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To the Honorable the County Court

Morgan County, Illinois:

THE PETITION of the undersigned *Helen M. Rockwell* _____
respectfully represents that *her husband, Dennis Rockwell* _____ late of the
County of Morgan aforesaid, departed this life at *Jacksonville* _____ in said County,
on or about the *fourteenth* day of *August* _____ A. D. 1868, leaving a last Will and Testa-
ment, duly signed, published and attested, as believed by your Petitioner, and which is herewith presented for
Probate. That said Will is subscribed by *the said Dennis Rockwell as Testator, and*
by Robert W. Sanders and J. W. Young, of Jacksonville aforesaid
as witnesses to the execution thereof, and bears date *December 7th A.D. 1867.*

That said testator in *his* _____ said last Will nominated and appointed *your petitioner, Helen*
M. Rockwell, and James Berdan, to be Executrix and _____ *Executor*
thereof, and that *they are* willing and ready to accept and undertake the office and trust confided to *them*
And this petition further shows that the said *Dennis Rockwell* _____ died seized
and possessed of Real and Personal Estate consisting chiefly of _____

the Real Estate described and referred to in the said Will, and
a small amount of personal estate in money and Government bonds
(now in possession of your Petitioner.) _____

State of Illinois, }
MORGAN COUNTY. } ss

The above named Helen M. Rockwell
being duly sworn, deposes and says, that the facts averred in the above petition are true, according to the best of
her knowledge, information and belief.

Subscribed to and sworn before me, Clerk of the }
County Court of Morgan County, this *21* day }
of *August* _____ A. D. 1868. }

John Traub

Clerk.

Helen M. Rockwell,

Queries

Our Society's NEWSLETTER editor carefully prepared 10 queries for our Society's September/December JOURNAL, but unfortunately all of the pages had already been written and numbered, so in order not to disappoint anyone, we are publishing them on this page ii, rather than to omit this important part of genealogical research. [For instructions for presenting future QUERIES see page 3 of our Jacksonville Area Genealogical & Historical Society's NEWSLETTER, Vol. 1 Issue 1, Summer 1991.]

COVINGTON/CARPENTER/ALDERMAN/PALMER/JONES

Need prts of JAMES B. COVINGTON. Where was he b? He m HANNAH CARPENTER in Chester Co PA on 17 Mar 1817. Movd to Zanesville OH ca 1818. Wf and ch re-mvd to IL af his death; lvd in Morgan and Scott Cos. James B. d in OH in 1839. Kay Wallace Porter, 555 E. Hemmi Rd, Lynden WA 98264.

GILLHAM/WYLDER: Need info on BENJAMIN FRANKLIN GILLHAM b ca 1840-50, d unk date. m EMMA WYLDER, was fa of LUTHER MELDRUM GILLHAM b 1872, Bond Co IL. Gary A. Gillham, 1222 Mackay Place, St. Louis MO 63104-2408.

NICHOLS/FANNING/GIBSON:

I am seeking info on the above named families.

Carolyn M. Horton, 703 Jacolyn Dr NW, Cedar Rapids IA 52405

JOHNSON?HALL: W. REUBEN JOHNSON b 1778 VA m 1805 in KY, MARTHA HALL. Settled in Morgan Co IL nr Concord in Nov 1829; d 13 Feb 1856, bur Morrison Cem, Morgan CO IL. Did he leave a will? Wish corres with desc. Marian Smith Posey, 12709 Dorina Pl, Granada Hills CA 91344-1418.

MURPHY/PRIDEMORE:

Need IL co where JOHN R MURPHY and MARY ELLEN PRIDEMORE MURPHYS first two s-- WILLIAM THOMAS 1873 and ELIHUE 1875 were b.

Chris Hamilton, Rt 2 Box 22, Beggs OK 74421

MASON/EATON:

Seek info on RANSOM MASON, b 1817 in Windham VT bef 1850 he movd to Morgan Co IL. In 1850 he removd to IA, where he m. He may have movd to Morgan Co. IL with other family members. Fa is believed to be Samuel Mason, m BETHIA EATON MASON.

David R. Swaney, 802 S Fairview Rd, Apt. B-5, Columbia MO 65203.

STEELE/SIEBERT/RUSSELL.

Need prts; place/date of m of JOHN WALKER STEELE of Morgan Co IL, later of Bond Co. b IL ca 1818, and his second wf MARGARET SIEBERT b IN ca 1818. His first wf CATHERINE RUSSELL prob d 1838/1844.

David Mordy, 33 St Nicholas Rd, Darien CT 06820.

HILL/CARLIN:

Desire info on JEHU HILL b abt 1790 SC, m MARTHA "PATSY" CARLIN. Seven ch. Lvd Macoupin and Morgan Cos IL 1823-1842. m. ANNIS KNIFFIN 1835, 1 child. m. CATHERINE RIGGS 1842, five ch.

Elroy Hill, 1638 Hollywood Blvd NE, Cedar Rapids IA 52402

SIX/SAXE: Desire info on ancs/descs/sib of JAMES WASHINGTON SIX who served in the 129th IL VOLS during Civil War, with five of his bros.

Marilyn J. Stasiowski, 337 Parkway Court, Port Washington WI 53074-1134.

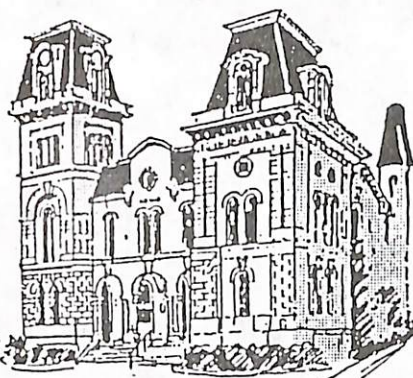
EDWARDS/FOSTER.

Need prts of MARY EDWARDS b 1840 IL who m JAMES FOSTER 03 Jul 1862 in Morgan Co IL. Issue: b in Morgan Co, Jane, Susan, George, Claiborne, Frances, James and William. Need cem records for MARY FOSTER b 1790 VA d ca 1872 in Morgan. Mrs. Margaret A. Kaufman, Cherry Lane, RR 2 Box 32, Queen Anne MD 21657-9402.

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There are still many important records yet unfound, many records unindexed, many things unsaid that would help many family historians looking to our part of west central Illinois for the information, especially those who live far away, and whose only contact has been with this quarterly for 19 years. Keep your chin up, kids!

Dear GENEAL Members and Friends: [From Editor, Florence Hutchison] Sept. 19, 1991

Your editor is very sorry to announce that, by order of the Board of Directors on September 13th, this is the last quarterly for 1991 members, labeled thusly as "Issues #3 and #4" for September/December. They indicated that this action was necessary in order to overcome the short-fall of funds at the end of this year.

With the recent appointment of a Newsletter editor, Bob McCoy, the society's publication as Vol. 1 Issue 1 Summer 1991, carried the annual membership sheet and card combination, in order to save postage and time.

Therefore, a membership application for 1992 is not being included in this Journal, as has been the usual procedure for the past 19 years. These are changing times in many sectors of our lives, and we must each push harder to attain the goals that we desire to pursue. Do not be discouraged with apparent failure, at times, especially in your genealogical quests, for success in some maybe unforeseen way may eventually be yours - or mine - "to glory over." We must all push forward with faith and hope for that better Tomorrow. Today is soon past to become our Yesterday.

It has been such a rewarding experience for your editor, and major genealogical researcher in this area of west central Illinois, to receive notice from some of our members telling of their success in connecting with other family historians, as has been the case many times. It sort of puts many individuals on the so-called "Cloud Nine".

Behind the facade of our Society's name however, are many industrious individuals who have given much time and effort to help with our library, with indexing valuable records, to type indexes thus gained, or to put the many records we have acquired, by photocopying, on computer productions. There has been no end to all the good these "unsung heroes and heroines" have contributed in time and money above and beyond the call of duty. We hereby publicly wish to thank each and every one for whatever you did, or gave, but the names being "legion", there is no space to record all of them. Besides it is risky to do so, since someone's name could very well be accidentally omitted, causing that well-known "left-out" feeling many of us have experienced at some time or another, I am sure. Your editor is especially grateful to all of those donors of money to help pay for this quarterly, since I was required by the Board to put the \$400.00 in the treasury so that they could match the funds needed, as \$800.00.

According to the Bylaws, recently changed, officers for 1992 will be elected at the October 24th meeting, but will not take office until January 1st 1992. Our annual meeting in the past was always the 4th Thursday in January. Whoever the 1992 officers may be, I am sure that each one of our members will give them the support they need to successfully continue the operation of one of the major genealogical societies in the State of Illinois for the past 19 years, ending 1991 with over 650 members from 40 states and Canada.

Since there will not be a December quarterly with a new Surname Index, as previously announced, members new to the Society can obtain past issues of the *Jacksonville IL GENEAL Journal* for 1989 and 1990 at \$10.00 per set of 4, each, and along with the continuing names of new members and changes of addresses, they will have a good reference for contacting other family historians with similar surnames they are working on. Send your orders to our Society's P.O. Box 21 address. Do it now -- before you forget!

It is my dream to find some Foundation or organization that would sponsor a trip for me to travel East to Virginia and other eastern states to complete a lot of research needed for books I hope to publish in the near future. Especially, the ongoing controversy that George Washington's only son was General Thomas Posey, whose son came here in early days and helped to start Illinois College. He was William Churchill Posey, buried with many relatives in Jacksonville East Cemetery.

Page 1: ARE YOU SEARCHING FOR ANCESTRAL TIES TO FAMILIES WHO MIGRATED TO "OLD MORGAN COUNTY", WHICH IN 1823 INCLUDED CASS AND SCOTT? -- THAT'S 168 YEARS AGO!
By Florence Hutchison and Warren Haley.

When an ancestor-hunter looks to Old Morgan's historical background, as in our History of Morgan County, Illinois: Its Past and Present, by Donnelley, Loyd & Co., Chicago, 1878, one should look for a reprint by Unigraphic, Inc., Evansville, Indiana, 1978 to find the alphabetical index of 165 pages, to easily locate the name(s) of family research.

Here's a case in point, which will indicate records we have laboriously collected, alphabetized and indexed in past years, by using the name of one of our prominent citizens who held many important county offices -- Dennis Rockwell. As an example of this valuable History of Morgan, under ROCKWELL, that name is to be found on about 27 different pages.

On page 347 is a paragraph from a letter sent by Judge William Thomas to the Journal: [extensive letter pp 339-348.]

. . . "Mr. Rockwell being agent for the owners of several hundred tracts of military land, employed me to pay the taxes, for which he paid my traveling expenses, and provided for my board at the house of W. H. Brown, Esq. . . ."

On page 337 we find:

. . . "Mr. Rockwell, a native of Vermont, resided for some time at Edwardsville, Illinois. When Morgan County was organized [by Law, January 31, 1823] he was appointed clerk of the Circuit Court, County Commissioners Court, and Recorder of Deeds. Upon the location of the county seat at Jacksonville, he was appointed postmaster. . . ."

. . . "He was one of the first directors of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, and with Colonel George M. Chambers, superintended the erection of that building. He was also a trustee of the Institution for the Blind. For a time he held a position as cashier in the Branch of the State Bank [of Shawneetown] located in Jacksonville. He donated to the Episcopal church, of which he was a member, the block of ground on which that church now stands, and gave largely toward the erection of the house and support of the minister. . . ."

. . . "In 1854 he removed to Chicago where he was engaged in the lumber business until 1867, when, his health failing, he returned to Jacksonville. . . ."

Here is posed a problem as to Rockwell's death date and burial site, which case could be similar to other early residents of our area prior to the issuance of death certificates, by law of 1878, for the State of Illinois.

Before continuing with the Rockwell example, I would like to point out that the death certificates were first filed by the doctor's with their City Clerk, and a copy was to be taken to the County Recorder's office. Because of bad roads, and carelessness of people entrusted with the certificates, many of them did not reach the county office in the late 70's and early 80's. Two of our members found many certificates stashed away in unusual places in two towns. We have not investigated the many other little towns in early Morgan County. This also applied to marriage and birth certificates.

Dennis Rockwell was probably one of the earliest burials in the new Diamond Grove Cemetery in 1867, but as I pointed out in the *Jacksonville IL Geneal Journal*, September 1990, "The earliest burial recorded in this big book is for May 1, 1871, whereas the Lot Record Book lists the first sale of lots in the newly-opened City Cemetery as being 1866. The burial records for those five years are missing, which is unfortunate. . . ."

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What can be one's recourse to other records? I have the Index to the Probate of Closed Estates. This index gives the numbers to the file boxes under control of the Circuit Court Clerk. The covering of this much-used book fell apart last fall, so I was given permission to copy the loose pages before it was re-bound.

From that record I found a probate of estate for Dennis Rockwell, file box #2500, by Helen N. Rockwell, Executor. [If an *Executor* is listed, it means that there was a Will made by the decedent. If an *Administrator* is listed, the person died *Intestate*, or without a known Will.]

When a family historian wants to see these files, they go to the Circuit Court Clerk's office on second floor of the courthouse, and ask for the Index to Closed Probates. The ancestor-hunter makes a notation as to name(s) of decedent(s) and file number, or numbers, so that one of the Deputy Clerks can go down to the basement and bring up requested files to search. They have a table and a room nearby for the researcher to sit and look at the files. The person can then request photocopies to be made, if desired, for certain charges.

One of the most important genealogical papers is the one labeled "Petition For Letters of Administration". This is the only one that will (probably) give the death date, names of surviving heirs, and name(s) of Administrator(s), or Executor(s). Most of the oldest probate files do not have this document. So, the next way to come close to a death date is to note when the case was filed by the appointed executor or administrator. In the yesteryears most cases were filed within a week or two in order to get the estate settled as soon as possible.

Morgan County is very fortunate to have Deputies in the Circuit Court Clerk's office, and that of the County Clerk's place of business, who are willing to answer any questions one might have, and to secure whatever records are desired. There are state law restrictions governing the use of marriage, birth and death records which are under the control of the Public Health Department, but administered by the County Clerk's office.

I was given permission to photocopy the Death Index up to 1939, by the County Clerk, and Warren put this record on a computer. Upon searching this extensive record I find Charles Rockwell to be found in Death Record book 2 p. 29, and another Charles in 10:111. Arthur is in 10:393, and Margaret 4:381. Such certificates are \$7.00 each, by the way, for family researchers to acquire.

I decided that if some of the Rockwell's died here, maybe they are in one of our cemeteries. Looking at the computerized index of thousands of burials Warren did, from the Lot Cards the City Clerk permitted me to photocopy years ago, I find Hattie Hine Rockwell "TS-(1834-1855)" and Olive E. Rockwell, 27ys, "TS-(d. Aug 1851)". But those two were not from lot cards, but from tombstone readings done by Bob Dalton. Warren had combined three different records into one index.

The other records combined with the Lot Cards for Jacksonville East Cemetery was the oldest known record book I found in the old maintenance shed on site, which I photocopied. Mrs. Doris Sanford, of Coral Gables, Florida made an index for that valuable book. I started publishing the earliest known burials in the June 1991 issue of the *Jacksonville IL Geneal Journal*, pages 1-8, 1868-1871, still too early for recorded death certificates.

I tried the beautiful index of the Calvary Catholic Cemetery for any Rockwell names. These tombstone readings were accomplished in 1982 by Mrs. Ruth Ann (Reiser) Stewart and Mrs. Sharon (Adcock) Stewart, of Waverly IL. The typing of these 127 pages was done by Mrs. Shirley (Stewart) Aleguas. Along with all the things accomplished by these

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these wonderful people, is the cemetery work done in the Waverly area by Mrs. Myra Martin. She and Shirley Aleguas are getting government stones for all the soldiers buried there, among other cemetery accomplishments.

Another great research source for family historians are the FOUR volumes titled A Guide To Cemeteries Of Morgan County, Illinois compiled and edited by Robert Dalton and Dorothy Long. These have never been published, but several times photocopied and placed in different locations. The original indexes of each of the four volumes "was accomplished by Edna Secrest and Florence Hutchison", quite some time ago.

This past year our "computer expert" Ray Henderson, of Wichita KS put this 4-volume index of cemeteries together in one handy package of 193 pages! He also made us a surname index of our 1989 members published in the December issue of the *Jacksonville IL Geneal Journal*. The Rockwell researcher listed there as R009 is John Rebenack, 2095 Brookshire Road, Akron OH 44313, of whom you will hear more later.

There are no Rockwell's listed in our Memorial Lawn cemetery burials in the 61 pages put on computer by Warren Haley some time back. It was through the kind- of Hobie Hinderliter and his secretaries, cfficials of that cemetery, that we were able to copy full data, as name, birth, death, section name, lot numbers and father/mother surnames from their marvelous historical record sheets on each burial. From a large plat map of the very irregularly shaped ground spaces, I copied and reduced to 8½x11 hand-out sheets so that any researcher, obtaining one of them from the office at 2 Dunlap Court, or our society, can walk to any burial space of a loved one. Their phone number is 245-5000 if one has any questions as to how to get there, since it is south of our city.

That leaves, for Jacksonville, only the Diamond Grove cemetery where Dennis might be buried. Looking at this extensive index I found Lots 144, 145, 163 and 163 in Section K for Rockwell's. Next my search led to one of the nine volumes of Lot Cards I laboriously photocopied over a long period of time with the kind permission of City Clerk, Mrs. Pauline Newport.

Lot 144, "owner Dennis Rockwell, Est." had no burials listed. Lot 145, owner Wm. Rockwell has 4 burials; Lots 163 and 164 of Charles Rockwell has 6 burials listed. So my last choice was to drive out to Diamond Grove, take along the plat maps, and see if there was a stone for the elusive Dennis. No sooner decided, than accomplished.

There is fifty acres of ground out there! The roads are very winding, and without my plat maps there would be no way one could find a certain plot of ground. But find it I did! The large stone was toppled off its base, but laying face up on the ground. The writing, though quite weather-beaten, was still legible.

Dennis Rockwell / one of the / earliest settlers of / Morgan Co. became a / resident of this county / on March 1823 / born in Windsor Co. N.H. / June 30, 1798 / died in Jacksonville Aug. 14, 1868.

Still standing is the monument of his wife:

To the memory of Eliza / wife of Dennis Rockwell / born in N.Y. / Feb. 14, 1797 / died in Chicago / Jan. 16, 1857.

My question is: Is she still buried in Chicago where they lived in 1857? He came back to Jacksonville in 1867. With no cemetery record to look at until 1871, we cannot find the answer to this problem.

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Or is there yet another way to solve the problem of grave site? There are "water dowsers" with home-made equipment who can go over unknown sites and locate graves. We have one who has done it here in Jacksonville, one of our members in Iowa is another, and there was a recent article in the Illinois State Genealogical Society quarterly which proved this can be done. But I won't go in to that matter here. I only want to alert our members that this is a possibility.

The next process to determine what cemetery Eliza Rockwell was buried in is to look in Chicago Directories for the name and street address of Dennis Rockwell for 1857, then determine what cemetery may have been close by their residence.

My father, George Dressel, always said he was born June 26, 1870 at 37th and Wallace in Chicago. But the directory for that year shows his parents living on Franklin Street. My guess is that Franklin was in the fire area of the Chicago fire of 1871, and that they then had to move to the other address by the time that he was able to remember the area. -- Conclusion: City Directories are an important aid in finding relatives, as well as telephone books in more recent times.

Warren Haley has done such extensive family history research that he pasted all the individual papers together -- once -- and they filled a whole side wall in his home. It was easy to trace his people from Kentucky because they came in 1860, and the Census records were available in Morgan County for 1850, 1860 and 1870, along with probate records on file with the Circuit Court Clerk's office, and newspaper microfilms at the Jacksonville Public Library. He found his Barton Haley, born in Kentucky, died 9 July 1904, and had a splendid obituary in the newspaper, which told where Barton came from.

Warren did find a Funeral Notice about his great-great-grandfather, who died in Kentucky, which told of the cemetery he was taken to "for temporary storage" in a vault, because of bad weather. When he wrote back to the area, the researcher said, "but he wasn't buried in this cemetery". But he couldn't say where.

Did you know that many of the cemeteries years ago had such storage vaults? There was one in early Diamond Grove cemetery, along with a large house for the Sexton to live in. When the house was eventually torn down, the vault was also removed, because there were more Funeral Homes where bodies could stay a bit, if necessary. However by that time the roads were more passable than they were "in the good old days" of muddy roads with horses, wagons and buggies being the mode of transportation.

One of Warren's specialties is typing an index of obituaries to be found in the Jacksonville Journal Courier. They are on file with the Society's Library at 203 South Fayette. Also there are many books there containing the actual obits pasted in them by Elizabeth Hardy. These both run from about 1978 to the present. The diligent efforts of these faithful genealogists is to be highly commended.

When one is searching for their ancestral ties, please remember to fully document when and where any type of information was located. John Rebenack sent two good references family historians should study:

The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy, by Val D. Greenwood; published by the Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore MD 21202.

Genealogical Evidence: A Guide to the Standard of Proof Relating to Pedigrees, Ancestry, Heirship, and Family History, by Noel C. Stevenson; published by Aegean Park Press, P.O. Box 2837, Laguna Hills CAL 92654. Phone: (714)586-8811.

The latter book sounds very helpful, because we must urge family historians to make their work as creditable as possible.

Dennis Rockwell of Jacksonville, Illinois, had four sons, Austin, Henry, William and Charles. Austin, the oldest, was the primary subject of my family search for many years. At first I had been attracted only to Rockwell genealogy which seemed a desirable end in itself. I studied what was at hand, and discovered that much detailed information could be found in several reliable sources about the emigrant, William Rockwell, who arrived in Massachusetts in 1630 on the ship "Mary and John", with its complement of English West Country Puritans, and about his descendants down through the generations to Dennis.

There was, however, little information about Austin. I was not able to find such basic data as the year of his birth, nor when and where he died. A photograph was nowhere to be found, although I had located one of Dennis. As one of his descendants, I felt compelled to find out more about him.

By having examined other family histories, Selden Ancestry in particular, I learned that Austin's first marriage on 10 February 1846 was to Olive Eglington Smith, daughter of Dr. Archimedes Smith, an early Jacksonville physician. This event was followed by the birth of Sarah Jane in 1847, and Olive Selden in 1849. Austin lost his wife on 13 August 1851 at the time of birth of a third child, Ann Eglington, who died that same day. They were buried in Jacksonville East Cemetery.

Sarah and Olive were both well known to those persons whom I later regarded as the older members of my family. They were, in turn, the people closest to me as I grew up. Even as a child I sensed these Rockwell girls had a close relationship. The first time I saw an early photograph of them together I thought they were twins. Later I discovered their lives seemed to follow parallel courses. They lived under the same roof even after Olive's marriage to Edwin R. Nash. They settled in Edwin's home town of Cuba, Allegany County, New York.

About 1878 the Nash family and Sarah Smith moved to Rixford, McKean County, Pennsylvania, where all three lived out their lives. Sarah kept house for Edwin after Olive's death in 1883. After Edwin died in 1900, Sarah spent her remaining years (she died in 1906) in company with Olive's daughter, Edith (Nash) Rebenack and her husband, Henry, in a lively household with five children in Mt. Jewett, McKean County, Pennsylvania.

Henry and Edith's oldest child was my father, Charles Lewis Rebenack, who was born in 1887. He was a lifelong preserver of family documents and lore. As a result, I have in hand many items he saved, but I wish I had more. I remember clearly his stories about relatives and about family activities. He loved his great-aunt, Sarah Jane Smith, whom he called Aunt Jennie, and spoke often about his grandfather, Edwin Nash, as well. If my father had had information about Austin Rockwell, I am sure he would have shared what he knew. I remember him speaking knowledgeably about Dr. Archimedes Smith, of Jacksonville, Austin's father-in-law, but rarely about Austin himself.

As a school boy in the 1920's and 1930's, I spent summer vacations with Grandmother Rebenack in Mt. Jewett. I do not remember much if anything being said about Austin even though I learned a lot about our family just listening to her. Her interests included membership in the D.A.R. on her Revolutionary War ancestor. She appreciated her family history and seemed to have a considerable fund of information about key figures. There was nothing studied, I am sure, in the silence about Austin. No doubt distance had played a large part. Austin spent most of his life in Nebraska, while Sarah Jane and the descendants of Olive, resided in Pennsylvania.

In the spring of 1991, at the end of approximately ten years of rather intense searching, I had a fair accumulation of data about Austin from all sorts of re-

records and as a result of visits to some of the communities where he had lived. But two seemingly simple facts did not surface in either records or places searched - date and place of his death. I had become reasonably sure of his date of birth from census data. Now there was not only a need to bracket his life span and to pin down a gravesite, there was a great compulsion to continue the search to uncover as much information as possible about the man, and determine what the significant events of his life might have been.

There emerged a genuine sense of kinship just by visiting the towns where he had lived, and by standing where he had stood in his day. At the outset there was Jacksonville where he was born, and where he experienced early some of the happiest and saddest times of his life. At first I was puzzled by the headstone in the Jacksonville East Cemetery, marked "Harriet Hine Rockwell 1834-1855", placed beside one inscribed to Olive Eglington (Smith) Rockwell. Harriet's relationship to the Rockwells was subsequently discovered at the Morgan County Courthouse. She was the second wife of Austin. They were married July 10, 1854. She was, I learned later, the daughter of Thomas and Harriet (Cole) Hine. Evidence suggests she was raised in New England, and came to Jacksonville to live with relatives, and to attend the Jacksonville Female Academy, graduating with the class of 1854. She was only 21 years old, married hardly more than a year, when she died in 1855.

Austin was again a single parent with two young daughters. In 1857 he married Caroline M. (last name undiscovered, as yet). This marriage is not in the Morgan County marriage records, but is shown in 1860 and subsequent census reports. This union lasted for the rest of Austin's life. They had three boys, Charles born in 1860, William F. in 1862, and George L. in 1864.

Austin, Caroline and family moved to Nebraska in 1862 shortly after the birth of William. Sarah was 15, Olive 13, and Charles 2 years old when they headed west. Austin had been appointed by the Lincoln Administration to the post of engineer, a ranking government position, on the Omaha Indian Reservation. This appointment came as a complete surprise to me. It was discovered by a researcher in Bellevue, Nebraska, who happened to find an article about the reservation in Nebraska History (1951). The same source places Edwin R. Nash as miller on the reservation at that same time. Apparently a friendly relationship had developed between Edwin Nash and Austin Rockwell as a consequence of their respective positions and duties. It was one that certainly influenced their futures!

Then I found that the Rockwells moved from the reservation, about 1865, to the nearby town of Decatur, Burt County, Nebraska, where they lived for the next nine years. Two significant events in their lives occurred in Decatur. On October 10, 1866 Olive and Edwin Nash were married. This event followed his return from the Powder River Campaign in Wyoming in 1865-66. She was 17; he was 32. I found their marriage record at the Burt County Courthouse in Tekamah, Nebraska.

About this time, Austin participated in the first session of the State Legislature of Nebraska. He represented the counties of Burt and Cuming. This information came from a search of records at the Lincoln Lancaster County Genealogy Society at Lincoln and was repeated in the History of Nebraska (1882).

The Rockwells next moved to Blair, Washington County, Nebraska, where they lived for fourteen years. One fortunate discovery tended to verify the location and condition of the family in 1880 from Austin's first hand knowledge. At the end of the return for District 32 of the 1880 Census of Blair is an Enumerator's certificate signed by Austin Rockwell. This was a significant find, for it also provided a sample of his handwriting, the only copy of his signature found to date.

Page 3: MY SEARCH FOR AUSTIN, SON OF DENNIS ROCKWELL.

I personally visited Blair in 1980 and found an unmarked gravesite that turned out to be that of Austin's son, Charles, who died of typhoid fever March 12, 1883. An event deepening the family's grief, was the death of Olive Nash in Rixford, Pennsylvania, on March 23, 1883. How difficult March that year must have been for Austin and Caroline, losing a son and daughter in less than two weeks at widely separate locations. Olive, of course, is buried in the Nash plot in the Cuba (New York) Cemetery.

There is a meager record showing that Austin planted many trees in Blair. The reason, one supposes, was a concern for city beautification. It is possible that some of the trees remain. During most of his years in Blair he was engaged in the operation of a retail hardware business. In addition he served as the clerk and police judge in 1875, and again as police judge in 1876. At the same time, he and Caroline seem to have accumulated a little money, or so their real estate transactions would appear to indicate. Some of these transactions were located by a researcher attached to the Washington County Genealogy Society. She discovered, fortunately, that the last one showed the family had moved to Hay Springs, Sheridan County, Nebraska, about 1889.

Hay Springs seems an odd destination for the Rockwells considering their urban lifestyle in Blair. There is no substantial record to indicate why this place became their home for ten years. There is a possibility that the family followed George, who according to a brief note, was involved at the time in a real estate business in the area.

We stood in the yard of the Rockwell house in Hay Springs in 1988 with a local researcher whose family once owned the same house. I wondered at the time about the fields beyond the house. Did Austin grow wheat or hay or both? Grain elevators in the town suggested there was, then as now, a market at the end of a long rail line out of Hay Springs.

By the late 1890's, Austin and Caroline's children had grown and, except George, had moved away. Sarah Jane had gone to Pennsylvania. More recently William had moved east, probably Chicago, where he appeared in the 1900 and 1910 Census Reports as the proprietor of a grocery business. George married about 1888 or 1889, but a few years later his wife died. Without adequate local records and the convenience of a 1890 Census, this part of George's life remains vague. There is strong evidence, however, that George lived close to his parents and remained with them in Hay Springs, or they with him. There must have been mutual needs, each probably helping the other.

The work of the Hay Springs researcher had come to a rather abrupt end by July 1983 when there appeared to be no additional leads to check. Later, however, she helped locate the Rockwell house.

In the next few years other sources were explored. There was a long shot search of the Nebraska Bureau of Vital Statistics in 1985 for Austin's death, but no record was found. Then the resources of the Lincoln Lancaster County Genealogy Society yielded a few interesting facts, but no record of Austin's death or the direction the family headed on leaving Hay Springs.

In the fall of 1989, when I first contacted the researcher in Bellevue, Nebraska, I expected that some information could be found that might get the project on track again. Barely a month later he reported tracing Austin and family to Winona, Minnesota! This discovery came from an item that appeared in the Tekamah, Nebraska newspaper. The Burtonian, 15 September 1899 that stated his move to Minnesota. A scan of the 1900 Minnesota Soundex verified Winona as his specific location. It was a breakthrough, the first in seven years. That did not, however, end my search

for Austin's date and place of death, however. The records at both the Winona County Courthouse, and the Minnesota Department of Health did not list him. Again clues suggesting where the family moved next seemed nonexistent.

I turned for help to the Winona County Historical Society. The Winona City Directory for 1900, in the Society's collection, confirmed both Austin and Caroline, and in a separate household, their son George, and his family as resident of the city.

The Society archivist kindly placed a note of her own in the July 1990 Monthly Memo, a membership publication, describing the Rockwell search, and requesting anyone with relevant information to call the Society. The archivist of the First Congregational Church responded. Church records she happened to be working on at the time showed Austin was a member in 1900. Further the record revealed his letter was transferred to a church in Minneapolis. This was the only evidence found to show the family moved there in late 1900 or during the very early months of 1901. Attention turned, therefore, to Minneapolis.

A Minneapolis researcher was selected and exploration of sources undertaken. Death records in the courthouse were checked, as was the biographical file at the Minneapolis Historical Society. At the Public Library, city directories and the Minneapolis Journal were examined. The city directory for 1901 listed both Austin and George living at the same address. The listing was the same the following year.

George was associated with the "Eight Hour League" as secretary in 1901 and 1902, and with the North American Investment Company in 1903. A search of court records yielded no information. The files in the archives of the Minnesota Conference of United Church of Christ were thoroughly examined for possible evidence of Austin's membership in any one of the city's Congregational Churches, especially the older ones, those no longer in existence, and those now merged with other congregations. Locating a letter of Austin's transfer had helped once, and maybe would do so again. As thorough as the archivist was, no record was found. Even the membership records of one of the churches, we strongly suspected Austin may have joined, were searched by the minister after I discussed my problem with him, but again the result was disappointingly negative.

A new approach needed to be developed. I was at another dead end. Now without the slimmest lead, I decided to consult people whom I regarded as interested in my research, as well as expert in Jacksonville, Illinois, history. Both Bob Dalton and Florence Hutchison, long associated with the Jacksonville Area Genealogical and Historical Society, suggested I concentrate my search on records in their city, and initially, to the one source that so far had not been touched, the Jacksonville Daily Journal. This newspaper is on microfilm and is available interlibrary loan from the Illinois State Historical Library, Old State Capitol, Springfield IL 62756.

My first request for five reels of microfilm, the limit per request, covered newspaper issues for the period from July 28, 1904 through December 19, 1906. These papers at the time seemed the most likely ones to read through for any personal news about the Rockwells. The microfilm was received in Akron, Ohio, my home, and my task began on November 6, 1990. I examined each reel frame by frame, or in other words, page by page. I found a few unfamiliar details about family member's lives. There was, for example, Mrs. Margaret (Wilkinson) Rockwell's death notice. She died September 23, 1906 age 77 years, buried in Diamond Grove cemetery [Lot K 163]. Margaret was the widow of Austin's brother, Charles, whom she outlived by sixteen years.

When I came to the end of the fifth reel of microfilm, I had read within a five-day period, between the dates of November 6 and November 20, 1990, approximately 5200

frames. Not one of them revealed Austin's name, let alone the specific information I sought.

The project was laid aside until 10 April 1991 when I again acquired five reels of microfilm from Illinois, and once more set aside time to concentrate on the contents. In five days I examined page by page issues dated September 13, 1902 to 27 July 1904. Each day I undertook the search, I was aware that in a moment of fatigue I could miss the very item I wanted to find so badly. As before, I found bits of information about family members but nothing significant. The I came to the last reel on the final day for this segment of the project, April 17, 1991. And THERE IT WAS, the object of this effort. I now knew when and where Austin Rockwell died. I had the extent of his life.

No discovery in all of the family history research I have ever undertaken to date was more gratifying than finding on page eight of the Jacksonville Daily Journal, May 26, 1904, the bit of important family history that had fixed my attention for more than a decade. I read it carefully:

THE DEATH RECORD
ROCKWELL

At 7 o'clock on the evening of May 14, Austin Rockwell, aged nearly 82 years of age, departed this life at the residence of his son, G. L. Rockwell, at 422 West Eighth Street, Oklahoma City.

He is survived by his devoted wife, two sons and a daughter, W. F. Rockwell of Chicago, G. L. Rockwell, of Oklahoma City, Miss Jennie Rockwell, of Pennsylvania.

The deceased was one of the pioneers of Nebraska and was a member of the territorial legislature of that state when it was admitted to statehood. He was a merchant there for many years, only retiring from active life at the age of 75 years. He has been in Oklahoma City a few months visiting his son and in the hopes of improving his health, but he recently had an attack of paralysis which was the immediate cause of his taking off.

The deceased was a member of the Presbyterian Church, and the interment will be made on Monday afternoon on which day private services will be held at the home of his son.

The search of the Jacksonville newspaper had proved to be a very productive source after all. Intriguingly, if I had begun searching the paper with the first five reels of microfilm beginning March 1, 1905, my discovery would have occurred about five months earlier, and then almost immediately after starting the reading of the first reel.

Nevertheless, I was satisfied that perseverance had paid off. Looking back and calculating the magnitude of the task of searching all newspapers, the Winona Daily Republican and the scan of ten reels of the Jacksonville Daily Journal, approximately 12,550 frames of microfilm, I was very satisfied with having looked at those many pages for Rockwell family information. This was clearly an essential part of my project. "From now on where there is a good newspaper in the locality of your research," I told myself, "examine it carefully." Equally important, of course, is the concern for accuracy in documentation, and a continuous regard for the rules of evidence as applied to genealogy.

I was naturally anxious to know more about the circumstances of his death and burial. I retained a researcher in the Oklahoma City area. Readily uncovered was a death notice that appeared in the Oklahoma City newspaper, The Daily Times-Journal, of May 15, 1904. It had been copied almost verbatim in the Jacksonville paper eleven days later suggesting that the notice may have been sent, presumably by a member of the family, to the Jacksonville paper.

Some of the questions I felt needed to be answered were: Where was Austin buried? Did Caroline remain with George in Cklahoma City? Was she buried there? A subsequent reply from the researcher provided the answers. Austin was buried on May 16, 1904 in Fairlawn Cemetery in Oklahoma City. Caroline was buried beside him on April 24, 1906. So the search was ended.

But then, what happened to George and William and their families? Are there other Austin Rockwell descendants to be found, other than those descended from his daughter, Olive? These questions may well be answered at some time in the future after considerably more research. Happily or unhappily, depending on ones view-point, I can now truly say, "There is no end to fascinating and sometimes productive family history research."

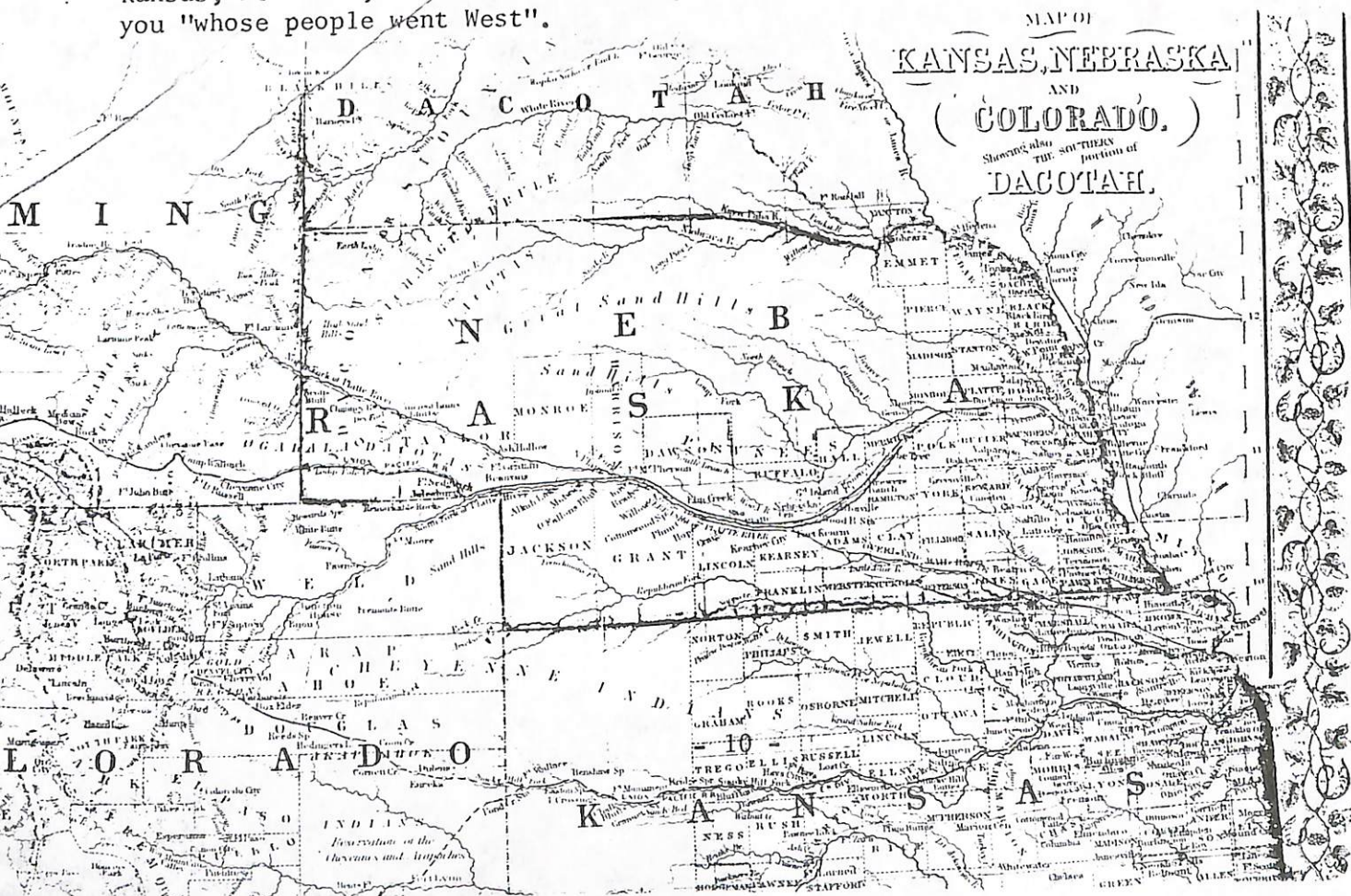
John H. Rebenack
2095 Brookshire Rd.
Akron, Ohio 44313

May 1991

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Your Editor hopes that this search for an ancestor will inspire other family historians to gather courage to pursue their fondest dreams in hopes of similar successes, as Time marches on. There are many ideas in this article given as to types of records to consider, especially when one's relatives left our Jacksonville area to make their fortunes in other territories and new states.

One thing is lacking -- illustrations as to what life was like, in general in our United States development. Become an American History enthusiast. Search book sales for old school history books that you can cut up and use the illustrations, or photocopy, to make your story come alive for the period of time being written about. Your people made history, one way or another, but it was the history of our nation that shaped their lives to become what they were. Find a map of the period to see what the country was like, and the possible trails followed by the westward treks. John searched for and sent a copy of the one for 1867 showing Kansas, Nebraska, and "the southern portion of Dacotah". It may help many of you "whose people went West".



The presentation made here of Circuit Court estates is an interesting study of early day legal matters, and how they were handled, and how it touches the lives of descendants currently living, along with cemetery records in this quarterly.

As of March 19, 1869 one Thos. G. Taylor filed a Petition for Administration "To The Hon. The County Court of said County [Morgan County]: The undersigned your petitioner would respectfully represent that Archimedes Smith late of said County dec'd died on or about the 29 day of March 1866 and that Letters of Administration upon his Estate given to Mrs. Olive Smith his widow who made no settlement whatever of said Estate and he further states that she the said Olive Smith departed this life on or about the ⁽¹⁾ day of August 1868 leaving the business of the Estate of said A Smith dec'd entirely unsettled and your petitioner at the request of the surviving heirs of said deceased prays that Letters of Administration Debonus Non be granted him upon the Estate of Archimedes Smith dec'd aforesaid.

March 19 1869

Thos G Taylor

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1) To find a death date on Olive Smith I have to rely upon the earliest Jacksonville East cemetery index to show burial date as "25 Aug 1868" age 68yr. This record was started by

*Timothy H. West Sexton From
May 1868 To April 1879*

As you can see, it was about 7 months after Olive's death before action was taken to settle the original Smith estate.

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Immediately after her death another handwritten letter of interest was written by her relatives, which was found in File #2910:

"To the County Judge of Morgan County Ills

We the undersigned children & heirs of A Smith dec'd do hereby request that Thos G Taylor be appointed Admr of the Estate of said dec'd parents or either of them and that said Estate be settled by hotch potch. (2)

August 27th 1868. This was signed by Jane A. Clark, Gideon C. Clark, Geo S Smith, Mary M. Smith, T. R. Smith, Alice B. Smith, Jennie Rockwell and Ollie Nash.

2) Therein is another interesting observation when one looks the term up in a dictionary! "Hotch Potch" as they spelled it -- "a thick stew of various meats and vegetables"! It should have been:

"Hotch-pot" which under English Law means "a pooling of property of different persons for equal distribution". WOW! What interesting things come out of legal research sometimes.

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The photocopy of the next document is light because of the ink used on the page, and very difficult to read. But it is a good example of finding referrals of land acquisitions in various other places than our county. So I will interpret, as best I can, the Personal Property Inventory of Dr. Archimedes Smith, which was estimated at \$4,000.00.

Dr. A. Smith died March 29th 1866. Personal Property Inventory Estimated \$4000.00.

SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 10 T. 23N R. 2E 160 acres	\$ 950.00
Lot, part W$\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 2 T. 25N R. 2E 5 acres, value	20.00
Lot 2 part W$\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 13 T. 25N R. 2E 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres value	18.00
±± Lots 1 and 2 Block 15, Hudson, McLean County, value	10.00
Lot 2 E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec 13 T. 23N R. 2E, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres value	15.00
Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5 in Block 11 Barrett's Addition to City of Burlington IA, value	400.00
Part of Lots 83 and 84, Jacksonville, Illinois	8000.00
[This must have been where his offices were -- on the East side of the Square]	
Personal, George S. Smith, note April 16th 1865 6 percent, marked good -- now bad	3000.00
George S. Smith June 19, 1865 - 8 percent marked good -- now bad	1750.00
J. R. Workman, no date, paid Olive Smith	500.00
T. Rice Smith, no date, \$80 bal. paid to Ol. Smith	200.00
Telegraph Stock 5 shares 50 each sold by T. G. Taylor to James Berdan	250.00

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±± Using my 1876 Atlas Of The State Of Illinois, published by the Union Atlas Company, Chicago IL, I was able to find Hudson in McLean County, which is north of Bloomington about 8 or 9 miles. The question arises: was A. Smith a doctor there before coming to Jacksonville? And why did he have land in Burlington, Iowa?

I will leave that to John Rebenack of Akron, Ohio, and his newly-found kinsman of Norfolk, Virginia, to find out.

John sent me a packet of family materials I received on Wednesday, August 21. The same day I received a letter from Theodore Shafer, of Norfolk VA, who had been referred to me by Greg Olson as "Jacksonville's resident expert on genealogical matters". When I opened his letter, this is what it said:

I am interested in gaining information on my great great grandfather Archimedes Smith and wife Olive Eglington Selden and descendents. Also their daughter Jane Alexander Smith married my great grandfather Gideon Colton Clark. They had three daughters. They were Olive Eglington Clark, Clara Selden Clark and Catherine Maude Clark.

I am wondering if any of them attended Illinois College or MacMurry College and if there would be information available through either one of the colleges. I do have information that they might have gone to what was at one time a Women's College in Jacksonville. . . .

Sincerely yours

Ted Shafer

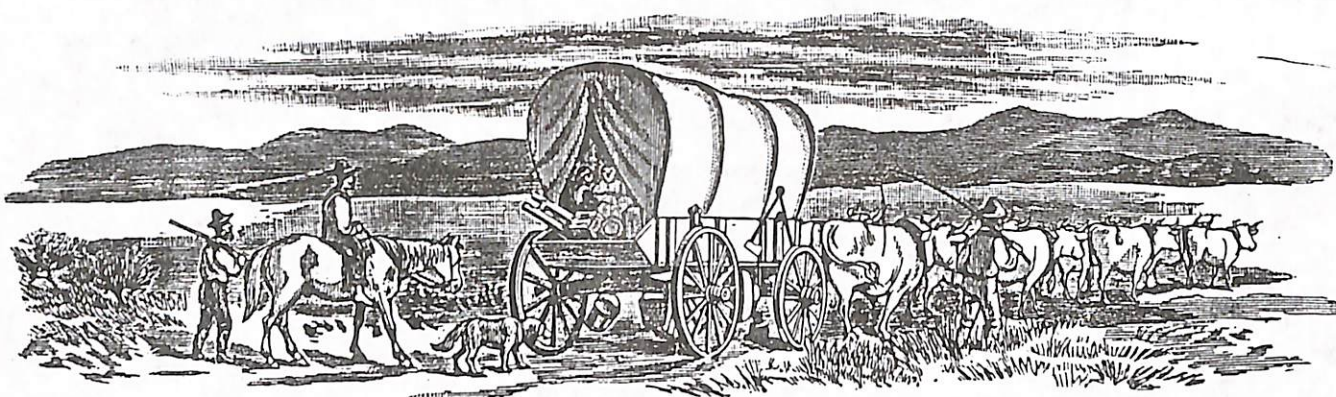
2511 E. Little Creek Road #25, Norfolk VA 23518-3348

Needless to say, I called John immediately, and he called Ted right away, and said, "You don't know me, but I am a great-great-grandson of Dr. Archimedes Smith." Ted responded with "You're what!!!!" Are they ever having family fun!

Your editor surely merits a new title after her name:

HUTCHISON, Florence M. D., Serendipitist

If I don't disclose the fact that M. and D. are my two middle initials, maybe some one will think I am a doctor and I will get paid for whatever it is I do best! At any rate, that's the serendipitous kind of genealogical research that puts me on "Cloud-Nine". Webster says that's a "condition of great joy or bliss". Amen.



Page 1:

THE WAY WE CAME WEST.

A glance into the past

Jacksonville Journal Courier
April 23, 1982

120 Years Ago

The Jacksonville company of gold hunters started for Washington Territory, by way of the Great Plains, on Tuesday. The day fixed for starting was Monday, but the storm which prevailed during Sunday and Monday delayed their departure. They go through with light, strong wagons drawn by mules, and loaded merely with the outfit absolutely necessary for the trip. The company numbered nine teams, each mess having its own team, equipment, &c. The boys divided into messes as follows:

James Gregory, L. Chappel, Edward Tenny, wife and son. Double mule and horse team.

Ira Shuff and Charles King. Single mule team.

Edward Tandy, H. Tandy, B. VanWinkle. Single mule team.

John Q. Adams, David Colman. —. Single mule team.

Thomas Warner, David Warner and John Posey. Double mule team.

Press. Berry and W. Engles. Mule team.

Wm. McClusky, — Davis, R. M. Biggs, M. Runkle, Wm. Benson. Double mule team.

Edward Dawson, Talma Smith, Robt. T. Megowan, W. E. Hunt, Stephen Gorham. Double mule team.

Anthony Thornton and J. Smith. Single mule team.

We hope the company may have a pleasant journey, and make it pay.

Did those brave souls who traveled "to the West", in the past, have as much faith in their future as expressed in the following poem?

"HE KNOWETH THE WAY THAT I TAKE."

I know not -- the way is so misty --

The joys or the griefs it shall bring.

What clouds are o'erhanging the future?

What flowers by the roadside shall spring?

But there's One who will journey beside me,

Nor in weal nor in woe will forsake;

And this is my solace and comfort --

"He knoweth the way that I take."

I stand where the cross roads are meeting,

And know not the right from the wrong;

No beckoning fingers direct me,

No welcome floats to me in song;

But my guide will soon give me a token

By wilderness, mountain or lake;

Whatever the darkness about me,

"He knoweth the way that I take."

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What a lot of faith and hope our Jacksonville area families must have had to start out on such a long journey in the 1860's.

William E. Benson, a direct descendant of Stephen Gorham and William Benson located the item of "120 Years Ago" in our newspaper, and started investigating the history of "the Jacksonville company of gold hunters in 1862."

On the following pages is the resume Bill prepared for publication. This will undoubtedly benefit many of our readers of our *Geneal Journal*. Maybe descendants of other of our members, of the travelers, can add much to their own family history, and Bill can make additions to this historical documentation, if correspondence flows between them.

WAGON TRAIN MEMBERS in 1862

INFORMATION AS OF 1860

James Gregory	Constable (from Penn). Residence east side of South Main between Kentucky Street and Morton Avenue. Age 29.
Alonzo Chappel	Age 21, son of Charles, a shoemaker from New York.
Ira Shuff (4)	Laborer, age 21, son of John Shuff, farmer from KY.
Charles S. King	Merchant, age 27 from Penn. Lived with parents, David and Sarah King.
Edward Tandy	Teacher in grammar school, age 28, from Kentucky.
H. Tandy	no info
John Q. Adams	408/396, age 20, worked at the News Depot, and lived in the home of Samuel Hunt, local postmaster.
Edward Tennery (3), wife and son.	In 1860 Census as Edwin Tennery, age 21, born KY, housepainter, wife Sarah, age 30, born IL, son Lewis, age 8 b. IL.
Talma Smith	614/596 Shoemaker, n.s. West State between West and Square; home N.S. South Between East and Hardin. Age 25, born KY, wife Mary age 21, daughter Ella May
Robert T. Megowan (McGowan) (also McGownd)	Age 15, born IL. In the home of M. S. Berry. Farmer in Arcadia.
William E. Hunt	Deputy postmaster, boarded at Samuel Hunt's, 408/396 the postmaster. He was bartender in 1878. Note: the double numbers are family numbers in census records for 1860, as researched.
Anthony Thornton	Farmer in Mauvaisterre Township. Age 28, b. IL. Wife Sarah 30 (or sister), and 5 others on trip.
J. (W) Smith (1)	Age 30, born PA. Boarded at Margaret Johnson's.
William Benson	House s.e. corner of Lurton & South (E. College, today). Age 23, sign painter, born in England. Wife, Lucretia age 21, daughter, Jeanne, age 3. In 1870 census: painter, b. England. Wife, Annie, Annie 19, b. IL; daughter, Dollie 12, b. IL; daughter Alice 10, b. IL.
Stephen Gorham (2)	Age 19, living with parents
W. Engles (probably Wilson)	if so - farmer age 25, b. IL; wife Patsey age 21, and daughter Harriet age 1 year.
William McClusky (1)	Painter, age 27, born Ohio. Boarded at Margaret A. Johnson's (1) boarding house.
_____ Davis	no data
Robert M. Biggs	Of Biggs and Church, leather dealers. Age 45 b. Indiana; wife Julia age 45.
M. Runkel	no data
B. Van Winkle	no data

Page 3: A GLANCE INTO THE PAST OF "THE JACKSONVILLE COMPANY OF GOLD HUNTERS WHO STARTED FOR WASHINGTON TERRITORY" APRIL 1862.

Edward Dawson	Town Marshall, age 45, born KY. Wife Olive and seven children. In 1870 census noted as black-smith.
David C. Coleman	Nurse attendant at the Jacksonville State Hospital for the Insane. Age 25, from VT.
Thomas Warner	Farmer in Sulphur Springs Precinct, near Orleans. Age 25, born IL. Wife, Mary J. age 20 b. IL.
David Warner	Farmer, brother of Thomas, age 22 b. IL.
John Posey	Farmer, age 21, b. IL. Jane F. age 28, Frances 26 and Sarah 23, all b. IL.
Press (Preston Berry	Laborer, age 26, b. IL. Wife Martha age 23, and son John age 1, b. IL. In 1870 census is noted as a horse trader.

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[While it was indicated in the article in "A Glance Into The Past" the caravan went "through with light, strong wagons drawn by mules." Many sojourners had to change to oxen as the roads worsened. Or, they were advised to at the "jumping-off" points in Missouri and Kansas into the rugged hills ahead.]

From here on is the research as presented by William Benson on his family connections.

1. Margaret Johnson (born Margaret Sanders) was sister of Sarah Jane Sanders, wife of John Gorham. Two members of the wagon train (J. W. Smith and William McCluskey), boarded with her; Stephen T. Gorham was her nephew; William Benson was married to her niece, Lucretia Gorham.
2. Stephen T. Gorham; brother of William Benson's wife.
3. Edward Tennery apparently learned his craft from father, S. (Sylvester) T. Tenery [sic] noted in 1860 census as housepainter, age 67, born N.J. Another son, Sylvester W., was also a painter. Tennery and Benson were partners in the painting business in 1860.
4. The younger brother of Ira, Jesse Shuff and the widow of William Benson, Roxanna Gorham, were married after the death of her husband (who died 2 Apr 1900), on 28 Jan 1905.

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Notes made by Stella Gorham Cox in a small book. Stella Gorham was the daughter of Stephen T. Gorham (son of John Gorham, and brother of Roxanna Gorham Benson), copied verbatim:

"Stephen T. Gorham left on trip to California with 12⁽¹⁾ wagons drawn by Oxen in 1849⁽²⁾. Time of Gold rush in Calif. 7 mos. on road. Many dangerous experiences - near Omaha, Neb. were surrounded by over 1000 Sioux Indians. ... Near Humboldt River disagreement arose as to course to pursue. ?(Mr). Reynolds⁽⁴⁾ ordered his son to take Carson River route. All but 8 wagons followed. These 8 wagons was not heard from again. At Missouri River the wagons and oxen had to be floated across the stream on rafts constructed for that purpose, very dangerous. River filled with whirlpools and several lost their lives."

[Interjection by Florence Hutchison: There is a Stephen Gorham in the 1830 census, and a James, John and Joseph Reynolds. I believe that there was an 1849 trip made by local residents to the west. This needs further research.]

The newspaper account of April 23, 1862 states:

- (1) Nine teams of mules and horses.
- (2) Left in April 1862. [The Civil War had been going on for one year. Had not the men on this trip not been called for duty? What was their status?]
- (3) Newspaper states destination was Washington Territory. Was that correctly stated?
- (4) Paper mentions no Reynolds, as father and son. [That is why I, F.H., believes there were two separate journeys made - both 1849, and 1862.]

In the latter case, Stephen Gorham sailed down to Panama, went across the isthmus and took a ship to the United States. When in Panama, he learned that Abraham Lincoln had just been assassinated. In the Morgan County History he was stated to be 22 when he left. (Born in 1840; therefore 22 in 1862). The history further states he was gone three years. Lincoln was killed in 1865; therefore time and dates agree.

Fur trading suddenly yielded to the rush for gold in Washington territory after Elias Pierce discovered gold at Pierce on 30 Sep 1860. Famous reports from Florence [Washington] the following year brought in more than 10,000 prospectors. Important new discoveries in the summer of 1862 expanded the mining regions by hundreds of miles, and thousands of men.

When the Idaho Territory was organized in 1863 there were more than 32,000 miners, merchants, packers and farmers. Over half of them were in the Boise region, and another third in what soon would be Montana. Continuation of the gold fever kept the mining population high in southwestern Idaho through the early years of the territorial period, and in 1864 Boise became the capital.

From: *Encyclopedia Britannica*, 1972 edition, Vol. 11, page 1058.

Lucretia Benson's younger brother, Stephen T., lived with their parents, John and Sarah Jane (Sanders) in Jacksonville in 1860, but his imagination drew him to the far west by the stories of gold wealth to be taken from the earth in the Washington Territory. A young man of nineteen dreamed of the frontier and gold.

The newspaper item stated they were going to Washington Territory gold fields, (now Idaho), but the caravan actually went to California. Upon examining the map as far as Great Salt Lake, the routes are the same. They must have changed destination after leaving Jacksonville. Perhaps the flood of 10,000 miners to the Idaho area discouraged them. Or maybe enroute the stories of miners returning from California held more promise.

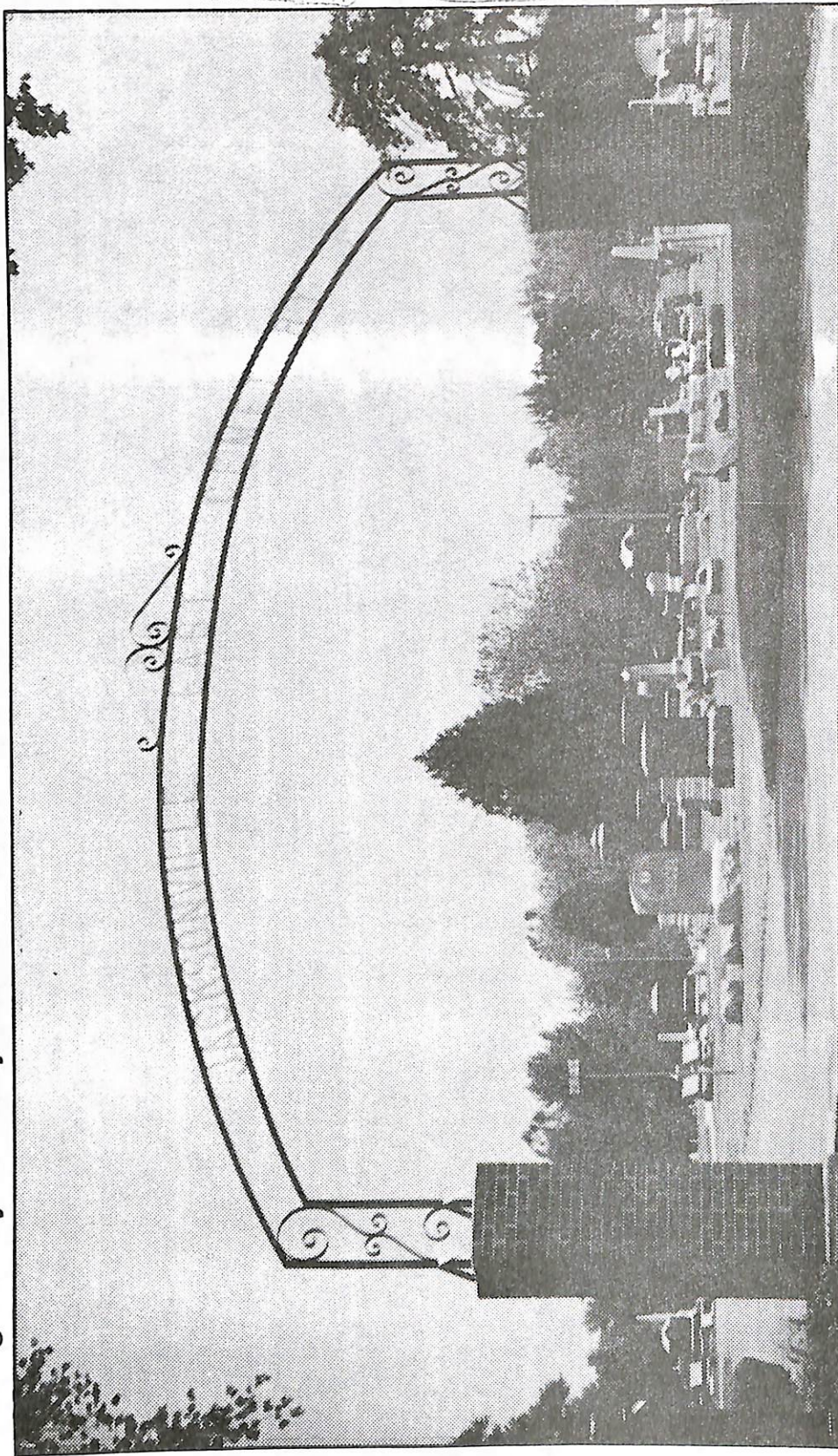
Shortly after the wagon train left for the gold fields of the far west, Lucretia had her third child, Sarah Jane, named for grandmother Sarah Jane (Sanders) Gorham. The baby lived only from 20 May 1862 until a month later. Sadly the mother only lived a week after the birth of her daughter. Of such human tragedies was the life on the western trails.

Now who was to care for the two children left? Jeannie Florence was but five, and Lucretia Alice only three. Whether they lived with grandfather John Gorham, or separately, is conjecture but William Benson returned in 1865 and married younger sister Roxanna, 19 Nov 1866, and had four more children.

The 1868 *Jacksonville Directory* lists Benson and Compton as housepainters. Benson resided at #7 on South Mauvaisterre. The 1870 Census 204/220 lists Peter Compton age 26 b. N.J., wife Saphronia age 32, Willie age 11, John age 8, and Frank age 1 year, all born in Illinois.

Since the Morgan County 1880 Census has never been published, the Jacksonville Directories are our best source of family information available.

New sign at city cemetery



(Journal Courier photo by GREG OLSON)

JACKSONVILLE EAST CEMETERY is now easily identifiable to those driving by as the Cemetery Board recently had a new sign installed over the drive. The sign, made by a Springfield ironworks

firm, was installed just before Memorial Day weekend by the crews of the city Streets Department. The new sign and labor cost about \$1,800, said Walt Hamilton, chairman of the Cemetery Board.

Along with this new front entrance enhancement, on Myrtle Street, the various drives were named for individuals active in cemetery government and records preservation. Signs were installed honoring Mayor Helen Foreman, Walter Hamilton, Milo Gregory and Glen Kendall, City Cemetery Board Members. Division Lane is the dividing line between the Old Part to the East, from the New Part to the West. The first south to north drive was named for Florence Hutchison whose extensive cemetery records over a period of many years enables individuals to walk to any grave site.

JACKSONVILLE EAST CEMETERY, New Part (W $\frac{1}{2}$), Old Part (E $\frac{1}{2}$)

Myrtle St.

Myrtle St

Section VI (SW)

Maint.
Bldg.

Section V (NW)

GREGORY

DRIVE

Section VI
[New Part]

Section V
[New Part]

Section IV
[New Part]

Section III
[New Part]

Section II
[New Part]

Section I
[New Part]

KENDELL

Entrance
FOR
E
M
A
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V
E

HAMILTON Dr.

North
East

Cemetery to North

---Single row of lots
===Double row of lots

DIVISION

LANE

[Old Part East $\frac{1}{2}$; New Part West $\frac{1}{2}$]

Row L

KL

K

JK

J

IJ

I

535 (IJK) 536
I.O.O.F Sold.
Field Field

HUTCHISON

DRIVE

Oldest part of cemetery

Oldest part of cemetery

KENNIEBREW MEMORIAL DRIVE

CARSON MEMORIAL DRIVE

Line #-1--2--3--4--5--6-

-7--8--9--10--11--12--13--14--15--16--17--18--19--20--21--22--23--24

Pow A: 58 lots extending from south side to north side of cemetery

Old County Burial Ground was east of Row A.

Mauvaisterre Creek Bank to East

G. Hutchison

Page 1: OUR NEWEST RESEARCH AND DISCOVERIES CONCERNING THE NAMES OF ORIGINAL LOT (only) OWNERS IN THE OLDEST PART OF JACKSONVILLE EAST CEMETERY, FROM HUTCHISON DRIVE, TO THE MAUVAISTERRE CREEK BANKS.

On the preceding page is a diagram of the oldest and newer additions of the original cemetery started with the Cholera epidemic in 1833. A later addition joins it to the north, but not shown on this reference plat. The Drive signs have been put up in recent years by the Cemetery Board to honor individuals who have taken part in governing its activities, or have been instrumental in updating its records.

On December 28, 1981 Florence M. Hutchison was presented the Mayor Milt Hocking

plaque, by City Clerk Pauline Newport, in ceremonies honoring several individuals whose volunteer achievements were thus publicly recognized. The plaque shown in the picture reads:

"In appreciation for invaluable research and records presented to the Jacksonville City Cemeteries".

Florence had been given permission by Mrs. Newport, about 1975, to copy all of the hundreds of Lot cards on both Jacksonville East and Diamond Grove cemeteries, from which an index of individual names was accomplished with the assistance of several of our friends, then put on computer by Warren Haley.

From the large original cemetery plat maps Florence eventually was able to make smaller plats for each cemetery. Along with a map and a copy of the Lot card, or index, this was the first time in the history of the cemeteries that the Sexton, or an individual could walk directly to a particular gravesite.

No cemetery record is ever totally complete because of re-interments, ash urn deposits by individuals, or Funeral Home personnel, with no data being recorded on the Sexton's individual Lot cards in many instances.

Since the earliest known record on this cemetery begins in 1868, with no site indications until 1888 then the finding and indexing of the original plat map with names of lot owners will be a big help in identification of the burial sites of long ago families.



Photo by Greg Olson. As you can see, Florence Hutchison has a lot of long-ago citizens standing behind her in all that she does as an avid cemeterian.

PLAT MAP SHOWING OLDEST PART OF JACKSONVILLE EAST WITH LOT NUMBERS INDEXED

H A I L T O N D R I V E

Parking area for

carriages, wagons

and saddle horses. The drives between double rows were worn down by the horse-drawn vehicles in muddy weather, which left tombstones on higher mounds.

HUTCHISON

ROW	355	86	87	98	99	110
H	356	85	88	97	100	109

DRIVE

ROW	111	122	123	134	135
H	112	121	124	133	136

HUTCHISON DRIVE

154	155	182	183	210	341	211	238	239	266	267	294	493
153	156	181	184	209	342	212	237	240	265	268	293	494

S

357	84	89	96	101	108
358	83	90	95	102	107

E

113	120	125	132	137
114	119	126	131	138

G

152	157	180	185	209	343	213	236	241	264	269	292	495
151	158	179	186	207	344	214	235	242	263	270	291	496

F

359	82	91	94	103	106
360	81	92	93	104	105

E

115	118	127	130	139
116	117	128	129	140

E

150	159	178	187	206	345	215	234	243	262	271	290	497
149	160	177	188	205	346	216	233	244	261	272	289	498

KENNIEBREW

361	8	9	24	25	40
362	7	10	23	26	39

E

41	56	57	72	73
42	55	59	71	74

E

148	161	176	189	204	347	217	232	245	260	273	288	499
147	162	175	190	203	348	218	231	246	259	274	287	490

KENNIEBREW MEMORIAL DRIVE

146	163	174	191	202	349	219	230	247	258	275	285	491
145	164	173	192	201	350	220	229	248	257	276	285	492

D

363	6	11	22	27	38
364	5	12	21	28	37

D

43	54	59	70	75
44	53	60	69	76

D

144	165	172	193	200	351	221	228	249	256	277	284	493
143	166	171	194	199	352	222	227	250	255	278	283	494

C

365	4	13	20	29	36
366	3	14	19	30	35

C

45	52	61	68	77
46	51	62	67	78

C

142	167	170	195	198	353	223	226	251	254	279	282	495
141	168	169	196	197	354	224	225	252	253	280	281	496

B

367	2	15	18	31	34
368	1	16	17	32	33

B

47	50	63	65	79
48	49	64	65	80

B

142	167	170	195	198	353	223	226	251	254	279	282	495
141	168	169	196	197	354	224	225	252	253	280	281	496

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(7) (8) (9) (10) (11)

(12) (13) (14) (15) (16) (17) (18) (19) (20) (21) (22) (23) (24)

CARSON MEMORIAL DRIVE

CARSON MEMORIAL DRIVE

Unplatted in Row A "Northeast Corner"

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The Old County Burial Ground was in this area.

The Old County Burial Ground was in this area, between the Jacksonville East Cemetery and Mauwaister Creek which is a few yards east of here.

L A F F A Y E T T E A V E N U E

Page 1: INDEX--ORIGINAL LOT OWNERS IN JACKSONVILLE EAST CEMETERY, OLD PART (OP)
FROM PLAT DIAGRAMS -- A NEW METHOD OF IDENTIFYING POSSIBLE BURIAL SITES
OF OUR EARLY CITIZENRY. On double rows e = east side, w = west side.
Rows are identified as being from A through H.

LOT#	ROW	Name of Owner(s) & Remarks	LOT#	ROW	Name of Owner(s) etc.
219w	D-18	ADAMS, E. M.	45w	C--7	BROWN, Preston M., or Mrs. Geers
23e	E--4	ALLEN, B.	169e	B-14	BROWNFELD, E. S.
286w	D-23	ALLEN, Theodore	318	A-28	BRUCE, R. C. see card
27w	D--5	ANDERSON, James S.	118w	F--8	BUCKINGHAM, James
28e	D--5	" James S. (part)			"purchased 2 Apr 1872" which means that it was probably purchased earlier and only part or none used.
207e	G-16	ATKINSON, William S.	58e	E--9	BUCKINGHAM, Nathan
102e	G--5	AUSTIN, A. A.	63w	B--9	BUCKINGHAM, William
112e	H--7	AYERS, Isaac	255e	C-21	BUTLER, S.
280e	B-22	BAILEY, J. R.	355w	H--1	CALLON/CALLEN, G. W. F.
321	A-31	BAKER, George "Baker from Stewart" on Lot card. 3 Stewarts, 3 Bakers and 1 Jones is listed on card I checked	1702	B-14	CANE, S. also, John Gruber. See record.
84w	G--2	BARBER, Thomas "older records deeded to John C. Hamilton" [These are examples of extra information available by research. I will only say "See card" after this illustration. The only clue will be "See card."	243w	F-29	CANNON, John
56w	E--8	BARKER, J. "See card"	230w	D-19	CARDWELL, _____
151e	G-12	BARTON, C. B.	305	A-15	CARSON, John
357w	G--1	BAYLESS, Dan	310	A-20	CARSON, Thomas. On the west side of these lots is Carson Memorial Drive named for his well-known wife.
7e	E--2	BEACH, Caleb	66w	B-10	THOMAS, Carson
76e	D-11	BENNETT, _____	116e	F--7	CARTER, John "see card" with E. Hayton
217w	E-18	BERRY, G. W. [To N. A. Turner]	117e	F--8	CARTER, John
218½w	[New Part, see card]		42e	E--7	CASELL, D.
61w	C--9	BERRY, John M. (with Thomas card)	159w	F-13	CASELL, H.
307	A-17	BIBB, Richard	237e	H-19	CASELL, Henry
168e	B-13	BIGGS, R. M.	145e	D-12	CASELL, Jacob "see card" also, W. E. Masters
123w	H--9	BLAND, J. P.	146w	D-12	CASELL, Jacob, also Alford B. Hewitt
186e	G-15	BLODGETT, H.	57w	E--9	CASELL, J. J., with Patrick Nunes
187e	F-15	BORT, Sylvester B. (Also, Samuel Dunlap)	109e	H--6	CASELL, J. F/T ?
362e	E--1	BOSTON, J. A. & W. E.	110w	H--6	" " " also Tilton's
179e	G-14	BOWEN, William	69e	D-10	CAULKINS/CALKINS, Samuel
180e	G-14	BOYER, E.	101w	G--5	CAVENDER, L. R.
370	A--3	BRADSHAW, J.	268e	H-22	CHAPPELL, Charles
72w	E-10	BRAIDWOOD, _____	43w	D--7	CHURCH, Thomas
494e	C-24	BRANCH, Sidney	294w	H-23	CLARK, Jesse R. see card: "Hiram Ennis, 2 Mar 68"
17e	B--4	BRANSON, William	198w	B-16	CLARY, William "see card"
327	A-37	BRECKON, William J.	14e	C--3	CLAY, T. P. and W. Jones
299	A--9	BROCKNER, William	257e	D-21	CLEGG, C.
		[most of the stones have disappeared on A-row lots, unfortunately]	210w	H-16	CLEGG, J.
253e	B-21	BRENNAN, _____			
247w	D-20	BROWN, Benjamin F.			
488e	F-24	BROWN, Burton			

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68w	C-10	COBB(S), Eliza	82w	F--2	DOYLE, _____
329	A-39	COBBS, Livingston (on card: Jan 30, 1864)	124w	H--9	DOYLE, Patrick
232e	E-19	COBBS, Samuel	50w	B--8	DUNCAN, James
229e	D-19	COBBS, William A.	8w	E--2	DUNLAP, James
241w	G-20	COFFMAN, Henry; also Anderson Foreman	365w	C--1	DUNLAP, James E.
9w	E--3	COFFMAN, Philip, plus half of N $\frac{1}{2}$ 24w in E--4 with Eliza Snyder	187w	F-15	DUNLAP, Samuel, with Sylvester B. Bort
312	A-22	CORCORAN, Buker and Buker Daniels	363w	D--1	DUSTIN, Stephen
212	A-22	CORCORAN, William H.	33e	B--6	EADS, James M., also D. H. McCaverty
61w	C--9	CORD, Thomas, with John M. Berry	75w	D-11	ELLIS, J. M.
485w	G-24	CORNELL, Seth	111w	H--7	EMERICK, A. M.
103w	F--5	COULTER, F.G. & W.S.	131e	G-10	ENGLISH, Nathaniel
91w	F--3	CRAIG, William "see card" with John Davis	"transferred to C. C. Duckett 3/10/94"		
251w	B-20	CRAVEN, William "2 Oct 1855"	294w	H-23	ENNIS, Hiram, and Jesse R. Clark
285e	D-23	CREAMER, H. C. "see card"	261e	F-21N $\frac{1}{2}$	EVANS, Arden, with Thomas Ford S $\frac{1}{2}$
193w	C-15	CROOKS, Robert " "	302/303	A-12/13,	EWING, James
[while some of these say "see card", for many of these transactions there is none]			165w	C-13	EWING, John & Dennis Rockwell
4w	C--2	CROUSE, Alfred	279w	B-22	FEARON/FERRON, John
487w	F-24	DAMON, Bingham "see card"	209e	H-16	FERNANDES, Allen, to J. R. Phillips 8/29/1931
312	A-22	DANIELS, Buker	381	A--2	Ferraira, E.
149e	F-12	DANIELS, Veirin	158e	G-13	FINCH, J. H.
5e	D--2	DAVENPORT, Ira	78e	C-11	FILSON, L.
147e	E-12	DAVENPORT, Ira, also 148w	86w	H--2	FISHER, Michael
32e	B--5	DAULTON, William, shared with L. Saunders	248e	D-20	FITZGERALD, James
250e	C-20	DAVIS, John "2 Oct 1855"	115w	F--7	FLATFORD, Nathaniel "to Wm. P. Craig, 1902"
204w	E-16	DAVIS, John	262w	F-21	S $\frac{1}{2}$ FORD, Thomas, N $\frac{1}{2}$ EVANS, Arden
19e	F--3	DAVIS, John, also 91w	241w	G-20	FOREMAN, Anderson, with Henry Coffman
292w	G-23	DAVIS, William	28e	D--5	FORSYTHE, N.
106w	F--6	DAWSON, Barnard, with William C. Stribling	220e	D-18	FOSTER, A.
105e	F--6	DAWSON, E.	270e	G-22	FOUTCH/FOUCHER, D. T.
143e	C-12	DeORNELLAS, Joseph [on card] "deed 6 June 1870"	265e/265w	H-21,	FOX, George W.
47w	B--7	DeFRATES, Emanuel, shared with John Henry	191w	D-15	FREEMAN, J., and T. H. West. "Transferred from Mrs. HARRIOTT formerly Mrs. Mary Freeman, to Timothy H. West. His burial was 3/25/95. He was Sexton of Jacksonville East.
62e	C--9	DENNIS, M. Q.(?) with Elbert Sharp	34w	B--6	FRENCH, Elizabeth U.
326	A-36	DETERDING, George	228w	C-19	FRY, D. C. and James Schoonover
177e	F-14	DEVORE, Uriah J.	332	A-42	FRY, J. B.
236w	G-19	DICKSON, A. C.			
322	A-32/33,	DOBYNS, T. & Nathan Reid			
190e	E-15	DODGE, J. V.			

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129e	F-10	GALBRAITH, Jesse W.	211w	H-18	HARPER, Fr. A.
259e	E-21	GASS, Benjamin F.	267w	H-22	HARRIS, Thomas
45w	C--7	GEERS, Mrs., or Preston M. Brown	135w	H-11	HARTLEY, William H.
114e	G--7	GEST, C.	20w	C--4	HATFIELD, Lewis
314/315	A-24/25	GILMORE, John	116e	F--7	HAYTON, E. & John Carter
194e	C-15	GOODRICK, Joel	128e	F--9	HEARLSTON, Lucinda, with J. Neely
316	A-26	GORHAM, John	21e	D--4	HEDENBERG, James V.
287e	E-23	GORHAM, Stephen	41w	E--7	HEDENBERG, Peter
11w	D--3	GRAHAM, Z. W.	382	A--1	HEMSTOCK, William
16e	B--3	GRAVES, George W.	122w	H--8	HENDERSON, Ambrose
This is a vacant lot -- no tombstones. Mary W. Graves was buried there March 6, 1895, so we can assume her husband is there also. Just an exam- ple of what happened to those earlier burials, prior to our first record of 1868. But lot locations were not re- corded until 1888 on the City records.			234w	F-19	HENDERSON, Benjamin
132w	G-10	GRAVES, Samuel L.	6w	D--2	HENDERSON, Smiley H.
256w	C-21	GRAVES, William	47w/48e	B-7	HENRY, John
245w	E-20	GRAY, M. B.	80e	B-11	HESLIP,
232w	E-19	GRAY, Morton	146w	D-12	HEWITT, Alford B. & Jacob Cassell
483w/484e	H-24	GRIERSON, Robert	212e	H-18	HEWSON/HUGHSON, John
170w	B-14	GRUBER, John & S. Cane	289e	F-23	HICKS, I. S.
167w	B-13	GRUBER, John &. and Graubner	275w	D-22	HILLEGAS, Benjamin
134w	H-10	GRAY, Milo	346e	F-17	HITT, Samuel
152w	G-12	HACKETT, George	215w	F-18	HOLLAND, John
491w	D-24	HAITHMAN, Elizabeth, and Jno. McDonald	51e	C--8	HOOK, Cornelius, with Ludlam
92e	F--3	HALL, Eliza & John Davis	127w	F--9	HOWARD, William
296	A--6	HALL, Horace H.	163w	D-13	HUMPHREY, B. N.
290w	F-23	HALL, William E. (T?)	164e	D-13	HUMPHREY, William D.
140e	F-11	HAMILTON, David	306	A-16	HUNT, Samuel
144w	C-12	HAMILTON, E. & J. & S. Schureman	81e	F--2	HUNTER, E.
89w/90e	G-3	HAMILTON, John C.	13w	C--3	HUNTER, William
83e	G--2	HAMILTON, John C.	347w	E-17	HURST, James
84w	G--2	HAMILTON, John C. with Thomas Barber	2w	B--2	HURST, James [on card Sarah P. Hurst moved to P. B. Price Lot in Diamond Grove May 1917]
139w	F-11	HAMILTON, William, Jr.	15w	B--3	HURST, James & William [Wm. S. Hurst moved to L.B. Price lot in Diamond Grove]
125w/126e	G-9	HAMMOND, Aaron	119e	G--8	ILLINOIS CONFERENCE COLLEGE Transferred to Mrs. Edith B. Campbell 3 Jan 1900. As to whether there were burials prior to that, one would have to look at the lot for tombstones.
133e	H-10	HAPPY, Josephas	120w	G--8	ILLINOIS CONFERENCE COLLEGE Transferred to Rev. S. McCoy probably about 1855 when a child was buried on this lot.
59w/603	D-9	Hardin, John J., with H. Jones	291e	G-23	INGALLS, Darius
54w	D--8	HARDIN, John J.	94w	F--4	IRONMONGER, James J.
142w	B-12	HARKNESS, James, with George Schureman			
143e	C-12	HARKNESS, James			

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249w	C-20	JACKSON, Alfred			Murray McConnell's lot was trans-
274e	E-22	JACKSON, Andrew			ferred by G. W. McConnell to Cal-
214e	G-18	JACKSON, James			vin Givens in 1879.
360e	F--1	JENKINS, John D., and	120w	G--8	McCOY, Rev. S.
		Caleb Letton	301	A-11	McCullough, ___
175e	E-14	JOHNSON, J.	491w	D-24	McDonald, Jonothan &
3e	C--2	JOHNSON, William H.			Elizabeth Haithman
26e	E--5	JONES, C.	336	A-46	McGRATH/McGARTH, ___ &
60e	D--9	JONES, H. with			Henry Reid
		John J. Hardin	304	A-14	McKAY, Fielding
40w	E--6	JONES, John T.	73w	E-11	McKEE, Joseph
14e	C--3	JONES, Walter & T. P. Clay	344w	G-17	McWILLIAMS, ___
18w	B--4	JORDAN, William	278e	C-22	MACK, M.
100w	H--5	JUSTICE, Samuel	341	A-51	MAHLEN/MALON, ___
221w	C-18	KEEMER, Elias and	225e	B-19	MANY/MANEY, M.
		James O. Lord	113w	G--7	MAPES, John
71e	E-10	KEEMER, Elias and	182w	H-14	MARCH, Edward
		T. W. Melendy	288w	E-23	MARKOE, Samuel [He is a
338	A-48	KENNEDY/CANEDA, M.			descendant of Captain Abram Markoe
282w	B-23	KENTON, William M.			who organized the Philadelphia troop
349w/350e	D-17	KINMAN, William			of Lighthorse 17 Nov 1774. Comman-
331	A-41	KNOX, William			der-in-Chief George Washington, on
162e	E-13	LAMBERT, Ed			23 June 1775, was escorted from Phi-
173e	D-14	LAMBERT, Richard			ladelphia to Cambridge, Massachu-
223w	B-18	LAMPERT, Peter			setts, to assume command of the Army,
359w	F--1	LANDIS, Dr. Phillip K.			by the Philadelphia Lighthorse bear-
		[I just looked this one up and find him			ing that famous banner. While pic-
		in the Probate index, which is another			tures have always shown 13 stripes of
		way to locate early citizens.]			blue and silver, in recent years it
295	A--5	LAWSON, John			has evolved, from a cracking of the
235e	G-19	LETTON, Caleb			paint, that it was the English cros-
360e	F--1	LETTON, Caleb and John			ses of St. George and St. Andrew,
		D. Jenkins, 7 Aug 1869			which would have been the logical
342e	H-17	LETTON, Caleb and D. LONG			flag to use at that time, since these
227e	C-19	LIBBY, Lin & Sister			were all British citizens as yet.
224e	B-18	LIBBY, Lin & Sister	145e	D-12	MASTERS, W. E., WITH
25w	E--5	LITTON, Smith			Jacob Cassell
49e	B--8	LOAR, A.	181e	H-14	MATHERS, Wesley, Jr.
341w/342e	H-17	LONG, O. M.	325	A-35	MAY, Charles
221w	C-18	LORD, James O.	269w	G-22	MAHEW/MAYHEW, T.
51e	C--8	LUDLAM, ___	108w	G--6	MEACHAM, Joel
97e	H--4	LYNCH, J.	71e	E-10	MELENDY, T. W. with
353w	B-17	LYONS, Murray			Elias Keemer
19e	B--4	McALISTER, James, and pro-	37e	D--7	MILLER, E. T.
		bably Frank Patterson	297	A--7	MITCHELL, Rev. B. F.
216e	F-18	McCALLA/McCALLEY, ___	264w	G-21	MITCHELL, William H.
33e	B--6	McCAVERTY, D. H., also	364e	D--1	MORRISON, I. L.
		James M. Eads	320	A-30	MORRISON, Rev. T. N.
273w	E-22	McDONALD, John M.			
213w	G-18	McCONNELL, Jnc. L.			
218e	E-18	McCONNELL, Murray			

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128e	F--9	NEELY, J. & Lucinda Hearlston "from J. Neely 6/3/1876"	64e	B--9	ROLLINS/RAWLINGS, Isaac D. Elizabeth Rawlings transferred S $\frac{1}{2}$ to Julie B. Goodrick 22 June 1903. N $\frac{1}{2}$ to Bruce Goodwin 31 Oct 1904.
38w	D--6	NEWCOMB, Andrew W.	138e	G-11	ROWLAND/ROLAND, A. C.
490e	E-24	NEWMAN, Eliza B. also 489w.	308	A-18	RUCKER, William
57w	E--9	NUNIS, Patrick	368	A--4	RUARK, Jeannette
361w	E--1	O'BRIEN, M.	171e	C-14	RUTLEDGE, Rev. George
99w	H--5	OSBURN/OSBORNE, W.	137w	G-11	RUTLEDGE, William J.
185w	G-15	OWENS, Thomas. Card shows 2 burials for McKee as of 1887 & 1895. Perhaps older stones may be on lot.	254w	B-21	RYAN, M.
271w, 272e	F-22	OWSLEY/OUSLEY/OUSELY John.	32e	B--5	SAUNDERS/SANDERS, L.
160e	F-13	PALMER, D.	309	A-19	SAWYER, C. K.
333/A43, 334/A44		PALMER, James	199e	C-16	SCHOFIELD, Joseph
233e	F-19	PALMER, Michael	200w	C-16	SCHOFIELD, Richard
157w	G-13	PANGBORN, _ "transferred to David W. Ayers, probably ca 1897"	228w	C-19	SCHOONOVER, James & D. C. Fry
248e	D-20	PARK, O. Mark(?) to James Fitzgerald, evidently, but no record to refer to.	142w	B-12	SCHUREMAN, George, with James Harkness
19e	C--4	PATTERSON, Frank, and probably James McAlister.	141e	B-12	SCHUREMAN, George
172w	C-14	PATTERSON, William	52w	C--8	SCRUGGS, A. F.
166e	C-13	PENDLETON	183w/184e	H-15	SELBY, John
226w	B-19	PHIEFENBERGER/POFFENBARGER, P.	1533e	H-12	SELBY, Paul
209e	H-16	PHILLIPS, J.R. & J. Tomer	62e	C--9	SHARP, Elbert
336-e	H--1	PIERSON, William	67e	C-10	SHARP, Martin
311	A-21	PITNER, Montgomery	492e	D-24	SHEPPARD, R. W.
130w	F-10	POUCHER, Ann	328	A-38	SHIRES, John N.
263e	G-21	POWELL, J.	155w/156e	H-13	SHIRLEY, Dr. George Y.
339	A-49	PRATT, O. J.	224e	B-18	SIERER, I. S. (?)
150w	F-12	PROSSER, Dr. & H. Simms	192e	D-15	SIGLER, John T.
188e	F-15	PUSEY, William H. M.	201e	D-16	SIGLER, John T.
208w	G-16	PYATT, Jonothan O.	348e	E-17	SIMMONS, Solomon
121w	H--8	QUACKENBUSH, Charles	150w	F-12	SIMMS, H. also Doctor Prosser
202w	D-16	RAPP, M.	87w	H--3	SLATER, E. C.
53e	D--8	RATEKIN, William	176w	E-14	SMITH, Dr. Archimedes
343w	G-17	RAY, B.	31w	B--5	SMITH, J. B. C.
70w	D-10	REARICK, George	197e	B-16	SMITH, Mary A.
44e	D--7	REED, M. M. L., Dr.	354e	B-17	SMITH, Mary A. The earliest burial on card lists Julius Smith buried 20 Feb 1873. To check this out, I looked in the Timothy West Burial Record Book 1868-88. Julius Smith was buried 20 Feb 1874, age 31 ys. This points up the fact that one will have to be a good "sleuth" to actually come out with the correct family data, and have a researcher look at various records, because most of these records are not available to the public as yet, except as this index is given as a guide.
336	A-46	REID, Henry & McGrath			
322/A-32, 323/A-33		REID, Nathan			
486e	G-24	RICHARDS, Minerva			
104e	F--5	RING, James			
324	A-34	RITER, Dan			
313	A-23	ROBERTS, C. D.			
165w	C-13	ROCKWELL, Dennis & John M. Ewing			
96w	G--4	RONEY/ROONEY, J.			

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224w	N½ E-4	SNYDER, Eliza, from Philip Coffman who has S½	246e	E-20	VOORHEES, Stephen
203e	E-16	Listed one place as "Soloman" this belongs to Soloman <u>Simmons</u> .	222e	C-18	WAKELY, Dr. T. A.
189w	E-15	SPILMAN, F.	345w	F-17	WARREN, William B.
106w	F--6	STRIBLING, William C. with Barnard Dawson	206w & 205e/F-16		WARREN, William B.
98w	H--4	STRICKLAND, S.	[These are all in the same spot which indicates the mixed-up numbering system]		
88e	H--3	STRONG, J. W.	367w	B--1	WATERSON, L. and Richard Hopper
195w	B-15	STACY, James D.	178w	F-14	WATSON, A.
196e	B-15	STACY, James D.	79w	B-11	WEBB, John
77w	C-11	STACY, Mathew	191w	D-15	WEST, Timothy H.
317	A-27	STEVENSON, James	260w	E-21	WETHERBEE/WETHERBY, A.
321	A-31	STEWART, Henry & Geo. Baker	276e	D-22	WHITE, J.
337	A-47	STOTT, Arthur	366e	C--1	WIGHT, David
358e	G--1	STOUT, J. V. D.	65e	B-10	WILHOIT, Anderson V.
283e	C-23	STRINGHAM, P. & Isham Taylor	298	A--8	WILLARD, S. J.
242e	G-20	SWETT, William C.	351w	C-17	WILLIAMSON, James
258w	D-21	TAGGART, J. M.	493w	C-24	WILLIAMSON, James
136e	H-11	TAYLOR, A.	244e	F-20	WILSON, Andrew F.
174w	D-14	TAYLOR, E.	22w	D--4	WOLCOTT, Elihu and John Vaughts
283e	C-23	TAYLOR, Isham	154w	H-12	WOOD, A.
277w	C-22	TAYLOR, John & A. Thompson	74e	E-11	WOODMAN, William C.
368e	B--1	TAYLOR, John	46e	C--7	YATES, Abner
284w	C-23	TAYLOR, John	35e/36w	C-6	YATES, Richard [Governor]
39e	E--6	TAYLOR, Spencer	30e	C--5	YORK, N.
55e	E--8	TAYLOR, Spencer	* * * * *		
107w	G--6	TENDICK, J.	* Governor Richard Yates (1861-65) was buried in Diamond Grove, leaving his two lots above listed vacant. I find that 7 State Hospital patients who were Veterans were buried on lots 35/36 Sec C. Your editor has been working with Nancy Schindler on Calvary Cemetery, and we have discovered 34 Veterans buried in one area, who were State Hospital patients. She is fixing up the area, straightening the stones, putting up a flag pole, and beautifying the plot. Most of these Veterans were from Chicago or Cook County area. If any family researcher is interested please send your request for the two pages of names to Florence Hutchison, 629 S. Diamond. Since there is no space in this quarterly to publish them, a SASE and small donation would be appreciated for this photocopying service.		
277w	C-22	THOMPSON, A.			
319	A-29	THOMPSON, A. C.			
10e	E--3	THORNTON, Dr. transferred to Trinity Episcopal Church			
281e	B-23	TIEMYER, Frederick			
34w	B--6	TODD, Alfred, also Elizabeth U. French			
161w	E-13	TODD, Andrew			
209e	H-16	TOMER, J. (to others also)			
12e	D--3	TOWN, S.			
29w	C--5	VANCE,			
293e	H-23	VANCLEVE, J. Y.			
240e	H-20	VANZANI, P.			
85e	H--2	VASCONCELLES, John C.			
93e	F--4	VAUGHN, R. S.			
22w	D--4	VAUGHTS, John, & probably Elihu Wolcott			
334/A-44 & 335/A-45		VEITCH, Silas [Tomb-stones along row A are mostly gone.]			
239w	H-20	VICKERY, J.			
349w	D-17	VIEIRA, Joseph			

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Sunday, August 25, 1991.

Unsung Hero

- **Name:** Myra Martin
 - **Address:** 59 E. Tremont, Waverly
 - **Birth date:** May 13, 1911
 - **Occupation:** Housewife
 - **Hero:** Douglas MacArthur
 - **Hobby:** Genealogy. She has traced over 350 family histories.
 - **Motto:** "A day is wasted unless you have done something good for someone else."
 - **Favorite teacher:** Mrs. Wilson M. Smith. "She was the one that truly interested me in history."
 - **Pet peeve:** People throwing trash on the highways
 - **Favorite book:** The Bible
 - **Favorite movies:** "Gone With the Wind" and "Ben Hur"
 - **Favorite TV show:** "Jeopardy"
 - **If there's one thing I've learned about life it's:** "That you have to stand up for what's right, regardless. I won't compromise my beliefs."
 - **Husband's name:** Guy Martin (deceased)
 - **Date of marriage:** May 6, 1932
 - **Son:** Jon Martin, 50, of La Habra, Ca., a computer analyst
 - **Special achievement:** The restoration of Rogers Cemetery near Waverly. She and her husband began working on the cemetery in 1963. Mrs. Martin had received a letter from a woman in Oregon who wanted to find her ancestor, Augustine Sims, a Revolutionary War soldier who had been buried there.
- Mrs. Martin recalls the first time they went to the cemetery: "We had to cut our way in with an ax and a corn knife." She said to her husband, "If it's the last thing I do, I'm going to clear the Sims lot."
- That turned into a desire to restore the entire cemetery, and with a few donations and some help from the Waverly American Legion, the Martins were well on their way. She says, "We cut away the brush and briars, cleared a road and killed 23 groundhogs that year. And we got a lot of help from Otis Sims — he was our right hand man."
- Fourteen people attended the first Memorial Day service held at Rogers Cemetery in 1963. Memorial Day services have been held there every year since with as many as 160 people attending. Several years ago, when vandals overturned more than 100 grave stones, Mrs. Martin replaced over 200 markers in the cemetery with granite stones from funds she had been saving.
- **The best words to describe her:** "Energetic, dedicated and altruistic. She's a dedicated genealogist." — Bob Dalton, a friend of Mrs. Martin's



No one person in our county has cleaned up, sprayed for weeds, straightened tombstones, mowed around hundreds of them, painted more shepherd's crooks green, and many other deeds of good works in cemetery preservation in the Waverly area than our "Unsung Hero" Myra Martin!

For a complete story on the Waverly Journal's article on Friday, April 8, 1983, see our society's quarterly, the Jacksonville IL Geneal Journal, XI #2 June 1983 p. 1-3. and 5-6 on "Rogers Cemetery Scene of Destruction" and "Vandals Shatter 20 Years of Work" by Dave Bakke, The State Journal-Register, Springfield, Illinois Sunday May 8, 1983.

This was one of the saddest times in the life of Myra and Guy Martin.

Did they give up? No. They went into action and by dint of hard work and some friends, Rogers Cemetery was restored.

We wish more people would have "the get-up and go" to do more of this kind of humanitarian acts for our dear departed dead.

It is too bad that most of the destroyers remain unknown. If only they could be caught and made to do hard physical labor in helping to restore that which they destroyed.

The Morgan County Board of County Commissioners on January 18, 1980 appointed the following persons to a Morgan County Cemetery Advisory Board: Myra Martin, Robert Dalton, Florence Hutchison, Virginia Gordon, and Mary Frances Alkire. Signed by Don Blimling, Chairman of the County Board. Myra Martin has been chairman of this Advisory Board.

— By **AMY MITCHELL**
Special to the Journal Courier

Page 1: "THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME,
GREETING: HOMESTEAD CERTIFICATE N^o 468, APPLICATION 1389, TO JAMES
WALKER". This is a document found filed in Morgan County, Illinois,
by Walker, "Feby. 14th 1893 at 2³⁰ P.M." It ties in with the local in-
dividuals who "went West" seeking land with possible gold on it. Have any
family seekers ever found a document like this before? Look at index books under
"U.S. America".

Whereas, there has been depositeed in the General Land Office of the United Sta-
tes a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Olympia, Washington Ter-
ritory, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th
May, 1862 "To secure Homesteads to Actual Settlers on the Public Domain", and
the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of James Walker has been established
and duly consummated in conformity to law, for the Northeast quarter of Section
twenty-two in township twelve North of range one, East, in the District of
Lands subject to sale at Olympia, Washington Territory, containing one hundred
and sixty acres, according to the official plat of the survey of the said land
returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General.

Now, know ye, that there is therefore granted by the United States unto the
said James Walker, the tract of land above described; To have and to hold the
said tract of land with the appurtenances thereof, until the said James Walker
and to his heirs and assigns forever; subject to any vested and accrued water
rights for mining, agricultural, manufacturing or other purposes, and rights to
ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights, as may be re-
cognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws and decisions of Courts,
and also subject to the right of a proprietor of a vein or lode to extract and
remove his ore therefrom, should the same be found to penetrate or intersect
the premises hereby granted, as provided by law.

In testimony whereof, I, Ulysses S. Grant, President of the United States of
America have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the General
Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

*Given under my hand at the City of Washington the fifth day of August in the
Year of our Lord one thousand, eight hundred and ninety five, and of the Inde-
pendence of the United States, the One hundredth.*
By the President: U.S. Grant *By S. D. Cone Secretary*
Recorded Vol. 2. Page 262 *L. H. Leppincott Recorder of the General Land*
Recorded in Morgan Co. Ill. Feby. 14th 1893 at 2³⁰ P.M.

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Post this new social security number in your phone book NOW!
You may need it sooner than you think.
As of October 1, 1991 the Social Security Administration changes its toll-free
telephone number to 1-800-772-1213.
You may call any business day between 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (your local time), and
they will be happy to answer any questions you may have.
For those who use a voice fax tele-communication device for the deaf (TDD),
the number is the same as usual: 1-800-325-0778.
As a genealogist you may want to call them to find out the procedure for secur-
ing the Social Security records of your ancestors or collateral relatives.
There are certain procedures you can follow that may lead to a whole new source
of family information. Remember however, that it is not easy "to come by",
without considerable effort on your part.

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1875:				
55	18	Jan	MATHEWS, Jas	\$ 28.00
			"small casket"	
"	19	"	THOMPSON, Oliver	38.00
"	31	"	COX, J. B.	25.00
"	1	Feb	CLARK, William A.	17.00
1875:				
56	5	Feb	PIKE, J. L.	\$110.00
"	5	"	KIRKMAN, James, Est.	100.00
"	7	"	BROWN, William	
			coffin/box & grave	11.00
56	13	Feb	WHITE, Tunis by Wilhite	14.00
"	20	"	Dr. Adams, for A. Free-	
			man (col)	8.00
56	20	"	ROBERTSON, Theodore	8.00
"	20	"	HATFIELD, O. B. "charge	
			to A. C. Waddsworth	22.00
"	13	Mar	Morgan County "Portu-	
			gee" to Smith	14.00
[looking at Jacksonville East Cem. re-				
cord I find it is Emanuel Smith, 38ys]				
1875:				
57	17	Mar	DUNEGAN, Pat (3½ west	
			of Woodson)	28.00
"	22	"	KING, Estate of Mrs.	
			Abbey T.	75.00
[She is buried K-198 in Diamond Grove]				
57	22	Mar	Mr. ELGIN, per Robert	
			Reeves	19.00
"	22	"	ADAMS, Isaac by Tom	
			Henley	19.00
"	"	"	WILKINSON, Mrs.	50.00
"	1	Apr	SCOTT, Alexander, Est	40.00
"	"	"	VUBY, Robert	28.00
"	3	"	DAYTON, Henry, Est.	28.00
"	5	"	HAWK, W.M.(Winchester)	90.00
1875:				
58	10	Apr	LOAR, George	40.00
"	12	"	DICKINSON, Percy	55.00
"	17	"	HAPPY, Sarah	30.00
[This is for Charles M. Happy, 16ys in				
Jacksonville East.]				
58	23	Apr	VASCONCELLAS J. C.	80.00
[This is probably for his daughter Eva-				
line, age 15, died "Eresipelas"]				
58	25	Apr	DEWEASE, C.	9.00
"	25	"	Elicott/Ellicock (inf)	4.00
"	"	"	LITTON, Charge to Tomlinson	
"	"	"	FELLOWS, Richard	40.00
"	6	May	Morgan County	3.00
[probably Sarah H. Nelson, 4ms Jvl East]				

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1875:				
59	2	May	HAPPY, W. W.	\$38.00
[Jvl East, age 69 died consumption]				
59	2	May	PORTER, Sinclair	40.00
"	2	"	BOYCE, Mrs.	40.00
"	11	"	LONG, _____	30.00
"	11	"	KING, Mr. (Louisville)	85.00
"	14	"	OREAR, George	174.00
"	14	"	LIDSTER, John, Est.	61.00
"	?	"	VANGUNDY, Adam	35.00
1875:				
60	24	May	SMITH, Peter, Est.	30.00
"	6	Jun	HAMILTON, E.	25.00
"	8	"	JEWSBURY, Thos.	19.00
[Ellen Jewsbury, 36ys consumption]				
60	11	Jun	DALEY, Pat (Concord)	28.00
"	11	"	HARDWICK, Thos.	125.00
"	13	"	STOUT, M.	19.00
"	13?	"	MATHEWS, Sam'l, Est.	160.00
"	19	"	WELLER, Mr.	75.00
"	25	"	SAMPLES, William	28.00
1875:				
61	1	Jul	HAYES, Joseph	19.00
"	5	"	CASELL, Charles	25.00
[In K-190, Diamond Grove]				
61	7	Jul	SPURGEON, _____ Est.	80.00
"	7	"	TRUE, Lyman	85.00
"	7	"	LEE, Thos "for T.	
			Sanderson"	19.00
"	18	"	VINYARD, Milo	4.00
"	20	"	McDONALD, Henry	28.00
"	20	"	JOY, James	100.00
1875:				
62	26	Jul	HENDRICKSON, Wm.	8.50
"	27	"	THOMAS, William	70.00
[This not the Judge Wm. Thomas]				
62	28	Jul	GREENLEAF, Ed.	28.00
"	30	"	WAITE, Mr.	160.00
"	4	Aug	Capt. KELLOG	50.00
[This is evidently for his wife, Eliza				
E., K-160 Diamond Grove. He must be				
Alexander H. Kellogg, same lot,				
3 Sept 1875]				
62	9	Aug	Concord Lodge I.O.O.F	
			#82	35.00
"	10	"	MAGILL, (?) Vry	25.00
"	10	"	CULLY, George W.	21.00
[Jvl East, 26ys, Liver comp.]				
1875:				
63	12	Aug	HILLIGAS, Frank	13.00
[Jvl East, Benjamin A, age 6ys]				

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1875:

63	12 Aug	COUCHMAN, G. A.	\$ 14.00
"	12 "	PIERSON, Jeny(?)	16.00
"	12 "	BRADBERRY, John	35.00
"	23 "	EYRE, John	29.00
"	23 "	BLACKBURN, Sarah, Est	35.00

1875:

64	27 Aug	WOODS, Saml C. Waverly	30.00
"	27 "	GROOSMAN, Mary	55.00
"	30 "	RAHE, Dr., Meredosa	95.00
"	4 Sep	KELLOG, Capt.	25.00
"	5 "	BROWN, Jessie	4.00
"	5 "	Irishman	22.00
"	8 "	MASTERS, Est.	50.00
[probably Wilbur Masters, 40ys Jvl East]			
64	8 Sep	BAKER, Mathew	50.00
"	"	Morgan Co. Mrs. Stovall	7.00
"	"	INGRAM, J. M.	
"	"	"at J. D. Coopers"	7.00

1875:

65	Sep 14	CORE, Mr.	35.00
[Simon B. Core 16ys, Jvl East]			
65	Sep 16	SWAIN, John, Est.	35.00
"	" 21	VICKERY, Mrs.	16.00
[dau. Fanny, 14 Tyfoid Fever, Jvl East]			
65	Sep 22	HAMILTON, _	25.00
[Margaret Hamilton, 44, Dropsy. Jvl. E.]			
65	Sep 22	ASHBURN, A. M.	18.00
[Age 41, d. consumption, Jvl. E.]			
65	Sep 22	Morgan County, for	
		Mrs. Stovall	6.00
"	Sep 25	CHRISMAN, _	28.00
"	" 27	GOODPASTURE, Wm. F.	15.00
"	Oct 1	STEVINSON, E.	30.00

1875:

66	Oct 3	LYTER, A.	56.00
"	" 3	CURTS, J. F. for	
		J. F. Saffer, Mg. Co	12.00
"	" 7	NEELY, J.	80.00
"	" 7	DOUGLAS, Wm.	30.00
"	" 8	STUMPE, Lewis	25.00
[Lizzie Stumpe, 20 ys. consumption J.E]			
66	Oct 9	AGEE, P.	6.00
"	" 9	DODSWORTH, Steven	12.00
"	" 18	COLLINS, Jesse H.	50.00
"	" 26	SMITH, John	35.00

1875:

67	Nov 1	CONOVER, James	47.00
"	" 4	DOOLEY, Bust	10.00
"	" 5	TOBIN, Ned	4.00
"	" 5	FLOOD, Edward by John	
		Hoban	30.00

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1875:

67	21 Nov	BURNHAM, Dr.	\$ 9.00
"	21 "	MILBURN, N., Est.	50.00
"	24?"	OWEN, George	30.00

1875:

68	24 Nov	GREEN, _ "Tallula"	60.00
"	27 "	ROUT, Mrs. Fannie, Est	80.00
"	Dec	LEWIS, Mrs. Wm.	17.00
[Elizabeth, 64ys Pneumonia, Jvl East]			
68	5 Dec	LOW, Henry "nr Sam	
		Woods"	4.00
68	6 "	MARKOE, Sam	46.00
[for John W. Markoe, 18ys, spinal J.E]			
68	8 Dec	PRATT, Dr. (Concord)	35.00
for wife.			
68	10 Dec	HODGES, Mr.	68.00
"	-- "	RAPP, Birch	60.00

1875:

69	11 Dec	LAMB, John by Ricky	
		Patton	14.00
"	14 "	OLMSTEAD, Mr.	60.00
"	14 "	CASELL, Benj. Est.	38.00
[J'ville East, age 84, Genl debility]			
69	15 Dec	WARREN, William	30.00
[Lula Warren, 4ys, pneumonia Jvl East]			
69	15 Dec	DURE?/DUER, John, Est	160.00
"	16 "	WHITEKER, Benj.	38.00
"	16 "	LONQUEST?, Peter	28.00
"	24 "	SNYDER, Frank "John	
		Reed"	3.00
"	25 "	GOFF, _	27.00
"	26 "	MARTIN & TIFF	25.00
[probably Nannie Martin, 25 Jvl East]			

1875:

70	27 Dec	COX, "Extra Large"	25.00
"	31 "	GROVES, Joseph	30.00

1876:

70	7 Jan	COOPER, Wm.	80.00
"	18 "	ROBERTSON, Wesley	100.00
"	"	BROWN, Prof. casket	90.00
		Burial Robe	10.00
		Mathews bill	20.00
70	24 Jan	GIBSON, Mrs.	18.00
"	27 "	JONES, Mr. Fred	18.00
"	29 "	LUKE, John	18.00
[Bell Luke, 9ys, J'vl East]			

1876:

71	29 Jan	HAMILTON, John	55.00
[probably Elizabeth, 52ys, Jvl East]			
71	2 Feb	RHODES, Dr. [Joshua]	100.00
[Buried K-10 Di.Grove, marked "removed"			
but not where to on Lot card]			

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Note by Editor, Florence Hutchison: Copying these records from these old cash books, with various bad handwritings and spellings of names, and sketchy notations has not been an easy task, and takes a lot of time to interpret. But it has been a worthwhile effort of love, because many of our family historians have written back to acquire the page of a relative. I have made notations of burial sites for many from various records in my possession, in order to indicate possible information that can be ferreted out of other sources -- hopefully.

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1876:

71	2 Feb	LANGWORTHY, J. K.	\$ 5.50
[Elizabeth, age 2ys, Inf.Brain, Jvl E.]			
71	5 Feb	BINGMAN, Sam	7.00
"	9 "	CLARK, William, Est	60.00
"	"	TUNNEL, Wesley S.	16.00
"	9 "	DAY, John H.	5.00
[Mary L. Day, 4ys, Tyfoid Fever, J.East]			
71	9 Feb	CLAY, H ?	6.00
[Hester L. Clay, lys, Croupe, Jvl East]			
71	12 Feb	ONEAL, Thomas	47.00

1876:

72	14 Feb	BABINGTON, Mr.	3.50
[Jvl E.: Inf/dau A. Barvington]			
72	Feb	BAPTIST, Sanders	13.00
[Josaphene Baptest, 78ys, Eresipelas J.E.]			
72	21 Feb	HUMPHREY, Thomas	63.00
"	18 "	BRADBURY	75.00
[Edward Bradbury, 62ys, Jvl East]			
72	23 Feb	SHARP, Marian	10.50?
"	23 Feb	TAYLOR, Spencer	3.50
"	29 "	THOMPSON, John	30.00
"	29 "	CASELL, Charles	
		Floral Casket	75.00
		Name plate	5.00

[K-190 Diamond Grove]

72	6 Mar	ADAMS, G [ink blot]	22.00
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1876:

73	4 Mar	REED, H.	25.00
[Martha Reid, 60ys, Nervous Fever. In J'vl East. "paid West for grave"]			
73	4 Mar	SHELKOP, Mat	12.00
"	6 "	BLACKBURN, Edward	15.00
"	9 "	BARTLETT, P. A.	25.00
"	10 "	McDONALD, Mrs. Charles	55.00
"	14 "	HAGDEN, Mrs.	75.00
"	14 "	PRUNTY, Col. John	25.00
"	15 "	STANLEY, Richard	28.00
"	14 "	BRUCE, Robert	50.00

1876:

74	16 Mar	DEFRATES, Antone	7.00
[Joseph DeFrates, 6ms Scarlet Fev. J.E.]			
74	20 Mar	HARVY, J. L.	3.00
"	25 "	WHIPPLE, Dr. Casket/box	55.00
		Name plate	3.00

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1876:

74	26 Mar	Ornellis, Laurie	\$ 10.50
[Nellie Ornellas, 6ys Scar. Fever J.East]			
74	29 Mar	FERIGO, James by	
		J. W. Hudson	15.00
74	29 Mar	FANNING, Joseph, Est.	20.00
"	31 "	HAPPY, Mrs. Est.	38.00
[Mary Happy 66ys Jvl East. Since the burials listed here have no Lot numbers, through my listing of Lot Owners, we may be able to walk to the gravesites of many individuals buried in this cemetery. Mary is not amongst the several Happy listings by Bob Dalton's tombstone readings, so she may not have one. Who knows?]			
74	1 Apr	BAPTIST, John	7.50
[Benj. Baptist, 16 ms. Scar.Fvr, J.East]			

1876:

75	1 Apr	HILLS, M.	160.00
"	5 "	TINDAL	110.50
[There are many Tindall's in Antioch cemetery. This is probably Jeanette, wife of Isaac N. Tindall, 1801-1876. Her maiden name was Ferguson. From Bob Dalton's readings.]			
75	11 Apr	McDONALD, Henry	
		for mother	60.00
75	11 Apr	RIVERS, Dr.	42.00
"	13 "	FERNANDES, Joseph	2.50
"	13 "	BUSH, Mr.	25.00
"	16 "	GORDON, Ben	15.00
"	17 "	HUBARD, Madison	3.00

1876:

76	17 Apr	DALBY, Mrs. J[ohn] H.	70.00
[Matilda, Lot A-142, Diamond Grove]			
76	19 Apr	WILSON, Luther, Est.	40.00
"	19 "	SMITH, J. C. (Prentice)	
		balance on coffin	5.00
"	22 "	MINEAR, Rev. P. N.	43.00
[By looking at Ray Henderson's alphabetical index for Minear, I find that name in Bob Dalton's Campbell Cemetery stone readings, as Louisa M., wife of Rev. P.N. Minear, d. 5 Dec 1863, 23y6ml3d. But no reading for the Rev. P.N.]			

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1876 continued:

76 22 Apr J[O]UET, John
 Floral Casket & Box \$ 80.00
 Floral Robe 8.00

[John Jouett Lot A-48 Diamond Grove]

76 24 Apr FLINN, Daniel 27.00

" 25 " BUSH, Mr. 25.00

" 25 " McFARLAND, Dr. [Andrew] 55.00

[He was Superintendent of the Illinois State Hospital for the Insane from 1853 to about 1869. By that time he had

built and started Oak Lawn Retreat. He was buried Sec M-44, Diamond Gr., and moved to D-192 1/25/92, along with his wife Anna, age 47ys.]

76 25 Apr RICHARDSON, Peter Est. 65.00

[Peter D. Richardson, 72y2ml0d, emigrated from Scarborough ENG to Morgan Co.

22 Oct 1831. He and his wife Mary are buried in Richardson cemetery.]

1876:

77 25 Apr BIBB, Mrs. Henry Est 55.00

" 25 " MATHER, J. Tabor 80.00

" 29 " NUBY/NEWBY?, Robert 20.00

" 29 " OREAR, William 200.00

[He is probably buried in Diamond Grove. My indexes at home are not complete. To find some of these people, one would have to know death date, and look in the City Clerk's chronological death record volume. Possible, but time-consuming!]

77 2 May VANWINCKLE, 25.00

[There are VanWinkle's in Providence cemetery, but I cannot pinpoint this particular one, without name.]

77 5 May EDSON, M. P. 42.00

" 5 " SCOTT, William 25.00

" 7 " WILBER, Dr. 35.00

1876:

78 12 May HOWARD, John 38.00

" 18 " REED, Mrs. 35.00

[Of all the Reed/Reids, I was able to pinpoint this as George Warren Reid in K-23, Diamond Grove, by record above.]

78 19 May BARROWS, Barnard, Est. 35.00

" 23 " DUNCAN, Mrs. Est. 60.00

[By date I can identify a Duncan buried K-52 Di. Grove, but without name. One would have to take one of my hand-out plat maps and go to the burial site to see who it might be, if there is a tombstone.]

Pg# Da Mon Name Recorded or for Whom

1876:

78 25 May McCAUSEY, \$ 40.00

" 5 Jun GILLIAM, William 30.00

" 8 " VIERIA, "coffin" 12.00

[Charles Vearea, 14ys Scrofula]

78 24 Jun KEE, Thomas (Prentice) 20.00

[probably James Kee 20ys, consumption, buried in Jacksonville East]

78 25 Jun ALDERSON, James (Prentice)

coffin, box, handles 20.00

1876:

79 1 Jul GILMAN, Dr. 70.00

[Fred A., in K-14 Diamond Grove]

79 2 Jul WARREN, Mr. (Jerrald) 60.00

" 3 " CLARK, Mr. 12.00

[Harry Clark, age 2, Cholera, Jvl East]

79 3 Jul JOHNSTON, William 3.50

" 6 " GILLETT, Dr. 55.00

[Ellen Gillette, K-184, Dia. Grove]

79 6 Jul BARTLETT, P. 15.00

" 7 " FEARRA?, Jno 20.00

" 7 " POTTER, Jno. 90.00

" 8 " DeFraties, Antony 6.00

[Mary DeFrates, age 7ys, Jvl East]

1876:

80 10 Jul SAGE, William 40.00

" 10 " Insane 17.00

[Probably Cyrus D. Scott, age 24 in Immanuel South, Sec. D, Diamond Grove]

80 10 Jul PYATT, Rev. 33.00

[James Pyatt age 39ys, consumption J.E.]

80 11 Jul THOMPSON, 74.00

" 11 " STEWART, Mrs. 12.00

" 11 " THOMPSON, Isaac 78.00

" 11 " MURPHEY, Patrick 30.00

[With a name like that I looked in the Calvary cemetery. While Patrick died 10 Nov 1906, this was the death of his daughter Annie, age 3y9ml6d, whose mother was Margaret 1851-1948]

80 12 Jul SHEPARD, Mr. 30.00

[I checked the 45 Sheppard's in the cemetery of that name, but found none with the above date. However there were about 3 whose stone was not readable. At least this gives a clue to Sheppard researchers.]

1876:

81 13 Jul WILLIAMS, F/T? S. 8.00

" 14 " CLARK, Mr. 10.00

[Percia Clark, 9ms, brain fever. Jvl.E]

81 16 Jul MITCHEL, James, on Black's farm 7.00

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A-28	ARMSTRONG, Mr. William D..	4903 Chateau Dr.....	Godfrey.....	IL	62035	
	Wyatt, Barrow, Dinsmore, Nealis					
B-80	BROWN, Mr. Willis.....	328 Cherokee Dr.....	Eldridge.....	IA	52748	
	Emerick, Henderson, Robinson/Robertson					
C-44	CRUMPTON, Barbara J.....	P.O. Box 1531.....	Duncan.....	OK	73534	
	Creed, Gadberry, Mosley					
D-42	DAWDY, Mr. & Mrs. Donald E.	Box 65.....	Breckenridge.....	CO	80424	
	Allen, Beasley, Carmean, Dawdy, Day, Graham, Holmes, Jones, Long, Taylor, Alexander, etc.					
F-29	FERNANDES, W. E.....	5444 Allisonville Rd..	Indianapolis....	IN	46220	
	Simon Fernandes and wife, Miriam Alice McCorkle, m. Morgan Co			IL		
G-31	GRANGER, Mrs. Jeffrey.....	4689 Washington Ct.,	Wichita.....	KS	67216	
	David Pike m. Lula Kraapps in J'vl 1895. Both b. J'vl.					
H-69	HAMILTON, Mr. William E...	5018 Blackbird.....	Pleasanton.....	CA	94566	
	Hamilton, Williamson, Horn, Buckingham, Phillips, Mullins, Bridgeman, Jordan, Reid, Goldsmith, Sutton, Glenn					
H-67	HORTON, Mrs. Carolyn M....	703 Jacolyn Dr. NW..	Cedar Rapids.....	IA	52405	
	Gibson, Fanning, Nichols					
H-70	HOWARD, Mr. Gary A.....	163 Jim Corbett Rd..	Beebe.....	ARK	72012	
H-68	HUTTON, Mr. Loyd Dean.....	R.R. 2 Box 136.....	Jacksonville.....	IL	62650	
	Hutton, Bruce, Martin, Schutz					
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Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge

POST OFFICE BOX 915, VALLEY FORGE, PA 19482-0915

Do you have an ancestor whose Revolutionary War Patriot served at Valley Forge? This article, in brief, is designed to make our readers aware of the above-named organization, and give a few details how to gain membership, if desired.

I contacted the organization at P.O. Box 915, Valley Forge PA 19482-0915, and Raymond A. Haas, Commissary General, 1990-92 answered. "ours is a help one another effort. If we can help you in any way just ask."

The focus of our Society is the six month period from 19 December 1777 to 19 June 1778, the period of time that Washington's Army was at Valley Forge. The main objective is to find and name as many Patriots as we can, and to honor them by bringing their names to light. There is yet no complete roster of those heroes of that most trying time in our history. When men were freezing, and hungry, they weren't too concerned with paper work.

If an applicant to this Society is, or has been, an accepted member of one of several hereditary/patriotic organizations, and holds an approved application for membership by the national headquarters of that organization, then the procedure is simplified.

Some of these organizations are: The Sons of the Revolution, Son/Daughters of the American Revolution, Son/Daughters of the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America, Colonial Wars, Jamestown Society, Mayflower Society, Colonial Dames, etc., providing these latter prove, in the hereditary line, the necessary descent from the Valley Forge Patriot.

When all documentation has been obtained, in the usual manner of hereditary societies, send for a membership application. \$27.00 must accompany the return of the application, which includes \$15.00 initiation fee, and \$12.00 dues for current year. [Readers: you have the address above. It's your move next!]

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Our Society's Board of Directors is planning to publish the 1830 Morgan County Census, which at that time included Cass and Scott. If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please send a postcard to P.O. Box 21 and let them know you are interested.