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MISS LAIRDS DIRE FATE

Keith W. Brown

(from newspaper clipping in "Family Memory Book" dated Dec., 1888)

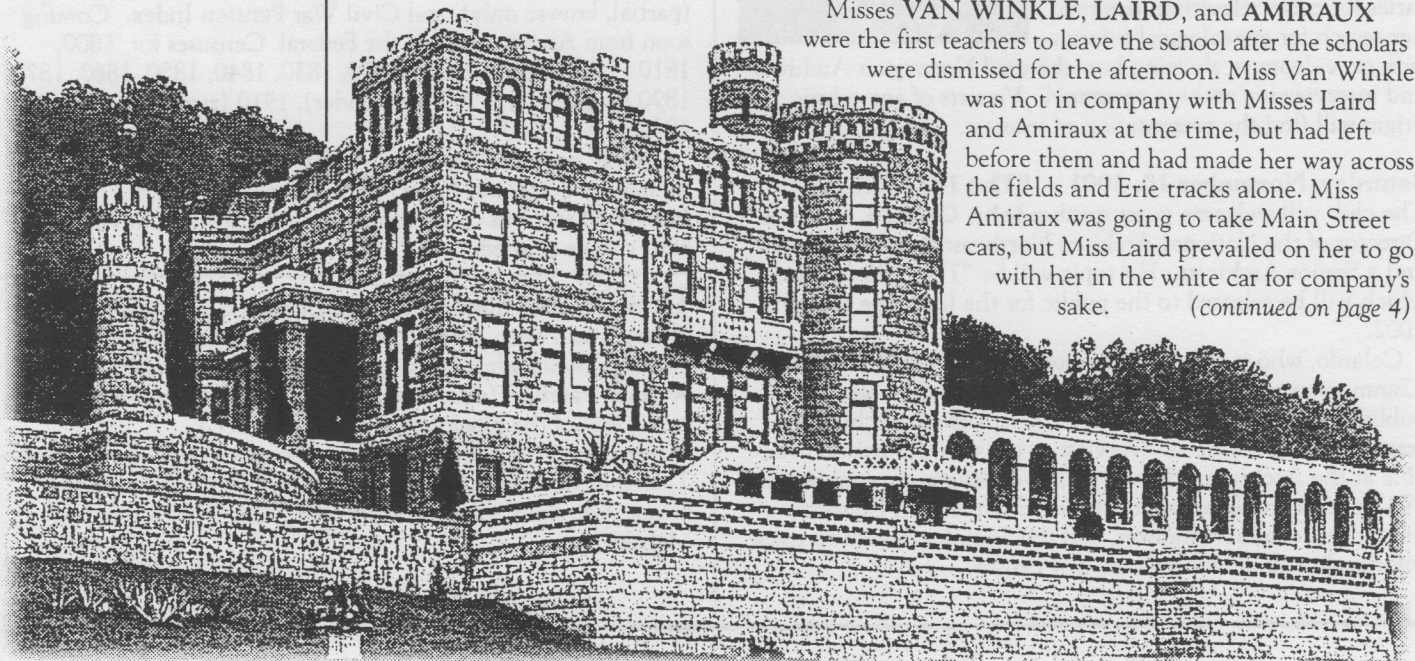
Further Details of Yesterday's Sad Calamity at Lake View

AGED PARENTS AFFLICTED

The Young Ladies Had Seen and Heard Train, but Their Minds Were Diverted While Plunging Through Snow Drifts

The sudden and distressing death of Miss Lizzie LAIRD, the bright young teacher, at Lake View yesterday afternoon, as she was returning home from school No. 9, being struck by a way freight train on the Erie as reported exclusively in *The Press* last evening, has caused a feeling of deep sorrow among the large corps of teachers, the friends of the young woman and the general public. Her fate was as sudden as it was terrible. It is probable that she did not know what had struck her, and that death was instantaneous, for she did not move after being thrown face downward into the snow alongside of the tracks. A combination of circumstances makes it appear as if Miss Laird's death in this way had been foreordained. It was the first time since last week that she crossed the fields and Erie tracks to go home by the Paterson, Passaic and Rutherford cars that parallel the Erie tracks on Railway Avenue, bringing her within two hundred feet of her home on Prince Street. The way freight goes east daily between one and two o'clock, but yesterday was delayed picking up freight in the yard in this city, and did not go down until after three o'clock.

Misses VAN WINKLE, LAIRD, and AMIRAUX were the first teachers to leave the school after the scholars were dismissed for the afternoon. Miss Van Winkle was not in company with Misses Laird and Amiraux at the time, but had left before them and had made her way across the fields and Erie tracks alone. Miss Amiraux was going to take Main Street cars, but Miss Laird prevailed on her to go with her in the white car for company's sake. (continued on page 4)



Club News

The PCHS Genealogy Club presents this expanded Spring/Summer issue of *The Castle Genie* due to a delay in its regular publication schedule. Publication will resume in its regular quarterly manner in September.

Meetings begin at 10 am on the second Saturday of the month. Please note that due to a scheduling conflict with the Holiday House Boutique at Lambert Castle, meetings for October and November will be held at another location. Time and details for the October/November location will be announced as they become known. Meeting dates and program schedule is as follows:

Saturday, September 8, 2001 – “Avoiding Tangles in The World Wide Web.” Mr. John Konvalinka will present an informative lecture titled “Avoiding Tangles in The World Wide Web or Successful Ways of Using Computers in Genealogy Research” at 11:00 am. The talk will demonstrate how computers and The Internet can be used successfully in conjunction with traditional genealogy research methods. We will visit several important Web Sites and use case studies to illustrate approaches and techniques which have proven successful.

Saturday, October 13, 2001 – “Norwegian Genealogy.” Lecturer Shirley Pedersen Keller, a folk singer, local radio and cable television host, and avid genealogist, will combine her singing, performing, and elevation documentary know-how in her program, “Norwegian Genealogy.” Her presentation will include Norwegian folk songs, an informative archival video documentary explaining the peculiarities of tracing family names in Norway, and interesting examples of her own search for family records.



Keller, celebrating her 40th year as a professional folksinger, has produced many television documentaries for cable television, recorded her search for genealogical information on videotape, showing how she used Norwegian Archives and interviewing archive personnel. Viewers of any ethnic origin will find the presentation of interest.

Saturday, November 10, 2001 – “The 1930 Census.” The club will welcome guest speaker John Celardo, Assistant Director of the National Archives Northeast Regional Branch and a Senior Archivist. His topic will be “The 1930 Census” which will be released to the public for the first time in April, 2002.

Celardo, who is also a member of the New Jersey Ellis Island Commission and the New York Archivist Roundtable, has published many papers relevant to genealogical and historical research, will provide an overview of census information available at the Archives. He will review questions covered on the 1930 census and explain how to use Enumeration Districts, directories, available indexes, and the Soundex system to track information about ancestors in any census.

Saturday, December 8, 2001 – “Holiday Brunch and Silent Auction.” Plans are being formulated for the annual Holiday Brunch and Silent Auction, with gifts donated by the members. Additional details will be provided following a meeting of the Program Committee.

Saturday, January 12, 2002 – Program to be announced

Saturday, February 12, 2002 – Program to be announced

Saturday, March 11, 2002 – Program to be announced

Saturday, April 8, 2002 – Program to be announced

Saturday, May 13, 2002 – Program to be announced

Welcome to our new incoming Officers who were installed at our Annual Meeting in May; Geri Mola, Vice President and Ruth Bauer, Recording Secretary. Our new officers join President Mimi Taylor, Treasurer Bernice Forrest, and Corresponding Secretary Karen Rader. Our sincere thanks to outgoing Vice President Jean Pelligrino for all her fine efforts, hard work, and dedication to our organization.

Library volunteer George Van Riper reports we now have a computer on line and on loan at our temporary research library on Pennsylvania Avenue. It will be at the library until the new one arrives. It is a 1997 Hewlett-Packard with a 166MZX Pentium Processor, 16 MB memory, and 2GB Hard Drive. It serves the purpose for now; in 1997 this was considered good. We also have a HP Ink-Jet Printer to go with the computer. The computer will enable us to get *Ancestry.com* (a subscription program) that also includes the Census Images. Also, a donor contributed 88 Family Tree Maker CD's (with more coming, we're told) which are available to researchers.

Ancestry's Images Online allows viewing of scanned images of original documents right over the Internet. Individual Collections include US Censuses for 1790, 1880 (browse only), 1900 (partial, browse only), 1910 (partial, browse only), 1920 (partial, browse only), and Civil War Pension Index. Coming soon from Ancestry.com is the Federal Censuses for 1800, 1810 U.S. Federal Census, 1820, 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860, 1870, 1890 (fragments), 1900 (remainder), 1910 (remainder), and 1920 (remainder)

George has been downloading the Paterson census on a disk to make it quicker to bring up the District to look at. Individual sections can be enlarged and any page, in whole or part, can be printed.

Until our new library opens at Lambert Castle, our temporary library is still open every Tuesday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Passaic County administration Building, 317 Pennsylvania Avenue, Paterson (near Buffalo and Railway Avenues, 3 corners, at the end of the block long Farmers Market.)

Thanks to our wonderful group of dedicated library volunteers; George Van Riper, George Decker, Betty Lou Walker, and Betty McLain.

~Out of the Mailbag~

A **Cleveland, Ohio** visitor discovers his ancestor at our site at RootsWeb. He emails us:

My name is Bruce Roubaud, and my gr, gr, gr, grandfather (Joseph) Martin A. ROUBAUD was born in Marseilles, France in 1790 and immigrated to Paterson in 1810. He had five daughters and two sons born there, and all the data is contained on the two pages of the family Bible in my possession.

I just copied the Family Chronicles of the Paterson Intelligencer Newspaper and noticed your name attached. Martin is listed as being married to Rosannah BEARD on Oct. 1, 1828 by the Rev. Wm A. WIGGINS. On the Family Bible page, he writes his marriage date as "September 23, 1828". I am in the process of making out the application for the Passaic County Historical Society and will send a copy of the page to you.

I have some genealogy data that will be of interest to the Society. Martin's son, George, had a son Addison W. Roubaud born in 1871 and who died in 1971 after living much of his life in Glen Ridge, Montclair and Bloomfield. My father was born in Glen Ridge. Martin's father was named Joseph, and I am in the process of trying to learn the name of his mother, so that I can carry the lineage back beyond Joseph. I have written for Martin's naturalization papers in the hope that they might contain the information. Martin became a Huguenot prior to immigration and they were followers of John Calvin (Presbyterian).

Would the Society have any idea who the Rev. Wiggins served? Are there any records of marriage certificates available? My e-mail is brubo37@mediaone.net and presently live in Cleveland, Ohio. I will be in touch with you and the Society.

Regards, Bruce ROUBAUD email: brubo37@mediaone.net

And the President of the Ionia County (Michigan) Genealogy Society emails us:

I am researching the surname DEN BRABER and some of these folks entered into the United States through New Jersey. I am interested in knowing if anyone in your society is also researching that name.

Also, I am the President of the Ionia County Genealogical Society in Michigan and we have a newsletter exchange program going. Is your society interested in participating in our newsletter exchange? We publish our newsletter four times a year. You would receive a copy, free of charge, in exchange for your newsletter.

Looking forward to your reply. Pam SWILER, President, Ionia County Genealogical Society pkswiler@voyager.net

BIG thank-you's from a Denver, Colorado lady for our Second Reformed Church Baptisms records at our RootWeb site. She writes:

Please pass along a really BIG thank you to the volunteers who did the baptisms of the 2nd Reformed Church!!! I originally saw this book (Pastor and the Church...) on my last day at the DAR library quite a long time ago and didn't know how valuable it would be for me at the time. I have been trying to find a copy or some way to get copies made of it ever since.

As a way of trying to "repay" the group, I wanted you to know that I have photos from John H. Hindle, John B. Spear, and Robert Fordyce families of Paterson (1880's to 1910's). Among them is one of a group of children dressed in oriental costumes probably circa 1897-1900. Fortunately, my grandmother (I think) wrote the names of as many of the children on the back as she could remember. The original is big, 11X12, approximately. I have scanned the photo

and labeled the names at the bottom on the front. I also have a photo taken of John Hindle's undertaking business advertisement from the original my aunt has framed. If these are the kind of things you're interested in, let me know what format (gif, jpeg) you prefer them in. I can save or adjust them as needed to send electronically or on a CD as I'm pretty sure it won't fit on a floppy!

Again, thank you! If there is anything else I might be able to do from Denver, CO, please let me know. I will be retiring from teaching at the end of this year and want to devote more time to helping distribute genealogical data for others. I just finished transcribing marriages from a minister's book of my mother-in-law's for Rootsweb New Hampshire. Nancy RATAY, Hindle List Mom, Denver, CO. email: nratay@ng-tek.com



Unknown group photo, possibly a class at Grammer School #6 around 1900, names given by Daisy Spear Moffit. Top Siding: McCrystal, Leo Rooney, ?, Bob Cunningham, George Saxon, John Hurley. Middle: Anita Myers, Florance Martin, Helen McCrystal, Helen Wiscott, Daisy Spear, ? Nightengale, Bess Fordyce, ?,?. Seated bottom: Edwin Van Winkle, Louis Hincliff, ?, Jack Hindle, Bea Fordyce, Fred Cunningham, Louis Spear, John Hincliff, perhaps a cousin of Edwin Van Winkle.

Joyce R. SVENDSEN shares with us the diary of Alexander A. YARD, Major, 3rd New Jersey Cavalry Division. She writes:

Enclosed you will find a very interesting, privately owned diary (as yet unpublished) which my cousin obtained from the writers grandson (now 83), Rix YARD.

He has given us permission to publish it in The Castle Genie as long as we send him a copy. He states that he will be interested to see our comments on it.

My great-great grandfather, Sgt. John C. BOGERT (born in Paterson, NJ), fought under Major YARD. He was killed by a musket ball on April 3, 1865, and eight months later Alexander YARD traveled to Richmond, Virginia to retrieve John C. BOGERT's body and return it to Paterson, NJ (at the family's request) for final burial.

My cousin Elaine MONGER is in touch with Rix YARD and thereby was given a copy of the diary.

Understand that many from Paterson fought in the 3rd NJ Cavalry. Sincerely, Joyce R. SVENDSEN

(Editors note: The diary of Alexander A. YARD is currently being transcribed and will appear in future issue of The Castle Genie.)

My special thanks to David I. Asman, Ruth Braddock, Keith W. Brown, William Serchak, Joyce R. Svendsen, and Annita Zalenski, who all contributed material for this issue of The Castle Genie.

Maryjane Proctor, Editor, The Castle Genie.

DIRE FATE *(continued from page 1)*

Miss Amiraux expressed doubt about their being able to get across the field in the snow, whereupon Miss Laird pointed out to her Miss Van Winkle, who was making her way across the fields and who was near the railroad with the remark that if she could get across safely they could. Miss Amiraux then consented to go that way home. They walked side by side across the fields comfortably on the bare spots from which the snow had been driven, until within a very short distance of the track, when some drifted snow was encountered that was knee deep. The two laughed and chatted as they made their way through the drifts. When quite close to the track Miss Laird discovered large footprints in the snow, and with a remark that she could get through quicker than Miss Amiraux, she started and walked ahead, at the same time joking Miss Amiraux about moving along so slowly. When the footprints were noticed by Miss Laird she stopped a moment and turned around to advise Miss Amiraux to step in them, as it would be easier and firmer walking. She also remarked that it must have been a man with immense feet to make such large prints in the snow. By this time they were quite close to the track. The two ladies had seen the freight train when it was over half a mile away, and when they were only a short distance beyond Getty Avenue. Miss Laird noticed its approach first, and before they could see it. She heard the noise and exclaimed: "there comes our car now, lets hurry up." Miss Amiraux said that a trolley car would not make so much noise, and looking in the direction from whence it came, Miss Laird saw the freight train approaching. Later the engineer whistled to give warning to the Lake View crossing. Miss Laird remarked that they never saw that train pass before. It is presumed that in the excitement of making their way through the deep snow when it was encountered near the track, the train was forgotten, and Miss Laird got down in the gully alongside the track just before it was upon her, having miscalculated the distance from the rails. Miss Amiraux was about four feet behind her. The gully alongside the track at that point was filled up level with drifted snow. Miss Laird had got out of this and stood on firm ground alongside of the track, while Miss Amiraux was still in the deep snow, Miss Van Winkle, on the opposite side of the track, had stopped and was laughing at the two making their way through the snow. She did not think that Miss Laird was so close to the rails. Just as Miss Laird got along side of the track she partly turned and was speaking to Miss Amiraux, and laughing about the time they had in getting through the snow, just as the engine hit her. It is believed that either the pilot or the cylinder struck Miss Laird. She was hit on the back of the head and her skull was fractured, causing death instantly. The blow from the engine threw her face downward at Miss Amiraux's feet. Miss Amiraux did not see her companion struck, but did see her fall as the former was looking down at the snow picking her steps the drift. When she saw Miss Laird prostrate at her feet, and realized what had happened, she became transfixed and stood in a dazed condition. Miss Van Winkle from the opposite side also saw Miss Laird lying in the snow as the cars passed. The engineer, James DUFFY of Jersey City, saw the young woman alongside of the track before he reached her, and realizing the danger reversed his engine, but was unable to stop in time as there was no air brake. Duffy brought the heavy train to a standstill within its length, however, the caboose being only a short distance beyond the scene when it stopped. Miss Van Winkle rushed across the track as soon as the train had passed, and making her

way to Miss Amiraux threw her arms about her and began to cry, Miss Amiraux at once recovered from her dazed condition, and told Miss Van Winkle to go to Miss Laird and see if she could help her. Miss Van Winkle stooped over the prostrate form, threw her arm about Miss Laird, spoke to her and tried to raise her up. There was no response, for life was extinct. By this time Engineer Duffy had made his way back and was followed by other trainmen. He was all unstrung, and crying like a child. He asked Miss Amiraux if there was a physician near by, and she started back across the fields, and meeting a boy asked him to run for a doctor. He then returned to the scene of the accident, and advised the railroad men to pick Miss Laird up, and to take her to the Lake View depot and telephone from there for the ambulance. It was not positively known then that Miss Laird was dead. The affair happened so suddenly that its awfulness could hardly be realized. Engineer Duffy, with tears in his eyes, told Miss Amiraux that he never underwent such an experience. He saw the young woman when she was some distance away, and rang the bell and reversed his engine, and after he did all he could he threw his hands up over his eyes to shut out his view, as he knew he could not avoid striking her. Duffy was completely unmanned, and as he was taking the names of the two teachers he could not write. Miss Amiraux tried to get a number of persons to go to Miss Laird's home and pave the way for the sad intelligence to her parents and brothers, but no one present willing to undertake such a task. Miss Amiraux was compelled to do it herself.

(torn clipping) ...the Rev. Dr. MILLER, the family pastor, but he was not at home. Then she went to the house, and meeting the stricken mother, who greeted her with a smile at the door, her heart failed her. Finally she told Mrs. Laird that Lizzie was badly hurt, and advised her to get ready for her coming. Miss Amiraux then went to inform the brothers, and broke the terrible tidings to them.

The dead young woman's parents are aged, the father being upwards of 75 years and the mother over 65, so that the death of the young woman, who was the only daughter, and the light of their declining years, was a terrible shock to them. The father has been an invalid and it is feared will not survive the terrible shock. Miss Laird was a bright and intelligent woman, of a happy and sunny disposition, that endeared her to all whose (sic) who knew her. She was an active Sunday school worker in the First Presbyterian church, of which she was a member, and taught a class. Miss Laird, although only 23 years old, had taught school five years, having graduated from the High and Normal schools very young. She was soon appointed to a class, and made an efficient teacher. She was in an unusually happy mood yesterday morning, for after teaching five years the primary teachers received an advance in their salary and she was looking forward to this next month. Both Misses Amiraux and Van Winkle are very much prostrated over the terrible affair, and feel keenly the loss of their companion. Gloom pervades both teachers and scholars in school No. 9, at Lake View today, and it is a difficult matter for either to do any work. Miss Laird has four brothers, all well known young men. The bereaved family will have the utmost sympathy of the community.

County Physician JOHNSON has fully investigated the death of Miss Laird, and this afternoon decided to grant a certificate. The family desires no inquest. There appears to be no blame attached to any one, as due warning was given by the engineer of the approach of his train. The only theory that can be adduced to account for the accident is that the young *(continued on page 5)*

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woman intent on picking her way through the snow and trying to step in the footprints already there, forgot the approaching train. When first seen it was near the Cooke works. Perhaps had it been observed when nearer it would not have been lost sight of. Dr. REINHART went to school No. 9 this morning for the purpose of dismissing it, but he found the scholars and

teachers composed and decided not to do so, believing the pupils were best in school. Miss Laird's class was placed in charge of a substitute, and Miss Amiraux's were sent home, as the doctor did not think their teacher was fit to undergo the strain of caring for them for the day. The funeral will take place tomorrow, and the school will probably be closed in the afternoon to enable the teachers to attend.

AMERICAN FAMILY IMMIGRATION HISTORY CENTER AT ELLIS ISLAND

Joyce R. Svendsen

(taken from "The Viking," Official Magazine of Sons of Norway)

This came to my attention, and I thought it would be of interest to all of us (taken) from the April issue of "The Viking", the official magazine of Sons of Norway - a fraternal organization to which I belong.

Anyone who is descended from immigrants will want to visit the Statue of Liberty and the Ellis Island Immigration Museum, which tells the story of the men, women, and children who entered the new world here.

The AMERICAN FAMILY IMMIGRATION HISTORY

CENTER at Ellis Island opened in April. It gives visitors a chance to search electronically through ships millions of passengers manifests for the names of immigrants who passed through Ellis Island at its peak, from 1892 to 1924.

Visitors can also store copies of documents, records and photos for posterity in the Living Family Archive, thus ensuring that family who visit New York years from now will be able to find a trace of their ancestors too.

A TRIBUTE TO THE LATE ALFRED HENRY BROWER 20 NOV 1902 - 17 MAR 2001

By his friend, David Ian Asman

Most of my friends know me as an Englishman with Scottish connections and that I came to the USA in 1982 in order to marry Gail Enid Zimmer. Gail is the Reference Librarian at the Maurice Pine Public Library, Fair Lawn.

Alfred H. Brower was a regular user at the Fair Lawn Library and knew Gail long before I did. This is when Al and I became good friends. Back in 1982, Gail, knowing I was interested in genealogy and family history, suggested that I come down to the library and meet Mr. Brower who is very knowledgeable on matters relating to genealogy and local history. Consequently, I did meet Al Brower and began visiting him at his home in Elmwood Park. He invited me to attend the Bergen County Genealogical Society meetings. This I did and soon became a member. Whilst attending meetings, it became obvious that Al Brower was very highly regarded by the membership as a whole. Such was his esteem, it seemed that there was an unwritten rule - 'not to start the meeting until Al had arrived.' Later in the evening, when the Chairperson called for the acceptance of the minutes, it was Al Brower who coined the phrase; "IF FOUND TO BE CORRECT, I SO MOVE." This came to be the expected thing at all meetings. So much so, that one member whispered in my ear, we should have a rubber stamp made containing that phrase. When Al could not attend meetings after an accident, I found myself saying; If found to be correct, I so move, on behalf of Al Brower!

Al made many friends. All newcomers were made welcome in

both the Bergen County and the Passaic County genealogical associations by him. He welcomed them, not only on behalf of the society, but on a personal level, too. Al usually found, or knew of, a name connection between all family names. It appeared as though Al was related to everyone. Whenever this was pointed out to him, he would reply with a sly grin, "When you have lived as long as I have, you are bound to be related to everyone."

Al wanted to be more than just a friend and nothing pleased him better than to be able to find a name connection with you. A few years ago, I met the late William Asman, a renowned artist who specialized in religious icon painting, and his wife Florence Johnson Asman of Little Silver, NJ. Florence's mother was a Brower and descended from Annetje Jans. When Al learned of this, his eyes lit up and nudging me said, I knew our names were connected! So, I guess that Al was right. If we search long enough, we will find that we are related.

I am very proud and privileged to have known Alfred Henry Brower for 19 years and to be regarded by him as his best pal over those years. I am going to miss him.

God speed you on your final journey, Al. When you get to Saint Peter and if what they say about you to him, "is found to be correct, I so move!"

(Editors note: I considered Al Brower more than just a fellow genealogist from the pchsgc; I considered him my friend and feel his loss - as many of us do. We will all miss him a great deal. ~mjp~)

ITALIAN PROVINCIAL ARCHIVES CATALOG AVAILABLE ONLINE

Annita Zalenski

I got this from another mail list and thought it would be of interest. I can't take any credit for finding it!!

The catalog of holdings for the Archivi di Stato italiani (Italian Provincial Archives) is available online at:
http://www.maas.ccr.it/cgi-win/h3.exe/aguida/findex_guida

This catalog will give you an idea of the records which are kept at the provincial archives. For example, civil records for my ancestral hometown (Capriata d'Orba) begin in 1866. However, I learned from the catalog that civil records for the Napoleonic era (1804-1814) for Capriata are available at the Archivio di Stato in Alessandria. There are records listed for Alessandria going back hundreds of years, and I can't wait until my Italian is better, so I can figure out what they are.

BROWSING THE CATALOG: The catalog can be browsed by clicking on the "Struttura gerarchica" link. This will give you a page which says:

GUIDA Guida generale degli Archivi di Stato italiani
(book icon) VOLUME I (A-E)
(book icon) VOLUME II (F-M)
(book icon) VOLUME III (N-R)
(book icon) VOLUME IV (S-Z)

The letters (A-E, F-M) refer to the names of provinces, so if you are looking for records from Como, you want volume I. If you click on the book icon, you will get a table of contents for that volume. If you click on the words (e.g. "VOLUME I (A-E)"), you will get a description of the contents of that volume.

Here are the meanings of the navigation words at the bottom of the pages:

Indietro = Previous Page
Avanti = Next Page
Albero = Table of Contents

SEARCHING THE CATALOG: The catalog can also be searched online. Here is an example. I want to find conscription records for Pordenone province. I click on the "Ricerca per parola" link. In the search box, I type "leva e pordenone" (conscription and pordenone), and click on the word "Ricerca." Two links come up:

- ARCHIVIO DI STATO DI PORDENONE –
Consiglio provinciale di leva di Udine , regg. 227, (classi 1884-1917).
- ARCHIVIO DI STATO DI UDINE –
Ufficio di leva di Udine , regg. 929, (classi 1846-1918).

Clicking on a link will bring up a brief description of the records.

DOWNLOADING THE CATALOG: You can also download sections of the catalog in PDF (Adobe Acrobat) format. There is a PDF file for each province. (The catalog dates from 1995, so there are no files for the provinces created in 1997: Biella, Crotone, Lecco, Lodi, Prato, Rimini, Verbania, Vibo Valentia.) To see a list of the PDF files, click on the "Il Progetto Informatico" link in the column on the left. Next, click on the "La Guida in PDF" link.

WRITING FOR RECORDS: It is possible to write to the Provincial Archives for copies of records, however your request should be specific. You might request the conscription records for an ancestor if you know his date of birth. An inappropriate request would be to request a search of the Napoleonic civil records for everyone with your surname. Docile In his book, "Italian Genealogical Records," Trafford Cole writes: "Most archives are understaffed and cannot conduct extensive research for anyone. On the other hand, I have usually found the directors and archivists very cordial and willing to help in a research project, and they will reply to letters. Again, the secret of obtaining information by mail is knowing exactly what types of records are found in the archive and requesting precise information."

POLISH CHURCH CENSUS BOOKS

William Serchak

Often overlooked when searching for vital records of our ancestors are what are called Polish Church Census Books. These Census Books are not normally archived in a diocesan archive but remain in the parish church. Therefore, one must visit the parish church in Poland in order to find the Census Books. While Census Books are not the same as Vital Records (Baptismal, Marriage and Death records), they can play a role in sorting out family groupings and relationships.

In the attached article you will read an excerpt from the Polish Genealogical Society Newsletter, Jan 1981. It explains the origin and use of such Census Books. The article is followed by a recounting of my personal experience with regard to finding and copying the Census Book for Czarna Gora, Poland which

book is housed in the rectory of St. Elizabeth's RC Church, Trybsz, Poland. Due to the age and condition of the pages plus the fact that all the Latin is not legible, some difficulty occurs in trying to transcribe all the entries. What I have transcribed represents my best effort to faithfully render the text from the photographs taken of the original pages in the Trybsz/Czarna Gora Census Book.

The purpose of this message, then, is to alert you to another possible and useful source of data. If you are fortunate enough to visit your Polish ancestor's parish church and the current pastor is amenable to letting you examine any Census Books he might be holding in his files, you may find the information very helpful.

POLISH CHURCH CENSUS BOOKS, A RICH AND VALUABLE SOURCE

(taken from *Polish Genealogical Society Newsletter, Spring 1989, pg. 16*)

"In the mid-sixteenth century, the Catholic Church decreed that all pastors were to become acquainted with their parishioners on a personal level. This pronouncement was no doubt linked to the humanistic movement of the era, which placed emphasis on the individual and the family. The trend, actively supported by the Jesuits, also had as its goal that the priest be better informed as to the demographic and social structure of his parish.

For this reason it was mandated that the pastor make annual visits to all parishioners and record the information on the family in registers of Status Animarum, or, more simply put, census books. Church documents mention this requirement in Italy and Austria in 1569. In 1614 Pope Paul IV issued a bull regarding the keeping of all types of parish documentation, including these registers, which are known in Polish as Ksiegi Status Animarum.

Compliance to these regulations was slow in all of Europe. In Poland various references were made to the books in the early 1600s. In 1601, for example, Cardinal Bernard Maciejewski of Krakow during a synod in Krakow issued precise instructions as to the method by which the information was to be gathered and recorded. In general, the priests were required to list the names of the villages in the parish, how many households were located in each village, and the names, ages, and relationships of the individuals residing in each household. Individual diocesan synods in Poland as late as 1643 were still discussing and debating the issue, indicating that compliance was still not total.

As time went on, more information was required to be recorded in these registers. The type and quality of the information varied from diocese to diocese. By 1850, for example, the registers in the Nowy Sacz region required information not only on the Catholic population but also on individuals of other religions as well. Information on civil status, as well as receiving the sacraments, was some of the added features as well as dates of birth, death, and marriage in the family unit. Some of these registers went as far as indicating who had been vaccinated against smallpox and providing data on military service.

The most complete and varied information was kept in the territory under Austrian rule. The opposite is true for the territory under Russia. Many of the early registers have not survived to modern times. Only four parishes have registers from the 1700s or earlier. Two are in the Archdiocese of Gniezno (Szubin-1766 and Pepowo-1777), one in the Diocese of Kielce (Daleszyce-1797) and one in the Diocese of Warmia (Dobre Miasto-1695). Later registers of this type, if extant, are still for the most part in parish archives. Very few have been centralized in diocesan repositories. (Published with permission of *Pathways and Passages, Winter 1988*, the official publication of the PGS of Connecticut.)

"(Editor's Note: For more information on the holdings of Archdiocesan Archives see the article "Parish Registers in Diocesan Archives," PGS Newsletter, Part I, January 1981, Part II June 1981, and Part III in Spring 1982.)" (End of article.)

Research Note (William Serchak): During three visits to the parish archives of St. Elizabeth's RC Church, Trybsz, Poland a number of documents in addition to vital records (Baptism/Marriage/Death) were observed and photographed. Due to the fact that the vital records were complete only as far back as 1844, the value of the ledger entitled *Consignatio Animarum* was immediately enhanced. In this case, the ledger covered the period beginning in 1798 up to the 1830s. Although the title page indicated it covered only 1798-1830, it appeared clear that it continued

to be updated for several more years. The most significant value to this researcher lies in the fact that it identifies the occupants of each house in the villages of Trybsz and Czarna Gora. The parents are listed in the left most column *Nomen et Cognomen* Conjugum, *Viduitaty*, after the "house number" along with any widows or widowers in the house. The next column, *Nomina Prolium*, is for the children of the primary couple. Where there are other parents or widowed parents living in the house with young children, these are noted opposite their parents' names in the *Nomina Prolium* column. The next column, *Nato Anno*, is the year of birth of each of the children. In most cases, only the male children's birth year is recorded. The numerous "lined out" names in the records appear to represent deaths of individuals recorded in a previous year and updated during a subsequent visit by the parish priest. Some of these "lined out" names could also be interpreted as evidence of a marriage by one of the children who have subsequently moved out of the household. Comparison with marriage and death records for the period would be needed to determine which case applies. The remaining columns appear to refer to dates or ages at which the children were eligible for or received certain of the sacraments such as Confession, First Communion, and Confirmation. The last column, *Observationy*, is a Remarks column which is little used except to note a later marriage to a named individual or some such information. In some cases, it appears that the names of grandchildren were also recorded in some of the households where married children with spouses continued to reside with their parents.

As of this writing, June 1999, only the part of the Trybsz register that pertains to Czarna Gora was copied completely. Only the title page and last page for the village of Trybsz was photographed. The last page of the Trybsz records indicated there were 103 numbered households in the village of Trybsz. The records for the rest of the village of Trybsz will be copied in August 1999 during a subsequent visit. As for Czarna Gora, there appear to be about 72 households listed in the register. Unlike Trybsz, the priest did not assign a number to each household. The ten numbered families are *Jeziarczaks*. The numbers do not appear in the original text in the Census ledger. The researcher for his convenience added them. Except for horizontal lines separating what appear to be different family groups, the exact number of households or number of houses in the village is subject to argument.

Unfortunately, the maiden names of wives and widows are not recorded in this Census. This omission makes analysis and tracing of the female lines more difficult, if not impossible. Adding to this uncertainty about the female lines is the fact that even in the vital records beginning in 1844, noted above, the names of the parents of the brides are not recorded up until about 1856. One possible aid to determining the maiden names lies in the earlier and missing vital records for periods prior to 1844. The records currently in the rectory in Trybsz are in large ledgers marked *Liber IV*. This is true for the Baptism ledger, the Marriage ledger and the Death ledger. The obvious question is, if the ledgers numbered *Liber(s) I, II, and III* are still in existence, where are they archived? Inquiries to the Archdiocese of Krakow indicate that no records for Trybsz are archived there. Instead, the officials in Krakow referred to the Bishop's office in *Spisska Podhradie, Slovakia* as the location of earlier records for Trybsz. This possibility was further strengthened when a fellow researcher disclosed that he has been obtaining family vital records from this same Bishop's office for his ancestors in *Frydman*, a village close to Trybsz.

1832 CHOLERA EPIDEMIC - PATERSON NJ DEATH LIST

July 5, 1832 to October 14, 1832 (continued from Winter 2000 Issue)

- Hadcroft, George** - August 15th. George Hadcroft. New Manchester; aged 42 years. Taken with pain in the bowels about 10 O'Clock A.M. August 14th. About 11 O'Clock P.M. taken down with malignant cholera, & died at 9 O'Clock A.M. August 15th. Of very intemperate habits. P.
- Hadcroft, Mary** - August 15th. Mary wife of George Hadcroft. New Manchester; aged 34 years. Taken with Malignant cholera at 3 O'Clock A.M. August 15th & died at 1 O'Clock P.M. Same day. Drank ardent Spirits, but not intemperately. M.
- Hammond, David** - August 19th. David Hammond. Fair St.; aged 50 years. Taken with bowel complaint August 17th on the 18th became bad with malignant Cholera & died August 19th at half past 11 O'Clock A..M. Of intemperate habits. R.D.
- Hodson, Sarah** - August 22nd. Sarah, wife of James Hodson. Bridge St. Aged 35 years. Taken with malignant cholera at 6 O'Clock P.M. August 20th & died at 8 O'Clock A.M. August 22d, had bowel complaint for several days. Of Temperate habits. B.
- Hopper, Rachel** - August 22nd. Widow Rachel Hopper. New Manchester; aged 65 years. Taken with malignant cholera, at 9 O'Clock A.M. August 22d & died Same day at 1/2 past 7 O'Clock P.M. Of Temperate habits. R.D.
- Hopper, William** - July 12th. William, Son of Andrew G. Hopper. Godwin St. Aged 14 months. Cholera Infantum. R.D.
- Howard, Eliza Jane** - September 15th. Eliza Jane, Daughter of John Howard. Jersey St.; aged 11 Months. Scalded by over-setting a kettle of Boiling water. Died in a few hours after the accident. M.
- Hunter, John** - August 22nd. John Hunter. Turnpike; aged 52 years. Taken with Malignant cholera, at 10 O'Clock P.M. August 21st, & died at 11 A.M. August 22d. A temperate Drinker. R.P.
- Hurley, Ellen** - August 18th. Ellen, Daughter of Randal Hurley. New Manchester. Aged 5 years. Taken with malignant Cholera August 17th & died at 10 O'Clock P.M. August 18th. C.
- Ide, Jesse** - September 13th. Jesse Ide. Bridge St.; aged 47 years. Was taken with premonitory symptoms of cholera in New York Sept 9th & came to Paterson the Same day. Died with Malignant cholera at 10 O'Clock A.M. Sept 13th. He had no medical attendance until Wednesday noon the 12th of Sept. Of Intemperate habits. P.
- Jackson, Betty** - August 26th. Berry, wife of Henry Jackson (Coloured woman) N. Manchester. Aged 25 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera, August 25th at 7 O'Clock A.M. & died August 26th at 2 O'Clock P.M. Of Intemperate habits. R.D.
- Jacobs, William** - September 19th. Wm Jacobs. John St.; aged 54 years. Inflammation of the bowels. M
- Keenan, Nancy** - August 27th. Nancy, Daughter of James Keenan. Jersey St. Aged 13 Months. Died August 27th. Cholera Infantum. C.
- Kelly, Ellen** - September 11th. Daughter of Patrick Kelly. Boudinot St. Aged 15 months. Disease worms & bowl complaint. C.
- Kempsey, Robert** - August 31st. Robert Kempsey. Washington St.; aged 46 years. Died August 31st of Dissenterry. Sick 3 weeks. C.
- Kenworthy, James H.** - August 14th. James, H. son of James Kenworthy, twin Brother of Mary P. who died on the 11th of August; aged 15 months. Had the measles at the same time, his sister had them. Taken with vomiting & Diarhea the day his sister died, & died 5 O'Clock P.M. August 14th. Symptoms of Malignant Cholera. (Doubtful case) Fair St. M.
- Kenworthy, Mary Patience** - August 11th. Mary Patience, Daughter of James Kenworthy. Fair St. Aged 15 months. She had the measles, & continued unwell 13 weeks; was taken with vomiting & Diarhea, Saturday August 11th & died at 1 O'Clock P.M. same day with sym(p)toms of Malignant Cholera (Doubtful Case). M.
- King, Ann** - August 28th. Ann, Daughter of Walter King. Market St.; aged 8 Months. Died August 28th. Of Disenterry. Ep.
- Kirkpatrick, William** - August 12th. William Kirkpatrick. New Manchester; aged about 60 years. Taken with malignant Cholera, Saturday afternoon August 11th & died about 11 O'Clock A.M. August 12th. Of very intemperate habits. C.
- Lacklison, Ellen** - August 16th. Ellen Lacklison. Broadway; aged 25 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera at 6 O'Clock A.M. August 16th and died at 8 O'Clock P.M. Same day. Of temperate habits. She had attended Mrs. Wade, who died with cholera on the 14th of August. M
- Lang, Joseph** - August 10th. Joseph, Son of Nicholas Lang. Congress St. Hotel - German. Aged 9 months. Cholera Infantum. C.
- Little, Cornelius** - August 22nd. Cornelius Little. Cross St. Son of John Little; aged 21 Months. Taken Tuesday night at 10 O'Clock & died at 12 O'Clock M. August 22d. Malignant cholera. R.D.
- Little, John M.** - August 15th. John M. Little. Cross St.; aged 51 years. He had been at work at Newark, returned on Tuesday evening. On Wednesday morning Diarrhea commenced. About 10 O'Clock A.M. had violent symptoms of Malignant Cholera & died at 3 O'Clock P.M. Same day August 15th. Of very intemperate habits. R.D.
- Lozier, Rachel** - September 1st. Rachel, Daughter of John Lozier. John St.; aged 5 weeks. Died Sept. 1st of an affection of the Liver. M.
- Luck, Thomas** - August 22nd. Thomas Luck. Washington Street; aged 42 years. Taken with malignant cholera at 2 O'Clock A.M. & died Same day at 2 O'Clock P.M. Of Temperate habits. Said to have eaten Cucumbers the day before his death. B.
- Lydecker, Sarah** - August 26th. Sarah, wife of Peter Lydecker. Washington St. Aged 39 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera August 23d & Died 1/2 past 7 O'Clock P.M. August 26th. R.D.

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1832 CHOLERA EPIDEMIC (continued)

Magee, Ellen - September 5th. Ellen, Daughter of John Magee. Boudinot St. Aged 2 months. Died Sept 5th. Cholera Infantum. P.

Magee, Mary - September 6th. Mary, wife of John Magee. Boudinot St.; aged 39 years. Died of Consumption Sept 6th 1832. P.

Manish, James - September 1st. James Manish. Mill St.; aged 74 years, Disease, Intemperance. R.P.

Martin, Patrick - September 18th. Patrick, Son of James Martin. White Alley; aged 18 months. Cholera Infantum. C.

Mathews, Elizabeth - September 7th. Elizabeth, wife of James Mathews. Mill St.; aged 38 years. She had a bowel complaint 3 or 4 days; taken down with Malignant Cholera Sept 6th at 4 O'Clock P.M. and Died Sept 7th 7 O'Clock P.M. Of Temperate habits. M.

Mathews, George - August 25th. George, son of Hugh Mathews. White Alley; aged 7 years. Taken with Dissentery August 16th which appeared to run into malignant cholera. He died August 25th. M.

Mathews, Hannah - August 25th. Hannah, Daughter of Hugh Mathew. White Alley; aged 10 months. Died August 25th, Cholera Infantum. M.

Mathews, Hugh - August 26th. Hugh Mathew. White Alley. Aged 48 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera August 19th & died at 1 O'Clock P.M. August 26th. He had the dissentery for several weeks, which appeared to terminate in Cholera. M.

Mathews, James - August 28th. James, Son of James Mathews. Mill St.; aged 6 Months. Died August 28th. Cholera Infantum. M.

Mathews, Rachel - August 21st. Rachel, Daughter of Hugh Mathews. White Alley; aged 3 years. She had bowel complaint for several weeks; was taken Suddenly with malignant Cholera August 21st & died about noon Same day. R.D.

McBride, Benjamin D. - July 25th. Benjamin D. Son of Widow Margaret McBride. Prospect St. Aged 10 years. Drowned at the falls. P.

McCollum, Henry - July 26th. Henry McCollum, aged 49 years. Marshal St. Disease, Dissentery. Sick 10 days; very Intemperate. C.

McConlin, Francis - August 21st. Francis, son of Felix McConlin. Broadway. Aged 5 years. Taken with Malignant cholera, about 5 O'Clock August 21st & died between 12 & 1 the Same day. Rice water discharges. C.

McDonald, Ellen - September 7th. Widow Ellen McDonald. Passaic St.; aged 34 years. Taken of Malignant Cholera, Sept 5th & died Sept 7th at 12 O'Clock M. No premonitory Symptoms. In the stated use of ardent Spirits. C.

McDonald, John - September 5th. John, Son of Widow Ellen McDonald. Passaic St. Aged nearly 4 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera Sept 2d & died 1/2 past 1 O'Clock Sept 5th. C.

McFarland, John - September 1st. John McFarland. Broadway. At Peter Tire's. Aged 23 years. Died Sept 1st of Typhus Fever. P.

McGrogan, Thomas - July 10th. Thomas son of John McGrogan. Passaic St.; aged 14 Months. Measles. C.

Mellick, Angelina - September 19th. Angelina, Daughter of Abraham Mellick. Bridge St.; aged over 1 year. Cholera Infantum. M.

Moore, Christiana - September 6th. Christiana, wife of John Moore. John St. Aged 29 years. Taken with malignant Cholera, Sept 1st & died at 11 O'Clock A.M. Sept 6th. Cholera abated, but sunk into Typhus fever & died. Of Temperate habits. M.

Morrel, Betty - August 14th. Betty Morrel the Mother of Henrietta from the same house in Washington St.; aged about 36 years. She had been affected with a bowel complaint about 4 weeks. She was taken with Malignant Cholera Monday evening August 13th & died at 1 O'Clock A.M. August 14th. Of Intemperate habits. R.D.

Morrel, Henrietta - August 13th. Henrietta, Daughter of Betty Morrel a coloured Child from the house in Washington St. where Sarah (see ----, Sarah) died, aged 1 year & 10 Months. Taken with Malignant Cholera Monday Morning August 13th & died about noon the same day. R.D.

Morrow, James - August 23rd. James Morrow, son of David Morrow. Cross St. Aged 3 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera at 5 O'Clock A.M. August 23d & died at 4 O'Clock P.M. Same day. Had worms; But was taken with vomiting & had rice water discharges. P.

Moser, Louisa - August 21st. Louisa, Daughter of Joseph Moser. Congress St. Aged 1 year. Died August 21st. Cholera Infantum. C.

Muir, Mariah Louisa - July 12th. Maria Louisa, Daughter of Gen. A. Muir - Church St.; aged 5 years. Disease worms, but died under stong symptoms of Malignant Cholera. Ep.

Noland, Thomas - July 21st. Thomas, Son of Thomas Noland. John St. aged 10 months. Disease, Cholera Infantum. M.

O'Harra, Arthur - September 5th. Arthur O'Harra. Marshal St.; aged 36 years. Taken August 28th & Died Sept 5th of Dissentery. A Temperate Drinker. C.

O'Niel, Henry - September 15th. Henry O'Niel. John St.; aged 54 years. Taken bad with Malignant Cholera Sept 5th was relieved, but sunk into Typhus fever & died Sept 15th. C.

Park, William - August 30th. William Park. Main St.; aged 49 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera, at 2 O'Clock A.M. August 30th & died at 11 O'Clock A.M. Same day. Of Temperate habits. But a feeble constitution. B.

Parker, Elizabeth - August 20th. Elizabeth, Daughter of John Parker. Bridge St.; aged 2 years. A waggon wheel passed over her body & she died in a few minutes August 20th. B.

Parker, Jane - September 1st. Jane Parker. Step Daughter of Richard Van Giesin. N. Manchester. Aged 7 years; taken at 1 O'Clock A.M. Sept. 1st & died with Malignant Cholera at 7 O'Clock P.M. Same day. She had bowel complaint 2 days previously & had used Camphor Drops. P.

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1832 CHOLERA EPIDEMIC (continued)

Patrick, William - September 2nd. William Patrick. Elm St. Aged 46 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera, at 9 O'clock P.M. Sept 1st & died Sept 2d at 2 O'clock P.M. Was Temperate, but used ardent Spirits. He had the Premonitory Symptoms but a few hours before he was taken down. P.

Petrie, George - August 21st. George, Son of George Petrie. New Manchester; aged 11 months. Died August 21st. Summer complaint & teething. R.D.

Polhemus, Catharine - August 21st. Widow Catharine Polhemus. Cross St.; aged 51 years. Taken with malignant cholera August 20th at half past 6 O'clock P.M. & died about 5 O'clock A.M. August 21st. She had eaten freely of Cucumbers the day she was taken. Of temperate habits. M.

Powlis, Frederick - August 22nd. Frederick, Son of David Powlis. N. Manchester. Aged 4 years. Died August 22d. Worms & Cholera infantum. R.D.

Price, Betty - August 21st. Betty Price. Market St.; aged 60 years. Taken with malignant Cholera, Monday August 20th at 10 O'clock P.M. & died at 2 O'clock P.M. August 21st. Of Intemperate habits. R.D.

Rafferty, Thomas - August 9th. Thomas, son of John Rafferty. John St.; aged 14 months. Disease, Cholera Infantum, sick 3 days. C.

Rea, (child) - August 28th. Peter, Son of John Rea. Elm St.; aged 2 1/2 years. Remitting fever. Sick 2 weeks. Died August 28th. M.

Reed, (child) - July 24th. Daughter of John Reed. John St.; aged 1 year. Disease, Cholera Infantum. M.

Riley, Bridget - September 17th. Bridget, Daughter of Hugh Riley. Cross St.; aged 13 months. Disease, Cholera Infantum. C.

Ryerson, Catherine - September 27th. Catherine, daughter of Francis Ryerson. Market St. Aged 10 years. Dissentery. R.D.

Sanford, Rachel - August 18th. Rachel, wife of Paul Sanford. New Manchester; aged 32 years. Taken with malignant cholera, August 17th at 2 O'clock A.M. & died August 18th at 4 O'clock A.M. Apparently brought on by extreme agitation & fear. R.D.

Sanborn, Sally - September 18th. Sally, Daughter of Joseph Sanborn. Prospect St.; aged 15 years. Measles followed by quick consumption. B.

Scribner, Oliver - July 17th. Oliver, Son of Oliver T. Scribner. John Street. Aged 10 months. Disease, Measles, followed by inflammation of the lungs. M.

Seager, George - October 8th. George, Son of John Seager. Van Houten St.; aged 17 months. Died Oct. 8th of Dissentery. R.D.

Shaw, Christiana - August 31st. Christiana, wife of Thomas Shaw, Broadway. Aged 36 years. Taken with Malignant cholera August 30th & died at 1/2 past 2 O'clock A.M. August 31st. Of temperate habits; had bowel complaint previously. M.

Shaw, Sarah Ann - August 24th. Sarah Ann, Daughter of Thomas Shaw. Broadway. Aged 7 months. Died August 24th, Cholera Infantum. M

Smith, Mary - August 17th. Mary, Daughter of Henry Smith. Fair St.; aged 4 years. Died August 17th. Sick about a week; worms. M.

Steed, Ellen Agnes - August 18th. Ellen Agnes, Daughter of Thomas Steed. Marshall St.; aged 3 years. Taken with Dissentery. Sick about a week, Died August 18th. Ep.

Steed, George - September 12th. George, Son of Thomas Steed. Marshall St.; aged 6 years. Disease, Worms. Ep.

Stephenson, William - September 18th. Wm Stephenson. Fair St.; aged 27th. Typhus fever. Drank Brandy to excess. M.

Stratton, Morris - August 11th. Morris, son of Morris Stratton. Marshal St.; aged 4 months. Cholera Infantum. M.

Sullivan, Mrs. - October 6th. Mrs. Sullivan. Died Oct. 6th aged 50 years. Consumption. C.

Terhune, Anthony - August 9th. Son of Anthony Terhune, a coloured Child, Aged 6 years. Same house (as Phebe and Jane Terhune) Washington St.; was taken Suddenly August 9th at 7 O'clock A.M. with Malignant Cholera & died about 10 O'clock A.M. Same day. R.D.

Terhune, Anthony - August 9th. Anthony Terhune, the Father, a coloured Man. Same house (as Anthony, Jane and Phebe Terhune) Washington Street; aged about 24 years. Was taken violently about 10 O'clock A.M. August 9th with Malignant Cholera & died about 6 O'clock P.M. Same day. Of Intemperate habits. R.D.

Terhune, Jane - August 9th. Daughter of Anthony Terhune, a coloured Child. Aged 6 months. She was taken suddenly August 9th early in the morning with Malignant Cholera, in the same house (as Phebe Terhune), in Washington St. & died about 10 O'clock A.M. the Same forenoon. R.D.

Terhune, Phebe - August 8th. Daughter of Anthony Terhune, a Coloured Child. Aged 4 years; lived in Washington St. in the house where Sarah Died; had bowel complaint 2 or 3 weeks was taken violently with malignant Cholera at Wednesday Afternoon August 8th & died the Same Evening. R.D.

Thomson, William - August 22nd. William Thomson, lived in the family of Wm Blakely. Cross St.; a feeble child, subject to the Asthma. Taken with malignant cholera, at 1 O'clock P.M. August 22d & died same day at 6 O'clock P.M. aged 4 years. R.D.

Van Houten, John - July 26th. John Van Houten. Poor house, aged 55 years. Decay. R.D.

Van Iderstine, Sally Elizabeth - October 11th. Sally Elizabeth, Daughter of John Van Iderstine. Turnpike; aged 3 years. Cholera Infantum. R.D.

Van Pelt, John - September 23rd. John Van Pelt. Congress St.; aged 20 years; fever. P.

Van Winkle, Francis - August 20th. Francis Van Winkle, a coloured man, at the Hospital, aged 26 years. Taken with malignant cholera August 20th & died Same day at 5 O'clock P.M. Of Intemperate habits. R.D.

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1832 CHOLERA EPIDEMIC (continued)

Vibberts, Benjamin - August 22nd. Benjamin, Son of Elisha Vibberts. Congress St. Aged 3 1/2 years. Died August 22d. Cholera Infantum. P.

Viberts (?), Emily - July 8th. Emily, a Nurse Child of Mrs. Elish Viberts. Congress St.; aged 19 Months. Cholera Infantum. P.

Wade, Issac - September 6th. Isaac, Son of John Wade. Broadway; aged 11 months. Died Sept 6th of Cholera Infantum & teething. M.

Wade, Sarah - August 14th. Sarah, wife of John Wade; corner of Washington St. & Broadway. Aged 25 years. She was taken with malignant Cholera, about 6 O'Clock P.M. August 13th & died at 3 O'Clock A.M. August 14th. Of temperate habits, But had eaten freely of Boiled corn & cucumbers the day she was taken sick. M.

Wakeman, Edgar William - September 16th. Edgar William, Son of Edgar Wakeman. Main St. Aged 2 months. Cholera Infantum. P.

Weller, Ellenor - August 31st. Ellenor, wife of George Weller. Cross St.; aged 50 years. Died August 31st of Typhus fever. Sick 9 days. R.D.

Weller, Ellenor - October 14th. Ellenor Weller. Cross St.; aged 24 years. Fever. M.

Windrum, John - August 22nd. John Windrum. Parke St.; aged 50 years. Taken with Malignant cholera, in the evening of the 21st of August & died about 4 O'Clock A.M. August 22d. He had been sick with bowel complaint Several days previously. A Temperate Drinker. R.P.

Wolkington, Edward John - September 1st. Edward John, Son of Sam'l Wolkington. Prospect St. Aged 5 years. Died Sept. 1st of Dissentery. Ep.

Yumans, John S. - August 24th. John S. Yumans. Division St.; aged 49 years. Taken with Malignant Cholera about 5 O'Clock A.M. August 24th & died 1/2 past 2 O'Clock P.M. Same day. Very Intemperate. M.

Yumans, Sally Mariah - August 25th. Sally Mariah, Daughter of John S. Yumans; aged 2 years. Division St. Taken with Malignant cholera August 24th & died at 9 O'Clock P.M. August 25. She had the Measles 6 weeks before her death followed by bowel complaint. M.

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PASSAIC COUNTY VOLUNTEERS FOR THE UNION • 1863 ~ 1864 (Continued)

Nearly 1,900 men were extracted and sorted from the "Soldiers Directory" of the Paterson Directory, 1863 - 1864. This listing of Passaic County volunteers will continue to appear until completion in future issues of *The Castle Genie*

GODWIN, Abram,	4th Sergeant,	Co. K - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HAND, Jesse,	Co. E - 14th Reg. New Jersey Volunteers
GODWIN, Abram,		Co. D - 33rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HAND, Jesse,	Co. G - 5th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
GOETCHUIS, George,	8th Corporal,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HAND, John,	Private,
GOETSCHUIS, P.V.H.,	Private,	Co. I - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HAND, William H.,	Private,
GOGGINS, Joseph,	Private,	Co. I - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HANGWOUT, Charles G.,	
GOLDSMITH, Byard,	Sergeant,	Co. E - 9th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HANKE, Barnard,	Private,
GOLWEY, Robert L.,	Private,	Co. I - 6th Regiment, N.Y. Vols, Col. Wm. Wilson	HANN, Jeremiah,	Private,
GOODFELLOW, James,		Co. E - 35th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HANNING, Henry,	
GOODRICH, B.R.,	Private,	Co. I - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HAPE, Joseph,	
GOODRICH, Bradford,	7th Corporal,	Co. I - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HARDMAN, Thomas,	
GOOP, Charles M.,		Co. E - 34th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HARDY, John,	Private,
GORDON, John,	Private,	Co. A - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HARDY, Thomas,	Private,
GORMLEY, Thomas H.,	4th Corporal,	Co. E - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HARE, John,	Private,
GOUGE, William,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HARGRAVES, Caleb,	
GOULD, G.C.,		Co. E - 9th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HARPER, Ragnet,	
GOULD, Thomas,	3rd Sergeant,	Co. K - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HARRINGTON, Theodore,	
GOULDING, Sidney,	Private,	Co. A - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HARRIS, Benjamin,	5th Corporal,
GRAHAM, A.,	Captain,	Co. C - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HARRIS, David,	1st Corporal,
GRAUL, Kindle,	Private,	Co. G - 7th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HARRIS, Edward E.,	2nd Regiment,
GRAVELIUS, George,	8th Corporal,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HARRIS, George M.,	5th Sergeant,
GRAVES, James,		Co. G - 5th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HART, Henry, M.D.,	Private,
GRAY, Benjamin,		48th Regiment, New York Volunteers	HARTGROVE, John,	Private,
GRAY, Charles, A.,	Private,	Co. K - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HARTLEY, John,	Private,
GREENHALCH, Joseph,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HARTWICK, William,	Private,
GREENHALGH, Squire,		Hawkins' New York Fire Zouaves	HARVEY, Henry,	5th Corporal,
GREENWOOD, Philip,	8th Corporal,	Co. K - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HARVEY, Robert,	Private,
GREENWOOD, Robert,	Corporal,	Co. A - 11th New Jersey Reg.	HARWOOD, Jabez,	3rd Corporal,
GREER, Thomas H.,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HASBROOK, James H.,	
GRIFFIN, James,		Col. Allen's 1st Regiment, New York Nat'l. Grd.	HATRICK, Charles,	Private,
GRIFFIN, John,	Private,	5th Regiment, New York Artillery	HAYCOCK, Maylon,	Private,
GRIMLEY, Patrick,		Co. K - 3rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HAYCOCK, Peter,	Private,
GROFF, Gustavus,		Co. B - 9th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HAYCOCK, Seymour,	Private,
GUENOT, John Baptist,	Private,	Co. K - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HAYCOCK, William,	Private,
GUESTING, Daniel,		Co. D - 1st New Jersey Cavalry	HAYES, William,	Private,
GWIN, Joseph,		Co. K - 1st New Jersey Cavalry	HAYS, William,	2nd Lieutenant
HACKETT, Joseph,		Co. K - 3rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HAYWOOD, Joseph,	
HADLEY, Benjamin,	Private,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HEALD, Thomas,	Private,
HADLEY, Edward P.,	Private,	Co. E - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HEALEY, James,	Private,
HAGAN, Alexander,	Private,	Co. A - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HEALY, John,	Private,
HALL, George W.,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HECKMAN, Tallman,	
HALL, Joseph,		Co. F - 7th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HEDDEN, James,	
HALL, William,	Duryea's Zouaves - 5th Regiment, NY Volunteers		HEFFERN, Thomas S.,	
HALLECK, Joseph,		Co. E - 35th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HEFFRAN, Martin,	
HALLOWAY, Joseph,		Hawkins' New York Fire Zouaves	HELIN, Thomas,	Private,
HALLOWELL, David,	Private,	Co. A - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HENDERSON, Archibald,	Private,
HALLOWELL, T.,		Co. E - 9th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HENDERSON, Martin,	Private,
HALLOWELL, Thomas,	Private,	Co. A - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HENDERSON, Samuel M.,	2nd Sergeant,
HALSTEAD, Albert,		Co. G - 5th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HENDERSON, Thomas,	
HALSTEAD, William E.,		Co. K - 8th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HENDERSON, Thomas,	Private,
HALSTED, James,	Private,	Co. I - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HENEY, Henry,	
HAMELL, Arthur,	Private,	Co. A - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HENRY, Peter,	4th Corporal,
HAMILTON, Alexander,		Co. F - 6th Regiment, N.Y. Vols, Col. Wm. Wilson	HENRY, William,	
HAMILTON, William,		8th Corporal, Co. I - 2nd Regiment, NJ Vol.	HERMAN, Martin,	Private,
HAMM, Aaron,	Private,	Co. K - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HESKE, Gotlieb,	Private,
HAMM, Louis,	Private,	Co. K - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HICKERSON, Henry C.,	
HAMMER, John,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HICKS, David,	Private,
HAMMOND, Garret,	Private,	Co. I - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HIGBID, Edward,	2nd Corporal,

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HILLER, Isaac,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HOPPER, Thomas A.,	Private,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment
HILTON, John T.,	Private,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HOPPER, William H.,	Private,	Co. K - 13th New Jersey Reg.
HILTON, Jonathan,	Private,	Co. I - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HOPPER, William,	Private,	Co. I - 6th Regiment, N.Y. Vols., Col. Wm. Wilson
HINCHCLIFFE, James,	Private,	Co. K - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HORNE, Henry,		Co. C - 5th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HINCHY, Maurice,		Co. C - 3rd Regiment, Excelsior Brigade	HORRY, Abraham,	Private,	10th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HINDLE, James A.,	Corporal,	Co. A - 11th New Jersey Reg.	HORSFAN, J.,	3rd Sergeant,	Co. I - 6th Regiment, N.Y. Vols., Col. Wm. Wilson
HITCHELL, Charles M.,		Co. E - 35th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HOUGH, John,		Co. K - 8th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOBSON, Joseph,		Co. I - 1st Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HOUGH, Thomas,	Private,	Co. I - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade
HOCKETT, Jonathan W.,		Gunboat Quaker City	HOUGHTON, John,	Private,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment
HODGE, James,	Private,	Co. A - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HOUN, John,	Private,	5th Regiment, New York Artillery
HOFF, Lewis,	Private,	Co. I - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HOWARD, Richard,		Co. M - 2nd New Jersey Cavalry
HOFFMAN, Benjamin,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HOWARD, Thomas,	Private,	Co. A - 25th New Jersey Regiment
HOGAN, Daniel J.,		Battery E - New Jersey Artillery	HOWARD, William,	Private,	Co. G - 7th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOGENCAMP, James,		Co. D - 33rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HOXSEY, B. Weller,	2nd Lieutenant	Co. A - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade
HOGENCAMP, Martin,	4th Corporal,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HUBER, Henry,	Private,	Co. I - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOGG, William,		Battery B - New Jersey Artillery	HUDSON, Robert,	Private,	Co. C - 25th New Jersey Regiment
HOLLOWAY, David,	Private,	Co. K - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HUDSON, Thomas H.,		Co. E - 9th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOLLOWAY, John,	Private,	Co. K - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HUDSON, Thomas,	Private,	Serrill's Engineer and Artisan Regiment
HOLMS, Alexander,	Captain,	Co. E - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HUDSON, William S.,		Hawkins' New York Fire Zouaves
HOLMS, Alexander,	Private,	Co. I - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HUFALLEN, George,	Private,	Co. G - 7th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOLT, Cyrus,		Co. F - 6th Regiment, N.Y. Vols., Col. Wm. Wilson	HUFALLEN, J.,		Co. E - 9th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOLT, William J.,	Private,	Co. K - 13th New Jersey Reg.	HUFF, Jacob,	Private,	Co. A - 25th New Jersey Regiment
HOLT, William,	Private,	10th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HUGHES, James,		Co. D - 33rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOOK, Benjamin,		Co. D - 33rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HUGHES, John,	Private,	Co. I - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade
HOOK, George,		Co. E - 9th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HUGHES, Marcus,		Co. H - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOPE, Richard,		Co. H - 2nd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HUGHES, Peter,		Co. M - 1st New Jersey Cavalry
HOPKINS, Charles,		Co. E - 35th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HUGHS, John,	Private,	Co. C - 13th New Jersey Reg.
HOPKINS, Daniel,	Private,	Co. E - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HUNT, Elias A.,		Co. I - 1st New Jersey Cavalry
HOPPER, Andrew J.,	Private,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HUNT, William,	Private,	Co. I - 1st Regiment, Excelsior Brigade
HOPPER, Charles,	Private,	5th Regiment, New York Artillery	HURLER, Isaac,		Co. A - 11th New Jersey Reg.
HOPPER, George D.,		Co. F - 7th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HURLEY, Henry,		Co. E - 35th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOPPER, Henry G.,		Co. F - 7th Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HURLY, Thomas J.,		Co. D - 33rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers
HOPPER, Jacob,	Private,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment	HUSSLER, Carl,		Co. K - 1st New Jersey Cavalry
HOPPER, John H.,		Co. D - 33rd Regiment, New Jersey Volunteers	HUTCHINSON, William,	Private,	Co. H - 25th New Jersey Regiment
HOPPER, John,		9th Regiment, New York State Militia	HYDE, Joseph,	Private,	Co. A - 25th New Jersey Regiment
HOPPER, Joseph,		9th Regiment, New York State Militia			

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FOLK FINDER

Bernice L. Forrest

The Folk Finder Column is devoted to helping genealogical researchers locate Northern New Jersey ancestors/descendants. We invite researchers to submit requests for help, inquiries about family names, or queries concerning the exchange of information. Requests and inquiries may be e-mailed to me at: <bernice.forrest@worldnet.att.net> or faxed to me at 201-337-1679. Queries by mail should be sent to: Passaic County Historical Society, Lambert Castle, Valley Road, Paterson, NJ 07503
Attn: Bernice Forrest - "Folk Finder." If you can help any of our submitters, please contact them directly.

1. **ALLEN:** Looking for information about William T. ALLEN, b. Apr 1851 in England and came to the U.S. in 1869. He lived in Paterson and is listed as a bottler and water dealer in the 1880 and 1900 Census. In 1920 he is listed as an electrical engineer at the telephone company. His wife's name was Mary J. b. abt 1847. Their children were Grace T. ALLEN, b. 1878, m. William HOLT; James T. ALLEN b.1880; Sarah E. ALLEN b.1881; Ellen L.P. ALLEN b.1882; Lillian C. ALLEN b.1884; Mary L.B. ALLEN b. 1886. I am particularly interested in burial information as well as marriage for him and his daughters. Submitted by: Susan M. Gates DAVIS, 1775 Sunny Creek SE, Kentwood, MI 49508-4971. Email: Smgdavis@aol.com.. Website address is <http://www.angelfire.com/mi/GatesDavisGene>.
2. **BARON:** Looking for contacts on the family of William BARON and Mary Jane (Unknown). This family immigrated to Paterson from Manchester, England between 1841 and 1843. They had 8 children; Amos, Jane, Anna, William, Nancy, Mary, Catherine and Ellen. Both William and his son William were blacksmiths. Mary and her daughters worked in the silk mills and Amos was a Civil War Veteran who moved to WI after the war when he married Annette JONES. Submitter is trying to locate Mary Jane's maiden name so she can get Amos' birth certificate from England. She is hoping to connect with any descendants and would be happy to share all information that she has. Submitted by Susan Barron PETERSEN, 3272 School St., Oakland, CA 94602. Email: Lkn4kin@aol.com.
3. **BELLINATO:** Would appreciate any information on my grandfather, John BELLINATO Sr., born Canada Jan. 5, 1923, died Totowa, NJ July 5, 1992. Zip code where he last resided: 07512. Submitted by Anthony BELLINATO, Piedmont C-143, Delray Beach, FL 33484. Email: jgrusso1@juno.com.
4. **BEZUIJEN:** Visitor from Holland seeking help locating any members of the BEZUIJEN family. Simon BEZUIJEN married Doortje van de SCHELDE in Holland and they went to the US in 1889. They had at least nine children: Paul BEZUYEN b.15 March 1891 d. Haledon abt 1967, married Cornelia, daughter Dorothy (Living at 8 York Ave. Paterson, 1920 Census); John BEZUYEN, b.16 Dec. 1892 d Feb. 1968; Leonard BEZUYEN, b. 15 June 1894 d. Elmwood Park, Bergen Co 26 May 1978; Krijn, Sadie and Joseph; Nicholas b. Paterson 7 April 1901 d. 2 May 2000; Cornelius b. 19 July 1906 d Paterson July 1984; Simon BEZUYENEN (Jr.) b. 22 May 1908, d. Newton Catawba NC 19 May 1999. Besides Simon there is another family member: Johannes (John) BEZUIJEN, b. Elkerzee, Holland 3 Jan 1870, d. Paterson 1955. He emigrated to the US in 1888. His last address was 46 Olympia Street, Clifton NJ. I found the following names in the SSDI and feel they must be related also: (all with the last name of BEZUYEN); Mary b. 11 Jan 1897 d. 9 Aug 1989; Mary b. 19 Oct 1903 d. Nov 1979; Trina b. 10 July 1908 d. 22 Feb 1993; John b. 29 Nov 1926 d. 14 Dec 1992; Virginia b. 8 Aug 1939 d. 10 Oct 1994. Submitted by: Ellen DEK, Biggekerksestraat 69, 4371 EX Koudekerke, the Netherlands. Email: ellendek@zonnet.nl.
5. **BIALAS:** Looking for any information on Stanislas (Stanley) BIALAS who married Mary TYUCZYSZYU (birth & death dates unknown). Their children were Maxmillion (Max) b. 1914 d.1989, Rudolph (Rudy) b. 1905 d. 1967 (m. Frances(?)), Charles (Charlie) b. 1916 d.1991 (m. Nellie EHERTS), Francis (Frank) b.1912 d. 1965. Francis married Sophie Victoria SONDEY. At some point, although born in Passaic, NJ, they moved to Waywayanda NY and started farming. Rudy was married in Passaic. Their wedding photo is from MILLER Studio, 77 Second St. Passaic. Thanks for any help. Submitted by Doris BIALAS, 74 Celery Ave , New Hampton, NY 10958. Email: nowhere2@webtv.net.
6. **BROWER:** Researching the BROWER and MOORE families of Acquackanock/Little Falls, NJ. Most interested in obtaining information on Ruth MOORE, daughter of Isaac and granddaughter of Benjamin MOORE of Acquackanock and Warren, NJ. Ruth was married to Garret BROWER in 1821 by the Minister of the Gospel of New Providence, NJ. Garret born in 1798 was the son of Garret BROWER and Lena SPIER. Ruth and Garret had a son William Henry who married Mary Anne WILKLOW of New Paltz, NY. William and Mary had a daughter Ruth Jane BROWER born 1873 who married John Herven HULBERT on Dec. 25, 1898. Also looking for information regarding the BOLDT'S MILL of the West Paterson area. The understanding is that it was somewhat of a boarding house for railroad workers and/or canalers circa 1880-1900. It supposedly was run or operated by submitter's Irish ancestors GAUGHAN/GAGHAN or GEOGHAN/GEOGHEGAN. Family stories have been placing this Inn by the High Bridge on McBride Avenue/Little Falls Turnpike. Submitter is also researching the names LALLY, HASKELL, HUBER, and SINDLE. Submitted by Ruth Joan GILMORE, 27 Arlene Court, Bricktown, NJ 08724. Email:ARC@webspan.net.
7. **BYRNES:** Looking for descendants of and additional information on the family of Patrick J. BRYNES and wife Julia GLASLIN(?). Patrick was born in Ireland abt or before 1843 and may have lived in Bergen Co. NJ starting in the 1860's. By 1888, the family was living at 44 Taylor St. in Paterson, where Patrick worked as a carpenter, along with sons Patrick, Thomas and Frank J.(BYRNES & SONS). Patrick died in Paterson on 31 Aug 1898 and was buried in Hackensack (cemetery unknown). According to the 1900 Census, 13 children were born to Julia with 8 still living. Submitter knows of only 6 children, all born in NJ: John (m. Kate FARRELL), Thomas, Patrick, Frank J., Mary (m. John WATSON), and Julia. There was also a daughter (name unknown) who married a SYFORD (?) and had a son named Charles SYFORD b. abt 1894. Main interest is corresponding with

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any descendants of John **BYRNES** (1866-1909) and his wife Kate **FARRELL** (1869-1918) who were married in Paterson on 6 Sep 1888. John worked as a plumber in Paterson. John and Kate had at least 8 children, including Julia **BYRNES** who married John **WALDINGER** and lived in Wayne. Another daughter Margaret may have married Andrew **RYAN**. A son William J. **BYRNES** was a dyer for Barbour Linen and Thread and served in the Air Force in WWII. William never married and is buried in the **QUEENEY-FARRELL** plot in Holy Sepulchre. Other sons were Frank, James and Charles. Submitted by GERALYN WOOD BARRY, 23436 Harris Rd, Philomath OR 97370. Email: gbarry@proaxis.com.

8. CANNON: Searching for information about Bridget, Maria and Peter **CANNON**, all children of Michael **CANNON** and Mary **CUMMINGS**, all born in Ireland. Bridget married Michael **MCKENNA** before 1875. Looking for their marriage record, parents of Michael, and dates of immigration for Bridget and Michael. They had five children, four living at time of the 1900 Census, Joseph, Ellen, James and Mary. Ellen **MCKENNA** married a James **KEARNEY** Oct. 6, 1908. Mary **MCKENNA** married John **BRITT/BRETT** after 1908. Looking for information about John **BRITT**. Joseph **MCKENNA** never married. Looking for spouse of James **MCKENNA**. Need immigration date for Maria **CANNON** who never married. Peter **CANNON** married Mary Catherine **HAFFER** in Oct. 1893. They had three children, two living at the time of the 1900 Census. Looking for date and place of burial of Mary Catherine **HAFFER CANNON** as well as of her father Frederick **HAFFER**. Submitted by Jim CANNON, PO Box 2426, Manchester Center, VT 05255. Email: jccannon@sover.net.

9. CAVANAUGH: Submitter has done extensive research on the names **CAVANAGH, CAVANAUGH, KAVANAGH** etc. related to **O'NEIL** from Paterson, Jersey City and Chatham in Morris Co. Also **CULLETON, CULLINGTON, DUNPHY, FANNING, HARROLD, HAROLD, KEYES, KEYS, MCKENNA, MERRY, RISK, ROPER** (also in Newark and Morris Co.). Submitted by GERALYN WOOD BARRY, 23436 Harris Rd., Philomath OR 97370. Email: gbarry@proaxis.com.

10. DeBROCK: Looking for information on the family of Peter **DeBROCK** who married Ellen **McCLORY**. Would like to know where Peter immigrated from-possibly Holland or Belgium. Also would like information on Ellen's family. They all settled in Paterson, NJ. For a time they lived on East 18th Street. Any help would be deeply appreciated. Submitted by: Joan HARRIS, 1855 W. Southern Ave. #229, Apache Junction AZ 85220. Email: JDBH36@aol.com.

11. DE WEERT: Searching for information on Peter Johan **DE WEERT**, son of Willem **DE WEERT** (b. Jul 1823) and Jahanna **VERSTEEG** (b. 16 Feb. 1815), who was born 27 Feb 1854 in Steenderen, Gelderland, Netherlands. He married Lammerdina **ILIOHAN** in either the Netherlands or the US. It is not known when he came to the US, but he is known to have lived in Paterson, NJ. They had 5 daughters: Johanna Ida (6 Nov 1877-3 Jul 1966), Antonetta Yoh (23 Feb 1880-20 Jun 1944), Willemina Hendrika (31 Jan 1882-?), Martina A. H. (12 Nov 1883-3 Mar 1966), and Jacoba Margarite (15 Jul 1893-19 Sep 1976). They also had an unknown number of sons that were either stillborn or died in infancy. Jahanna died in 1901 and Peter married a woman named Rose. He died 10 March 1909 at age 55 in Paterson. His obituary is listed in the Paterson Guardian. He was buried from the Union Holland Reformed Church, corner of Auburn and Governor Streets with internment in Fair Lawn Cemetery. Submitted by: Rillene NIELSEN, 1430 Yucca Dr., San Bernardino, CA 92404. Email: GennyBug40@aol.com.

12. DRUKKER: Looking for three families-**DRUKKER, HOUSKAMP, and HAGEDORN**. The **DRUKKER'S** were listed in the 1920 Passaic County Census: Rhine **DRUKKER**, b.1880 and his wife Jennie also b. 1880. Would like a marriage date, full name for Jennie and death dates for both. The **HOUSKAMP'S** listed in the 1920 Bergen County Census were John **HOUSKAMP** b. March 1860 in Holland and his second wife **VANDER PLOEG**. Would like a death date for John and complete dates for Vander. Also looking for Tunis **HAGEDORN** and his wife Delia-no clues for them but their son John **HAGEDORN** was born in 1903 in Bergen County, NJ. Submitted by Kate STIRK, 2840 Euston Road, Winter Park, FL 32789. Email: stirkk@juno.com.

13. FERRARO: Seeking help on the family of Mariano **FERRARO** and Josephine **RICCOBENE**. Mariano died before 1922. Their daughter Julia married Louis **BONGIORNO** January 25, 1922. At that time they lived at 5 Madison Street, Paterson, NJ and Julia worked at Manhattan Shirt Factory. Julia and Louis were married in the Church of the Redeemer, Paterson. Any pictures of the church and/or information on the family would be appreciated. Submitted by: Marie KOVAC, 10 Wells Lane, Warren, NJ 07059-5311. Phone 908-647-0651. Email: MarieKovac@aol.com.

14. HARDIFER: Looking for information on the family of Russell **HARDIFER** and Sadie **HALL** and their daughters Eileen **HARDIFER MIAL** and Alice **HARDIFER NYDEGGER**. Tod (Anna) has been mentioned in passing but no one has fit her into the family tree; in fact she was referred to as "Toddie". Submitted by: Holly M. ROE, 12709 Ridge Road, Sackets Harbor, NY 13685. Email: miraclmial@aol.com.

15. HARPER: Trying to find additional information on the **HARPER** side of the family from Paterson. James N. **HARPER** had a shoe business in Paterson, probably in the 1860's. His wife was Sarah **GOULD** (?). Submitter would like to confirm Sarah's maiden name and the names of Sarah's parents. Submitted by: Peter Harper CUNNINGHAM, 1009 Garden St., Hoboken, NJ 07030. Email:peterandjen@juno.com.

16. KIMBLE: Looking for help in finding information on Edwin **KIMBLE** who married Lillie Jemima **VANDERHOOF** possibly from Newfoundland. Edwin was born around 1885 and died when he was 33 in 1918. Lillie and Edwin had three children: Charles Wayne, Douglas, and Cristabel **KIMBLE**. Lillie then married Asa **HALL** and they are all supposed to be buried in the Newfoundland Cemetery. Lillie may have come from Oak Ridge. Submitted by: Lori BRAMMER, 15291 NE 3rd Pl, Williston, Florida 32696. Email:LB1JB2@aol.com.

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17. **LEISHMAN:** Tracing relatives from Dundee, Scotland to Paterson, NJ. Many arrived after the 1920 Federal Census. Other names are **DEVLIN, CUSACK/CUSICK, DOWD, DUFFY** and **DALTON** who migrated from Ireland to Scotland and then to the USA. Looking for ideas on tracing living relatives from a distance. Submitted by: Jonathan in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Email: jgentry@idirect.com.
18. **LUCK:** Alvina Louise **LEHMANN LUCK** ran a boarding house in Paterson. There are pictures of a wedding at that house in 1906. She was still alive in 1924. Looking for location of house, if it still stands and how long Alvina lived there. I can travel to NJ if there are any records available to look at. Submitted by **Julius Alexander LUCK**, Lamoine, Maine. Email: jaluck@optonline.net.
19. **MISTYSYN:** Family of John **MISTYSYN** first came to the United States from Austro-Hungary in 1899 and settled in Passaic, NJ. In the 1910 Census his wife Mary is listed as a widow. (Name was spelled **MACHISIN**). In the 1920 Census she is living at 10 Hope Avenue and she has anglicized her surname to **MIGASTER**. Her children were Harry (**MISTYSYN**) who married in 1901 in Passaic and moved to Pennsylvania; Anna (**MAGASTER**) who married into the **DODA** family in North Dakota; Helen who married into the **ZEIM** family in Passaic; Eva (has no information on her), Frank b. Feb. 11, 1898, Peter b. Oct 2, 1905 and John b. Dec. 15, 1907. Need some help checking the vital statistics records. There is confusion about births of some of the children and the name of their father. Need help checking local cemeteries for listings for a John **MAGASTER, MICESTYN** or some other similar spelling. Can anyone help me out? Submitted by **Kimberly MISTYSYN**, College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, 80 College Street, Toronto, ON M5G 2E2. Email: kmistysyn@cpsso.on.ca.
20. **PEZZUTI:** Seeking information on Nicholas **PEZZUTI**. According to his death certificate he was hit by a train at the D & L train crossing at River St. Paterson NJ just two months after arriving in the USA. He arrived here Nov. 16, 1890 and was hit by the train on Jan. 16, 1891. Looking for a copy of an obituary and news story for that date if available. Submitted by: **Jack VERBEKE**, 60 Captains Drive, Brick, NJ 08723. Email: jackgram@bellatlantic.net.
21. **SMITH:** Seeking obituary and death information on William Henry **SMITH** b. April 30, 1903 in Vernon NJ, d. Jan. 1972. His last residence was Wanaque, Passaic, NJ. Parents of William Henry were William Henry **SMITH** b 1800's and Sarah Louise **HEATER** b 1800's. They started out in New York State where their daughter Frances Minerva was born Sept. 4, 1888 in Little York, Pine Island, NY. They then moved to Vernon NJ where William Henry and his sister Sadie Louise (b.1895) were born. Submitted by: **Wanda HENDERSON**, PO Box 205, Kendall Park, NJ 08824. Email: Lilolme43@aol.com.
22. **STANSFIELD:** Interested in the **STANSFIELD** and **SHORROCK** families. The **STANSFIELD**'s lived in Manchester Township while the **SHORROCK**'s lived in Paterson and Manchester Township. Aaron **STANSFIELD** 1813-1896 was married to Ann (Unknown b. abt 1815). A son, John Clayton **STANSFIELD** 1843-1917, married Hannah Nelson **SHORROCK** 1846-1889. After Hannah's death John married Mary **DEWAR** 1864-1938. Other children of Aaron and Ann were Jane, Sarah, Esther, Aaron and Ellen (all born between 1844 and 1854). Hannah's parents were Ralph **SHORROCK** 1805-1847 and Mary Ann 1812-1885. Besides Hannah, Ralph and Mary Ann had 7 other children: Thomas B., Jane, Mary Bennet, Sarah Thumon, Margaret Elizabeth (who married George N. **TORBET**), John Henry, Robert Morehead and Ellen (who married Harmon B. **GOODRIDGE**). Hannah **SHORROCK** and John **STANSFIELD** had 7 children; Almeda 1867-1946 (m Bartholomew **FORD**), Robert 1869-1903, Henry Ryerson 1872-1936 (m. Anna Lena **WALTERS**), Emma T. 1874-1954 (m. John **FORD**), Hester (m. George Henry **CORNELSON**), Mary A. 1879-1927 (m. Edwin C. **NICHOLS**), and John Shorrock 1882-1966 (m. Margaret H. **McQUILLAN**). The Stansfields owned a general store in Haledon. John C. **STANSFIELD** was a Civil War Veteran (13th NJ, Co. K) and was postmaster of Manchester Township. The Shorrock's owned a big paint store in Paterson from about 1845-1870 and a farm in Manchester. The Nichols lived in Paterson as did the Goodridge family. The Torbets may have lived in Manchester Township. Although I have information for the family of John C. **STANSFIELD** I have little information about his siblings, or his parents' family. Any help would be appreciated. Submitted by: **John STANSFIELD**, 131 Broadway Road, Cranbury, NJ 08512. Email: johnstansfield@home.com.
23. **URQUHART:** Searching for two brothers, George **URQUHART** born in Jersey City May 11th 1885 at 144 Morris St and Henry/Harry **URQUHART** born in Dundee, Scotland Feb. 25th 1880 who lived at one time at 57 Lincoln Avenue in Little Falls. There was also a sister Elizabeth born 1878 in Barrow in Furness, England. Their parents were Neil and Georgina **URQUHART** from Dundee and Georgina was a widow living in Little Falls in 1890. Henry/Harry's wife died in Little Falls in 1938. Harry was still alive in 1942. Submitted by: **Bill WATSON**, 3 Walrond Street, Dundee, DD4 7EY. Email: Billwatson@tesco.net.
24. **WAGON:** Researching great great grandfather's third wife Ann **CROWSON WAGON** who came to New York 10 Sep 1852 with three step-sons, Walter, Velenus and Ernest. Naturalization records for Ernest and Velenus, dated 1872, indicate that they resided in Newburg, NY, then Paterson NJ, then on to So. Adams, MA and finally Westfield, MA. The passenger lists gives them all using Ann's maiden name **CROWSON**. It is suspected that they lived in Paterson between 1852 and 1865. If anyone has seen this name in any early records please contact me. Any information would be appreciated. Submitted by: **Barbara CUSHING-WALKER**, 119 Coburn Road, Milford, NH. Email: Bcushing12@aol.com.

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