was wounded in action in the "Front of Richmond", Virginia on 29 Sept. 1864. (gunshot wound of the left thigh) Death was caused by hemorrhage from amputation of the left leg. Charles was not married. His grave is located in Section A, No. 3820, Hampton National Cemetery, Hampton, Va. This cemetery is located on the grounds of Hampton Institute, not to be confused with another national cemetery nearby.

Charles Gleasman

Signature

Charles Gleasman



Charles Gleasman's Headstone

6. Caroline: b. 13 Aug. 1848, d. 3 Oct. 1926 in Chicago, Ill. Married Herman Sink and had 8 children. (Emma, Edward, Rose, Loren, Johanna, Charles, Emory and Cora)
7. Benjamin: went to Colorado. No further records on him. (Rocky Ford)
8. Rosena: died at age 4 years of scarlet fever. 1854-1858
9. CHRISTIAN JUSTICE GLEASMAN

IV. Caroline Senn's
others & sisters
George
Martin
Frederick
Jacob
Edward
Mary Ann
Elizabeth

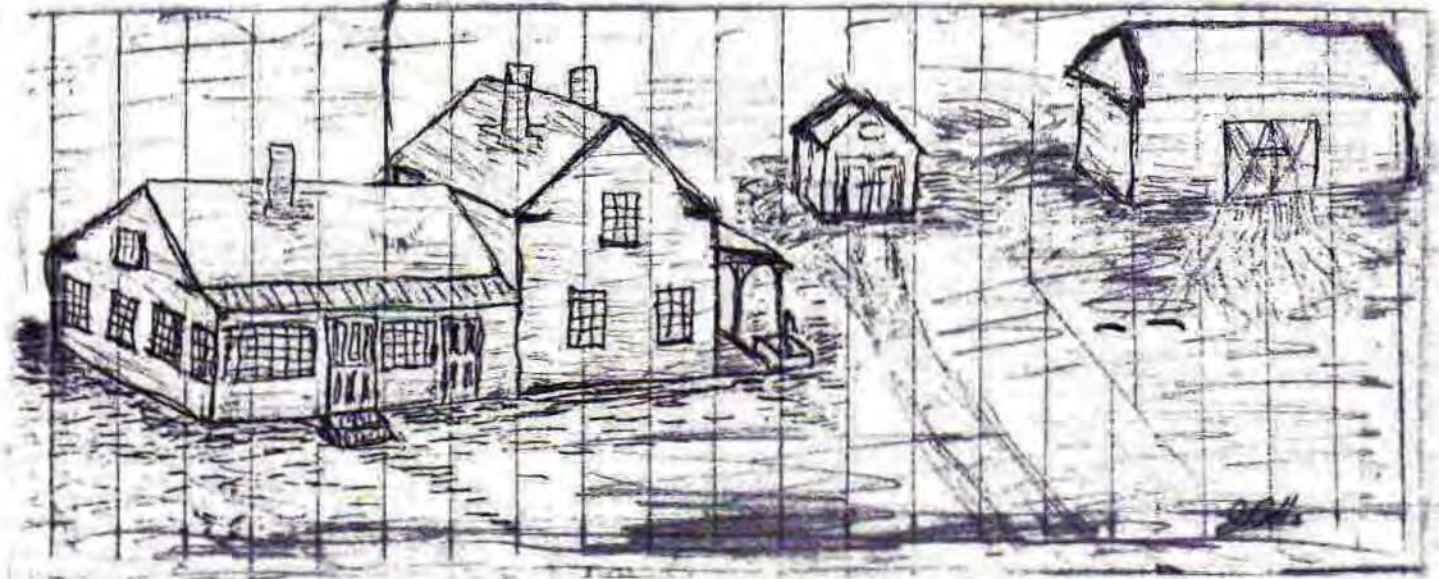
CHRISTIAN JUSTICE GLEASMAN: b. 6 Mar. 1840 at the Homestead in Ava, N.Y., died at the Homestead on 25 Jan. 1924. By the age of 20 he had learned the carpenter trade and went to live in New London, N.Y., where he worked for 3 years. While there he met and married on 24 Dec. 1863, Caroline Senn. She was born 14 Feb. 1843 in New London and died 3 Jan. 1930 at the Gleasman Homestead in Ava, N.Y. Caroline was the daughter of Martin and Anna (Fessman) Senn. The Senn family was from

Dec 22, 1817 - Jan 25, 1874 D.C. 1828
Anna Fessman's parents Michael & Christina Fessman
Died at Washington D.C.

Geo. I
Geo. II

Alsace, Germany and came to the U.S. in 1831.. They were on the ocean for 73 days. After living in New London for 3 years, Christian and Caroline Gleasman bought the Gleasman Homestead in Ava, N.Y. from his father Valentine Gleasman. In 1879 they added on to the story and one-half house. The new addition was of a two story construction. They are buried in the Boonville, N.Y. cemetery. They had 10 children.

story & one-half addition
built: 1838 built: 1878



A sketch of the Gleasman Farm



The Gleasman Farm c. 1910 Ava, N.Y.



Jennie Burke & the
Rock at the Homestead Farm



Caroline (Senn) Gleasman
1925 age 82



Christian & Caroline Gleasman
Myrtle & Elmer Gleasman &
boys c. 1918



THE GLEASMAN HOMESTEAD

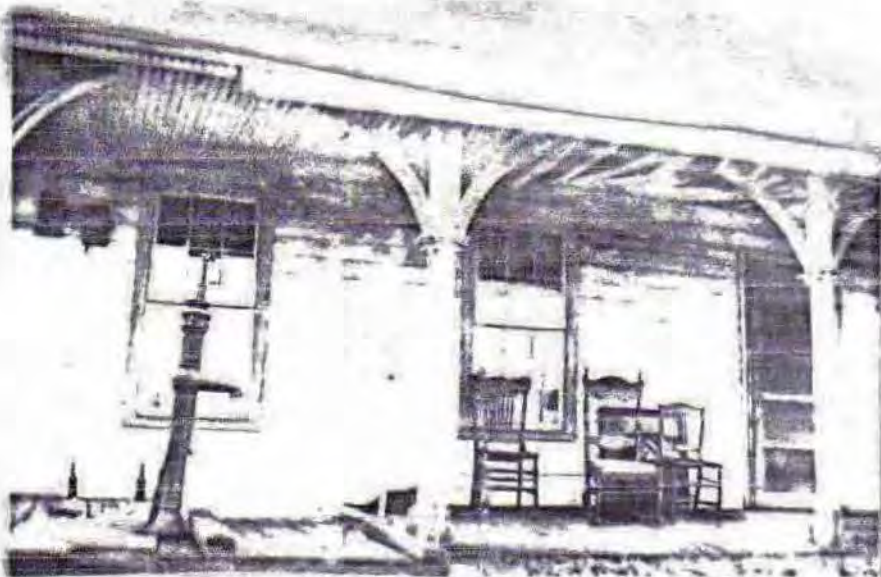
Jennie (Burke) Hazen

Patricia Burke

Nancy Hazen

Judy Perkins

1952



Back porch off the north (summer) kitchen

CHILDREN OF CHRISTIAN & CAROLINE (SENN) GLEASMAN

1. Flora Loretta: b. 1 Oct. 1864 in New London, N.Y., died 11 Feb. 1950. Married ^{10 Mar. 1885} 1st Jacob Wolf, d. 2 May 1892. Married ^{c. 1893} 2nd James H. Beard. They had 2 children. Resided Utica, N.Y.
 1. Ada Beard: b. 1894, d. 1988. Married Charles Johnson, d. 1 July 1970. 2 children.
 1. Lois Johnson: died at birth
 2. Patricia Johnson: married John Bennett 27 Apr. 1956. He died 8 Oct. 1969. 2 children. (Lynn and Ellen)
 2. Blanche Beard: b. 3 June 1898, d. 28 Dec. 1952. No issue.



Blanche & Ada Beard



(Right c. 1897)

James & Flora (Gleasman) Beard
& daughter Ada

2. Emma Viola: b. 4 Mar. 1866, d. 1932. Married John F. Baird, brother to James H. Beard. They had 4 children and lived in Utica, N.Y.



Myrtle Gleasman, Caroline (Senn) Gleasman, Flora Beard, Susie Baird, Elmer Gleasman, Emma Baird, Stuart Baird, Gleasman boy

Flora
(Gleasant)
Beard

Morris St.,
Utica, N.Y.



(left)
Flora Beard



(right)
Ada Beard
1908

1894-1988



1. Laura Baird: b. 1889. Married Arthur Jones and had 3 children.
 1. Emily Jones: d. 3 May 1914, an infant.
 2. Evelyn Jones: Married Harold Graham and had 1 child, Gail Graham.
 3. Richard Jones:
2. Stuart Baird: b. 1891, d. 1 Jan. 1976. Married Susie Kennerknickt, d. 30 Sept. 1988. 3 children.
 1. Eunice Baird: married Joseph Whittlesey and had a daughter who married in 1978.
 2. Stuart II: married Mary Jane Dodd and had 2 children: Susan and Stuart.
 3. Norman : married Marilyn Burke and had 3 children.
3. Robert Baird: b. 29 May 1893, d. 3 Sept. 1893.
4. Walter Baird: b. 1895, d. 26 Feb. 1973. Married Helen Cox, d. 25 July 1960. 7 children.
 1. Catherine: b. 26 Sept. 1921
 2. Walter: b. 18 Feb. 1923
 3. Jacqueline: b. 4 Mar. 1924, d. 22 May 1973
 4. Roderick: b. 20 June 1928
 5. Helen: b. 3 Sept. 1929
 6. Carolyn: b. 26 Nov. 1934
 7. David: b. 23 Apr. 1938



Emma (Gleasant) Baird
c. 1895



Laura Baird
c. 1903

3. Ada Louisa: b. 18 May 1868 at the Homestead in Ava, N.Y., d. 10 Aug. 1950. Married Arthur Shaw, b. 11 Dec. 1868, d. 18 May 1950. They lived in the Verona, N.Y. area for many years. They had 2 children.

1. Grace Ada Shaw: b. 28 June 1902, d. 3 Mar. 1964. Married Harold Thayer and had 2 children.

1. Ada Grace Thayer: married 1st Mr. Kline, 2 children.
Married 2nd Arthur Amo.

2. Harold Thayer Jr.:

2. Arthur Shaw Jr.: b. 11 Jan. 1896, d. 9 June 1910, age 14.
He was shot in the eye when his gun accidentally discharged.



Arthur & Ada (Gleasant) Shaw
c. 1894



Children: Grace & Arthur Shaw
c. 1908

4. Olive Elizabeth: b. 31 Jan. 1870, d. 14 Apr. 1942. Married William Pexton, b. 1864, d. 1941. They lived in the Utica & Oriskany Falls, N.Y. areas. They had 2 children.

1. Robert Pexton: b. 11 Apr. 1900, d. 28 Nov. 1973. Married Ellen MacIntyre. No children.

2. Esther Pexton: b. 27 Feb. 1898, d. 5 May 1931 following surgery. Never married. She was a registered nurse.

(Pictures of Olive (Gleasant) Pexton and her family are on the following page.)



C. 1895

(Left)

Olive (Gleasant) Pexton



(Right)

Robert and Esther Pexton

c. 1908



(Left)

Esther Pexton

c. 1920

5. Just~~us~~¹⁸⁹⁹ Christian Gleasman: b. 3 Mar. 1873, d. 1903 in Utica, N.Y. from complications of scarlet fever. He was age 30. Married Susan Miller and had 1 child.

1. Clifford: b. 28 Feb. 1901. Married Hazel Schmitt and had 2 children.

1. Carolyn:

2. Jane:

Just~~us~~ & Susan Gleasman

1899



6. Caroline Anna Gleasman: b. 17 July 1876, d. 9 May 1901 of consumption. Married 3 July 1895, George Sasenbury, b. 1857. ^{d. 1927} They are buried in the Boonville, N.Y. cemetery. They had 2 children.

1. Anna Sasenbury: b. 2 May 1896, d. 25 July 1899, age 3 yrs.

2. Howard Sasenbury: b. 16 Sept. 1900, d. 26 July 1918, age 18 yrs.



George & Carrie (Gleasman) Sasenbury
1895



Anna Sasenbury



Howard Sasenbury



Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery
Christian and Caroline Gleasman &
son Herbert,



Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery
Justus & Susie Gleasman
s/o Christian & Caroline Gleasman



Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery
George and Caroline ((Gleasman) Sasenbury
Anna, their daughter
Howard, their son



Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery
Newton and Maude (Pixley) Gleasman

7. Herbert Eugene Gleasman: b. 3 May 1879, d. 12 Oct. 1958.

"Herbie" was paralyzed from the waist down after an attack of polio when he was 10 years old. At one time he was employed at the Cassidy Harness Shop in Boonville and, also, the Phillip Snowshoe Manufacturing Company. During both World Wars he was employed in defense shops in Rome, N.Y. He followed the snowshoe making trade for over 50 years and was well-known throughout the Adirondack region for his snowshoes products. He owned his own farm in Ava, N.Y. He never married. "Herbie" is buried in the Boonville Cemetery on his parents' plot.



Herbert & Elmer Gleasman
c. 1900

8. Victor Arthur Gleasman: b. 20 Aug. 1882, d. 30 Apr. 1961.
Married 1st on 6 Nov. 1907, Josephine Fraula, d. 24 Sept. 1914. 3 children.

1. Alton Gleasman: married Bessie Stevens. 7 children.

2. Alma Gleasman:

3. Karl Gleasman:

Victor Gleasman married 2nd on 16 Oct. 1929, Viola Kessler.
They had 1 child.

1. Leona Gleasman: married Harold Owens and had 2 girls.

(Pictures of the Victor Gleasman family are on the following page.)



Victor & 1st wife
Josephine (Fraula) Gleasman
with son Alton



Alton, Alma & Karl
Gleasman
c. 1914



Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery
Victor Arthur Gleasman

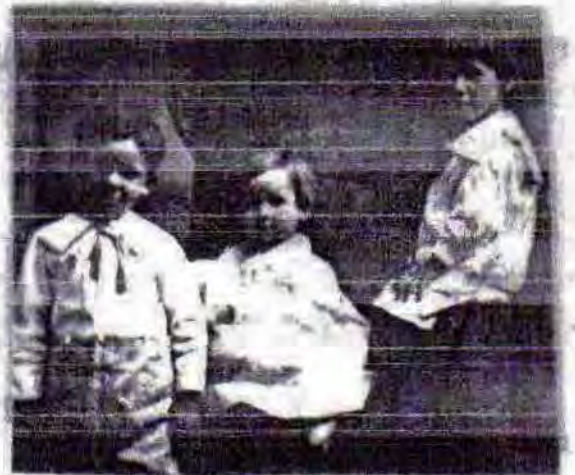


Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery
Alton & Bessy Gleasman & 2 sons



Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery
Viola Kessler
2nd wife of Victor A. Gleasman

9. Elmer George Gleasman: b. 23 May 1887, d. 11 Jan. 1968. Married on 14 June 1909 Myrtle Tuthill, b. 16 Apr. 1889, d. 7 Mar. 1970, daughter of Hubbard and Adelaide K. Tuthill. Elmer and Myrtle Gleasman acquired the Gleasman Homestead on 2 July 1913. They operated the Homestead until 1936 when they moved to 104 Ann St., Boonville, N.Y. Since 1936 he was a taxidermist and was active in conservation work. Elmer worked for the N.Y.S. Conservation Dept. as a trapper. In 1963 he sold the farm to neighboring farmers. The buildings were torn down. Elmer and Myrtle are buried in the Boonville Cemetery. They had 5 children.



Claude, Hollis & Vernon
Gleasant c. 1916



Elmer Gleasman c. 1907

MR. AND MRS. ELMER GLEASMAN 1959

COUPLE WED 50 YEARS — An open house event at the Boonville Masonic Temple this Sunday, June 14, will mark the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gleasman of Boonville. The golden anniversary celebration will be held from 2 to 4 p.m., when friends, neighbors and relatives will call to honor the couple.

Myrtle Tuthill, daughter of Adelaide K. and Hubbard Tuthill, of Ava, and Elmer Gleasman, son of Caroline and Christian J. Gleasman, of Ava, were united in marriage on June 14, 1909, in a ceremony performed at the home of the bride by the Rev. W. J. Lawyer.

Mrs. Gleasman is the youngest of seven children, and Mr. Gleasman the youngest of ten children. Following their marriage Mr. and Mrs.

Gleasant operated a farm in Ava until 1936 when they moved to Boonville where they have since resided. Since that time Mr. Gleasant has been a taxidermist and active in conservation work.

Mr. and Mrs. Gleasant have four sons: Claude, West Leyden; Vernon, Cleveland, Ohio; Hollis, Elmira; and Harley, Boonville. One son, Everett, died in 1924.

CHILDREN OF ELMER & MYRTLE (TUTHILL) GLEASMAN

1. Claude Gleasman: b. 19 July 1910. Married *8 Aug.* 1934
Ethel Ruppert, b. 17 May 1910. 4 children.
 1. Robert Gleasman: b. 1 Oct. 1938, d. 3 June 1967. Married Elinora Collaghan on 3 July 1965. No children.
 2. Linnann (Betty) Gleasman: b. 6 Jan. 1941. Married 1 Aug. 1962 John Sackett. 1 child, Johnathan Justice Sackett.
 3. Gerald Gleasman: b. 16 Oct. 1946. Married 5 July 1969 Libby Bitely. 2 children, Richard Brook and Jason Bret.
 4. Carol Gleasman: b. 7 Sept. 1948. Married 1983.
2. Vernon Gleasman: b. 3 July 1912. Married 7 Aug. 1937, Margaret Fey, b. 15 Sept. 1916. 2 children.
 1. James Gleasman: b. 14 Mar. 1941. Married Mary Jones. 2 children, Cathy b. 26 July 1967 and Lynn b. 22 Mar. 1971.
 2. Keith Gleasman: b. 15 Oct. 1947. Married 22 Aug. 1970 Rebecca Howe. Twins:
3. Hollis Gleasman: b. 21 Mar. 1914. Married 9 Sept. 1939 Ruth Folsbee. 3 children.
 1. David Gleasman: b. 27 July 1940. Married 9 Sept. 1964 and has 3 children: Michael, Elizabeth and Katie.
 2. Patricia Gleasman: b. 23 Mar. 1942. Married 2 May 1964 Joseph Nieswander. No children.
 3. Chris John Gleasman: b. 7 Aug. 1951. Married:
4. Everett Gleasman: b. 10 Nov. 1918, d. 24 Mar. 1924 from complications of scarlet fever.
5. Harley Gleasman: b. 21 July 1922. Married 6 July 1957 Jean Goodhines. 3 children.
 1. Gary Gleasman: b. 20 Oct. 1958
 2. Phillip Gleasman: b. 20 Oct. 1959
 3. Laurie Gleasman: b. 1 Feb. 1965, d. 10 Jan. 1966



Claude, Hollis & Vernon Gleasman
c. 1917

Boonville, N.Y. Cemetery



Elmer and Myrtle (Tuthill) Gleasman
& their son Everett



Claude & Ethel Gleasman



Vernon & Margaret Gleasman
Herbert Gleasman, little stone

Christian and Caroline (Senn) Gleasman had a 12 grave plot in the Boonville Cemetery. They and their sons Herbert and Justice are buried here. Also Justice's wife. Vernon and Margaret Gleasman are to be buried on this Gleasman plot.

- V. 10. LAURA ADELIA GLEASMAN: b. 23 Oct. 1880 at the Gleasman Homestead in Ava, N.Y.; d. 1 Aug. 1962 in Corning, N.Y. Married 3 Sept. 1902 at the Homestead, Nelson William Burke, b. 21 June 1882 in Cato, N.Y., d. 4 Sept. 1938 in Corning, N.Y. He was the son of Frank Eugene Burke & Jennie Emma (Thomas) Burke of Cato, N.Y. (See Burke and Thomas records.) Nelson and Laura Burke are buried in the Coopers Plains Cemetery, Coopers Plains, N.Y. They had 5 children. (See Burke records for children.)



Laura Adella Gleasman
1901

Children:
Leland
Florence
Norman
Daniel
Jennie



Nelson William Burke

Laura Adella Gleasman
1902

Mr. and Mrs. Christian Gleasman

request your presence

at the marriage of their daughter

Laura Adella

to

Mr. Nelson William Burke.

Wednesday evening, September 3rd 1902.

at eight-thirty o'clock.

Brownville, N.Y.

Wedding Invitation

3 Sept. 1902

165 attended



Laura Adella Gleasman
c. 1895



at the
Gleasman Homestead
Ava, N.Y. 1939

William Pexton
Olive Pexton
Laura A. Burke
Myrtle T. Gleasman
Elmer G. Gleasman
Ada Shaw
Arthur Shaw
Flora G. Beard
Sitting:
Herbert E. Gleasman



GLEASMAN REUNION AT PEXTONS*: 1938

Nelson Burke, Laura Burke, Elmer Gleasman, Myrtle Gleasman, Olive Pexton, Bill Pexton, Ada Shaw, Art Shaw, Flora Beard. Sitting: Herbert Gleasman
Oriskany, N.Y.

Elmer Gleasman
Laura Burke
Olive Pexton
Ada Shaw
Flora Beard
Sitting:
Herbert Gleasman



THE THOMAS FAMILY GENEALOGY

Woodbridge (Amity), Connecticut

Information from

Families of Ancient New Haven, Connecticut by D.L. Jacobus

WOODBRIDGE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (org. 1742)

- I. JOHN THOMAS: d. 15 Dec. 1671 at New Haven, Ct. Married Tabitha ?, who d. 1 Apr. 1690.
- II. JOHN THOMAS: b. 1643 d. 1712; Married 12 Jan. 1671 Lydia Parker ~~da. 14-Apr-63~~ 1652, d.a. 1740, ^(Potter) d/o Edward & Elizabeth Parker.
- III. JOHN THOMAS: b. 4 Mar. 1675, d. 13 June 1747, married Hannah Lines c. 1713. She b. 28 July 1684, d/o Ralph Jr. & Abiah Bassett Lines.



III. JOHN THOMAS
Eastside Burying Ground
Woodbridge, Ct.

(Ancestry of Hannah Lines Thomas)

- I. John Lyne, Sr.: d. 1620 at Badly, Northampshire, Eng. His mother was Elizabeth ? Lyne. M. Agnes ?.
- II. John Lynes, Jr.:
- III. Ralph Lines, Sr.: d. 7 Sept. 1689. M. Alice ? at Amity, Woodbridge, Ct.
- IV. Ralph Lines, Jr.: b. 18 July 1652, d. Jan. 1712. M. 27 Apr. 1681, Abiah Bassett d/o William Bassett, who m. in 1648 the "Widow" Ives. William Bassett was the s/o John Bassett of New Haven who d. Feb. 1653.

- IV. JOHN THOMAS: b. 6 Dec. 1713 at New Haven, d. 25 Dec. 1760. M. Rebecca Alling b. 5 Aug. 1716, d. 23 June 1802, d/o Daniel & Rebecca Cooper Alling. Rebecca Cooper was the d/o John & Mary Thompson Cooper. Mary Thompson was the d/o John & Dorothy Thompson. John Cooper, b. 28 May 1642, d. 1703, m. 27 Dec. 1666, Mary Thompson. John Cooper was the s/o John Cooper who d. 22 Nov. 1689.

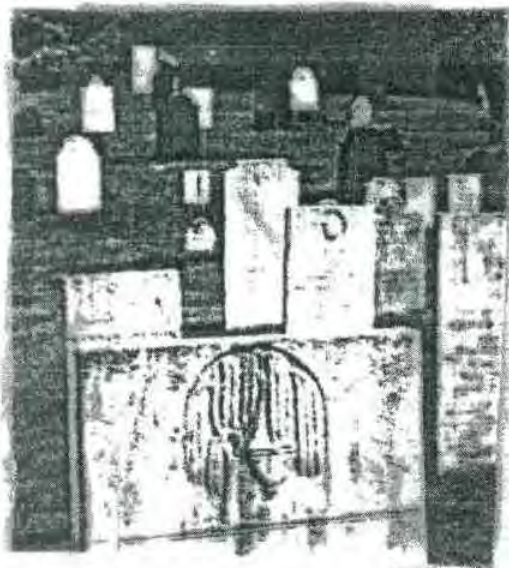
(Ancestry of Rebecca Alling Thomas)

- I. James Allen: of Kempston, Bedford, Eng.
- II. Roger Alling: b. 6 Dec. 1612, d. 27 Sept. 1674. M. Mary Nash who d. 16 Aug. 1683, d/o Thomas & Margery Baker Nash.
- III. Samuel Alling: b. 4 Nov. 1645, d. 28 Aug. 1709 at New Haven. M. 2nd 26 Oct. 1683, Sarah Chidsey, b. 12 Oct. 1653, d/o John & Elizabeth Chidsey. John b. 1621 Chertsey, Eng., d. 31 Dec. 1688 New Haven.



Old Section
Eastside Burying Ground

Lines Plot
Eastside Burying Ground



Eastside Burying Ground

John Chidsey came to America in 1644 and he is the ancestor of all Chidseys in America.

- IV. Daniel Alling: b. 8 Apr. 1688, d. 1756 at New Haven, m. 10 Jan. 1711/2, Rebecca Cooper b. 24 Aug. 1689, 2 Jan. 1770. She was the d/o of John & Mary Thompson Cooper. John's father, John Cooper who d. 22 Nov. 1689 was the s/o of John Cooper of Weymouth, Mass. John & Mary Thompson Cooper were married 27 Dec. 1666.. She d. Nov. 1714.

- V. AMOS THOMAS: b. 31 July 1748 Woodbridge, Ct., d. 22 Apr. 1797. M. 2nd 1 Feb. 1770; Elizabeth Beecher, d/o Caleb & Abigail Wheeler Beecher. She was b. 9 Feb. 1753 at New Haven. She d. 9 Apr. 1822.

Amos Thomas was a Revolutionary War Soldier.



Amos Thomas
Eastside Burying Grounds



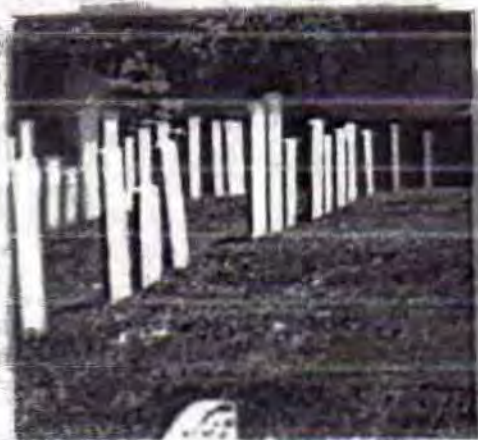
Eastside Burying Grounds
Woodbridge, Ct.

(Ancestry of Elizabeth Beecher Thomas)

- I. John Beecher: d. 1637/8 New Haven. He was b. in County Kent, England and ar-



Eastside Burying Ground

Ebenezer Beecher
(1686-1763)

Eastside Burying Ground

rived in Boston, Mass. 26 June 1637,
on the ship "Hector" with his wife
Hannah and son Isaac. Hannah was the
widow of John Potter.

- II. Isaac Beecher: b. 1623 England. He
m. Mary Sperry. Isaac d. 1690 New Haven.
- III. John Beecher: b. 1645/6, d. 1712. He
married Elizabeth Roberts before 1670.
She was b. 1650 and d. 1722. Elizabeth
was the d/o William & Joanna Roberts.
- IV. Ebenezer Beecher: b. 12 Apr. 1686, d.
28 Jan. 1763. M. Hannah Mix, b. 1691,
d. 15 Feb. 1739, d/o Caleb & Hannah
Chidsey Mix. Caleb Mix was b. 15 Dec.
1661 New Haven, d. 12 Aug. 1708. He &
Hannah were m. 9 Jan. 1663. She was the
d/o John & Elizabeth Chidsey. Caleb Mix
was the s/o Thomas Mix who died in 1694.
Thomas Mix m. Rebecca Turner, dau/of
Capt. Nathaniel Turner. *Much written
about him.*
- V. Caleb Beecher: b. 18 Apr. 1724, d. 5
Dec. 1784 Woodbridge, Ct. M. 18 Sept.
1746, Abigail Wheeler, b. 1728 d/o 10 Aug.
1768, d/o John & Elizabeth Burr Wheeler.
Burr Genealogy:

I. Jehu Burr: Came in the Winthrop
Fleet 1630. Settled Roxbury Mass.

II. and a freeman 18 May 1631. Died by
1654.

** Nathaniel Turner: On Phantom Ship lost at sea,
His sword at Conn. Historical Society, Hartford.*



John & Sarah Thomas

II. John Burr: b. 1633

III. John Burr: b. 21 May 1673 Fair-
field. d. 1705. Married Elizabeth
Hanford who d. before 1708, d/o
Rev. Thomas & Mary Miles Hanford.
Mary Miles was the d/o Richard
Miles of Herts, England. She was
b. 1635 and d. 12 Sept. 1730 and
married 2nd Rev. Thomas Hanford
on 22 Oct. 1661. The mother of
Rev. Hanford was Eglin Hatherly
Hanford.

IV. Elizabeth Burr: b. 1701, d. 1769.Wheeler Genealogy:I. Thomas Wheeler: b. 1654, m. Ann ?II. John Wheeler: b. 1624, d. 1690.M. Judith TurnerIII. John Wheeler: b. 1664, d. 1754.M. Abigail BurrIV. John Wheeler: b. 1694, d. 1726M. Elizabeth Burr, d/o John Burr.VI. JOHN THOMAS: b.c. 1775, d. 12 Mar. 1815, m. Sarah Gilbert, b.18 May 1776, d. 27 Mar. 1866. She was the d/o Titus & Chloe (Atwater)

Cook Gilbert Atwater Genealogy: David Atwater m. —, John Atwater
m. Abigail Mansfield, John Atwater m. Elizabeth Mix.
(Ancestry of Sarah Gilbert Thomas) Titus Atwater m.
Margaret Scott.

Mix Genealogy

Elizabeth Mix
m. John Atwater
dau. of James and
Elizabeth (Heaton)
Mix, She dau. of
James Heaton.

I. Mathew Gilbert: d. 1680, m. Jane Baker who
d. 1706.

II. John Gilbert: b. Apr. 1644 New Haven, d.
26 Nov. 1673 New Haven. M. 12 Dec. 1667
Sarah Gregson who d. 1697, d/o Thomas &
Jane Gregson. Thomas Gregson lost at sea



Eastside Burying Ground
Woodbridge, Ct.



Hotchkiss

III. Thomas Gilbert: b. 14 Aug. 1673, d. 23 Dec. 1711 New Haven. M. 31 Mar. 1698, Sarah Peck d/o Joseph & Sarah Alling Peck. Joseph b. 5 Sept. 1647, d. 15 Apr. 1720, Sarah, his wife, b. 1649, d. 1743. Their daughter Sarah was b. 11 Sept. 1673 and d. 2 Oct. 1744. Joseph Peck was the s/o Henry & Joan Peck. Sarah Alling Peck was the d/o Roger & Mary Nash Alling. Mary Nash Alling was the d/o Thomas & Margery Baker Nash.

IV. Thomas Gilbert: b. 14 Feb. 1708, d. 19 Oct. 1775, m. Ruth Hotchkiss, b. 16 Mar. 1712, d. 30 Mar. 1773, d/o Joshua & Susannah Chatterton Hotchkiss. Susannah was the d/o William & Mary Clark Chatterton. Susannah was b. 17 Sept. 1678, d. Sept. 1766. Her father William d. 1709. Mary Clark Hotchkiss was the d/o James Clark.

Hotchkiss Genealogy:

- I. John Hotchkiss: of England
- II. Samuel Hotchkiss: m. Elizabeth Cleverley
- III. John Hotchkiss: m. Elizabeth Peck
- IV. Joshua Hotchkiss: m. Susannah Chatterton

V. Linus Gilbert: b. 20 Aug. 1746, d. 19 Sept. 1820 Woodbridge, m. ^{Atwater} Chloe Cook, b. See p. 75 c. 1749, d. 22 Mar. 1836. Their daughter Sarah married John Thomas. (VI)

- VII. NOYES H. THOMAS: b. 1805, Woodbridge, d. 3 Mar. 1849, married Emma Baldwin, b. Sept. 1806, d. 10 Feb. 1875, d/o Abner & Eleanor Hotchkiss Baldwin. Eleanor Hotchkiss Baldwin was the d/o Deacon David & Lydia Beecher Hotchkiss. Children of Noyes H. & Emma Baldwin Thomas: John A., Jane, Sarah, Eliza, Marlette, Almeda, Annjenette, Nehemiah & 1 died young.
- VIII. JOHN A. THOMAS: b. 1829 Woodbridge, d. 4 Nov. 1861, Jordan, N.Y. Married c. 1854 Sarah Failing, b.c. 1832, d. ^{in Jordan} 1876, d/o John A. & Jane (Susan) Owen Failing. Children of John & Sarah Failing Thomas: Jane (Jennie) Emma, Noyes H., & Pearl. John Thomas was a cooper by trade before his death from typhoid fever. He is buried in the Jordan Cem. on Quince Street with his infant son Noyes H. and his Failing inlaws. (See Failing gen.)
- IX. JANE (JENNIE) EMMA THOMAS: b. 12 Apr. 1855 Jordan, N.Y., d. 26 July 1926, Meridian, N.Y. M. Frank E. Burke 18 Nov. 1873. (See Burke Genealogy)



John A. Thomas (1829-1861)
Jordan, N.Y. Cemetery
Meridian, N.Y. Cemetery



Noyes H. Thomas
(1857-1859)
Jordan, N.Y. Cem.

Noyes & Emma B.
Thomas
Woodbridge, Ct.



(Ancestry of Emma Baldwin Thomas)

From the BALDWIN GENEALOGY by C.C. Baldwin:

- I. Richard Baldwin: of England. He married Ellen(Apuke)Pook.
- II. Henry Baldwin: of England who married Alice King.
- III. Sylvester Baldwin: of England who married Jane Welles.
- IV. Sylvester Baldwin: of England who married Sarah Bryant.
He d. aboard ship "Martin" 1638. The Emigrant from Eng.
- V. Richard Baldwin: b. in England, Bucks County, 25 Aug. 1622,
d. 26 June 1665 Milford, Ct. M. Elizabeth Alsop, d/o
From: Derbyshire, England. Came on ship Elizabeth Ann Ann 1620-1650
Joseph & Elizabeth Preston Alsop. Elizabeth Preston was
the d/o William & Elizabeth Sale Preston.
- VI. Barnabas Baldwin: b. 1665 Milford. He was a posthumous
child. He m. 2nd Mary Botsford. Barnabas d. 1741.
- VII. Theophilis Baldwin: b. 22 Oct. 1699, d. 1 Aug. 1784. He
was a Deacon in the Society of Amity. He m. Dorothy Mun-
son, d/o John & Sarah Cooper Munson. Dorothy d. 1790.
- VIII. Richard Baldwin: b. 1 Dec. 1745 Woodbridge, d. 2 Apr. 1823.
He m. 1st Alice Botsford, m. 2nd Abiah Botsford. He was a
Deacon.



Richard Baldwin
(1745-1823)

Milfordside
Burying Grounds
Woodbridge, Ct.



IX. Abner Baldwin: b. 24 January 1781, dd. 25 Mar. 1863.

He m. 1805, Eleanor Hotchkiss. Children: Emma, Thirza, Abner Spencer, Tamer Abiah, Rumanah, Richard Hector, Jeremiah Jephtha, Miriam, Eleanor & Abigail.

X. Emma Baldwin: m. Noyes H. Thomas. Children: John A., Jane, Sarah, Eliza, Marlette, Almeda, Ann Jenette, Nehemiah & one d.y.



Milfordside Burying Ground
Woodbridge, Ct.



Abner Baldwin
(1781-1863)



Eleanor Hotchkiss Baldwin
(1787-1866)

THE ROOF FAMILY (Von Rueif, Ruef, Anglicised "Roof")

Information from Montgomery County Dept. of History

Old Court House, Fonda, N.Y.

The Roof Family sprang from an old Italian family of Rufus who moved into the Tyrol Region of Germany from Perugia of Italy, at a time of Civil War. The earliest member of the family was Ottoine Rueff who lived at the "Ingels Thral" in the Upper Tyrol where he was Upper Forester & Master of the Chase for Count Undecks and was held in high esteem. His descendents spread themselves throughout many German Provinces, several of which being named after them.

In 1239, Malbert Ruoff settled in the Veral Mountain region and, through his wife Anna Von Waldburg, had many considerable estates on Lake Constance and borders of Switzerland. Three of his descendents were living at the time of the "Thirty Years" war, (1618-1648). One of them, Frederik Ruoff was Colonel in the Wurttemberg services and was killed at the Battle of Morlingin. The remaining brothers, Herman and ANDREAS, did at that time relinquish the Noble Order and joined themselves to the Order of Suabia. The coat of arms of the Ruoff Family was a shield & coat of mailcrest - a skull with flames of fire arising from both sides. In 1699, the coat of arms of Von Ruoff of Bohemia was a shield & coat of mail, crest and bulls' head & horns arising from a crown. The family arms are those of Malbert Rueff. The Ruoffs of Bohemia & Bavaria being his descendents.

Of this family JOHANNUS ROOF came to America in 1759. He was the grandson of ANDREAS RUOFF of Wurttemberg and son of JOHANNUS RUOFF. He was born at Durlack in Baden, 7 Dec. 1730 and married Anna Maria Leonhardo of Heidelberg on 13 Jan. 1759. Her father

owned an inn in Munich where she learned the art of cheesemaking.

John and Maria Roof came to America in 1759, landing at Philadelphia, Pa. They made their way westward to Fort Stanwix, N.Y. (now Rome), then the extreme frontier. They and another family were the only white inhabitants west of Germantown, and acquired a livelihood that made them wealthy by assisting travelers in getting their boats and cargoes across the Carrying Place. John Roof also traded with the Indians, exchanging supplies for furs and often buying supplies for the Fort Stanwix garrison. He also cultivated a farm near the fort.

In 1777, before the siege of Fort Stanwix, John Roof was warned by a friendly Oneida Indian of an impending attack upon the place by the British and Indians, whereupon he decided to remove his family and effects to a place of safety. His family was cared for at the residence of Gen. Herkimer, where they remained through the winter.

At this time the garrison at Fort Stanwix was about out of provisions and the supplies of John Roof were turned over to Col. Gansevoort who ordered John Roof's trading post burned as it had been taken possession of by the enemy and afforded them protection and means to fire on the garrison. The Colonel gave John Roof a certificate of indebtedness, promising in the name of the government to make good his loss. John Roof was to petition the Legislature of N.Y.S. more than once but was unsuccessful in obtaining compensation for his losses.

In the Spring of 1778, John Roof and his family moved to Canajoharie, first called Roof's Village. He was mainly instrumental in building the village of Canajoharie after its destruction by the Indians under Brant in 1780. In 1799 a gentleman from New York City called upon John Roof to buy property and while a

guest, was taken ill with a fever and died. John Roof gave his guest his personal attention and a few days later he contracted the disease and died. He made his will 18 Apr. 1798, leaving his heirs lands in Otsego, Montgomery and Schoharie counties. The Roof homestead was destroyed by fire in 1840. (It should be noted that, during the American Revolution, John Roof was a Captain in the First Regiment, Tryon County Militia and participated in the Battle of Oriskany under Gen. Herkimer.)



Aug. 4th

A Continual Firing of small Arms was this Day kept up by the Enemy's Indians, who advanced within Gun Short of the Fort in small Parties under Cover of Bushes, Weeds and Potatoes in the Garden. Colonel Millen and his party of 100 men who came from Fort Dayton as a Guard to the Bartheaus was to have Return'd this Day but we are now besieged and all Communication cut off for the Present. The Firing Ended with the Close of the Day, we having one Man Killed and Six Wounded. This Night we sent out a party and brought 2 Stacks of Hay into the Trench and set a House and Barn on Fire belonging to Mr. Roof.

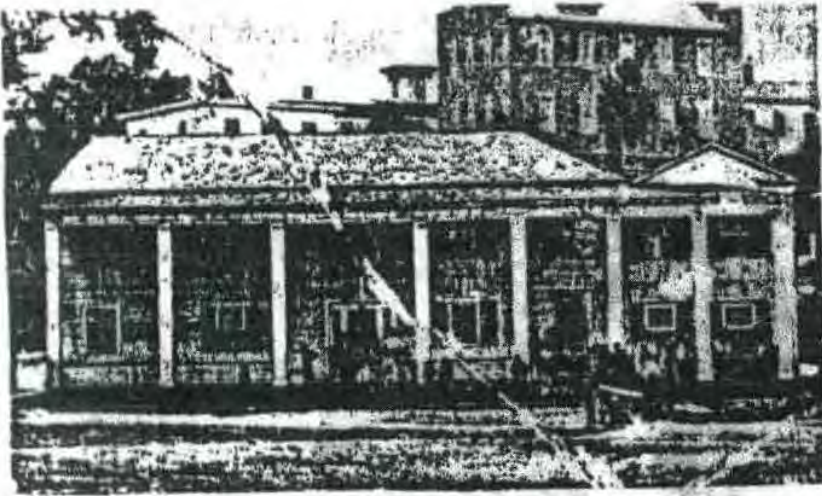
The Roofs were the best known of the families who had settled around the fort. They kept an inn and helped transport *bateaux* over the portage. John Roof, then sixteen years old, was present at the amputation of General Herkimer's leg after the battle of Oriskany. The Roofs were forced by the war to relocate in Canajoharie and became one of the prominent families there.

(From Days of Siege, A Journal of the Siege of Fort Stanwix in 1777)

William Colbrath

HISTORY OF THE TWO ROOF TAVERNS AT CANAJOHARIE

Belonging to John Sr. & John Jr. Roof



c. 1845

After the Revolutionary War, John Roof, Sr. removed to Canajoharie and bought the Schrembling stone house at the 4-corners of the town. It became an inn. John Sr. died in 1799 and John Jr. built a new inn of wood in 1800. This was



1987

in front of his father's stone inn. Originally there was no cover over the open porch. This cover & pillars were added to the structure by later owners during the years 1843-50. This inn was sold many times between 1803 and 1878 when it was torn down and replaced by the Hotel Wagner.

In 1840, John Roof Sr.'s stone house was destroyed by fire and later demolished in 1854.

In 1987, the Hotel Wagner was demolished and was replaced by a bank and parking lot which comprise the area of these inns.

A N.Y.S. Historical Marker indicates the location of the first inn where Gen. George Washington gave a speech to the inhabitants of Canajoharie in 1783.



CORNPLANTER. Painting by F. Bartoli. Descended from a white father and a Seneca mother, the young Cornplanter was chosen as one of the two leading war chiefs by the Iroquois during the Revolution. Courtesy of The New-York Historical Society, New York City

The Roof family property near Ft. Stanwix is associated with a tragedy that happened during the Siege of Ft. Stanwix after the Roofs had moved to the Herkimer home.

Three young girls were picking berries on the Roof property and were fired upon by a group of Indians who had been using Roof's abandoned trading post for cover. All three were hit and one was killed. Another was badly wounded and the third girl suffered 3 wounds. She made her way back to the fort and, in time, recovered from the wounds. The other two girls were scalped by the Indians.

Caty Steere, the badly wounded girl who was also scalped, was a favorite of the Roof family as she had been in their em-

ploy and was also a daughter of one of the early settlers at the fort. She was alive when rescued but died one-half hour later. Many years after the Revolutionary War, it was learned that it had been the chief, Cornplanter, who had shot her.

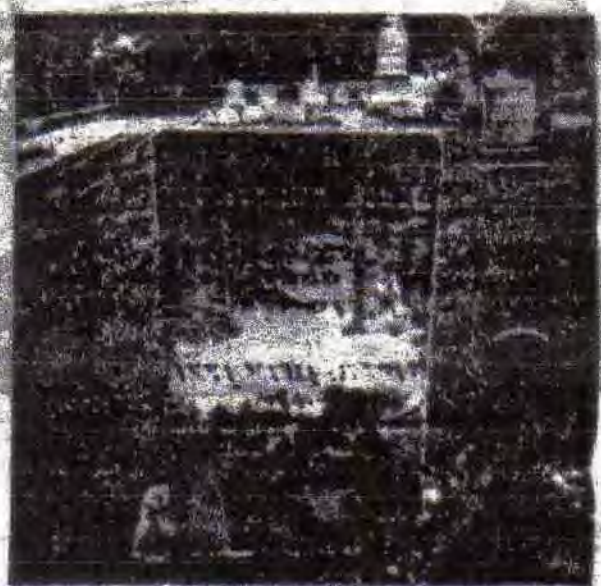
Many dignitaries were present at Roof's tavern in Canajoharie when Cornplanter admitted that it had been he who had shot Caty. John Roof, Sr., quite elderly by then, had to be restrained from doing harm to Cornplanter, the Indian who had killed the favorite servant girl of Roof's.

RED PETTICOAT LEGEND

Anna Marie Leonhardo Roof also has a claim to fame according to local legend.

It is stated that it was her red petticoat that provided the red material for the flag which Col. Peter Gansevoort flew from Fort Stanwix at the beginning of the siege on August 3, 1777.

Although she was not present at the fort during the siege as she was residing at the Herkimer Home, it is still possible that her petticoat might have been stored at the fort along with other personal effects and it was available for use in making the homemade flag.



Burialplace of John & Anna Marie Leonhardo Roof

JOHN ROOF AND GEN. HERKIMER CONNECTIONS

John Roof, Sr. saw military service during the American Revolutionary War serving as a Captain in both the First and Second Battalions of the Tryon County Militia. After he went to Canajoharie in 1778, Roof was a Captain of Exempts for that area.

John Roof, Sr.'s major military experience was the Battle of Oriskany where he served under Gen. Herkimer. Accompanying the senior Roof was his son John Jr. Both the Roof names appear on the monument at Oriskany.

The junior Roof was a godson of Gen. Nicholas Herkimer. John Jr. and his father were present when the General bled to death after the amputation of his leg after the Oriskany Battle.

Before the siege of Ft. Stanwix Roof, having been warned by a friendly Indian of an impending attack, moved his family to the home of Gen. Herkimer.



Herkimer House-1764



The John Roof family lived at the Herkimer House after the death of Herkimer and, in 1778, removed to Canajoharie to settle on land which Roof previously bought

A GLIMPSE OF JOHN ROOF

The following show us a glimpse of John Roof and his character. It is quite evident he was a feisty determined man- the type needed to survive on the frontier of Colonial America.

By 1771, it would appear that Johannes Roof was the unofficial Governor of the area around Ft. Stanwix and in actual control of the commercial enterprizes around the Carry. Lieut. Galland, who was the official military caretaker of Ft. Stanwix, bitterly complained to Sr. William Johnson and General Thomas Gage, the Commander in Chief in North America, that Roof and his associates had committed severe outrages at Ft. Stanwix, by giving the King's land to whomever he pleased and beating and chasing off those of whom he did not approve. However, no action seems to have been taken against Roof and he continued to remain at the Carry until the appearance of St. Leger in 1777.

(From the Rome Historical Society's "Annals & Recollections",
Volume II, No. 6 April 1985)

Fort Stanwix y^e 8th June 1771

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I think it my Duty to Let you Know the Late Fate of Mr. Wall Mr. Governor John Ruff Being Jalous of me in Regard of him must needs Banish Him of the Ground he ordered one of his Emisarys to Breed a Courl with Quine at his owne House & another of them he Emplied to Nock Down Wall which when he Saw he Got upon him & Draged Tore & Beat him most Unmercifully, he Got him by the Heir of his Head as he Lay on his Back & Draged him from Quines Door to his own House where he Got a Coard & Bound him fast & then Kept him in Confinment Which when I Hard of Sent my Corporal to Demand the Prisoner, he Sent me word that I was not Capable of taking Care of a Murderer & that I had no Bissiness with him upon which I ordered a file of men to go and Brake open Every Door on his House & Bring the prissioner into Me, I Intend to Represent this Case at Head Quarter, Where I hope his Excellency General Gage will Give Me Immediant orders to Tourn Ruff & all his Gang off this Ground, I assure you Sir his Insolance Is not to be Boren he Even Turns off the Ground any Man he Does not Like & Brings in Whome he Likes and Gives them the Best Land Belonging to the King Without my Liberty, I am Sir y^r Most Obedient Humble Serv^t.

JOHN GALLAND

(From the Collection of Sir William Johnson's Papers)

CHILDREN OF JOHN ROOF AND ANNA MARIA (LEONHARDO) ROOF

Birth order:

- I. JOHN ROOF, JR: born 28 Aug. 1762. Was 1st white male
born in present-day Oneida County
- II. SUSANNA ROOF: born 9 Aug. 1766, died 12 Feb. 1844
Was 1st white female born in present-day
Oneida County
- III. MARTIN ROOF: born 2 Feb. 1770, died young
- IV. BARBARA ROOF: born 30 Oct. 1771
- V. ADAM ROOF: born 16 May 1773, died 7 Mar. 1839
- VI. MARY (MARIA) ROOF: born 5 Apr. 1777, probably died young
- VII. DANIEL ROOF: born 8 Mar. 1779
- VIII. MARTIN ROOF: born 19 Apr. 1783, died 3 Apr. 1827
- IX. ANDREW ROOF: born 1 July 1785



Andrew & Susanna Roof Failing's Stone
South Cemetery, Lyons, N.Y.

SUSANNA ROOF: married ANDREW (ANDREW) FAILING in 1790. He was the
son of JOHANNES FAILING and MARIA MAGDELANA WAGNER of Canajoharie.
(See FAILING & WAGNER Genealogies). About 1810, Andrew & Susanna
Roof Failing removed to Lyons, Wayne County, N.Y.

FRONTIERSMEN OF NEW YORK

CUSTOMS OF THE INDIANS, VICISSITUDES OF
THE PIONEER WHITE SETTLERS.

AND

BORDER STRIFE

IN TWO WARS.

WITH A GREAT VARIETY OF ROMANTIC AND THRILLING
STORIES NEVER BEFORE PUBLISHED.

By JEPHTHA R. SIMMS,

AUTHOR OF THE "HISTORY OF SCHENARIE COUNTY AND BORDER WARS OF
NEW YORK," "TRAPPERS OF NEW YORK," ETC.

Death of Gen. Herkimer.—I have said, that after the Oriskany battle, Gen. Herkimer was taken to his own residence, a large gambrel-roofed two story brick building, still standing, a little distance from the canal, two miles east of Little Falls, where he lived several days. His injured leg was amputated above the knee, but it was unskillfully done—the limb continued to bleed—he gradually weakened, and finally died. At this time the family of Johannes Roof,* a pioneer settler of Fort Stanwix, who had had to abandon his residence and drop down the valley, was then residing in a part of the Herkimer dwelling. His oldest son John, then nearly 16 years of age—a Colonel of militia after the war—assured the writer, that when Gen. Herkimer's leg was amputated, he and another young man buried it in the garden; a day or two after which the General said to him: "I guess you boys will have to take up that leg and bury it with me, for I am going to follow it." I think this was done after his death. If Gen. Herkimer manifested coolness and bravery on the battle field, no less did he do so as he saw his end approaching, and when it came he met death with Christian heroism.

* *Settlement of Fort Stanwix, now Rome.*—John Roof, a German, was the first man who with his family, located at Fort Stanwix as a pioneer and settler; abridging the soil and becoming actively engaged in the transport of merchandise over the Carrying Place, between the Mohawk and Wood creek. He located there in 1760, and a few years later, he had as neighbors, the families of Bartholomew, Brodick, Thomas, Mayers, Williams, Ellis, John Stone and Ben. Boush, who, with him, were the first settlers.

FAMILY SKETCHES.

* *Roof Family.* The.—The first settler of this family in America was Johannes Rueff (anglicized Roof). He was born at Dülack, Suabia, Germany, January 8, 1730, and married January 13, 1750, Anne Maie Leonhido, a native of Heidelberg. In 1759 they came to Philadelphia, and in 1760 removed to Fort Stanwix, now Rome. They remained there till 1777, when the fort was attacked and they came to Canajoharie, where they both died. They had eight children, the four older ones having been born in Fort Stanwix and the others in Canajoharie.

The Associated Exempts was a military organization of the Revolution, scarcely mentioned by any writer of its history, and yet there was a body of militia of this kind in several counties. In Dutchess county there was a company, not a few members of which had previously held commissions, and were exempt from further duty. Others joined who were over 50 years old, the legal period of release, and possibly a few whose infirmities exonerated them. They pledged themselves to hazard their lives with the rest of community and added: "We the subscribers having heretofore held commissions, or being beyond the age of 50 years, or otherwise exempted from serving in the militia, do hereby voluntarily associate and engage, that we will forthwith provide ourselves with arms, accoutrements and ammunition;" adding a pledge that on alarm they would repair to their appointed rendezvous, and when drafts were made on the militia they would contribute their portion of men, to be commanded by their own officers. The State convention approved their action and accepted their services, exempting them from other militia duty."

Some counties may have had more than one company of this kind. Such a company existed in Tryon county during a part if not all of the Revolutionary period, and was commanded by Capt. John Roof of Canajoharie, who became a pioneer settler of Fort Stanwix in 1760, and had there to abandon his possessions in 1777. His having commanded a corps of *exempts*, is proven by a receipt in possession of his descendants, which was executed by a Mr. Roorback for 12s. 6d, as his fee for having collected Capt. Roof's pay-roll for the year 1779. |

Lieut.-Col. Peter Wagner, of the Palestine Battalion, held a lieutenant's commission under Sir William Johnson in the French war of 1755. He was in the Oriskany battle with three of his sons, Lieut. Peter Wagner, Jr., John and George. The last named was wounded. He was in the act of leveling his own gun to fire at a foe when a bullet plowed a furrow through the fleshy part of his arm. As though he were a surgeon, a fellow soldier in the next instant (whose name is believed to have been Wormuth), had torn off the nether part of his own shirt, and stepping forward firmly bound it around the bleeding arm; and so gratefully did Wagner regard this generous act that it was the means of originating a friendship which lasted through life.

FROM:

"The Frontiersmen of
New York"

See: "The Wagner Family"
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master builder. It was commenced in October, 1766, and on the following fourth of July, American Independence was being celebrated on it. It was a toll bridge, as were in nearly all bridges of any length at that period, and proved a great convenience at that early day to people traveling up and down the river in their own conveyances. On the completion of this bridge, a line of stages was established going westward from Albany on the south side of the Mohawk, which stage carried its passengers over night at Roof's tavern at Canajoharie upon the site of which hotel Wagner was erected in 1878, by Hon. Webster Wagner.

A Burglary in ye Olden Time.—One night when a stage of passengers remained over at Roof's tavern—believed to have been in the autumn of 1767—a burglary was committed in it. The house was a stone building erected some years before by a man named Schremling, and was purchased by Johannes Roof, in 1778, who left Fort Stanwix the year before, and who at once opened it as a public house. It stood against the hill upon the southern verge of the flats; and at the time of the burglary was kept by John Roof, then, or about that time, a colonel of militia, his parents—Jonannes Roof and wife—living with him. On the day preceding the burglary, quite a sum of money in specie had been paid to the family and deposited with other sums in an iron chest, which was chained to a post of the bedstead and kept under the bed, in which the elder Roof and wife slept. In the afternoon the old gentleman drew the chest from under his bed, and asked Rebecca Bowman, a girl living in the family and Nancy Spraker,* a young lady then in her teens, to lift it; and its weight was a good match for their strength. On the night following the lifting of the trunk, the old people occupied the bed over it, while the young ladies named slept in a trundle bed in front of the other bed, with a limited space between them: and yet without disturbing the inmates of the room, the chest was removed by burglars before morning. The stage had come in full of passengers, and there had been more or less of confusion in the house nearly all night, which seemed to favor the rogues. How the chest was taken from the house, or what became of either the money or the chest yet, remains a secret; but it was surmised that the latter was possibly thrown into the river. A small tin trunk containing valuable papers, which was kept in the chest, was found soon after the robbery in one of the abutments of the creek bridge near by, placed purposely, where it could be seen. This bold theft, which for a time afforded no little gossip in the valley, was forgotten for nearly three-quarters of a century, and until I fortunately struck its trail.

Girls Shot near Fort Stanwix.—The following extract of a letter from Col. Gansevoort to Col. Van Schaick, dated Fort Schuyler, old Fort Stanwix, July 28, will show one of the earliest of those tragedies which crimsoned the frontier forest of New York.

"DEAR SIR—Yesterday, at three o'clock in the afternoon, our garrison was alarmed with the firing of four guns. A party of men were instantly dispatched to the place where the guns were fired, which was in the edge of the woods, about five hundred yards from the fort, but they were too late. The villains were fled, after having shot three girls who were out picking raspberries, two of whom were lying scalped and tomahawked; one dead and the other expiring, who died in about half an hour after she was brought home. The third had two balls through the shoulder, but made out to make her escape. Her wounds are not thought dangerous; by the best discovery we have made, there were four Indians who perpetrated these murders.

FROM:

"The Frontiersmen of
New York"

* One of the girls killed was Cady Brown, then 15 years old, and a daughter of a pioneer settler. She was living at the time in the family of Johannes Roof, not far from the fort.

LETTER FROM COL. GANSEVOORT TO COL. VAN SCHAIK

(July 28, 1777)

Dear Sir:

Yesterday at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, our garrison was alarmed with the firing of four guns. A party of men was instantly dispatched to the place where the guns were fired, which was in the edge of the woods, about 500 yards from the fort; but they were too late. The villains were fled, after having shot three girls who were out picking raspberries, two of whom were lying scalped and tomahawked, one dead, the other expiring, who died in about half an hour after she was brought home. The third had two balls through her shoulder, but made out to make her escape; her wounds are not thought dangerous. By the best discoveries we have made, there were four Indians who perpetrated these murders. I had four men with arms just passed that place, but these mercenaries of Britain came not to fight, but to lie in wait to murder; and it is equally the same to them, if they can get a scalp, whether it is from a soldier or an innocent babe.

Aug. 10th

Fearing they meant to lull us to sleep and storm us in the Night the Colonel Ordered the Guard & Piquet doubled and the Troops to lay on their Arms. Between 12 & 1 o'Clock to-Night they began to Bombard us and continued till Daylight. This Night's work did us no other Damage than breaking the Thigh of a Young Man, an Inhabitant. This Unfortunate Young Man was brought up in the same Family with one of the Girls that was killed and Scalped on the 27th ult. and whose Scalp we have now in the Fort. They were Remarkably Industrious and faithful, both Orphans, and were by Consent of their Former Master to have been Married verry soon.

Washington at Canajoharie and the
Van Alstyne House, Aug. 1, 1783.

In the summer of 1783, Gen. Washington made a tour of the Mohawk Valley, with a military escort, westward from Schenectady to the site of Fort Stanwix (burned in 1781), at present Rome. Washington made this trip in connection with one to Crown Point and the battlefields where Burgoyne and the British cause met defeat. In a letter to General Schuyler, Washington writes of this trip as:

"A tour to reconnoitre those places where the most remarkable posts were established and the ground which became famous by being the theatre of action in 1777. On our return from thence, we propose to pass across the Mohawk river, in order to have a view of that tract of country, which is so much celebrated for the fertility of its soil and the beauty of its situation."

General Washington went west to Fort Stanwix from Schenectady, probably following the Mohawk Turnpike on the north shore, a great part of the way. On his return east, Washington dined at Fort Plain (Fort Rensselaer) July 31, and, in the afternoon, rode to Cherry Valley where he spent the night.

On August 1, the party rode to Ot-

sego lake and, from thence, passed over the route taken by Gen. Clinton's army in his Canajoharie-Otsego march of 1779. Col. Clyde then commanded Fort Plain (officially known as Fort Rensselaer). At the close of hostilities he brought his family up to Canajoharie and installed them in the Van Alstyne house. Here Gen. Washington and his staff dined with Col. and Mrs. Clyde on the evening of August 1, 1783, and here the General remained over night, while his staff took quarters in the Reef Tavern. On August 2, Washington and his party rode eastward down the valley. Nowhere, except at Canajoharie, Cherry Valley and Fort Plain, have we any detailed record of this valley trip.

At all valley points people gathered to greet their national hero. At Canajoharie Washington is said to have addressed the crowd from a store near Reef Tavern.

From:

The History ofMontgomery County, N.Y.

As early as 1778 John Roof came from Fort Stanwix, where his father had previously settled, and opened an inn at Canajoharie. Whether a public house had been conducted there prior to that time is not definitely known. Roof's father, Johannes, purchased the old stone Schremling house that stood against the hill upon the southern end of the flats, and there they kept tavern for many years. The stages generally stopped there over night as did also the passengers. It was in this early tavern that a mysterious burglary was committed in 1797, the perpetrators of which were never discovered. It appears that an iron chest in which a large sum of money had been deposited, was chained to the bedstead occupied by the elder Roof and his wife. Rebecca Bowman, a member of the family, and Nancy Spraker, a young girl, also occupied the room on the night of the burglary, and although the chest was of extraordinary weight, and was placed under the bed, the thieves succeeded in carrying it away without awakening any one. A small tin trunk in which valuable papers had been placed, and which had also been among the contents of the iron chest, was found soon after the robbery in one of the abutments of the bridge which crossed the creek.

Among the notable guests at the Roof tavern in 1779 was General James Clinton, who was stationed there with a body of Sullivan's troops, some of the officers of which were no doubt entertained by Roof and Philip Van Alstine. During their stay they opened a road from Canajoharie through the town of Springfield to the head of Otsego Lake, upon which they launched their fleet of bateaux. General Washington is also said to have stopped at Roof's house when in this locality. A more modern hotel was afterward erected in front of the old Roof tavern, and was known for a time as the "stage house." It was kept in 1826 by Reuben Peake and a few years later by Elisha Kane Roof. George B. Murray took possession of it in 1833, being succeeded by

Morgan L. Harris, who conducted the house for ten years or more. Upon the site of these old taverns, Webster Wagner, who achieved fame and wealth as the inventor of the sleeping and palace car, erected the beautiful Hotel Wagner in 1888.

HISTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

CANAJOHARIE, N.Y.

Site of
Roof's Tavern



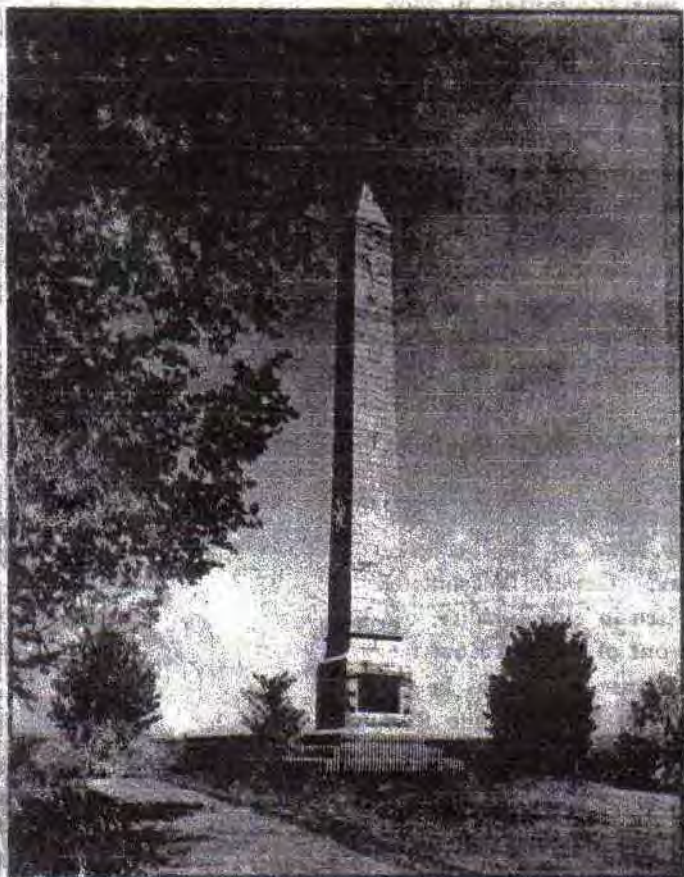
Wagner Hotel:
torn down
in
1927

HOTEL WAGNER AND CLINTON MONUMENT.

Monument marking the start of Gen. Clinton's army in its overland portage to Otsego Lake in the Sullivan and Clinton Indian expedition of 1778. Hotel Wagner (built 1878) is on the site of Roof's tavern, Clinton's Canajoharie headquarters.

ORISKANY BATTLEFIELD

STATE HISTORIC SITE



Visit the battlefield where 800 men and boys fought heroically to preserve their land and freedom. It was here, in hand-to-hand combat, that General Nicholas Herkimer's Mohawk Valley militiamen thwarted one flank of the British three-pronged invasion of New York.

View the audio-visual show at the visitor center, which captures the sights and sounds of the bloodiest battle of the American Revolution. Panoramic photographs detail the six hours of battle that took place here on August 6, 1777.

Located in the historic Mohawk Valley,
between Utica and Rome.

John Roof Sr. & John Roof Jr.
fought at this battle.

(under Gen Herkimer)



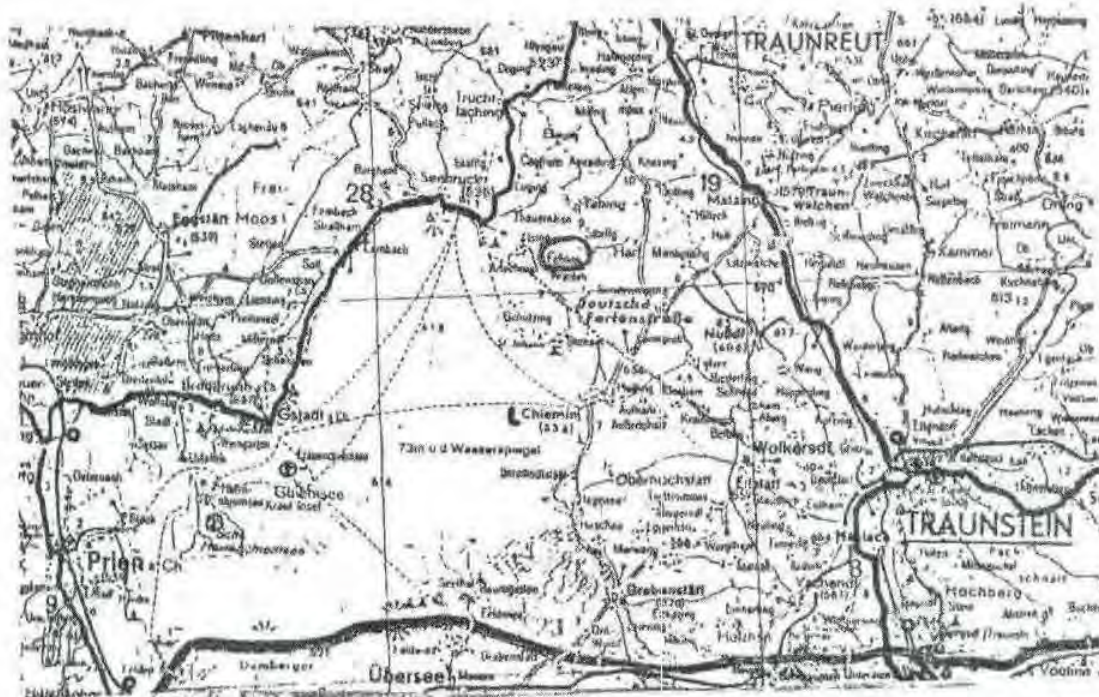
Fort Stanwix

Rome, N.Y.

FAILING (FEHLING) RECORDS

(From the book The Failing Family Along the Mohawk and from the Montgomery County Department of History, Fonda, N.Y.)

"FAILING is a name characteristic of the Pale region of Germany, both in East and Westphalia. It is also commonly found in Hamburg. Apparently deriving from Low German, the name comes from the word "FEHLEN" indicating a swampy area. Thus Fehlen belongs to that class of surnames signifying a place of residence in a remote ancestral home near a swamp. In Germany the name appeared in 1333, both in Hanover and in Locze as Veling, and in 1387 in Frankfort as Feling. In 1552 there was a baker named Reinhard Feling living in Muhlhausen, Thuringia. Entries in the church books at Kroffelbach, which is about three miles west of Butzvack in Hesse, show that a Henrich Failing died there in 1696 at age 55. (born 1640/1) He could well have been the father or our emigrant, HEINRICH H. FAILING, who was born in 1684/5 and who was one of fifty German (Palatine) settlers who were sent to this country in 1710 by Queen Anne of Great Britain."



map showing the village of FEHLING in Germany near the Austrian border (courtesy of the German Information Center, New York City)

I. HEINRICH H. FAILING: was born in Germany in 1684/5 and died at what is now St. Johnsville, Montgomery County, N.Y. Circa 1708 he married in Germany, Anna Marie Kunigunda, who died in St. Johnsville in 1767/8. Heinrich died in 1768/9. He was a husbandman (farmer) and vinedresser. He was also a member of the Reformed Church when he left Germany in 1709. He was on the 4th embarkation list of Palatines from Holland to England who sailed on 21 June 1709. Heinrich was age 24 and his wife was with him. They arrived in New York City during the last week of June 1710. On 1 July 1710, he and his wife and his child received subsistence money for 4 days. He continued to receive rations in New York City. Between 4 Oct. 1710 and the end of the year, he and his family moved up the Hudson to the "Manor" of Livingston. During the expedition against Quebec, he was a volunteer on 1 June 1711 in Capt. Hartman Windecker's County Militia. Between September of 1712 and January of 1716 and after government subsidy was stopped, the family moved from Livingston Manor to Schoharie. Sometime before the Revolutionary War he came to Canajoharie. They had at least 8 children.

1. a child born during the immigration between June 1709 and June 1710. This child died at Livingston Manor between 1 January and March 1711.
2. JOHANNES FAILING: b. Livingston Manor between March and June of 1712. He died 1765 in Canajoharie. Married by 1743 Marie Magdalena Wagner, b. 4 Jan. 1720, d. 7 Mar. 1817, daughter of Johan Peter and Maria Margaretha (Laux) Wagner. (See Laux and Wagner records.)
3. Johan Jacob Failing: b. 9 Oct. 1713, d. between Feb. 1797 & 1799. Married 4 Apr. 1756 Anna Maria Catherina Gerlach, b. 1730 in Stone Arabia, N.Y., d. 3 June 1806. She was the daughter of Elias and Anna Gerlach.
4. Nicholas Failing: b. 7 Jan. 1716, d. 1781. Married Elizabeth Snell, b. 1724, d. 1781, daughter of Johan Jost and Maria Catherine (Kraft) Snell.
5. Heinrich Failing: b. 1718, d. 9 Apr. 1790. Married 17 July 1764, Elizabeth Zimmerman, b. 1742/3, d. 1790/1, daughter of Conrad and Anna Eva(_____) Zimmerman.

6. John Detrich Failing (Richard): b. 1720, d. after 1800.
Married by 1750 Anna Eva Zimmerman.
7. Ann Failing: b. 1722, d. 6 Oct. 1798. Married by 1746
Peter Wormwood, b. Jan. 1718, d. 1800.
8. George Failing: b. 1724, d. after 1797. Married 4 Dec.
1770 Catherina Walrath, daughter of Adolph and Anne Walrath.

John Failing

courtesy of Manuscripts and Special
Collections, New York State Library,
signature from Peter Failing's 1789
administration bond (BA9691(228))

II. JOHANNES FAILING: (John) was born in Livingston Manor between March and June of 1712, died 1765 in Canajoharie, N.Y. By 1743 he had married Maria Magdalena Wagner, b. 4 Jan. 1720, daughter of Johan Peter Wagner and Maria Margaretha (Laux) Wagner. She died 10 March 1817 and was buried from the Dutch Reformed Church in Fort Plain, N.Y. She was 97 yrs., 1 mo. & 5 dys. old.

On 14 May 1762 John (Johannes) Failing, a farmer, signed an agreement as one of the six sons of Heinrich H. Failing to support their parents in exchange for Heinrich's real estate. Before the Revolutionary War, John Failing lived just west of the village of Canajoharie. He also lived in Freybush.



WAGNER & LAUX (LOUCKS)

- I. Abraham Wagner: died 1644 in Germany.
- II. Hans Wagner:
- III. George David Wagner: baptised 6 Nov. 1651. Married Anna Gessig, daughter of Wilhelm and Anna Margaretha Gessig.
- IV. Johan Peter Wagner: b. 1687. Married Maria Margaretha Laux, b. 1686, daughter of Johan Jost Laux and 1st wife Maria Catherina _____.
- V. Maria Magdalena Wagner: married Johann Fehling (Failing).
- VI. Andrew Failing: married Susannah Roof.
- VII. John A. Failing: married Jane Owen.
- VIII. Sarah Failing: married John A. Thomas.
- IX. Jennie Thomas: married Frank E. Burke
- X. Nelson W. Burke: married Laura A. Glessman

(See The Wagner Family of the Mohawk Valley Pg. 119)



Palatine Church

WAGNER FAMILY

By W. F. Webster

The rise of patriotic societies has extended and deepened the interest in our ancestors. Perhaps an article on one of the early families of the Mohawk Valley will stimulate inquiry concerning others. My Grandmother Webster was a Wagner, and years ago, while living at Fort Plain, I talked with many old people and examined the church records at Stone Arabia concerning the Wagner family and others allied by marriage. Let me try to reduce my mass of memoranda to order and condense it. I shall give but a small part.

Johan Peter Wagner was "born in Doekenhausen, in the county Braubach, in Hessen-Darmstadt, 1687, the 4th of October," says the record. Braunsbach is in Wirtemberg—he came from the Lower Palatinate. His wife was "Maria Margaretha Laue, born in Ohren, St. Sienner Landen, 1685." In the Documentary History of New York, vol. 2, page 569, is a "Statement of heads of Palatin families and number of Persons in both Towns on ye west side of Hudsons

River," in which No. 21 (in a list of 32) is Peter Wagner. The tabulation indicates a wife, but no children. They were then each 24, or 25 years old, assuming the identity of this Peter Wagner and my ancestor, which is altogether probable. They arrived in America in June, 1710. It was in the reign of Queen Anne, when many Germans were colonized by England on the Schoharie and on the Mohawk; "one strong motive being the better security of the province against Canadian aggressions." "It was deemed advisable to locate them where they could best produce for the home government, from pine trees, naval stores, such as turpentine and tar." The hardships and varied experiences of these immigrants are graphically given in the documents published by the state, and in the "Frontiersmen of New York," vol. 1. After being located on the Hudson several years, Wagner moved into the Schoharie Valley, where he seems to have lived some ten years. His seven children must have been born on the Hudson and in Schoharie, and perhaps one on the Mohawk. We may infer some of his experiences from the history of the Schoharie settlement by Mr. Simms.

In 1722, Wagner and others bought land of the Indians in the Mohawk Valley. I have before me a copy of the "deed." It is signed by representatives of the Mohawks, Onondagas, Oneidas, Cayugas, and Senecas. The date was 9th July, 1722. It conveys a tract "on both sides of the Mohagun river" for "about 24 English miles," and "with all the woodland Northerly and Southerly of the said meadow-



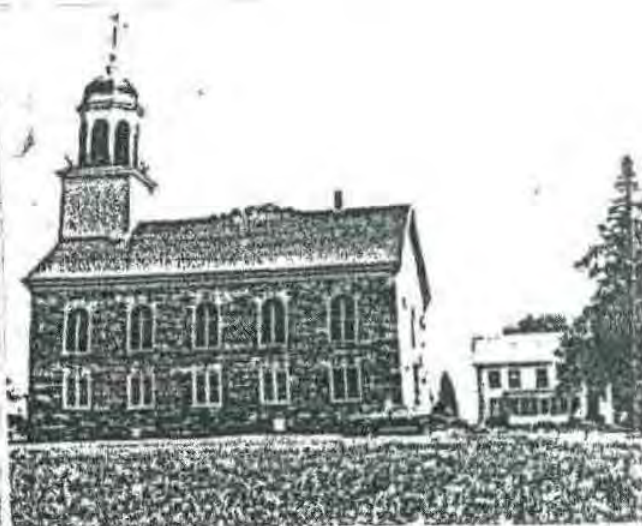
THE WAGNER FAMILY of the Mohawk Valley

ler, and Peter Wagner", issued through Gov. William Burnet, is dated 8 July, 1725. By this they obtained 1637 acres on the south side of the Mohawk, north of the Otsquago and south of the Otsquene. See map in the Doc. History N. Y., vol. 1, page 774. The tract is marked "P. Wagoner." This was about half way between the Mohawk and Cherry Valley. When and how Wagner disposed of this I do not know. The same map shows a tract near the "Caroga" marked "Wagoner," and on that my ancestor settled. Stone Arabia was easterly from him; "Capt. Frey" was down the river; "Fox Mills" were on the Caroga; "Fort Harrison" was to the northwest; the "Cenajoharrees" were on "Conowadaga creek"—what is now Indian Castle—and the names of Morris, Livingston, Colden, Bleecker, Cosby, etc., appear on the south side of the river. The date of the map I do not know, but it was after the founding of Cherry Valley; probably long after. That the pioneer Wagner and his wife lived to be at least 63 years old is proved by a record of their presence at the baptism of their first grandchild, Peter, November, 1750. When they died I don't know. Their graves had no markers, but they were probably near the grave of their son on the J. Harvey Smith farm.

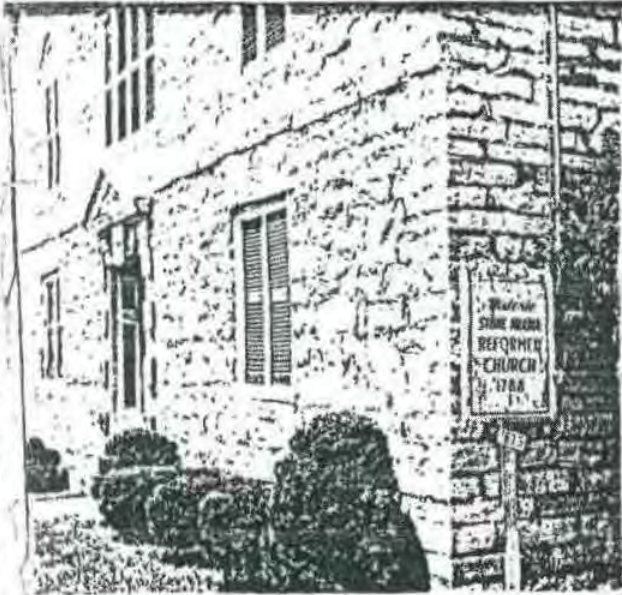
Their children were: 1. Anna Margaretha, born 15 April, 1713; married Heinrich Tillenbach. 2. Maria Catharina, born 18 August, 1714; married George Rosner (the o with an omlaut). 3. Utilla, born 18 August, 1718; married Isaac Reit. 4. Catharina Elizabeth, born 10 September, 1718; married—? 5. Maria Magdalene, born 4 January, 1720; married Johan Fehling of Freyabush. I have the names of scores of descendants of Mrs. Fehling. Included are the names of Dieffendorf, Waller, Wendell, Seebor, Nestell, Hawn, Abbott, etc. 6. Johan Peter, born 8 January, 1722. Of him I shall have more to say. 7. Maria Elizabeth, born 24 January, 1724; married Heinrich Saltzman. She was the grandmother of Peter I. Saltzman,

CHILDREN OF JOHANNES FAILING & MARIA MAGDALENA (WAGNER) FAILING

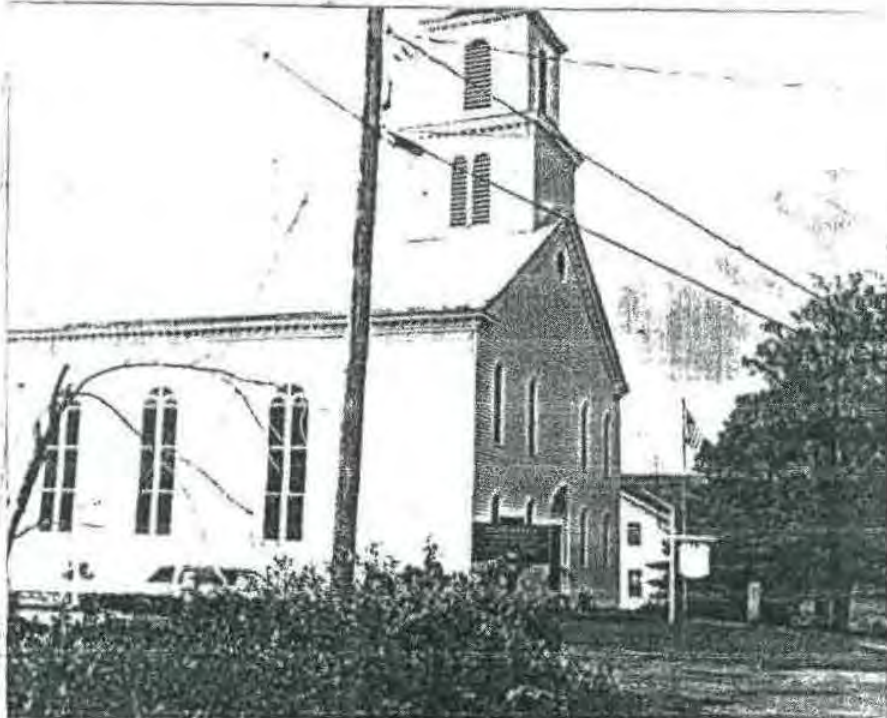
1. Christina: b.c. 1744, married 9 Oct. 1764, Uriel MacKooms.
2. Peter: b.c. 1746, d. 1786, married 1775 Anna _____.
3. Henry John: b. 29 Jan. 1748, d. 5 Oct. 1825, married c. 1773 Catherine Dygert. She was b. 1749, d. 10 Aug. 1837, daughter of Werner and Magdalena (Herkimer) Dygert.
4. a daughter:
5. Maria Margaret (Mary): b. Aug. 1752, d. 22 Apr. 1813, married by 1785 Conrad Seeber, b. 3 Apr. 1749, d. 2 Sept. 1812.
6. Johannes: baptised 3 Apr. 1755.
7. Anna: baptised 3 April 1755
8. ANDREAS: (Andrew) b. 1 Feb. 1753, d. 27 Jan. 1830 in Lyons, Wayne County, N.Y. Married 1790 Susanna Roof, daughter of Johannes (John) and Anna Maria (Leonhards) Roof. (See Roof Genealogy.)
9. Maria Magdalena: b. 5 Dec. 1765, posthumously, married 23 Oct. 1792 John Nichol.



Dutch Reformed Church
Stone Arabia, N.Y.



Dutch Reformed Church
& Churchyard Cemetery
Stone Arabia, N.Y.

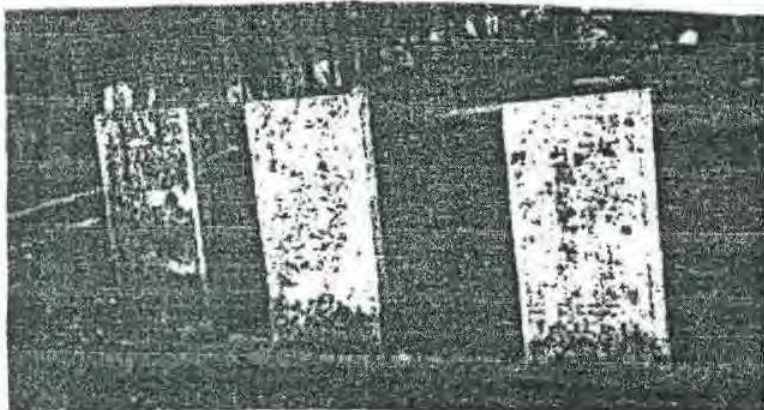


Lutheran Church & Churchyard Cemetery
Stone Arabia, N.Y.



- III. ANDREW FAILING: (Andreas Fehling) b. 1 Feb. 1753 in Canajoharie, N.Y., died 27 Jan. 1830 in Lyons, N.Y. Married Susanna Roof, b. 9 Aug. 1766, d. 12 Feb. 1844. Both are buried in South Cemetery, Lyons, N.Y. She was the daughter of John and Anna Maria (Leonhards) Roof. (See Roof Genealogy.)

During the Revolutionary War Andrew Failing was a Private in Capt. Adam Lipe's Co., 1st Regiment, Tryon County Militia. In 1790 the census lists in Canajoharie the newly married Andrew with his widowed mother and family. Between 1810 and 1820, Andrew moved his family to Lyons, then in Ontario County, N.Y. He also lived in Arcadia which was formed from Lyons in 1825.



Stones from left to right:
Daniel Failing & wife Lydia Perrin
Andrew Failing
Susan (Roof) Failing
South Cemetery, Lyons, N.Y.

*signature from the 1762 bond

CHILDREN OF ANDREW & SUSANNA (ROOF) FAILING

1. JOHN A. FAILING: b. 11 Sept. 1792 in Canajoharie, N.Y., d. 16 May 1874 in Jordan, N.Y. Married 1814 Jane Owen, b. 1796, d. 1860, daughter of Hugh and Abigail Owen of Lyons, N.Y.
2. Peter Failing: b. 1793 m. *Rebecca* —
3. Andrew Failing: b. 1795, d. 1 Nov. 1875 m. *Hannah Owen*
4. Daniel Failing: b. 1798, d. 20 June 1864, married Lydia Perrin.
5. Margaret Failing: b. 1800 m. *James McCann*
6. Maria Failing: b. 1803 m. *Isaac Sorchill*
7. Barbara R. Failing: b. 1805 m. *John Barber*
8. Martin Failing: b. 1807 m. *Sarah Barnarey*

9. George Roof Failing: b. 10 June 1809, d. 26 Dec. 1867.
 10. Jacob Failing: b. 1810
 11. Helene Failing: b. 1812

IV. JOHN A. FAILING: b. 11 Sept. 1792 in Canajoharie, N.Y., d. 16 May 1874 in Jordan, N.Y. He served in the War of 1812 in Col. Swift's Regiment. Pension and Land Grant No. BLWT 112-287-55. In 1814 he married Jane Owen, b. 15 Nov. 1796, d. 15 Jan. 1860. *Owen* She was the daughter of Hugh and Abigail Owen of Lyons, N.Y. *See page 163* They first resided in Lyons, then moving to Jordan sometime before 1840. In 1855 they resided on Hamilton Street in Jordan. Both are buried in the Jordan Cemetery at the head of Quince Street. Their plots are located in the southwest corner of the cemetery.



John A. Failing
1792--1874



Headstones
John & Jane Failing
Cemetery Jordan, N.Y.

according to new (200) stone a big girl was born 18124.

CHILDREN OF JOHN A. & JANE (OWEN) FAILING

- girl 1. a daughter: b.c. 1816 named either Margaret or Helene
- girl 2. a daughter: b.c. 1818 named either Helene or Margaret
- girl 3. Abigail: b. 1820, d. 1850. Buried Jordan Cemetery.
- boy 4. Andrew J.: b.c. 1822/3, d. 4 Apr. 1845, age 22 years. Buried in the Jordan Cemetery.
- girl 5. a daughter: b.c. 1827 (according to 1840 census.)
- girl 6. Susan: b. 1830. A schoolteacher.
- girl 7. SARAH: b. 1832 Wayne County, N.Y. Married 1st John A. Thomas. Married 2nd circa 1868 Samuel Parks, b. 1833. He was a Crayman. They had at least one child, Samuel Parks, Jr. b. May 1870. (See below)
8. Wesley: b. 1834 m. L. Eliza Justice (Ohio)
9. Hugh: b. 1836. Married Nancy _____. He enlisted in the Civil War in 1863. Hugh was a cooper by trade. He is buried in the Maple Grove Cemetery, Jordan, N.Y. 4 children.

Eleanor m. Putnam Fisk

There were 2 Hugh Failing boys
 1. 1849
 2. 1857
 3. 1879
 4. 1899
 5. 1919
 6. 1939
 7. 1959
 8. 1979
 9. 1999

could he see of Andrew's Hannah Owen Failing
 M. Lucinda Hopkins
 "Gene Owen Failing 1867
 "Myron 1845
 "Summer 1869
 "Willie 1853

Sarah m. 2nd 1868 -
 1st J. M. Parks - d. 1879 in River, Kansas
 2nd W. H. Harnish, Wildon m. 1879
 C. D. Harnish b. 1875, James H. b. 1877, Lilly m. 1879

9. SARAH FAILING: b. 1832 in Wayne County, N.Y. Married circa 1854 John A. Thomas, b. 1825 in Woodbridge, St., d. 4 Nov. 1861 of typhoid in Jordan, N.Y. He was the son of Noyes H. Thomas and Emma (Baldwin) Thomas. (See Thomas & Baldwin Genealogies.) He came to Jordan in 1848 and was a cooper by trade. Circa 1854 he married Sarah Failing. He is buried in the Jordan Cemetery with his young son Noyes H. Thomas. Sarah (Failing) Thomas Parks' burial place is unknown. They had 3 children.



Part of John A. Thomas' broken headstone
 buried as Sarah Thomas in Jordan Cem. Poss. Sam'l Parks Jr. with her

Noyes J. Thomas 1857-1899

CHILDREN OF JOHN A. THOMAS & SARAH (FAILING) THOMAS

- V. 1. JANE EMMA (JENNIE) THOMAS: b. 12 Apr. 1855 in Jordan, N.Y., d. 26 July 1926 in Meridian, N.Y. Married Frank E. Burke 18 Nov. 1873. He was the son of William and Lydia (Vickery) Burk of Meridian. All are buried in the Meridian, N.Y. Cemetery. They had 3 children.
1. Lillian Burke: b. 1875 (See Burke records)
 2. Cara Frances Burke: b. 1878 (See Burke records)
 - ★ 3. Nelson William Burke: b. 21 June 1882 (See Burke records)
2. Noyes H. Thomas: b. 6 Aug. 1857, d. 6 June 1859 at age 1 yr. & 10 mos. Buried in the Jordan Cemetery.
3. Pearl Thomas: b. 19 Aug. 1860 in Jordan, N.Y., d. 6 Mar. 1952 in Rochester, N.Y. at age 91 yrs. (Surrogate records re guardianship papers dated 29 Nov. 1861 show her birthdate as Aug. 1860, not 1863 as stated on her death record.) Her father John A. Thomas died 4 Nov. 1861. She married c. 1889 Herman Meyn of Rochester. He was b. June 1857 and d. 12 Feb. 1917, son of Louis and Anna Meyn who were both born in Germany. The Meyns are buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Rochester, N.Y. They had 3 children.
1. Irene G. Meyn: b. Oct. 1890, d. 4 Sept. 1982, age 91. She was a schoolteacher in Rochester for many years. She is buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery.
 2. Charles Meyn: b. Nov. 1891, d. 26 Mar. 1917 at Saranac Lake, N.Y. from tuberculosis. He was employed by a Rochester bank.
 3. Albert Meyn: b. 13 July 1896, d. 9 Sept. 1960. Married Marion Burns, d. 13 June 1982 at age 83 yrs. in Ithaca, N.Y. 1 child, Charles Meyn who married and had 2 girls & 1 boy.



Left:
Irene Meyn

Right:
Pearl (Thomas) Meyn
& daughter Irene
1938



GREEN FAMILY RECORDS

(From Histories of Rutland & Oakham, Mass., & Vitals)

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, OAKHAM, MASS.

1. PATRICK GREEN: probably came from the banks of the Foyle or Bann Rivers in Northern Ireland to Rutland, Mass. between 1718 and 1740. He was in Oakham in 1743 where he was one of the first settlers. He was of the Protestant faith and was a stonecutter by trade. On 4 Mar. 1741 he married Eleanor (Nellie) McMains in Rutland. Patrick died 7 Sept. 1781 in Oakham. Eleanor was the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth McMains. Robert McMains was a stonecutter by trade. The McMains had another daughter Azubah, b. 7 May 1732 who married William Banks on 7 June 1750 and they had 7 children. Patrick Green received from his father-in-law, 96 acres of land in lot #32 in 1743 in consideration of "parental love for Eleanor, his daughter, wife of Patrick Green". Patrick and Eleanor had at least 2 children.
1. WILLIAM GREEN: married Sarah Stone
 2. Bartholomew Green: married Keziah _____. Was a Rev. War-Soldier

"To His Excellency, the Right Honorable Samuel Suitte, Governor of New England. We, whose names are under-written, Inhabitants of ye North of Ireland, Doe, in our own names and in the names of many others of our neighbors: Gentlemen, ministers, farmers, and Tradesmen, Doe, Commissionate and Appoint our well-beloved and trusty friend, the Reverend William Boyd, of Macaskey, to repair to His Excellency, the Right Honorable Samuel Suitte, to assure His Excellency of our sincere and honest Inclinations to transport ourselves to that very excellent and renowned Plantation upon our receiving from his Excellency suitable encouragement. And further to act, and Doe in our names, as his prudence shall direct. Given under our hands this 26th day of March, Anno. Dom. 1718."

Some four hundred names were affixed to this petition,² names which became famous all over the eastern seaboard from Maine to Georgia. Among them were Bell, Boyd, Craige, Hunter, Hendry or Henry, Mulholland or Holland, Alexander and Kennedy, Green, Crawford and McFarland. A number of them, like McMains, Macmurrah or Murray, Bothwell, MacFarland, Bell, Green, Crawford and the omnipresent Smith, were to occur among the varied names of people who settled in Oakham.³

The Green Family.

Patrick Green married, in Rutland, Nellie, daughter of Robert McMains, March 4, 1741. In 1743 he received from his father-in-law ninety-six acres in Lot No. 32, consideration "Parental Love and Affection for Eleanor, my daughter, Wife of Patrick Green." He was one of the first ten settlers of Oakham, and lived on the south side of the county road from Rutland to Hadley, a few rods southeast of the house in which William Gaffney now lives. He was Precinct Treasurer in 1760 and 1761. William and Bartholomew Green were his sons.

Rutland V. R., 146 [Greene]. Wore. Co. Reg. of Deeds, xxiii, 5.

The first main road was that provided for in a vote of 1767. The vote prescribed that it should run passing Patrick Green's, then on straight to the meeting-house. It is the east-west road that still functions, and parallels the Turnpike,²² to the southward. It was to be two rods wide, easterly of Patrick Green's, passing through lot 29 to a red oak tree to the line between the lots 29 and 28, to between lots 23 and 24, one rod out of each lot 17 and 18, across the corner of lot 17 to about midway on the western side of lot 11, and then on to the meeting-house.

THE SETTING OF THE STAGE

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circumstances favored him. The "suitable encouragement" was forthcoming and he returned to Ulster at once. In October of that year, 1718, two hundred immigrants from the banks of the Bann and Foyle rivers arrived in Boston. This was at the time when Cotton Mather was still a power in the land. He winced and dined the affluent; he opened the bowels of Christian compassion by clothing and feeding such of them as were needy. His influence kept the rich among them permanently in Boston, to the enrichment of its civic life. His equally effective measures sped the poorer artisans on to Dedham, Roxbury, Middleboro, Taunton, Worcester and Rutland. Some of the earlier settlers in Oakham came from among those first arrivals in Rutland and a number of the other towns eventually sent more to Oakham.

"When we put together all that we can learn . . . we perceive that the first task of men is to live."⁴ The first settlers of Oakham were speedily to discover how true and how difficult this statement would be for them, equipped even as they were, with the powerful arts of life developed in their European civilization. Their immediate task was to make clearings for the sowing of grain. They had to fell the giant beeches, oaks, chestnuts, maples and conifers with which the forest floor was thickly studded. One⁵ who wrote less than a hundred years after settlement was begun in nearby Rutland well describes the hardships and difficulties encountered by those pioneers. His words can be confidently accepted as accurate for the Oakham colonists.

"They each in his own lot began to fell the trees, to clear a spot to raise something for the coming year, and to erect a log hut. Their food was wild game or such as they carried from home on their own backs or on their horses; their drink was from the fountain; their lodging was their blankets; when weary or hungry they had no fathers or mothers, cupboard or cellar to go to, nor smiling wife with whom to take a cup of tea. After performing their summer's work they returned home to their friends. The next season they resumed felling the trees and gathered their grain. Some put up huts and some wintered in the woody settlement."

⁴ W. G. Sumner: *Folkways*, N. Y. 1906.

⁵ Jonas Reed: *History of Rutland*. Worcester, Mass., 1836, p. 17.

Oakham

Oakham, formerly a district of Rutland, was populated in part by families who had lived in a section of Rutland known as Dublin. During the summer of 1761, they removed the frame of their meeting house to the west wing of Rutland. On June 7, 1762, their settlement was named a district of Rutland and, on August 23, 1775, was made a town by the General Court.

When Oakham was established as a district of Rutland, the county roads had been opened, but no town roads had been laid out. The town was named after a township in England and well merited the name because of the prevalence, in this area, of large oak trees. In one section of the town, which was called Pine Plains, there were vast areas of evergreens, cone-bearing pines and other trees which were the source of lumber for the nearby settlements.

- II. WILLIAM GREEN: married 13 Sept. 1764 Sarah Stone of Barre, Mass. In 1776 he purchased 94 acres of land in the northwestern part of lot #32. He kept an Inn from 1776 until 1784. He served in the Revolutionary War as a Private in Capt. Joseph Cutler's Co. of Vols. On 24 Sept. 1777 he marched to join Gen. Gates' Worcester County Regiment. At one time he was a Selectman in Oakham and also held other offices. In 1790 he was still living in Oakham but, by 1800, he removed to Braintree, Vt. In 1803 he was a lister in that town. William and Sarah Green also resided in the towns of Stockbridge and Gilford, Vermont. They had 8 children.

WILLIAM GREEN, son of Patrick Green who was a first settler, was a soldier of the Revolution. He was selectman, town clerk, and was on the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection and Safety in 1777. He kept an inn from 1776 till 1784 and was living in Oakham in 1790. This line of Oakham Greens seems to have run out shortly after the beginning of the nineteenth

GREEN, William, Jr.

b. Oakham, February 12, 1765 (O.V.R. 76). m. Betty Hudson,
intention November 12, 1785 (O.V.R. 76).

Children:

- i. Betty, b. Oakham, October 23, 1786 (O.V.R. 29, 76). *W. John Burke Jr.*
ii. William M., b. Oakham, December 22, 1788 (O.V.R. 29). *D. Mich 1850*
In 1800 both children living in Braintree, Vt. with grand parents

- III. 1. WILLIAM GREEN, JR.: b. 12 Feb. 1765 in Oakham, Mass., d. 16 Dec. 1816 in Danby, Vt. He was a stonecutter by trade. Married 12 Nov. 1785 in Oakham, Betsey Hudson, b. 5 July 1765 in Oakham, d. 3 Aug. 1854 in Danby, Vt. age 89 years. Buried in the Quaker-Nichols Farm Cemetery, Danby. Circa 1800 they removed from Oakham to settle in Danby, Vt.

Betsey (Bettie) Hudson, wife of William Green, was the daughter of Joseph and Hepsibah (Foster) Hudson who came to Oakham from Rutland, Mass. in 1758. Joseph and Hepsibah (Foster) Hudson were married 30 June 1763. They came to Coldbrook and bought 4 acres of land where he held town offices from 1770-1776. She died and Joseph Hudson married 2nd to Abigail Williams on 11 April 1779. He died c. 6 Dec. 1791 and his widow married Frederick Monroe Stone on 6 Jan. 1793. Children by the 1st wife.

1. Enos Hudson: b. 1759, d. 1805, listed as a son in father's will.
2. Molly Hudson: b. 9 Jan. 1764, married Ebenezer Miles 10 Nov. 1785.
3. BETSEY HUDSON: b. 5 July 1765, married William Green, Jr.
4. Patty Hudson: b. 20 June 1767, married Dr. O. Townsend.
5. Adin Hudson: b. 27 Feb. 1769, d. 28 Sept. 1790. Married Sarah Green 5 Oct. 1789. 1 child: Allie b. 7 Feb. 1790. Sarah (Green) Hudson married 2nd Constant Ruggles 28 Oct. 1792.

Joseph Hudson, -1791, was a clothier who came to Oakham from Rutland in 1758. He bought land from James Craig, Sr., in what was Coldbrook Springs. He was a man of considerable social power and standing. He served as selectman four times; and as moderator and treasurer once each. He was also a member of the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection and Safety. His son, Enos, had the distinction of serving as a soldier from Oakham.

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His estate was settled in 1791, when he owned 227 acres of land, appraised at £336. There is a map of his land in Worc. Co. Prob. Case 32249.

Joseph Hudson died before December 6, 1791, when his will was allowed (Worc. Co. P. C. 32249).

Mrs. Abigail (Williams) Hudson married Frederick Munroe Stone at Oakham January 10, 1793 (O.V.R. 81).

2. Benjamin Green: b. 26 Mar. 1767, married Rhoda French. He was a schoolteacher.
3. Sarah Green: b. 2 Mar. 1769, married Adin Hudson 5 Oct. 1789.
4. Azubah Green: b. 15 Apr. 1771, married Aron Brown 10 Oct. 1786.
5. Alpha Green: b. 2 Nov. 1773, married Polly Pratt 13 Dec. 1795. In 1800 they were living in Braintree, Vermont.
6. Joseph Green: b. 23 Mar. 1776, married Asenath Mixter 19 Feb. 1804.
7. Patty Green: b. 9 Oct. 1778, married Alpheus Bullard. Died in Commerce, Michigan. 8 children: Adin, Mary, Joseph, Benjamin, Solomon, Silas, Edwin and Hubbard. (Bullard Genealogy)

8. Marcy (Mary) Green: b. 19 Aug. 1780, d. 1820. Married Hubbard Woodbury 4 May 1797. Had 2 daus., Melinda married Horatio Allen and ? who married a Mr. Allen.

RELIGION AND THE CHURCH IN OAKHAM

The inner drives of men come to the surface in various ways. There are the urges to satisfy hunger, the impulses to found a family, the satisfaction of the deeply seated sense of beauty, and the reactions to the Eternal and Infinite. This chapter will be given over to the ecclesiastical history of the people of Oakham and an attempt made to describe the play of religion in the public and private lives of its individuals.

A distinction is observable between the personal religion of the individual and the socially organized force of religion in a church. Many individuals came and went during the two hundred years of the town's life. They passed as doctors, mechanics, farmers, soldiers, statesmen, educators, ministers, missionaries, social workers, and what not. All of them were surely religious but all held varying shades of religious belief or theological opinion. Some left the town because they could not brook any other form of church life than the Presbyterian or Unitarian. Still others remained at home and organized themselves as Methodists or Baptists. Some never had, ceased to have, or professed not to have any sort of church affiliation. Even the latter had some sort of attitude towards forces of the beyond: they at least loved their country and that has deeply emotional or "religious" roots.

Attempts to satisfy the longings for, and to make adjustments to the beyond have been very definite in Oakham. They began, indeed in England and Ireland and were held to by the Scotch-Irish and English immigrants to Worcester and Rutland. Points of disagreement between the Scotch-Irish and the English Calvinists in those towns and in Oakham arose almost at once.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM GREEN JR. & BETSEY (HUDSON) GREEN

- IV. 1. BETSEY GREEN: b. 23 Oct. 1786 in Oakham, Mass., d. 9 Sept. 1850 in Leoni Township, Michigan. In 1800 she was living with her grandparents in Braintree, Vt. on the Riford Brook Road near the John Burk family. She married John Burk Jr. circa 1803. (See Burk records.)
2. William Green III: b. 22 Dec. 1788 in Oakham, Worcester County, Mass., d. 2 Dec. 1862 in Peru, N.Y. Married 1 Mar. 1812 Phebe Barker, b. 1 Mar. 1789, d. 22 Apr. 1866. In 1850 they were living in Danby, Vt. They had a large family, some children listed below.
1. Chauncey O.: b. Apr. 1825 in Weedsport, N.Y., d. 15 Feb. 1910 in Troy, N.Y. Married Elizabeth Eggleston, b. 6 Nov. 1847, d. 1916. She was the daughter of Andrus and Nancy Curtis Eggleston.

2. Edwin: served in the Mexican War.
3. Benjamin Franklin:
4. Sidney:
5. Eliza Ann:
6. George H.: b. 1820 in New York State.
7. Daniel: b. 1822 in New York State.
8. Clarinda: b. 1834 in New York State.
9. William Hudson:

3. Adin Hudson Green: b. 1793 in Mass., d. 1 Nov. 1860 in Middletown, Vt. He was a prominent businessman in Danby for many years. He married 3 times: 1st to Susan Griffith, b. 1799, d. Nov. 1833 and is buried in the Quaker-Nichols Farm Cemetery, Danby, Vt. 2nd to Margaret Biglow, d. 13 May 1835, daughter of Rev. Henry Biglow of Middletown, Vt. 3rd to the Widow Smith. He had at least 9 children.

1. Lydia: b. Feb. 1823, d. 10 days later. Buried Quaker-Nichols Farm Cemetery.
2. Adalaide: b. 24 Mar. 1824, d. age 24 days. Buried Quaker-Nichols Farm Cemetery.
3. David: went to Tipton, Iowa.
4. Loretta: went to Tipton, Iowa.
5. Hudson: married Sophronia _____ and had at least 1 child, Chauncey O., b. 26 July 1866 in Danby, Vt.
6. Susan: married Martin H. Coy 3 Oct. 1867.
7. Melinda: married Sheldon Young. Resided in Tipton, Iowa.
8. Adin H.: a member of the 10th Vermont Regt. during the Civil War.
9. Horace: youngest and 2nd brother to Adin H. Green. He was in Kilpatrick's Cavalry and was wounded on the Danville Railroad in Virginia in January of 1864. He died in Middletown, Vt. of his wounds on 2 January 1865. (A minie ball had gone through his head in back of his eyes, destroying his eyesight. He appeared to have recovered from his wounds but died suddenly a year later.)
4. Polly: married John Griffith. Probably went to Grass Lake, Michigan. Later resided in Collins, N.Y.
5. Amanda: married Joseph Billings 17 Oct. 1838. Officiating minister was her brother Orange Green. Resided in Rutland, Vt. and had Green family records.
6. Chauncey: married Almira Bowen and lived in Dorset, Vt.

other
Horace

7. Joseph R: born 1800, married Harriett Sherman (b. 1805, d. 1853). He was a constable and collector in Danby for several years and occupied a prominent position in society. He later lived in Dorset, Vt. His only child Adelaide, a very estimable young lady and teacher, died at age 18.
8. Orange: born Sept. 1805 and died May 1839. Buried in the Scotts-ville Cemetery, Danby, Vt. He married Harriett Jones. He was a blacksmith and manufacturer of axes in Danby. He was also a Baptist minister. He and Harriett had 6 children.
 1. Betsey M.: born March 1829, died May 1898. Buried in the Scotts-ville Cemetery. She married Austin Baker, b. 1825. Resided in Danby in 1850.
 2. Lucinda:
 3. Mariette: b. 1833 in Vt.
 4. Amanda: b. 1835 in Vt.
 5. Mary: b. 1837 in Vt.
 6. Emily: b. 1839 in Vt.

James Wilcox, about the year 1800, was a stone mason by trade. He died many years since, leaving a family of eight children: William, Abby G., Orange, Chauncey, Joseph, Polly, Betsey and Amanda. William m. Phoebe Barker and raised a large family, of whom Chauncey O. m. Elizabeth, da. of Andrus Eggleston, and lives in Troy, N. Y. Edwin, who served as a soldier, during the Mexican war. Sidney, now in California, and George, who lives in Burlington, Vt. Chauncey m. Almira Bowen, and lives in Dorset, having formerly settled here. Joseph R. m. Harriett Sherman, who died in 1853. He was constable and collector here for several years, and occupied a prominent position in society. He now resides in Dorset. Their only child, Adelaide, a very estimable young lady and teacher, died at the age of 18. Polly m. John Griffith; Betsey m. John Hays, and Amanda m. Joseph Billings, and lives in Rutland.



From: The History of Danby, Vt.

Map showing Braintree &
Danby, Vermont

Pictures courtesy of Schuyler Earl
a descendant of William Green III & Phebe (Barker) Green



BETSY HUDSON GREENE

(Left)

Born 1765 and died 1854, age 89 yrs.
Mother to "our" Betsey Green Burk.
Was a Quaker.

(Below)

Born 2 April 1825 in Weedsport, N.Y.
son of William Green III



CHAUNCEY ORANGE GREENE

(Below)

William Green III

Betsey Green Burk's brother



1788-1862

(Right)

Phebe Barker Green
wife of Wm. Green III
daughter of
Nicholas and
Clarinda Folger Barker



PETTY * OWEN * HAIRE * BURK * CONNECTION

(From: The Histories & Vitals of Springfield & Brookfield, Mass.)

PETTY: John Petty and his wife, Ann (Canning) Petty came from Windsor to Springfield, Mass. in 1665. They had been married in Boston on 30 March 1662. John Petty died on 8 March 1680 and his widow married Samuel Owen on 5 Sept. 1681. Samuel was born in Wales in 1651. In 1688 they went to Brookfield, Mass. and settled in the fork of the road east of Warding Rock. Samuel owned considerable amounts of land. Nearby, Gilbert's Fort was a convenient refuge for the families clustered around Owen's Tavern. Samuel had, in 1691, received a license to operate this tavern. The children of Samuel and Ann Owen were:

1. Sarah Owen: b. 1682
2. Abigail Owen: b. 1685
3. Samuel Owen Jr.: b. 1688
in Springfield. Family
went to Brookfield. See p. 138

PETTY: Ann Canning Petty and her first husband John Petty had 8 children.

1. James Petty: b. 25 March 1662, married 15 June 1683 Mary Lawton. He was a soldier in King William's War.
2. John Petty: b. 9 Nov. 1666, married 13 Apr. 1693, Mary Taylor.
3. Hannah Petty: b. 11 Dec. 1667, d. 1 Jan. 1668.
4. Mary Petty: b. 27 Mar. 1670. Married 29 Dec. 1687, Thomas Taylor.
5. Joseph Petty: b. 27 Sept. 1672. Married 14 Feb. 1701, Elizabeth Edwards, d. 18 Feb. 1702, d/o Joseph Edwards. Married 2nd 2 June 1703 Sarah Edwards, d. 4 Oct. 1754 in Northfield. He died c. 1746 in Northfield. They had 2 daughters

1. Elizabeth: b. 11 Feb. 1702

(The Owen Line)

(I) Samuel Owen, progenitor of this family, settled in Springfield, Massachusetts, before 1681. It is likely that he was related to John Owen, who came from Wales to Windsor, Connecticut, among the early settlers. John Owen was born December 25, 1624. Samuel Owen came from Springfield to Brookfield, Massachusetts, in 1688, and lived and kept tavern on the north side of the road east of Warding Rock. He received a total of two hundred and twenty-seven acres of land in town grants. He married, at Springfield, in 1681, Ann Pettee, widow of John Pettee. She may have been a second wife. Children, born at Springfield: Sarah, 1682; Abigail, 1685; Samuel, mentioned below. Perhaps other children.

(II) Samuel (2), son of Samuel (1) Owen, was born at Springfield. He came to Brookfield with his father and owned one hundred and eighty-two acres of land there. He married Mary ——— (also spelled Mercy in the vital

2. Sarah: b. 14 Apr. 1707

Joseph and Sarah Petty were among the captives of the Deerfield, Mass. Massacre.

6. Anna Petty: b. 19 May 1675 and d. 12 May 1691

7. a son: b. 23 June 1677

8. Ebenezer Petty: b. 23 Oct. 1678

Joseph Petty and Wife, Deerfield Captives

(From: The History of Deerfield, Mass.)

The following is an account of Joseph's escape and his dreadful trip back to Deerfield after the Massacre. In the early morn of 29 Feb. 1704, approximately 50 Deerfield residents were killed and another 100 taken captive. Sarah and Joseph Petty were among these captives taken to Montreal, Canada. Joseph escaped the following summer and Sarah was redeemed from her captors.

Rev. S.

Upon your desire, I now present you with a Narrative of my escape from Canada, tho it is now so long Since y^t I may possibly forget some particulars. But the acc^t as near as I can remember is as follows viz^t About thirteen months after I was taken from Deerfield (w^h you well remember) four of us consulted methods to make our escape. Sometime in May upon y^r great procession day we had Liberty to go in & about y^r city of Mont Real & there we happened all to meet together & John Nym & I informed y^r other two of our design to make our escape. This was on a thursday [May 10] & we agreed y^t y^r other three were to come down to where I lived w^h was about 9 miles from y^r city & w^h was something remarkable y^r guns & Provisions w^h I had designed to bring w^h us was in another room from where I Lodged w^h exercised my mind very much how I should come at y^m since I Lodged in another room with y^r people of y^r house & w^h still oppressed my spirits more was, y^t coming in from work at noon I found a bed & sick person placed in y^r room where y^r guns & Provisions were: & I thot now it was impossible to escape but upon my return at night I found y^r sick person removed & my bed brought into y^r room w^h much revived me. on y^r Sabbath [May 13] following I was to go to y^r city again to conclude further about our escape, & having confirmed all matters I returned at night & found my Landlords son there w^h was designed to Lodge with me w^h again dashed my spirits much for now I thot it impossible for me to Escape from him.

But while I sat passing w^h to do I remembered y^t I was to set up a sign by y^r River for y^r other three to know where y^r house was & I thot I would go & do y^t w^h I had done upon my return I found my Landlord's son moving off & would not stay tho much persuaded to tarry & altho it was very Dark & he did go; w^h again revived me & about break of day y^r other three came & I handed y^m two guns & some Provision & we took a Cannoe & passed y^r River by sun rising & tho y^r people Lived on y^r other side we passed by them undiscovered. This was on monday morning [May 14] & on wednesday about sun two hours high at night we arrived at Chamblee River about 9 miles below y^r fort y^e we made a raft & went over & y^r next day we travelled up against y^r fort & stopped to get some Provision killed a calf & dried it, but friday & Saturday rained so hard y^t we could not travel w^h y^r we judged made against us but in Providence we found it otherwise, for those y^t pursued us were in this time returned. on y^r Sabbath following we set out for y^r Lake & arrived y^t on Wednesday about no [torn] there we found two cannoes w^h we judged our pursuers [torn] ad Left one of these we took & came along with our journey, & came along y^t day & all night & y^r next day & at night Left our Cannoe [x pou?] we came along on y^r east side of y^r Lake untill we came to y^r mouth of Misisekou River we went on this river all night for it was too dark to come on land.

went us into y^e Lake again: there is extraordinary good Land on each side of this River all y^e way we went as far as we could perceive. this day we travelled on y^e Lake till night & Lay by y^e Lake, but next morning y^e wind was so high against us y^e we Left our Canoe & travelled on y^e side of y^e Lake y^e day: & y^e next day being Saturday we struck across for French river falls & arrived there on Sabbath about 9 in y^e morning. this we travelled up about 2 or 3 dais & Left it & struck away for y^e branches of White River & on y^e next Sabbath about 9 in y^e morning we came to White River. Now our Provision was spent excepting some small matters we had Left to fish withal, & y^e day we spent in getting Provision & supplied ourselves for y^e night & part of y^e next day w^e was all y^e Provision we had untill we came to Deerfield excepting y^e leg of a tortoise & a small hook fish w^e we brought along a Little way. y^e next night we came to y^e mouth of white river & made a fire & designed to Lodge there & we set one to fish for us; but by reason of y^e flies he was soon discouraged & as soon as he came up I was going down to y^e River to drink & espied an Indian on y^e East side of y^e Great river coming to drink w^e made me stop and hide myself untill he was gone off & for fear of discovery we made off y^e night & y^e next day our provision being spent sometime & we weak & faint we thot best to make a raft upon w^e we came down y^e day & y^e next night on Connecticut River & y^e next day also we still continued our Course on y^e raft & on thursday about 9 or 10 in y^e morning we came to y^e great falls, there we Let go our raft & went below y^e falls & made another & came y^e day to y^e Lower end of y^e great meadows or y^e place now called y^e Canoe place there we Lodged y^e night & y^e next morning we came on our raft to y^e meadows where y^e fort is now there we Left our raft & came on foot y^e day into Deerfield about twilight in y^e evening & thus thro the good hand of divine Providence (w^e watched over us all y^e way) we safely arrived to our own native Land again & were joyfully received & well taken care of by our friends upon w^e I cannot but say y^e we have reason to praise God for our deliverance, & never forget his be [torn] ts. thus S^r I have given you a brief & as exact a relation [torn] can well, since t^e is so Long a time passed since, & if it may be of any service I Rejoyce & subscribe my self yours to Command

JOSEPH PETTY

1. PETTY, JOHN; rem. fr. Wind. to Spfd. abt. 1665; d. Mar. 6, 1680. He m. Mar. 30, 1662, Ann Canning of Boston; she m. (2) Sept. 5, 1681, Samuel Owens.

Ch.: James, May 26, 1662; sol. in King William's war; m. June 15, 1683, Mercy Lawton.

Hannah, Nov. 9, 1666; d. young.
John, Dec. 11, 1667; m. Apr. 13, 1693, Mercy Taylor.

Mary, Mar. 27, 1670; m. Dec. 29, 1687, Thomas Taylor.

Joseph, Sept. 29, 1672 (2).

Ann, May 19, 1675.

Child, June 27, 1677; d. young.
Ebenezer, Oct. 9, 1678.

2. JOSEPH, s. of John (1), b. 1672; the man for whom Petty's Plain was named; sol. at Nfd. in King William's war; at Dfd. 1688 and in the Pomroy pursuit; sett. in Dfd.; self and wife cap. Feb. 29, 1704; he escaped the next summer with Baker, Nims and Kellogg (see ante, p. 353). He rem. to Nfd. at the permanent settlement and d. abt. 1746. He m. Feb. 14, 1701, Elizabeth, dau. Joseph Edwards of Nhn.; she d. Feb. 18, 1702; (2) June 2, 1703, Sarah Edwards; she was redeemed fr. captivity, and d. Oct. 4, 1754.

Ch.: Elizabeth, Feb. 11, 1702.

Sarah, Apr. 12, 1707; m. 1727, Asahel Stebbins of Dfd. and Nfd.

Joseph; for his descendants see Hist. of Nfd.

SAMUEL OWEN, JR.: born 1688 in Springfield, Mass. Family then moved to Brookfield, Mass. in the same year. He married Mary (Marcy) _____. They had 10 children.

1. James: b. 18 April 1708
 2. Elizabeth: b. 23 April 1711, married William Haire
 3. Hepsabah: b. 4 May 1712
 4. Annah: b. 22 Feb. 1714
 5. Samuel: b. 10 Apr. 1716
 - * 6. Daniel: b. 18 July 1717
 7. Christian: b. 1 Oct. 1718
 8. Hannah: b. 10 Mar. 1720
 9. Lydia: b. 3 Sept. 1725
 10. Sarah: b. 19 Feb. 1728
- * See Margaret Owen Hamblin, pg. 66
Her lineage:
1. Samuel Owen Sr. b. 1651
 2. Samuel Owen Jr. b. 1688
 3. Daniel Owen b. 1717
 4. Edward Owen b. ?
 5. Abraham Owen b. 1765
 6. John Owen b. 1803
 7. John Owen b. 1831
 8. Bert Owen b. 1877
 9. Margaret Owen b. 1900

HAIRE: Elizabeth Owen, b. 23 April 1711, married at age 14, William Haire in Brookfield, Mass. on 20 January 1725/6. William came to Boston from Ireland in 1719 and he became a clothier. On 2 Dec. 1720 he was granted ownership of a stream along with John Patterson for a fulling mill for them to set up the trade of fuller and for dressing cloth. Between April and November of 1754, William Haire served in Capt. Joseph Wilson's Company of Militia during the French & Indian War. William and Elizabeth Owen Haire had 14 children.

1. Jane: b. and d. 1725
2. Mary: b. 1727
3. William: b. and d. 1729
4. Abraham: b. 1731
5. John: b. 1732, married Agnes Steel. Moved to Oakham, Mass. in 1780. He was a Revolutionary War soldier.
6. William: b. 18 April 1736
7. Rachel: b. 14 Aug. 1739. Married 1st Solomon Millard in March 1771, no issue. Married 2nd John Burk of Spencer 19 January 1775 in Brookfield. See Burk records. *John Burk, the immigrant ancestor from Ireland.*
8. Samuel: b. 3 Apr. 1742
9. Marcy: b. 8 Dec. 1744
10. Margaret: b. 9 Feb. 1746
11. Sarah: b. 15 May 1748
12. Francis: b. 8 July 1751, was a Revolutionary War soldier.

13. Elizabeth: b. 23 Apr. 1753

14. Robert: b. 23 Sept. 1755, was a Revolutionary War soldier.

Jan 7-19, 1775 John Bush & Rachel Thayer were married by A. Eli for the
Feb 2, 1775 Thomas Mason & Hepzibah Boultell were married by A. Eli for the
John 3, 1775 Silas Bates & Deborah Hatcher were married by A. Eli for the

Copy of Original Church Record

HAIR, William I, a Goffier, and the first of the name in Connecticut, came from
Providence, R.I.; m. at Brookfield, Feb. 10, 1724-5, Elizabeth Owen, aged but four-
teen. Children (Brookfield): Jane, b. and d. 1725; Mary, b. 1727; William, b. 1730,
d. young; Abraham, b. 1731; John, b. 1732; William, b. Apr. 13, 1734; Rachel,
b. Aug. 14, 1735; m. Jan. 10, 1735 John Bush; Samuel, b. Apr. 5, 1738; Mary,

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OWEN

From Celtic, signifying the good off-
spring. *Oen*, Welsh, and Gaelic word,
a lamb.

JOHN, b. Wales 1634, settled at Windsor,
Conn., 1645.

→ SAMUEL, innkeeper, b. Wales, 1651, mar-
ried at Springfield, Mass. 1681, removed
to Brookfield, Mass. 1688.

JOHN BURRIDGE FAMILY(From: The History of Braintree, Vt.)

- JOHN BURRIDGE: married Mary Spear. They were from Quincy, Mass. After the Revolutionary War they settled in Braintree, Vt. He was a veteran of this war. They had several children.
1. John Burrige Jr.: b.c. 1782 according to Braintree census
 2. a son:
 3. Hannah Burrige: born 1787. Married John Burk Sr. in Braintree on 20 Nov. 1808. She was his 2nd wife. He was born in Ireland in 1746 and died in Braintree in 1832. They had 2 children.
 1. Martin Burk: b. 9 Aug. 1809, d. 11 Mar. 1883. Never married, no issue. See Burk records.
 2. Sarah (Sally) Burk: b. 27 Jan. 1812, d. 19 Jan. 1897. Never married and no issue. See Burk records.
 4. Betsey Burrige: married Joel Nutting of Roxbury, Vt. on 5 Dec. 1811
 5. Sally Burrige: b. 1792 and married Zenas Thayer. She d. 20 Aug. 1870
 6. Jacob Burrige: b. 18 Aug. 1794, d. 5 Aug. 1873. He married Sally Spear.
 - ** 7. Polly Burrige: b. after 1805. Married Joseph Riford III of Braintree, Vt. He was born 18 July 1805 and died 2 Nov. 1882 in Benton Harbor, Michigan. They had 8 children. Their last child was born in 1850.

** Polly Burrige may have been the daughter of John Burrige Jr. The 1800 census for Braintree, Vt. shows that John Burrige Sr. & his wife were both over 45 years old at that time.

LAUTERBORN * REITER * PERKINS

(Info from: Florence Burke Perkins)

JOHN LAUTERBORN: married Elizabeth Haben. They were from the Lauter River area in Germany and settled in Dansville, N.Y. Some descendants later changed the name to "Lattimer". John and Elizabeth Lauterborn had 10 children. Known listed below.

1. John Lauterborn: married Maggie Batty on 24 Aug. 1884 in Corning, N.Y.
2. Charles Lauterborn: b. Dansville, N.Y., d. Buffalo, N.Y. at age 70. Never married and is buried in Hope Cemetery on the Lauterborn-Reiter lot. He has no headstone.
3. Lena Lauterborn: married Mr. Schneckenberger. Had 3 children only known name is daughter Elizabeth (Lizzie) who married Albert Lynch and had a son Thomas Lynch.
4. Rose Lauterborn: married and had 2 daus. Resided Rochester, N.Y.
5. Mary Lauterborn: married a Mr. DeMuth and had 4 children: Fred, John, Flora who married a Mr. McQuade and Elizabeth who married a Mr. Lutz, had 2 daus. Elizabeth & Evangeline.
6. Michael Lauterborn: b. 1858, d. 1933 in Corning, N.Y. He owned 2 stores in Corning, one being his own barber shop at 132 E. Market St. Lena Retman was a close friend of his. He married in 1897 Hulda Reiter, b. 1870, d. 1929, daughter of William and 2nd wife Christina Reiter. See William Reiter below. Michael and Hulda Reiter Lauterborn had 2 children.
 1. Doris Lauterborn: b. 28 Oct. 1898, d. 27 Mar. 1922, single.
 2. Dwight Lauterborn: b. 3 January 1900, d. 27 Mar. 1951.
 Married 1st Florence Laura Burke, b. 13 July 1906, d/o Nelson and Laura Gleasman Burke. See Burke Records. He married 2nd Ruby Enderle, d. 7 Sept. 1987. She is buried Niles Valley Cemetery. The Lauterborns and Reiters are buried in Hope Cemetery, Corning, N.Y. Dwight and Florence Burke Lauterborn had 1 child.
 1. Gloria Esther Lauterborn: b. 15 Apr. 1925, married Walter Eugene Love 2 June 1944, s/o Harry & Louise Hulster Love. They had 1 child.
 1. Joel David Love: b. 2 Sept. 1945

WILLIAM REITER: and his first wife came from the Alsace-Lorraine

area which was then a part of France. During one of the wars with Germany, the German soldiers killed all of their cattle for food. When they came to Corning he bought a large strip of land on both sides of the now Reiter Road on Spencer Hill, just south of Corning. He bought on a hill because he suffered from asthma. He cleared the land and built a house which was located on the west side of the road and about 1/4 mile off the Powderhouse Road. The original house burned about 1885 and he built the one that is standing today. (1987) He was married 1st to E. Barr who died at age 48. They had 4 children.

1. Louise Reiter: married Mr. Schaefer. 3 children: Edward, Robert and Freda who married Mr. Schornstimer
2. Mary Reiter:
3. Elizabeth Reiter:
4. William Reiter Jr.: settled in Indiana.

WILLIAM REITER: married 2nd Christina _____ and they had 2 children.

1. William: died at age 6 months
 2. Hulda: married at age 28 to Michael Lauterborn in 1897.
- They inherited the Reiter homestead on Spencer Hill.

Reiter-Lauterborn Headstone
Hope Cemetery, Corning, N.Y.



JAMES PERKINS: married Eliza Arnold from the Prattsburg, N.Y. area. Their son Herbert Perkins married Anna Dusenbury and they had 2 children, Margaret and James Herbert.

1. Margaret Perkins: married Mr. Bitting from Nebraska.
2. James Herbert Perkins: b. 12 Sept. 1904, d. 6 Apr. 1979, married 1st Ruth Chisholm, b. 2 Sept. 1902. They had a son Jack Perkins who was born 4 Dec. 1927. James Herbert Perkins is buried in San Diego, California. James Herbert Perkins married 2nd Florence Laura Burke Lauterborn and they had 1 child.
 1. Judith Ann Perkins: b. 6 June 1947. Married 5 June 1964 Terry Kyte. 2 children.
 1. Jeffery Kyte: b. 29 Apr. 1970
 2. Jason Kyte: b. 14 Sept. 1971

13 GENERATIONS OF KNOWN DIRECT ANCESTORS

- I. Nelson W. Burke m. Laura A. Gleasman 1902 Ava, N.Y.
- II. Frank E. Burke m. Jennie E. Thomas 1873 Jordan, N.Y.
Christian Gleasman m. Caroline Senn 1863 New London, N.Y.
- III. William Burk m. Lydia Vickery c. 1846 Meridian, N.Y.
Valentine Gleasman m. Johanna Buttinger Germany
Martin Senn m. Anna Fessman ~~Germany~~ *New London, N.Y.*
John A. Thomas m. Sarah Failing c. 1854 Jordan, N.Y.
- IV. John Burk Jr. m. Betsey Green c. 1803 Braintree, Vt.
Abner Vickery m. Lydia _____
Noyes H. Thomas m. Emma Baldwin c. 1826 Woodbridge, Ct.
John A. Failing m. Jane Owen 1814 Lyons, N.Y.
Johann Ernest Gleasman m. Anna ~~Marie~~ *Salome* Eich 1794 Germany
Justice Buttinger m. Louisa Borg Germany
- V. John Burk Sr. m. Rachel Haire 1775 Brookfield, Mass.
William Green Jr. m. Betsey Hudson 1785 Oakham, Mass.
John Thomas m. Sarah Gilbert Conn.
Abner Baldwin m. Eleanor Hotchkiss 1805 Conn.
Andreas Failing m. Susanna Roof 1790 Canajoharie, N.Y.
Hugh Owen m. Abigail *Drake*
Johannes Gleasman m. Marie Suzanna Staller 1763 Germany
Valentine Eich m. Marie Barbara Leibham 1773 Germany
- VI. William Haire m. Elizabeth Owen 1726 Brookfield, Mass.
William Green Sr. m. Sarah Stone 1764 Oakham, Mass.
Joseph Hudson m. Hepsibah Foster 1763 Mass.
Amos Thomas m. Elizabeth Beecher 1770 New Haven, Conn.
Linus Gilbert m. Chloe ~~Cook~~ *Atwater* Conn.
Richard Baldwin m. Abiah Botsford Conn.
David Hotchkiss m. Lydia Beecher Conn.
Johann Failing m. Marie Magdalena Wagner N.Y.
Johannes (John) Roof m. Anna Marie Leonhard 1759 Germany
Rudolph Staller m. _____ Germany
Johanne Peter Eich m. _____ Germany
Nicholas Leibham m. _____ Germany

Titus Atwater m: Margaret Scott 1748 Conn. (New Haven)

- VII. Samuel Owen Jr. m. Mary _____ Brookfield, Mass.
 Patrick Green m. Eleanor McMains 1741 Rutland, Mass.
 John Thomas m. Rebecca Alling Conn.
 Caleb Beecher m. Abigail Wheeler 1746 Conn.
 Thomas Gilbert m. Ruth Hotchkiss Conn.
 Theophilis Baldwin m. Dorothy Munson Conn.
 Heinrich Failing m. Anna Maria Kunigunda 1708 Germany
 Johannes Philip Peter Wagner m. ~~Maria Margretha Laux~~
 Johannes Roof m. _____

Hans Peter Gleasman Jr m: Marie Muhl 2/5/1702 Germany

- VIII. Samuel Owen Sr. m. Ann Canning Petty 1681 Springfield, Mass.
~~John Atwater m: Elizabeth Mix 1713 Conn. (New Haven)~~
 Robert McMains m. Elizabeth _____

John Thomas m. Hannah Lines 1713 New Haven, Conn.
 Daniel Alling m. Rebecca Cooper 1711
 John Wheeler m. Elizabeth Burr
 Ebenezer Beecher m. Hannah Mix
 Thomas Gilbert m. Sarah Peck 1698
 Joshua Hotchkiss m. - Susannah Chatterton
 Barnabus Baldwin m. Mary Botsford
 John Munson m. Sarah Cooper
 George David Wagner m. Anna Ottilia Geissig
 Johan Jost Laux m. Maria Catherine _____
 Andreas Roof (Ruef) m. _____

Hans Peter Sr. m: Helena Kress 11/20/1660 Germany

- IX. John Thomas m. Lydia Parker 1671 New Haven, Conn.
~~James Mix m: Elizabeth Heaton 1669 New Haven, Conn.~~
~~Ralph Lines m. Abiah Bassett 1681~~
~~John Atwater m: Abigail Mansfield 1682 New Haven, Conn.~~
 Samuel Alling m. Sarah Chidsey 1685
 John Cooper m. Mary Thompson 1666
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 Caleb Mix m. Hannah Chidsey 1663
 John Wheeler m. Abigail Burr
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 Richard Baldwin m. Elizabeth Alsop
 John Cooper m. Mary Thompson 1666
 Hans Wagner m. _____
 Wilhelm Geissig m. Anna Margretha _____
 Joseph Peck m. Sarah Alling

James Heaton m. Elizabeth 146.

David Atwater m.

Caspar Gleason Jr m. Gottfrude Bruder 3/3/1590 Germany

X. John Thomas m. Tabitha

Edward Parker m. "Widow" Elizabeth Potter

Ralph Lines Sr. m. Alice

William Bassett m. "Widow" Ives 1648 New Haven, Conn.

Roger Alling m. Mary Nash

John Chidsey m. Elizabeth

John Cooper m.

John Thompson m. Dorothy

Isaac Beecher m. Mary Sperry

William Roberts m. Joanna

Thomas Mix m. Rebecca Turner

John Wheeler m. Judith Turner

John Burr m.

John Burr (Major) m.

Thomas Hanford m. Mary Miles

Mathew Gilbert m. Jane Baker

Thomas Gregson m. Jane

Henry Peck m. Joan

Samuel Hotchkiss m. Elizabeth Cleverly

Sylvester Baldwin m. Sarah Bryant

Joseph Alsop m. Elizabeth Preston

James Clark m.

Abraham Wagner m.

XI. William Preston m. Elizabeth Sales

John Lines (Lyne) m.

John Bassett m.

James Alling (Allen) m.

Thomas Nash m. Marjorie Baker

John Beecher m. Hannah Potter

Capt. Nathaniel Turner m.

Thomas Wheeler m. Anne

Rev. Hanford m.

Richard Miles m.

John Hotchkiss m.

Sylvester Baldwin m. Jane Welles England

Jehu Burr m.

Caspar Gleason Sr. m.

XII. John Lines (Lyne) Sr. m. Agnes

Henry Baldwin m. Alice King England

Elgin/Eglin Hatherly (Rev. Hanford's mother)

- XIII. Elizabeth _____ Lines (Lyne) mother of John Lines (Lyne)
 Richard Baldwin m. Ellen Pooke (Apuke) England

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4. Robert, 5. Linda, 6. Susan,
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1. Jane Owen m: John A. Failing
2. Hugh Owen d. 13 Aug. 1841 or 1844
aged 66. Killed in Alloway, N.Y.
when thrown from his wagon and
his head hit a post. M: Abigail
Drake, d. 19 Mar. 1838 aged 61.
Both born (& married) in Putnam Co,
N.Y. Both buried in Lyons Rural
Cem., Lyons, Wayne Co., N.Y.
3. Jesse Owen b. 23 Jan. 1741 d. 12
May 1828. M: Mary ——. b. 15
Sept. 1752, d. 25 Mar. 1826. Both
died in Putnam Valley, Putnam Co,
N.Y. Both buried in Van Cortlandt
Cem. (they lived in Philips town,
Dutchess Co., — that part now known
as town of Putnam Valley, Putnam,
Co., N.Y.)

Jesse Owen served as a private
in Capt. Geo. Lane's Co., Col. Henry
Ludington's Reg. of Dutchess Co. in
the Revolutionary War.

Jesse Owen had a brother
Jonathan, b. 1 July 1757, d. 10 Jan. 1787.
M: Jane Lockwood. He buried Van
Cortlandt Cem. (near Peeksville, N.Y.)