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Letter from the Editor

What an epic year 2017 is shaping up to be. Here in the Portland, Oregon, area we have already had five major storms pass through, and it is only the middle of February. The third one dumped over a foot of snow on us that lasted more than a week, and the latest storms caused many inches of rain to fall, sometimes on ice and snow-covered streets. This has given all of us a lot of opportunity to practice patience and to get things done at home because we were not able to go out without danger to life and property.

Before I introduce the content of our first *Bulletin* issue of 2017, I want to thank everyone who gave us feedback on the last issue with all of the Bibles. Actually I want to thank everyone who ever sends us feedback. We appreciate hearing from our readers about what works and what might be improved.

This issue our first story, Finding Kate, illustrates how nicknames and not knowing relatives' surnames, can cause issues when tracing our ancestors. Steve Turner was asked to assist in the translation of a German document, and the story about it and the translation are an interesting read. Meyers Orts is a well know German research tool, and there is a new way to search it, about which Fritz Juengling has written a fine article. We also have another Bible; this one about the Leonard Steever-Susannah Seal family, and Nanci Remington has used this Bible to teach us more about probates in our Tools column. Our Spotlight column this issue is by me and is about the reorganized GFO Library. Recently we realized that the space in our library was not being used as well as it could be. Therefore, we decided to move some things. So next time you come to the library expect to see some differences. We think they are all very positive changes, and it does give us more room for additions

to our collection in the months and years to come. Our First Families of Multnomah County is about the Christensen family who hailed from Denmark originally.

We have an update to a brick wall story from 2015 that is interesting, both as to the information found and the method used to find it. We also have some wonderful book reviews and I want to remind everyone that all of the books reviewed in the *Bulletin* are available at the GFO Library. I particularly want everyone to note our Spring Seminar with John Colletta, who will be speaking on immigration and naturalization records, and writing family history. If you haven't signed up yet, please do so soon, as the Sunday workshop is already sold out. The Saturday seminar still has room.

We also have a few housekeeping/informational things to tell you about. The index for all of the 2016 *Bulletin* issues is on pages 30-31 of this issue. There is also a (belated) annual report of donors for the fiscal year 2015-2016. Finally, as many of you may be aware, the parking situation has changed when visiting the GFO. Your board is working on possible alternative solutions, but in the meantime, parking in the lots at (and near) the GFO are pay to park. Please check our website and weekly e-blasts for more information. As always, we hope you enjoy this issue and we truly welcome your feedback.

Respectfully, Marti Dell



Catherine Constance Collins (1888-1959)

Finding Kate, or how I found my husband's grandmother's Irish family

Wendy Peterson Negley

My husband Dennis's grandmother was born Catherine Collins,¹ but to her family she was Kate. She was Kate Collins at school,² Kate Collins in the 1901 Irish Census,³ Kate Collins on the 1902 passenger list to America,⁴ but on her marriage certificate she gave her name as Katharine Constance Collins, and after that, she was never Kate again.

Katherine Collins is listed in the 1910 U.S. Census, living in Winchester, Middlesex County, Massachusetts where she was employed as a servant, born in Ireland.⁵ Sometime between 1910 and 1912, Catherine came to California. There is a record of her in a 1912 Los Angeles city directory, employed as a nurse at Crocker State Hospital.⁶ The same directory shows a young doctor, Dennis's grandfather James Negley, worked in the same hospital.⁷ They were married in 1914. Their marriage certificate indicates that Catherine was born in New York and her occupation was registered nurse; her father, J. C. Collins, born in Ireland; and an unnamed mother, born in New York.^{8,9} In the 1920¹⁰ and 1940¹¹ census the birthplace recorded for her is New York, and in the 1920 census her parents are shown as born in New York as well. In 1930,



Catherine Collins

though, she said that she was born in Ireland, as were her parents.¹² Catherine died on April 11, 1959. According to the informant, her daughter Barbara, Catherine's death certificate states that she was born in New York, her father was Michael Collins, and her mother was Mary Connelly, both of Ireland.¹³ These inconsistencies in her parents' information and her place of birth troubled me, and searching for Catherine has occupied my time off and on for 40 years.

When I married Dennis in 1974 I had already done quite a bit of genealogical research on my family, so naturally I asked about his. His mother, Eloise, told me that her mother-in-law, Catherine, was born on November 8, 1891, in "Dublin, County Cork." Eloise recited this information as though learned by rote. The birth date was identical to the one on the death certificate. I searched for any record of Catherine in New York between 1891 and 1910 and found nothing that I could say was a match.

My life was soon busy with two children and a demanding job, so I shelved all the genealogy for over twenty years. One thing in 1986 did catch my attention when Eloise and Dennis's Aunt Barbara visited

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AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 31 years	AGE AT LAST BIRTHDAY 27 years
COLOR OR RACE W White	COLOR OR RACE W White
SINGLE MARRIED 1st	SINGLE MARRIED 1st
STATE OR COUNTRY Penn	STATE OR COUNTRY New York
OCCUPATION Physician	OCCUPATION Registered Nurse
NAME OF FATHER John M. Negley	NAME OF FATHER J. C. Collins
BIRTHPLACE Penn	BIRTHPLACE Ireland
STATE OR COUNTRY Penn	STATE OR COUNTRY Ireland
NAME OF MOTHER Margaret Hooper	NAME OF MOTHER Mary Connelly
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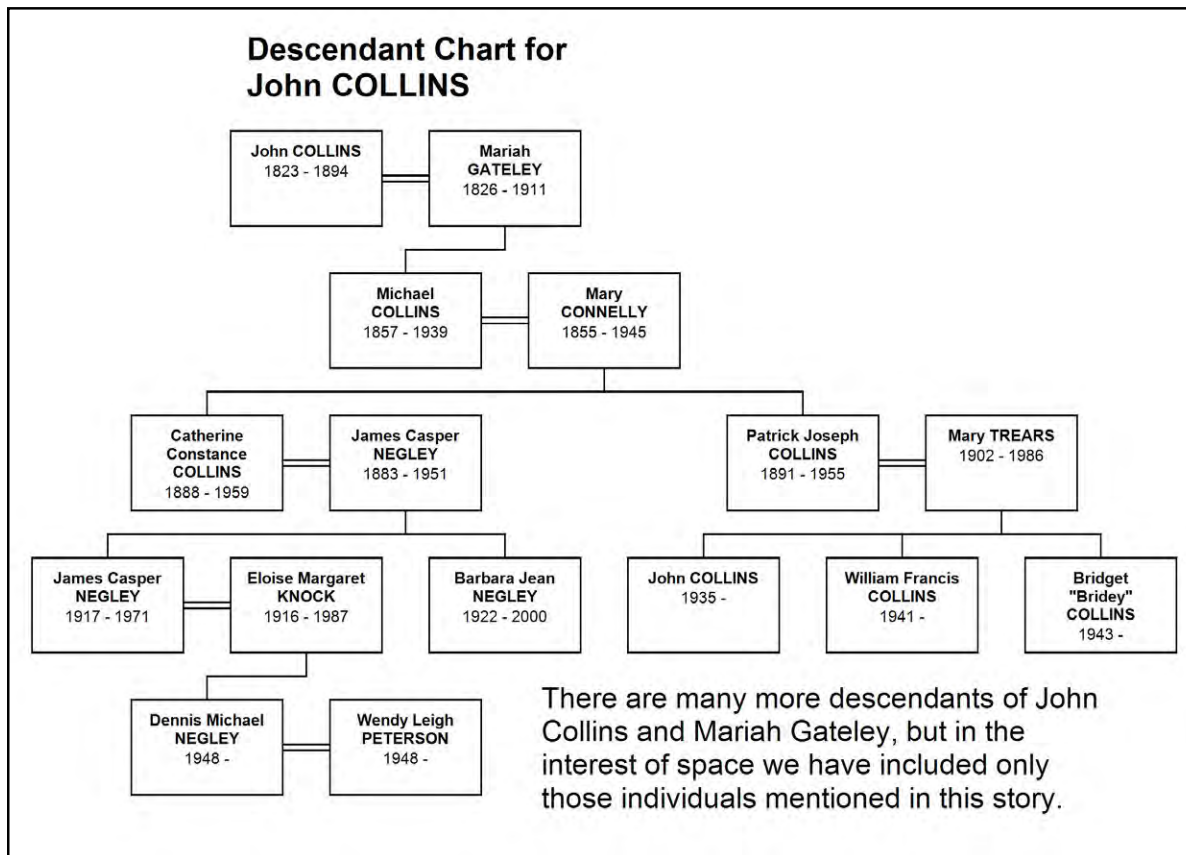
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Residence *72 S. Broadway St.*

C. L. LOGAN, Registrar (County Recorder)

Marriage certificate of James C. Negley and Catherine C. Collins



Irish cousins had even visited her in Glendale a year later. In Barbara's address book, we discovered the names and addresses of "Aunt Mary" Collins and the cousins who had visited; also noted was the death of Aunt Mary.¹⁴ I wasn't certain who Aunt Mary was, but thought she might be the wife of one of Catherine's brothers, as her son John (also in

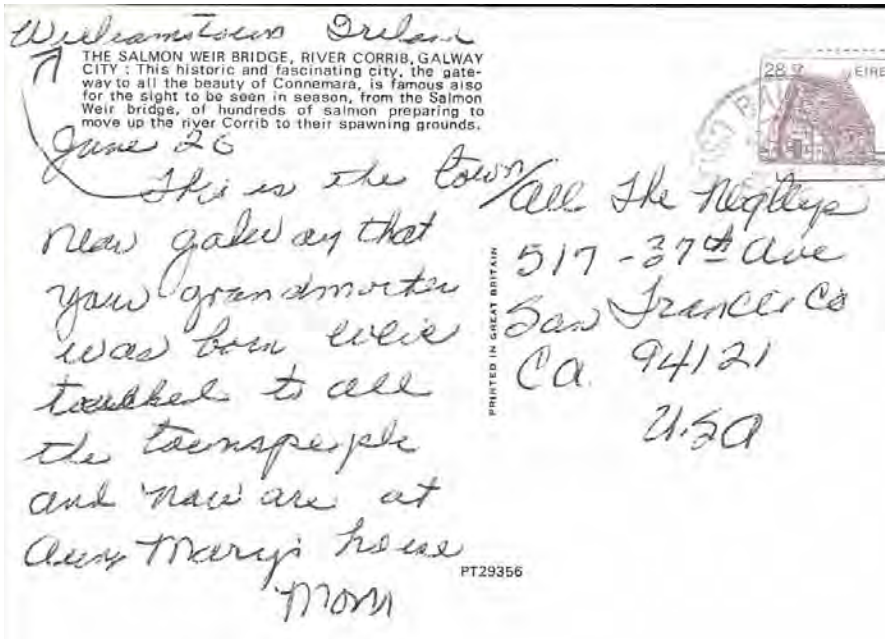
Ireland. Eloise sent us a postcard from Williamstown, Galway, and on it she said that this is where Catherine was born. I talked to Eloise later, and she said that they had visited Catherine's family in Williamstown and that Barbara knew all about it. I wrote to Barbara who said that Dennis's sister Kasey had all the data. Kasey was newly married and had moved away, and I was busy so I never asked her about it. Barbara died in 2000, and Kasey died in 2007. I had blown my chance to find out what they knew. All of Kasey's family things came to me, and I went through them but found nothing about Catherine.

In 2009, my children having left home and my job having become a bit less demanding, I decided to resume genealogy. Now, of course, with the Internet it was a whole new world. I made many strides on my family and my husband's family except for Catherine's tree. In 2011, my husband was contacted by his cousin Mark, Barbara's son. I seized this opportunity to ask him if he had seen any of his mother's family papers. He replied that he had all her photos and other family data and that he had wanted to go through them. I flew to his home in Washington, and we reviewed everything together. Of course, I was hoping for a family tree or written family history, but there was no such luck. Mark did have the photos from the 1986 Ireland trip. Some of Barbara's

the photos), was a Collins.

Another year or two went by with no progress, and I worked on other family lines. In January 2013, I thought I'd try Catherine's line again. I reviewed my file and all my notes, and when I did so, I noticed that the address for Mary Collins was Leatra, Williamstown, Ireland. What was Leatra? I had thought it was a street except there was no number. I did what seemed logical when you work online in genealogy and I Googled "Leatra, Williamstown, Ireland." At first not much came up, a dog grooming place, weather report . . . but then I saw this: "Collins of Leatra." What?! Here was a notice of a family reunion for the Collins family of Leatra. It was part of a larger site called "The Gathering," which was a promotion being done in Ireland to encourage families and towns to hold reunions that would bring the family back to Ireland. I couldn't tell if this Collins family was related to us or not. There was a picture of a family; however, no one matched any of the photos I had. You could leave a comment about the reunion, but there was no way to contact the event host.

Not to be discouraged, my next step was to email the Gathering site contact. I explained that this might be my family and that I needed to reach the reunion organizer. Kevin was his name, and he contacted Ray Collins who was organizing the reunion.



Postcard from Eloise, June 1986

Ray Collins emailed me. I told him who I was and sent him copies of the photos of Aunt Mary and her son John Collins. His reply is still one of the highlights of my genealogical career. He said, "Mary is my grandmother, and Johnny is my uncle." I yelled and screamed and jumped up and down! Joy!

Unfortunately, my husband refused to go to Ireland for the reunion. Sigh.

Happily, though, Ray put me in touch with the cousin who was working on the family line. We have been working on it together ever since.

I was now able to find Catherine in the 1910 U.S. Census, on a passenger list, on the 1901 census in Ireland, and in school and parish records. Her birth date turned out to be completely different: 20 October 1888.¹⁵ We have discovered three more generations on the tree, and if I ever get to Ireland there are cousins there to meet!

The puzzle surrounding the entirely different birthdates and father's names continues today. I've been asked, "How do you know that

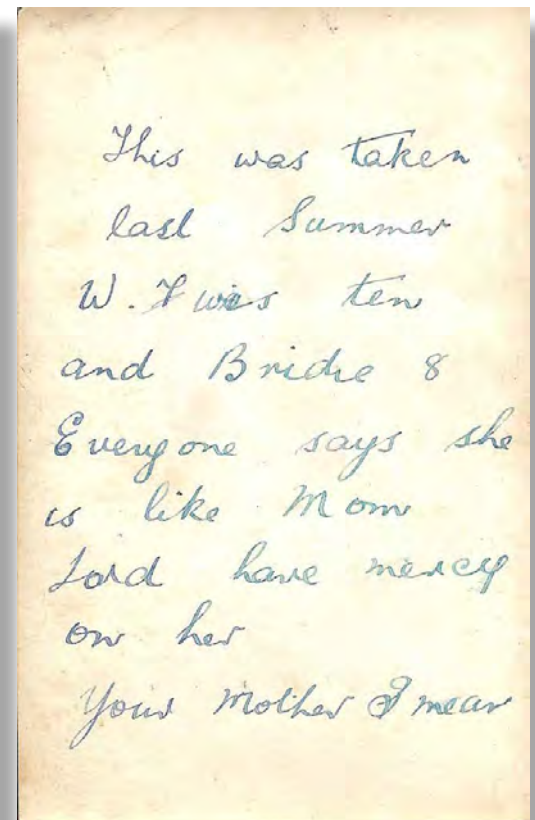
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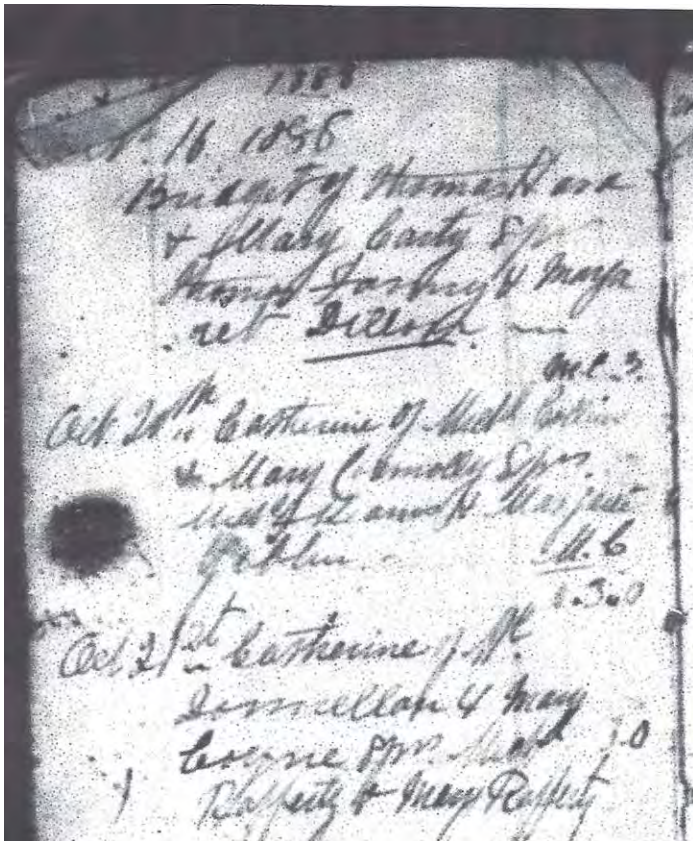
My certainty is based partly on Eloise and Barbara's trip to Ireland. On that trip they indicated they were in the location of Catherine's birth. The visit to this particular place must have been based on direct information Barbara had, but it doesn't answer the question of why Barbara indicated her mother's birthplace as New York when she provided information for Catherine's death certificate. Did Barbara discover information after her mother's death? Did she just make an honest human mistake in a time of grief? I'll never know, because the answers to these questions died with Barbara.

Some of the cousins I discovered have shared information passed on from their parents and grandparents. Cousin Johnny shared that his grandfather, Patrick Joseph Collins, had stated that he had a sister named Kate who had gone to America, had married a doctor, and had lived in California.¹⁶ Patrick, it turns out, was married to the Aunt Mary who was pictured with their son John, in the photograph taken by Barbara on her trip to Ireland.



Irish nephew and niece with doll





Catherine Collins's birth record

Among Barbara's family papers was a photo of a boy and a girl. On the back it reads, "This was taken last summer W.F. was ten and Bridie 8." Patrick Collins had a son, William Francis, born in 1941 and a daughter, Bridget "Bridey," born 1943. I don't know how this came into Barbara's possession, but it's likely that it was mailed to Catherine and Barbara found it among her mother's papers after Catherine's death.

So, if you accept that the Leatra family is the correct family, that Patrick and Catherine are siblings, and that Michael Collins was their father, then the family names that Barbara provided for the death certificate are correct. It does not explain why Catherine would give her father's name as J. C. Collins when she married.

And if this is the correct family, then the parish record speaks for itself. Catherine was born on October 20, 1888.¹⁷ The Civil Registration Birth Index lists her in the 1888 October through December quarter, but the actual civil birth record gives her birth date as November 1, 1888. I believe that Catherine simply chose the November 8, 1891 birth date that she used in the U.S. Or she may have thought the month and day were correct

and perhaps those were the ones that she remembered and celebrated in the family when she was small.

Oh, I could also add the fact that Uncle John Collins's nose is just like my husband's brother's nose! And when I mentioned that, I was told that this is a family characteristic—but this isn't very reliable proof!

Catherine, I believe, wanted to have a much different life than she had known as Kate in Ireland. She successfully reinvented herself as Catherine and had that life. But she didn't completely cut her ties to her family, and so I was able to find them and to know Kate as well as Catherine. It would have been much simpler for me if I had made the effort to visit Barbara and Kasey while they were still alive. I hope that you will be smarter than I was and that you will contact your relatives while you can. But if you can't then there is still Google! I wish you the same good luck that I had!



Mary Collins and Eloise 1986

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Editor's note: *The last possibility is not too far fetched as all of the form appears to be completed by the same person, except for the signature of Catherine which is distinctly different.*

Editor's Note: *All photos are courtesy of the author.*

Quakenbrück

Quakenbrück, Bersenbrück, Osnabrück, Hannover, Preussen

Entry Map Ecclesiastical Related E-mail Feedback

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type umlauts if you wish, but you should not expand umlauts, e.g. 'ü' as 'ue', as that will return no hits. Your search will produce a list of places with that name—all those places of the same name, but with other jurisdictions which will help you identify your town. Choose the town for which you want more information.

Once you are on the town page, you will see the name of your town and a menu that includes the following items: Entry, Map, Ecclesiastical, Related, E-mail, and Feedback.

ENTRY

You are on the 'entry' page. You will see the entry as it appears in Meyer's, the extraction of the entry, the explanation of the extraction, and a map. The extractions include and are primarily limited to jurisdictions and parish information. The explanations are helpful for those who do not speak German or are not familiar with the old jurisdictions. For example, you will learn what *Kreis*, *Bezirkskommando*, and *Landgericht* mean. By clicking on 'View entry on PDF of the original page,' you can see the entire page on which the entry appears. Click on 'Show previous and next entry' to see the previous and following entries. If there was a correction in the Meyer's addendum, this will also be indicated.

MAP

After you have read the information on this page, click on 'Map'



in the menu or on the map itself. You will now see your town on the old *Karte des deutschen Reiches*. This set of maps was produced during the time of the German Empire and so corresponds chronologically to Meyer's. You can zoom in and out. If you click on the words 'Toggle Historical Map' in the upper right-hand corner, you can switch to Google Maps. This is especially helpful if you are searching in Poland or other areas of the former German Empire that are now in other countries. This is because you can get the current, *i.e.* non-German, name of the town. If you hover

on 'Toggle Historical Map,' you will see a menu. If you click on the menu items, you will see pins appear on the map that correspond to what you have chosen, either Jurisdiction (all places where other jurisdictions are given, such as *Kreis*, *Bezirkskommando*, and *Landgericht* that are included in the entry), Catholic parishes, Protestant parishes, or Jewish synagogues. This will help you determine the location of the nearest parishes, etc., within a 20-mile radius, should you need to do an area search. You can also click on the pins and the names of corresponding towns will appear.

ECCLESIASTICAL

When you click on 'Ecclesiastical,' you will get a list of nearby towns that have parishes or synagogues and the distance from your town. This will also help you determine the nearest parishes, etc., within a 20-mile radius, if you need to do an area search. This is the same information that you saw under 'Map,' but in a different format.

Detail

- Type St.** - Quakenbrück is a Stadt (City).
- Lvl I Pr.** - Level I shows which Kingdom or State the place is located in. Quakenbrück is located in Preussen.
- Prov Hann.** - The Province shows which Province or State the place is located in. Quakenbrück is located in Hannover.
- RB Osnabrück** - The Regierungsbezirk for Quakenbrück is Osnabrück. The Regierungsbezirk is a government district that is in hierarchy between the State and Kreis level.



RELATED

‘Related’ provides a list of other towns that refer to your town as another jurisdiction, such as *Amtsgericht*.

E-MAIL

In this section, for the town in which you are searching, you can add names and your email address so that others who are searching for the same names can contact you. Then you can collaborate and share information. (Please add your search names and contact information!)

FEEDBACK

Finally, you can also give feedback. This includes corrections, suggestions for improvements or new features, how you use the data, or just a word or two to compliment the owners of the site.

As with most projects, this is a work in progress and will evolve over time. Additions and corrections are being made as of this writing. It is possible that other features may be added in the future. In the meantime, it is hoped that researchers will use this very valuable tool in their research.

To learn more about Meyer’s, especially the many abbreviations, see:

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A German Translation

The birth and baptismal certificate of Karl August Ernst Hering (1872-1937)

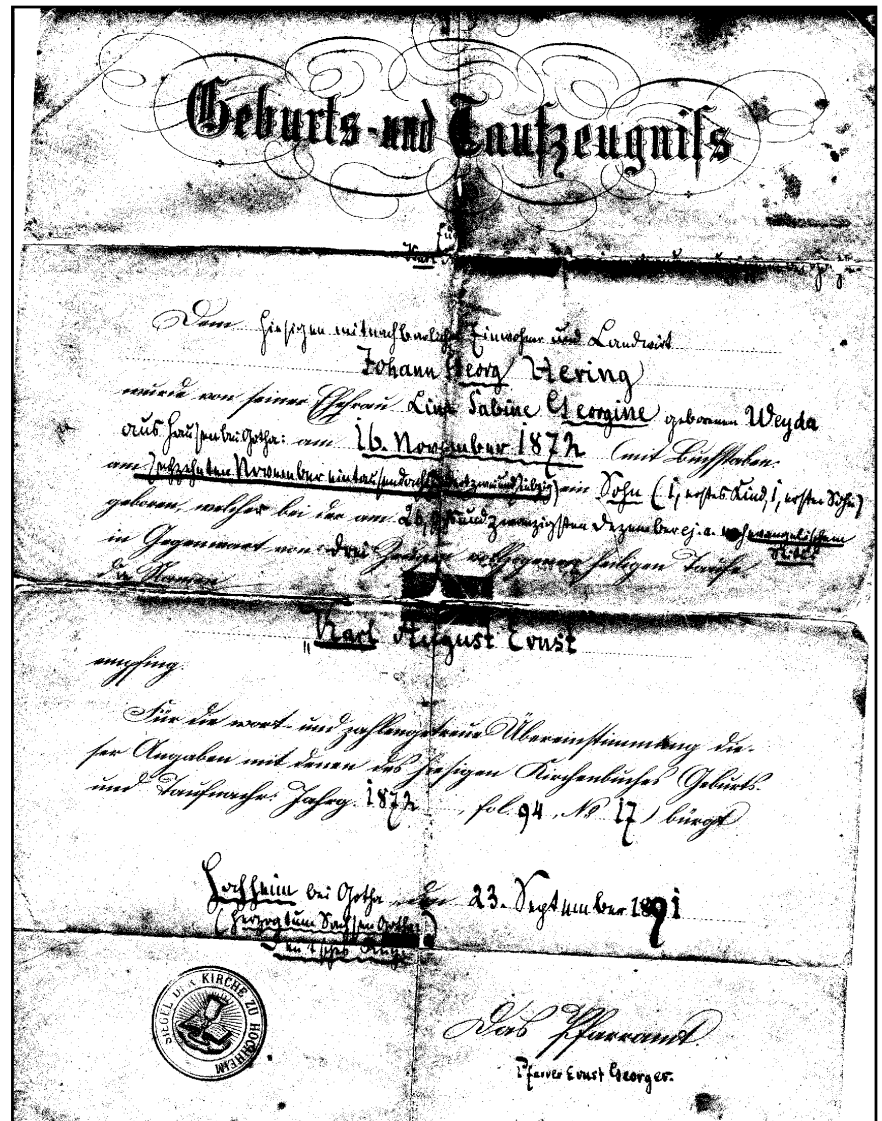
Steve Turner

Background information from Alena

Wheary: Karl August Ernst Hering was born in Hochheim bei Gotha, Germany, on November 16, 1872, the oldest son of Johann Georg Hering and Lina Sabine Georgine (Weyda) Hering. As a youth, Karl learned the masonry trade. He may have wanted to avoid serving in the military, so in 1891 at the age of 18, he immigrated to the United States. He earned his passage by stoking the ship's boiler fires. Relatives likely sponsored Karl while he worked as a brick mason in Portland, Oregon. He saved his money and bought timberland near Gaston, Oregon, in 1898 with an initial down payment of \$435.00. He married Elizabeth Braune in Multnomah County, Oregon, on May 5, 1912, at the age of 39. Karl died on April 30, 1937, in Portland, Oregon. Karl and Elizabeth had four children: three daughters (Hilda Charlotte, Margaret, and Selma Pauline) and one son (George Karl), and I am the granddaughter of Hilda Hering.

Editor's note: Alena approached GFO's Library Committee Chair, Steve Turner, for help understanding a German document about her great-grandfather. What follows was Steve's email reply to Alena.

This was a very neat puzzle indeed. Two hours of fun punctuated by many "Omigosh, that's what it is!" moments. To my amazement I think I totally succeeded in getting it all. Four different scripts used: the German Gothic for the title, the printed "handwriting" font in the German style, the more variable actual



German-style handwriting, and handwritten Latin-style lettering used for personal names and the Latin abbreviation ej. a. (ejusdem anni = of the same year), which was the last thing I figured out—nailed it down this morning with the help of the Internet. Endings of adjectives might be off in a couple of cases as the letters can be ambiguous and my command of endings for genders and cases is poor, but I'm sure the original has them all quite as they should be. This document appears to be painstakingly, even hyperaggressively accurate, as befits a German undertaking.

This Certificate of Birth and Baptism was produced 23 Sep 1891 for Karl August Ernst Hering when he was approaching 19; maybe he needed it for military purposes and/or maybe he was preparing to emigrate, even perhaps to avoid the draft? The Internet tells me Hoch-

heim bei Gotha and Hausen bei Gotha are both in what is now Thuringen, whereas the document indicates they were in the Duchy of Sachsen Gotha as of 1891. Here are

a transliteration and a translation; underlined names are the names they commonly went by:



GEBURTS- UND TAUFZEUGNISS

Für

Karl August Ernst Hering, Maurer aus Hochheim bei Gotha

Dem hiesigen mitnachbarlichen Einwohner und Landwirt Johann Georg Hering wurde von seiner Ehefrau Lina Sabine Georgine geborene Weyda aus Hausen bei Gotha: am 16. November 1872 (mit Buchstaben: am sechzehnten November eintausendachthundertzweiundsiebzig) ein Sohn (1, erstes Kind, 1, erster Sohn) geboren, welcher bei der am 26, sechszwanzigsten Dezember ej. a. nach evangelischem Ritus in Gegenwart von drei Zeugen vollzogenen heiligen Taufe die Namen "Karl August Ernst" empfing.

Für die wort- und zahlengetreue Übereinstimmung dieser Angaben mit denen des heiligen Kirchenbuches (Geburts.

Und Taufnachr. Jahrg. 1872, fol. 94, N^o. 17) bürgt Hochheim bei Gotha, den 23. September 1891 (Herzogtum Sachsen Gotha:) Deutsches Reich.

SIEGEL DER KIRCHE ZU HOCHHEIM

Das Pfarramt

Pfarrer Ernst Georger

BIRTH AND BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE

for

Karl August Ernst Hering, mason [or builder] from Hochheim bei Gotha

To the local neighboring resident and farmer Johann Georg Hering was by his wedded wife Lina Sabine Georgine nee Weyda from Hausen bei Gotha: on the 16th November 1872 (in letters on the sixteenth November one thousand eight hundred two and seventy) a Son (1, first child, 1, first son) born, who by the on the 26th, twenty sixth December of the same year according to the evangelical [Lutheran] rite in the presence of three witnesses performed holy baptism the name "Karl August Ernst" received.

For the word-for-word and numeral-for-numeral true agreement of this Information with that of the holy churchbook [parish register] (Birth and Baptism record year-volume 1872, folio [page?] 94, No. 17) vouches

Hochheim bei Gotha the 23d September 1891 (Duchy of Sachsen Gotha) German Reich

SEAL OF THE CHURCH AT HOCHHEIM

The Church Office

Pastor Ernst Georger

[signed by the pastor vouching for the accuracy of the document]



The two long sentences, being German, are in what is a tortured word order for English; put more in English order and simplifying:

To . . . farmer JGH . . . by his wife LSG(W) . . . a son . . . was born on 16 Nov 1872 [recorded two ways for absolute clarity], who received the name KAE in the

evangelical rite of holy baptism performed 26 Dec same year in the presence of 3 witnesses.

[The undersigned] vouches for the exact agreement of this information with that in the parish register (cites book, page and entry number).

William Henry Davison's Petition for Naturalization.

William Henry listed as his birth place. There she found a Davi(d)son family with a "W. H." of the correct age. Although we still need to find additional confirming information, it appears from the 1861 Canadian census that:

1. His parents are Frank and Sarah, born circa 1817 and 1827 respectively, and both born in Ireland.
2. His siblings are an older sister, Emily (born circa 1850), an older brother, Frank (born circa 1852), and three younger sisters; Sarah, Ann, and Nancy (born circa 1855, 1857, and 1859, respectively.) Note: Except for Emily, all of the children are listed as having been born in the United States. However, we are suspicious of this designation because William Henry is one of those five and he says he was born in Canada in multiple records.
3. His father's occupation at that time was a hotel-keeper.

The genealogist also did a bit more research on Ancestry.com and found potential descendants of Frank Davi(d)son, the probable brother of our William Henry. As I said in the earlier article, part of our frustration is that we had the name for two of William Henry's siblings – a "Frank" Davison from St. Joseph, Missouri, and a "Mrs. T. J. Patton" from Iola, Kansas, but I had never been able to confirm any additional information about them. I knew that I would have to verify the information found about this Frank Davi(d)son that she found on multiple family trees, but at least it gave me a good place to start.

One additional piece of information located was an obituary for Frank. It states he was survived by a sister, "Mrs. Anna Patterson" of Iola, Kansas. Oh my! Patton and Patterson are very close and both lived in Iola, Kansas, one in 1928 (at the time William Henry died) and the other in 1936 (at the time Frank died). This is another clue that points towards this being the correct family, because both Frank and William had a younger sister named Ann or Anna who lived in or near Iola, Kansas, according to their respective obituaries.

Finally, the last item found by the genealogist was a photo of this Frank/Francis Davison with "an unknown brother" posted by a few people on Ancestry. Soon after I received the report, I emailed all 14 of the people who listed this Frank/Francis on Ancestry. Three of them immediately responded saying they had connected to a wrong Frank Davison and were deleting him from their tree (I always consider this a win also). But the fourth gentleman who responded appears to be a direct

Frank Davison's Death Certificate courtesy of Missouri Public Records (http://www.sos.mo.gov/images/archives/deathcerts/1936/1936_00019335.PDF).

descendent of this Frank Davison. I forwarded him the report from the genealogist as well as other information I had on William Henry. I was so happy when he wrote back and said that he agrees. He also now believes that our William Henry Davison was a brother to his Frank Davison. The photo of Frank/Francis Davison with “an unknown brother” shows the unknown brother in profile and wearing a hat. I do not have any photos of William Henry wearing a hat or in profile. However, the bushy mustache is the same, the shape of the jaw is the same, and the “unknown brother” – and Frank – both look a lot like William Henry’s children. They look like family as best I can tell from these very old sepia-toned photographs.

Most recently, my mother was contacted on Ancestry.com by another descendent of this Frank Davi(d)son’s stating that Ancestry says they are third or fourth cousins. As far as we can tell, the only match is through William Henry and this Frank Davi(d)son.

Although my mother and I still have more research to do on William Henry, his parents, and his siblings, at least we now have confirmed where he was born from the naturalization papers. We also have information about who all of his siblings likely were and the names of his parents. I am so glad I did this. Hiring a professional genealogist for this type of situation was worth every penny to me, and then some.



Photo of (L to R) William Henry Davison, (youngest) daughter Merieo Davison Pfefferman, and Maggie (Calvert) Davison. We are not sure whose hand is by William's foot. Photo courtesy of author.

First Families of Multnomah County

Kristen Kristensen/Christen Christensen of Denmark (1866 – 1956)

Judith Leppert

One of our latest First Families of Multnomah County submissions hails from the windy shores of Denmark. The submitter gave documentation retelling the story of her grandparents' arrival around 1893 in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, from Copenhagen, Denmark, in 1886. The earliest available documentation that definitively shows the subject's residence in Multnomah County is a marriage record of the submitter's Danish grandparents dated May 20, 1893. Because this date is after September 11, 1883 (completion of the transcontinental railroad to Portland) but prior to 1905, the documentation qualifies the submitter's ancestors for First Families of Multnomah County "Lewis and Clark Exposition" status.

Christen Christensen was born Kristen Kristensen on October 27, 1866, in Denmark to Christen Hansen Christensen, as evidenced by his death certificate. According to information from the New York Passenger Lists, 1820-1957, Christen Christensen took the ship *Thingvalla* from his Danish homeland, arriving in New York, New York, on April 6, 1885. Danish emigration records, however, show his journey to New York was accomplished aboard the ship *Island* on July 21, 1886, from Bjerreby, Tasinge, Svendborg; Tasinge is an island in south Denmark.

The records also show he used an Americanized version of his Danish name, switching from his original Kristen Kristensen to Christen Christensen, shortly after his arrival in the United States. For example, the 1887 Polk City Directory for Portland shows a "Christensen Christen, bds 24 N 4th." His was a common name at that time, and this record is not confirmed without a doubt to be the submitter's ancestor; however, two pieces of circumstantial evidence convincingly support this being the correct Christen. First, it would be typical for a new immigrant to be boarding when he first arrived in his new country, especially after having so recently journeyed from his immigrant ship's landing site to his destination city in another part of the county. And



Christen Christensen

second, Hans P. Christensen, who is shown in the records to have travelled with Christen on the same ship from Denmark, is also shown in the same city directory as working for Christensen and Hansen, a painting company in the Portland area at that time.

According to the above-mentioned Multnomah County marriage record from May 20, 1893, we see that Christen had, at this point in his history, begun to use his Americanized name. The record shows his marriage to Johanna Hansen at the Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in the presence of witnesses Hans Christiansen and Christia Jensen. (See Multnomah County Marriage Book Number 10, page 240.)

Interestingly, on the subject of names, additional records following the life of Johanna Christensen and her children, Alfred, Harry, and William, show she sometimes went by “Hannah” and/or “Anna.” For example, Enumeration of the Inhabitants of the County of Multnomah, Oregon, for the year 1895 shows Christen Christensen with a Christian and a Hannah living in one household. Further, she is listed as Hannah Hansen on her son Harry’s death certificate. The 1900 Federal Census for the 42nd precinct in Portland, Oregon, shows Chris Christensen as the head of the household married to Anna with sons Alfred, age 5; Harry, age 4; and William, age 2. Christen and his wife appear together in every census through 1940, and are shown living at the same home in southeast Portland near Taylor Street for those same years. This is a good reminder that genealogical research often presents the need for a little sleuthing here and there in not only gathering but also in interpreting the details from individual records to understand the whole of our ancestors’ stories.

The 1903 Polk City Directory for Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, is the earliest available record showing that Christen made his living by working with the Bonneville Navigation Company as a ship builder. An unknown newspaper clipping gives the following comments regarding Christen’s contributions to the shipbuilding field:

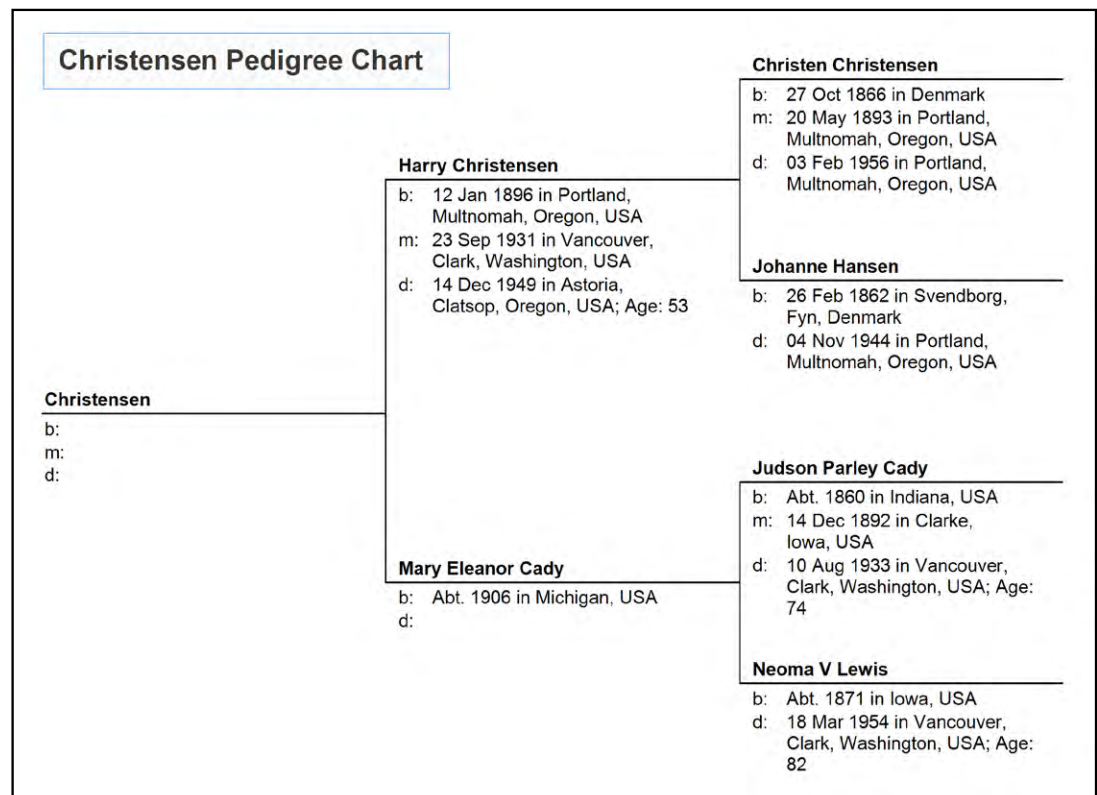
“A veteran boat builder and repairman C. Christensen, vice president and superintendent of the Portland shipyards in South Portland has charge of the work being done on the *Cascades*. ‘She [the *Cascades*] is to get new boilers and her decks probably will be remodeled to make them more suitable for sightseeing purposes. She will be able to accommodate from 240 and 250 persons when the work is completed,’ Christensen said.”

Christen Christensen died in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, February 3, 1956, having

reached the age of 71 years. His death certificate lists his occupation as ship builder.

Christen and Johanna’s second son, Harry, was the father of the submitter of this First Families’ application. Harry Christensen was born January 12, 1896, in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, and on September 23, 1931, he married Mary Eleanor Cady, also in Portland. Before they parted ways in June 1939, Harry and Mary gave birth to the First Families applicant on October 18, 1932. Harry’s occupation on the birth certificate is listed as Superintendent of Jantzen Beach for the prior five years. The court documents from Harry and Mary’s divorce cite domestic cruelty as the reason for Mary’s request for their separation, with Harry being accused of having “developed an ungovernable temper” over the previous two years. Harry’s death certificate gives his occupation at the time of death, December 14, 1949, as a tavern employee. His death certificate also shows he passed away in Astoria, Clatsop County, Oregon.

While some details can sometimes be more difficult than others to unearth when digging through the historical records that make up our ancestors’ stories, they are no less important. Perhaps Christen’s success was too overshadowing for his middle son, or perhaps their story is like many others with the twists and turns not needing any particular explanation in the end. Being a third generation from a First Families of Multnomah County ancestor is impressive enough in and of itself.



Spotlight

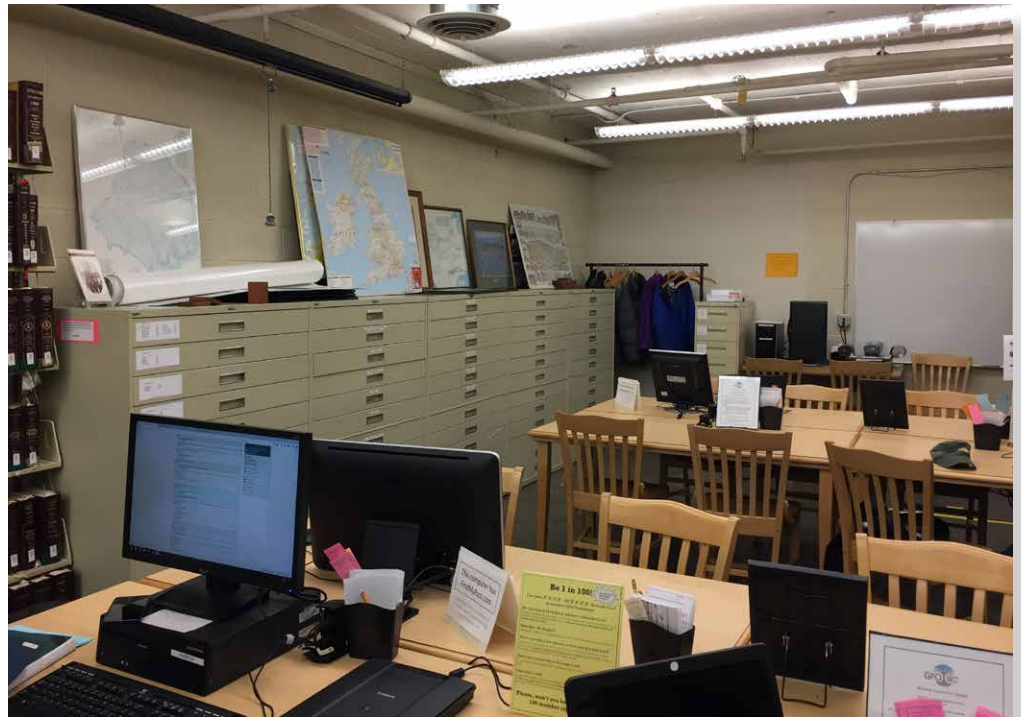
The Reorganized GFO Library

Marti Dell

Editor's Note: All committee meetings and Board meetings are open to anyone who wishes to attend.

Your GFO volunteers are always looking for ways to improve the library. Over the past year or so, we have noticed that even with active management of books, new acquisitions were outpacing de-acquisitioned items and space was at a premium.

This situation prompted the formation of a space planning committee which met in October and November to develop a plan to deal with a number of space



issues, such as how to create more room for new bookshelves and to deal with a number of other issues. For example, since moving into the Ford Building in 2011, our microfilm cabinets have been in two locations—neither of which were near the microfilm readers. Another issue the space planning committee tackled was the collections spanning either side of the library's brick wall which proved to be just that—splitting the books for the British Isles and several U.S. states into an illogical and inconvenient flow. After much discussion and many measurements, the committee was able to bring a comprehensive proposal to the November 2016 board meeting for some major shifts in the library.

The committee first set out a list of goals. They were to:

1. Create more shelf space for our growing collection;
2. Increase space in the multi-purpose area for presentations;
3. Eliminate the flow issues created by the brick wall so the natural flow is not broken and is more intuitive for patrons; and
4. Find solutions to store manuscript material on site and out of sight.

The committee's goal was to have everything completed before our Open House in March. The two meetings produced detailed plans which were approved by the

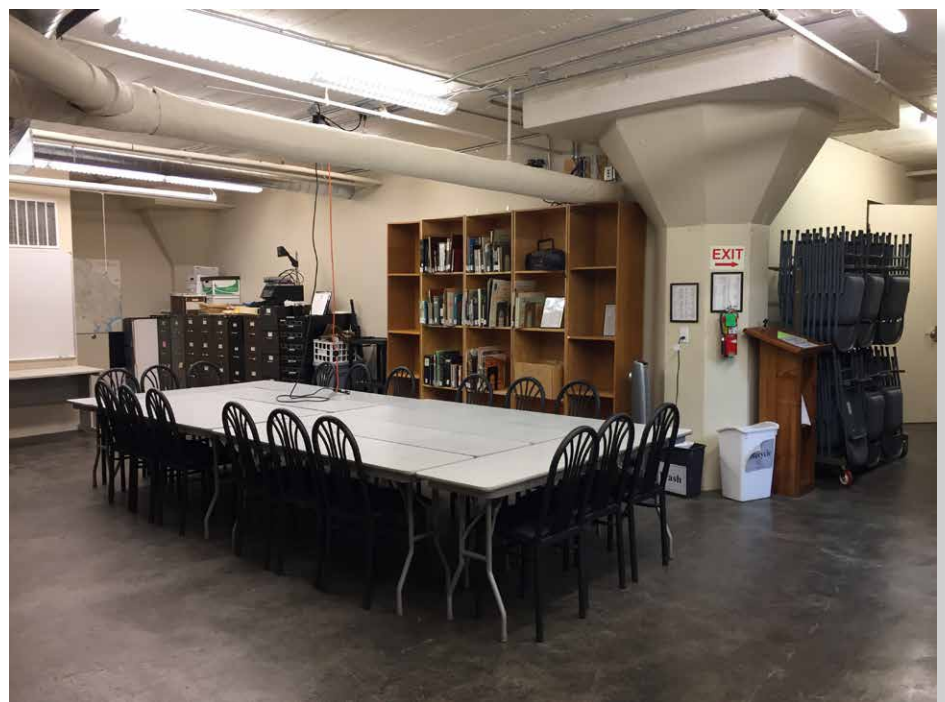


Board, and the changes were implemented very ably by Jerry McGarvin, our facilities manager, with a big push from the many volunteers on #givingTuesday on November 29th. The project was finished more than two months ahead of the planned schedule, and we were all so amazed and pleased by how quickly the project was accomplished. If you have been to the GFO Library in the past month or so, some of those changes are immediately obvious.

Here are the primary changes, both big and small, about which you should be aware:

1. The microfilm cabinets have been moved from the back of the library to the front where they are all together, and they are now close to the microfilm readers.
2. The city directories, which were in the space where the microfilm now reside, have been moved back along the same wall to make room for the microfilm cabinets.

3. Nanci Remington volunteered overtime to box all the manuscript material stored in file cabinets in the multi-purpose room and the file cabinets were given a new home. The manuscripts were moved to shelves specifically built for them in the GFO office.
4. The map cabinet has been moved from the back of the library to the south side of the brick wall where it fits perfectly. In addition, the very large map books that used to be in that space are now in the Oversized Rare Books section.
5. One shelf unit was relocated and there is now a walkway on the west side of the brick wall so people can move between the shelves with ease.
6. Books for the Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Alaska) have been moved to the east side of the brick wall (previously mostly the British Isles and New England) closest to the research area and the front desk so they are more easily accessible. Although the GFO is very proud of our broad, international collections, many people come into the library specifically for our Pacific Northwest collection. It has always been near the front, but now it is truly front and center.
7. The shelves for the oversized books have shifted from their old end-cap location to a wall in the multi-purpose room, and Jerry McGarvin has built a couple matching shelf units to join them.



8. Thanks to your generous donations, new shelves were purchased, and Jerry installed them as soon as they were delivered.
9. All the books in the library have been either shifted slightly or relocated completely.

We want to thank Rose City Moving and Storage for the loan of their “book carts on steroids” which made the whole process easier.

Volunteers and patrons have provided very positive feedback about the reorganization, although it will take a little adjustment for those accustomed to finding things where they were located before the move. We hope you appreciate the changes the next time you visit the library. Of course, if there is anything you have trouble finding, be sure to ask any of our volunteers for help.



GFO March 2017 Open House!

**Sunday March 19 –
DNA Day!**

9am: Convincing Family and Strangers to Test and Why

10:30am: The Four Autosomal DNA Testing Companies

12:30pm: Examples of How Autosomal DNA Testing Solved Genealogical Problems

2pm: GEDmatch

3:30pm: Q and A

The Leonard Steever– Susannah Seal Bible

Nanci Remington

The information found on the pages of this 1805 German Bible suggest that it originally belonged to Leonard Steever, as his name is written inside the front cover not twice, but three times—twice with the surname spelled Steever and below them spelled Stüber.

David Steever 1823 - - - to 1859 Son of Leonard

Marie Polly Steever Sugnet (Daughter of David) 1859 to 1891

Esther Louise Sugnet Bramble (Daughter of Marie Polly) 1891 to

These dates seem to indicate ownership of the Bible rather than lifespans. The Bible lists the marriages, births, and deaths of three generations spanning the years 1759 to 1891. A few locations are noted. Several people were born in Williamsville, Erie County, New York. One person died in Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Some research found that Leonard was born in Pennsylvania, the son of John Jost Steever and his wife, Anna Margaretha. There are many records that tie both men to Upper Paxton Township in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, including John Jost's will, which was recorded there on 28 August 1807. Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application files show that Leonard served in the Revolutionary War. He lived in Upper Paxton until around 1830 when he moved to Erie County, New York. He died in 1850 at the age of 91 years.

Leonard's son David may have moved with his parents to Erie County. He married in 1832 and his children were all born in New York. He died in Erie County, New York, in 1859. After David's death, his widow, Catherine, and some of the children moved to Michigan. In 1880 Catherine was living in Bay County with her daughter Esther. Marie Polly, the next person listed on the inside cover of the Bible, had married Frederick Sugnet and lived in Clare County, Michigan. A few years later her family moved to Arkansas. However, in her later years



Title page of the Leonard Steever–Susannah Seal family Bible, a German Bible published in 1805.

Marie Polly moved to Portland, Oregon. In 1930 she was living with her daughter Esther in the household of Robert Boyce, her grandson. She died there on Christmas Day, 1931.

The last name on the inside cover is Esther Louise. She was born in Erie County, New York, in 1870. On 14 February 1891, she married Charles E. Bramble in Nevada County, Arkansas. Her obituary states that she moved to Oregon in 1922. She died at the home of her daughter Clara Agnes on 22 June 1942 in Cottage Grove, Oregon.

It is not known who owned the Bible after Esther Louise's death. She had a son and two daughters. Two of the children left Oregon and later died in California. In 1919, the third child, Clara Agnes Bramble, married Robert Boyce in Shanghai, China. Clara Agnes and her husband later settled in Cottage Grove, Oregon, where she died in 1994 at the age of 100.

Other surnames of Leonard Steever's descendants discovered when researching the family include:

- Brown
- Coon
- Guggisberg
- Hartman
- Hunsberger
- Morford
- Santee
- Stever
- White
- Wittig

[INSIDE COVER]

Leonard Steever
His Bibbia-Biblia

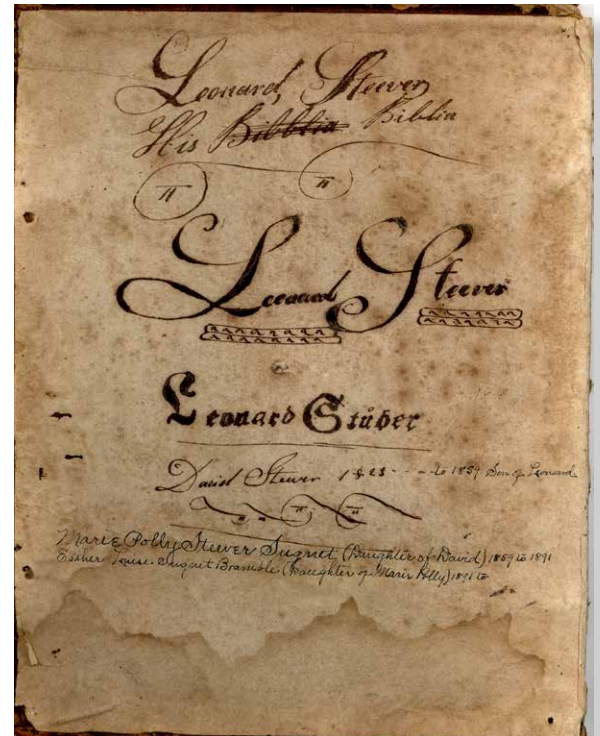
Leonard Steever

Leonard Stüber

David Steever 1823 - - - to 1859 Son of Leonard

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HEIRATHEN. [MARRIAGES]

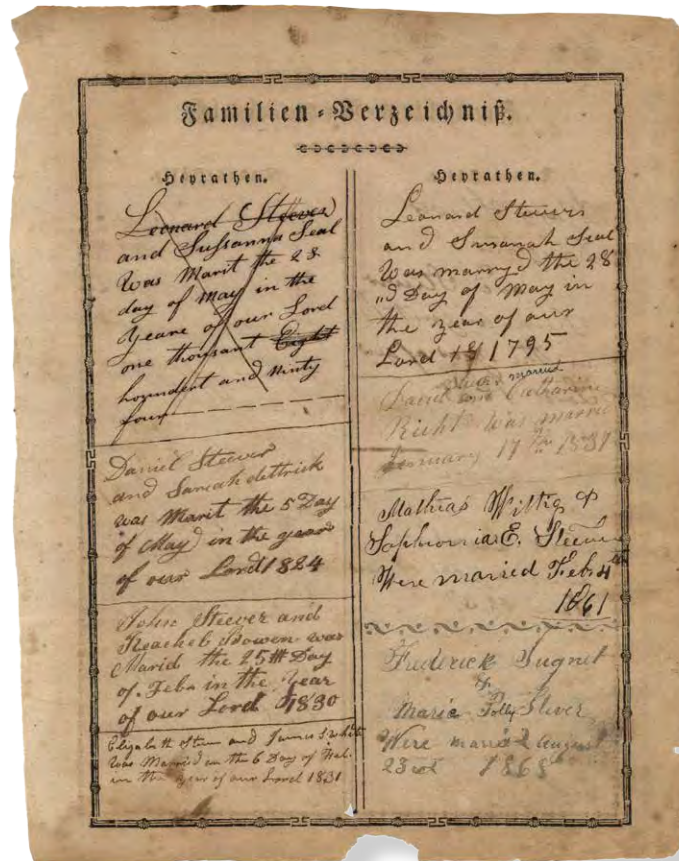
Leonard Steever
and Sussanna Seal
was marit the 28
day of May in the
yeare of our Lord
one thousand Eight
houndert and ninty
four

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large X across it.]

Daniel Steever
and Sarah dettrick
was marit the 5 Day
of May in the year
of our Lord 1824

John Steever and
Reachel Bowen was
Marid the 25# Day
of Feb. in the Year
of our Lord 1830

Elizabeth Steever and James S White
was married on the 6 Day of Feb.
in the year of our Lord 1831



Leonard Steever
and Susanah Seal
was marryd the 28
nd day of May in
the year of our
Lord 18 1795

David Steever and Catharine
Richt was married
January 17th 1837
[“Married” was inserted
in another hand.]

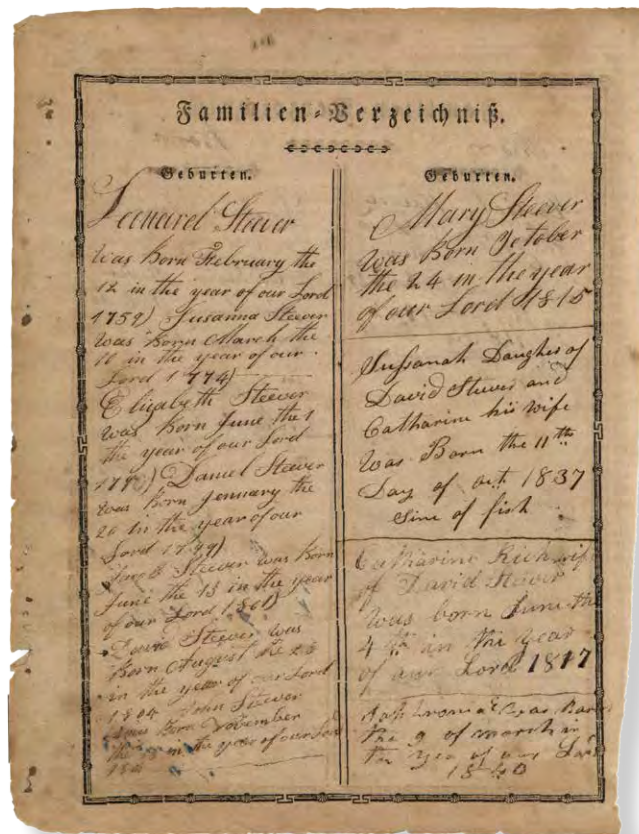
Mathias Wittig &
Sophronia E. Steever
Were married Feb. 4th 1861

Frederick Sugnet
&
Maria(e) P(olly) Stever
Were married August
23rd 1868

[The “a” in Maria is written
over with an “e” and “olly” was added after the “P”, both
in a different hand and ink from the original.]

GEBURTEN. [BIRTHS]

Leonard Steever
was Born February the
12 in the year of our Lord
1759) Susanna Steever
was Born March the
10 in the year of our
Lord 1774 - - -
Elizabeth Steever
was Born June the 1
the year of our Lord
179?) Daniel Steever
was Born January the
20 in the year of our
Lord 1799)
Jacob Steever was Born
June the 13 in the year
of our Lord 1801)
David Steever was
Born August the 28
in the year of our Lord
1804 John Steever
was Born November
the 13 in the year of our Lord
180[?] - - - -



Mary Steever
was Born October
the 24 in the year
of our Lord 1815

Sussanah Daughter of
David Steever and
Catharine his wife
was Born the 11th
Day of Oct 1837
Sine of fish

Catharine Rich wife
of David Steever
was born June the
4th in the year
of our Lord 1817

Sophonra E was Born
the 9 of March in
the year of our Lord
1840

BIBLE PROJECT – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – CAN WORK FROM HOME!

The GFO has a long tradition of collecting Bible records. We often publish them in the Bulletin and provide an index of the records on our website. However, we have a box of records at the library waiting their turn to be published. These can be broken down into three groups:

1. Those that have never been transcribed – some with the original pages and some that are photocopies. These will need to be transcribed to a Word or text file format.
2. Those that have been transcribed and have copies of the original pages. These will need to be proofread and then either retyped or converted to a Word or text document.

3. Those where the information was written or typed and given to the GFO without originals or copies. Some of these transcriptions were sent in by owners, while others were copied from Bibles of friends or found in thrift stores. These will need to be retyped or converted to a Word or text document.

The records have all been scanned and can be downloaded so that you can work from home. The original pages are also available at the library. We would love to finish this project by the end of the year. If you can help, please send a note to manuscripts@gfo.org. As always, many thanks for your continued support.

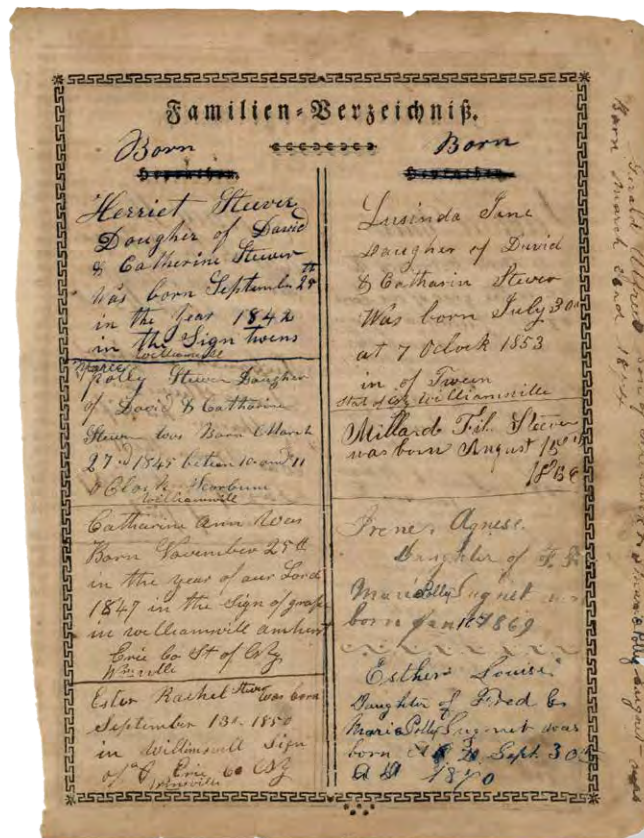
HEIRATHEN. BORN

Herriet Steever
 Daugher of David
 & Catherine Steever
 Was born September 25th
 in the Year 1842
 in the Sign twins
 (Williamsvill)
 [Insertion; different
 handwriting.]

Marie Polly Steever Daugher
 of David & Catharine
 Steever was Born March
 27nd 1845 beteen 10 and 11
 O Clock Scorbune
 (Williamsvill)
 [Insertion; different
 handwriting.]

Catharine Ann was
 Born November 25th
 in the year of our Lord
 1847 in the Sign of grape
 in Williamsvill Amherst
 Erie Co St of NY
 Wmville

Ester Rachel Stever was born
 September 13th 1850
 in Willimsvill Sign
 of [symbol of bow and arrow?] Erie Co NY
 Wmsville



Lusinda Jane
 Daugher of David
 & Catharin Stever
 Was born July 30
 at 7 Oclock 1853
 in of Tween
 stat of NY Williamsville

Millard Fil. Steever
 was born August 15th
 1856

Irene Agnese
 Daugher of F. &
 Maria(e Polly) Sugnet was
 [The "a" in Maria was
 written over with an "e" and
 "Polly" was added, both in a
 different hand and ink from
 the original]
 Jan (16th) 1869
 [16th inserted between
 January and 1869 in different
 hand and ink]

Esther Louise
 Daugher of Fred &
 Maria(e Polly) Sugnet was
 born A D Sept. 30th
 A D 1870

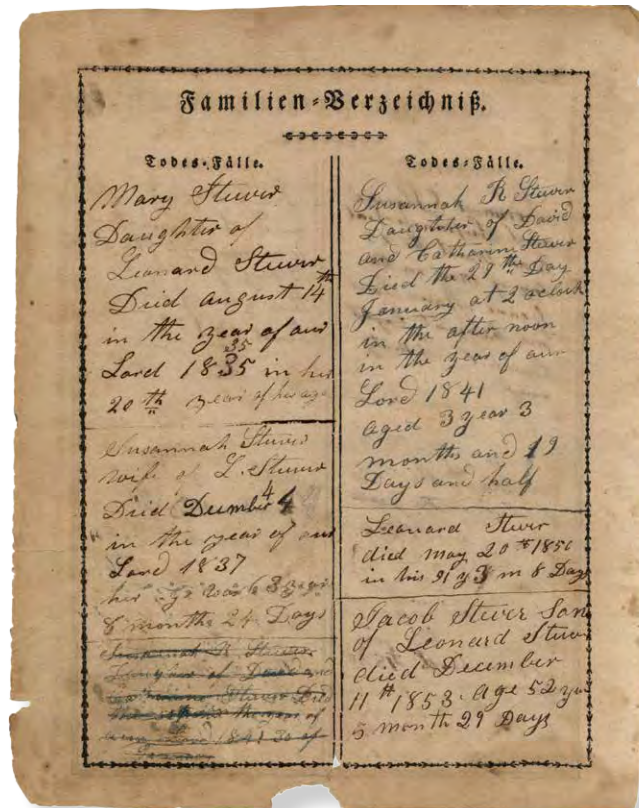
[In margin.]
 Gerald Alfred Son of Frederick & Maria(e Polly) Sugnet
 - was
 [The "a" in Maria was written over with an "e" and
 "Polly" was added, both in a different hand and ink from
 the original]
 Born March 23nd 1874

TODES • FÄLLE. [DEATHS]

Mary Steever
Daughter of
Leonard Steever
Died August 14th
in the year of our
Lord 1835 in her
20th year of her age

Susannah Steever
wife of L. Steever
Died December 4
in the year of our
Lord 1837
her age was 63 year
8 months 24 Days

Susannah R Steever
Daughter of David and
Catherine Steever Died
30th Jan the year of
our Lord 1841 30th of
January



Susannah R Steever
Daughter of David
and Catharine Steever
Died the 29th Day
January at 2 o'clock
in the after noon
in the year of our
Lord 1841
aged 3 year 3
months and 19
Days and half

Leonard Steever
died May 20th 1850
in his 91 y 3 m 8 Days

Jacob Steever Son
of Leonard Steever
died December
11th 1853. age 52 year
5 month 29 Days

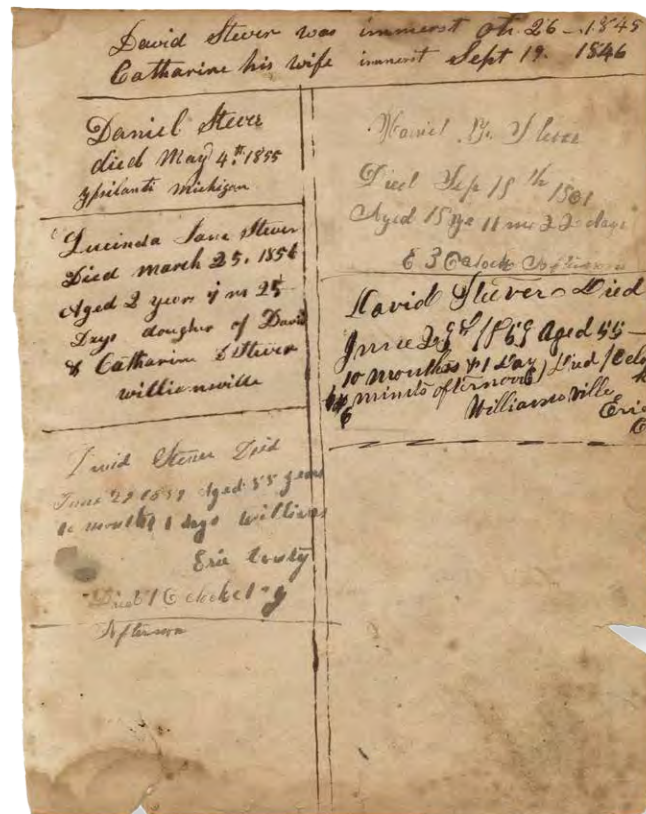
[ADDED PAGE]

David Steever was immerst Otc. 26 _ 1845
Catharine his wife immerst Sept 19. 1846

Daniel Steever
died May 4th 1855
Ypsilanti Michigan

Lucinda Jane Steever
Died March 25, 1856
Aged 2 years 7 m 25
Days daughter of David
& Catharine D Steever
Williamsville

David Steever Died
June 29 1859 Aged 55 years
10 months 1 days Williams
Erie County
Died 1 O Clock ?
Afternoon



Harriet ? Steever
Died Sep 18th 1861
Aged 18 yr 11 m 22 days
[?] 3 O clock Afternoon

David Steever Died
June 29th 1859 aged 55 -
10 months & 1 day Died 1 O clock
6 minets afternoon
Williamsville Erie Co

Tools for Genealogy

Probate Records—Double your chances of finding them online

Nanci Remington

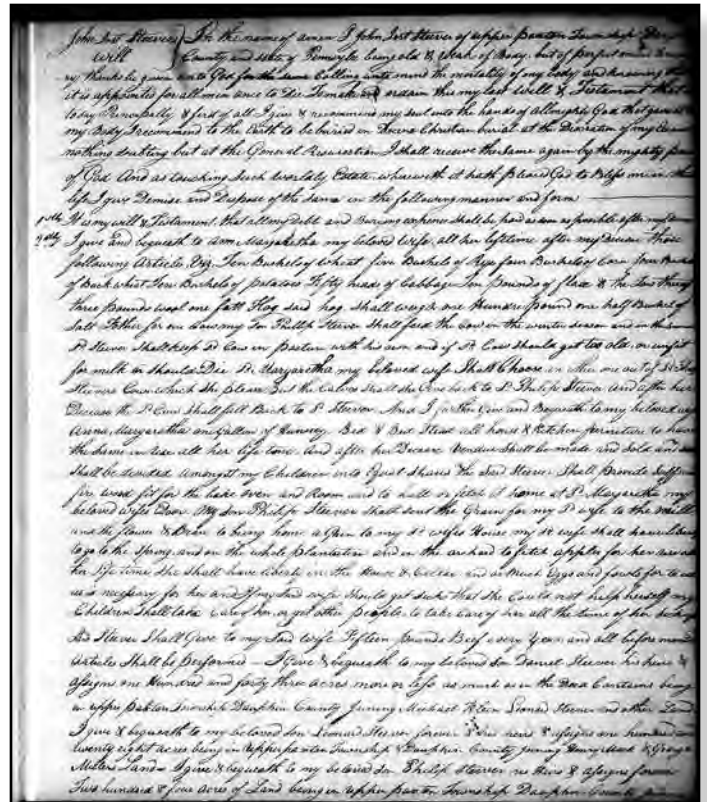
Probate records can be some of the most valuable genealogical sources you find, especially if they were created before there was civil registration of vital records and before the census listed all household members. They can fill in the gaps and give you clues to family, friends, neighbors, and associates.

Until recently you had to travel to local courthouses or other repositories to find these records. Many, but not all, had been microfilmed by the Family History Library. These could be ordered and viewed as if you were in the courthouse reading through the books. This process is not too bad if there were indexes in the books, but very time consuming if not. FamilySearch began putting the films on their website a few years ago, which saved time, but still involved a lot of page turning.

In September of 2015, Ancestry.com released a searchable index and the images for many of these films. They have images of over 170 million records from all 50 states. These include wills, accounts and inventories, guardianships, and petitions. However, it is important to know that not all of the images have been indexed and that these are not all-name indexes.

So how do you find the ones that you want? We will use the names from the Leonard Steever–Susannah Seal Bible (see accompanying article on page 21) to work through the process.

1. The Bible stated that **Leonard Steever** was born 12 Feb 1759, married 28 May 1795 and died 20 May 1850. No locations were noted. Some research found that he spent most of his life in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania. To search for probate records on Ancestry, do the following:
 - a. Go to *Search*
 - b. Click on *Search All Collections* in the dropdown menu
 - c. Scroll down to the map and click on the state – in this case Pennsylvania



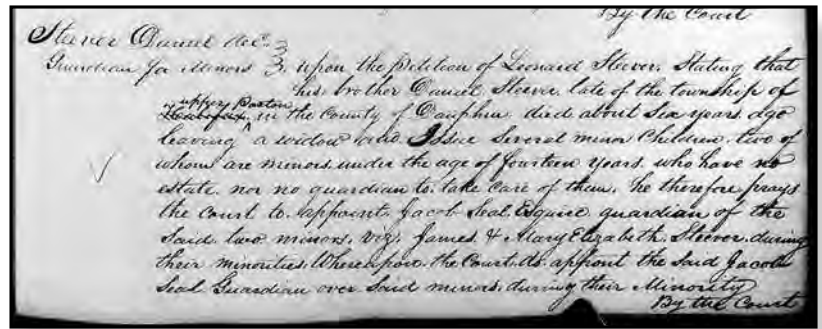
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- d. Scroll down and click on *Pennsylvania, Wills and Probate Records, 1683-1993*
2. This leads you to a search box for Pennsylvania. If you know the county that you want to search be sure to:
 - a. Go to the box on the right side of the page called *Browse this Collection*.
 - b. Find the county in the drop down menu
 - c. Look at the records that are available for that county.
 - d. Now search for your ancestor using the search boxes

Why browse the collection first? Because not all of the names in the records were indexed in the books, and many times only those listed in the book's index are found in the search results. If you know there are images for additional books, you can follow the information from the index to the image of the original documents. For example, the records that are available for Dauphin County are:

- Orphans Court Dockets, Index A-F, 1785-1937
- Orphans Court Dockets, Index G-M, 1785-1937

- Orphans Court Dockets, Index N-Z, 1785-1937
- Orphans Court Dockets, Vol 1a-1c, 1785-1811
- Orphans Court Dockets, Vol 1d-1e, 1812-1825
- Orphans Court Dockets, Vol 1f-1h, 1825-1835
- Orphans Court Dockets, Vol 1i-1j, 1835-1843
- Orphans Court Dockets, Vol 1k-1m, 1843-1852
- Will Records and Index, 1785-1795 and Orphans Court Docket, 1785-1787
- Wills, Vol 1a-1c, 1785-1814
- Wills, Vol 1d-1e, 1812-1845
- Wills, Vol 1f-1g, 1845-1869
- Wills, Vol 1h, 1869-1875



1839 Steever Appointment of Guardian

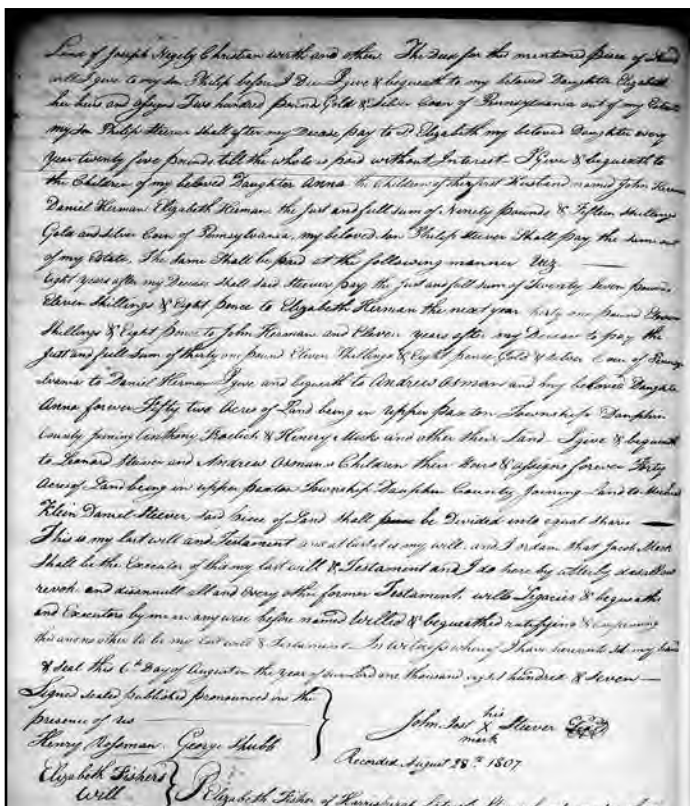
page numbers for two additional sets of records. One is an administrator account; the other is the Appointment of Guardian. You must return to the browse screen to go to those additional volumes.

Without doing that, it could be assumed that Daniel died in 1839. However, the appointment of guardian reads:

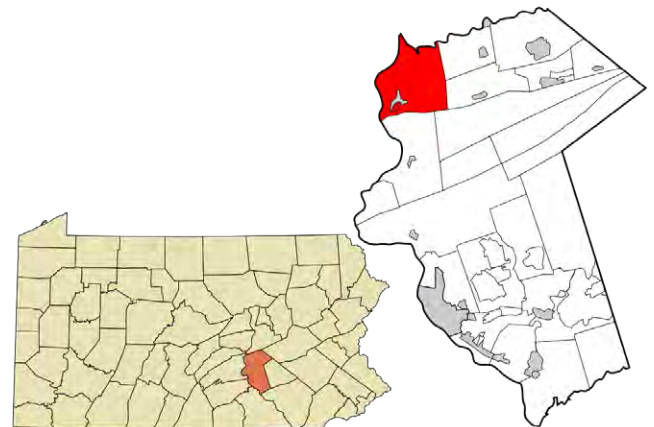
“Upon the petition of Leonard Steever. Stating that his brother Daniel Steever late of the township of upper Paxton in the County of Dauphin died about Six years ago leaving a widow and Issue. Several minor children two of whom are minors under the age of fourteen years who have no estate nor no guardian to take care of them. He therefore prays the court to appoint Jacob Seal Esquire guardian of the Said two minors viz. James & Mary Elizabeth Steever during their minorities.”

According to this record, Daniel would have died about 1833, and it gives the township he was living in when he died – Upper Paxton. The next mention of Leonard and Daniel was in September 1846 when there was a final accounting of the estate. Might that have been when the youngest child reached the age of majority?

When I searched for Steever in Dauphin County, I got three results before 1850: two for **John Jost Steever** and one for **Daniel Steever**. The results for John Jost include the *Index for the Wills* book and the image of the will. Pretty clear cut. But the results for Daniel can be misleading. What I found was the *Index for Orphan Court Dockets, N-Z, 1785-1937*. The Ancestry results screen gives the record date as 1839 and the inferred death date as 1839. Clicking on the image will show the probate date of 1839 plus columns that give volume and



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A map showing the location of Upper Paxton in Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

The above information contradicts what is found online in Steever family trees, most of which show that Daniel Steever, son of John Jost, brother of Leonard, died in 1844.

Leonard Steever's Bible does not name his parents or siblings. However, Leonard had a son named Daniel, and the Daniel who died in 1844 is shown to have a son named Leonard. So is Leonard the son of John Jost, and did he have a brother named Daniel? Perhaps reading the will of John Jost Steever would help.

The index and image are in the same book and were found in the initial search results. The will was recorded August 28, 1807.

John's will turned out to be a treasure trove of information about the family. It named John's wife, Anna Margaretha; sons Philip, Daniel, and Leonard; and daughters Elizabeth and Anna. It named the children of his daughter Anna and her first husband plus the name of Anna's second husband. It described the boundaries of the land that he left to each of the children by naming the neighbors. There are many clues to follow up.

To improve your chances of finding even more information, be sure to go to FamilySearch to see if they have more probate records. These will not show up in the search results when you put in a name. To find them:

- Go to the search page at <https://familysearch.org/search>
- Click on the map and choose your state
- Scroll down to Probate and Court records
- Click on Browse the Images to go to the county of interest

Another search to try:

- Go to the search page and then to Catalog
- Click on Keyword and enter your county name and probate
- The images may not be online but can be ordered.

Hint: When looking at records on microfilm, it is important to check how many volumes are on a film. In the above example, there are three on one film. You will need to find where each book starts on the film to see if there is an index there for that book.



For a basic overview of United States probate records go to https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/United_States_Probate_Records

For more information about using Ancestry probate records, download their Research Guide at https://c.mfcreative.com/mars/landing/probates/ProbatesResearchGuide_final.pdf

For more information about the scope of the Ancestry.com collection see Randy Seaver's blog post at <http://www.geneamusings.com/2015/09/how-complete-is-ancestrycom-wills-and.html>

The GFO library has over 150 entries for probate. Be sure to search for probate plus your county to see if we have what you need—<http://gfo.ind.opalsinfo.net/bin/home>

Best Will Ever! – John Jost Steever's Will

In the name of amen I John Jost Steever of upper Paxton Township Dauphin County and State of Pennsylv, being old & weak of Body, but of perfect mind & memory thanks be given unto God for the same Calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to Die To make and ordain this my last will & Testament that is to say Principally & first of all I give & recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave it [?] my Body I recommend to the Earth to be buried in Decent Christian burial at the Discretion of my Executor nothing doubting but at the General Resu-

rection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and as touching Such worldly Estate, wherewith it hath pleased God to Bless me in this life I give Demise and Dispose of the same in the following manner and form ---

¹stly It is my will and Testament, that all my Debts and Burying expense Shall be paid as soon as possible after my Decease

²stly I give and bequeath, to Ann Margaretha my beloved wife, all her lifetime after my Decease those following Articles, Viz, Ten Bushels of wheat five

Bushels of Rye four Bushels of Corn four Bushels of Buck-wheat Ten Bushels of potatoes Fifty heads of Cabbage Ten pounds of flax & the Tow thereof three pounds wool one fatt Hog said hog shall weigh one Hundred pound one half Bushel of Salt Fother for one cow my son Phillip Steever shall feed the cow in the winter season and in the summer s^d Steever Shall keep s^d Cow in pasture with his own and if s^d cow should get too old, or unfit for milk or should Die s^d Mararetha my beloved wife Shall Choose an other one out of s^d Philip Steevers Cows which she please But the Calves shall she Give back to s^d Philip Steever. And after her Decease the s^d Cow Shall fall Back to s^d Steever. And I further Give and Bequeath to my beloved wife Anna Margaretha one Gallon of Hunney, Bed & Bed Stead all house & kitchen furniture to have the Same in use all her life time, And after her Decease Residue Shall be made and Sold and [?] shall be divided amongst my Children into Equal Shares The Said Steever Shall provide Sufficient fire wood fit for the bake oven and Room and to hall or fetch it home at s^d Margaretha my beloved wifes Door. My Son Philip Steever Shall sent the grain for my s^d wife to the mill and the flower & Bran, to bring home aGain to my s^d wifes House my s^d wife shall have liberty to go to the spring, and on the whole plantation and in the orchard to fetch apples for her use all her lifetime She Shall have liberty in the House & Cellar, and as much Eggs and fowls for to eat as is necessary for her and If my said wife should get sick that she Could not help herself my Children Shall take Care of her or get other people, to take care of her all the time of her Sickness. Said Steever Shall Give to my Said Wife Fifteen pounds Beef every Year, and all before mentioned Articles Shall be performed—I Give & bequeath to my beloved Son Daniel Steever his heirs & assigns one Hundred and forty three acres more or less as much as in the Deed Contains being in upper Paxton Township Dauphin County joining Michael Klein Leonard Steever and other Land. I give and bequeath to my beloved Son Leonard Steever forever & his heirs and assigns one hundred and twenty eight acres being in upper Paxton Township & Dauphin County joining Henry Meck & George Millers Land. I give & bequeath to my beloved Son Philip Steever his Heirs & assigns forever Two hundred & four acres of Land being in upper Paxton Township Dauphin County joining Land of Joseph Hegely Christian Wirth

and others. The Deed for this mentioned piece of Land will I give to my son Philip before I Die. I give & bequeath to my beloved Daughter Elizabeth her heirs and assigns Two hundred pounds Gold & Silver coin of Pennsylvania out of my Estate my son Philip Steever shall after my Decease pay to S^d Elizabeth my beloved Daughter every year twenty five pounds till the whole is paid without Interest. I give & bequeath to the Children of my beloved Daughter Anna, the Children of her first Husband named John Herman Daniel Herman Elizabeth Herman, the Just and full sum of Ninety pounds & Fifteen Shillings Gold and Silver coin of Pennsylvania, my beloved Son Philip Steever Shall pay the same out of my Estate. The Same Shall be paid at the following manner Viz. Eight years after my Decease Shall Said Steever pay the Just and full sum of Twenty Seven pounds Eleven Shillings & Eight pence to Elizabeth Herman the next year thirty one pound Eleven Shillings & Eight pence to John Herman and Eleven years after my Decease to pay the Just and full Sum of thirty one pound Eleven Shillings & Eight pence Gold and Silver Coin of Pennsylvania to Daniel Herman. I give and bequeath to Andrew Osman and my beloved Daughter Anna forever Fifty two Acres of Land being in upper Paxton Township Dauphin County Joining Anthony Froelich & Henery Mack and other their Land. I give & bequeath to Leonard Steever and Andrew Osman's Children their Heirs & assigns forever Forty acres of Land being in upper Paxton Township Dauphin County Joining Land to Michael Klein Daniel Steever, said piece of Land shall piec be Divided into equal shares. This is my last will and Testament and at last it is my will, and I ordain that Jacob Meck Shall be the Executor of this my last will & Testament and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and disannull all and Every other former Testament, wills Legacies & bequeaths and Executors by me in anywise before named willed & bequeathed ratifying & Confirming this and no other to be my last will & Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 6th Day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & seven.

Signed sealed published pronounced in the Presence of us

Henry Rossman. George Shubb

John Jost [insert his X mark] Steever

Recorded August 28th 1807

Bulletin Index, 2016

The following is an index of names and subjects that have appeared in the *Bulletin* in the year 2016. This list was compiled by Shirley Wilkerson and Cathy Lauer.

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BOOK REVIEW

A History of the Grandparents I Never Had

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If you read only one personal family history this year, make it the brilliant but painful story of Ivan Jablonka's discovery of his grandparents, Matès and Idesa Jablonka, who died as prisoners at Auschwitz during the Second World War. *A History of the Grandparents I Never Had* (Stanford University Press, 2016; translation from the original 2012 French edition) ably combines exhaustive scholarly research, searing personal reflection, masterful storytelling, and careful parsing of the limits of primary and secondary historical sources.

French historian Ivan Jablonka began his quest to discover his grandparents with almost no clues or information, just a few letters and a passport, as well as the recollections of their two surviving children, his father and his aunt.

The story he uncovered began in a central Polish shtetl, Parczew, where young Matès and Idesa were Communist militants, at odds with both Jewish Zionists and Polish authorities. Both were jailed, and upon their release they married. Then in 1937 they fled rampant anti-Semitism for the supposed safety of France. America and Argentina were beyond their financial means, and Palestine would not have been welcoming for anti-Zionists. Yet in France they were stateless, without the necessary documents to secure either legal residency or citizenship. As a result, both were investigated by the Parisian police. Matès was ordered to leave France within five days, then imprisoned, and subsequently released. When Germany invaded France, Matès joined the French Foreign Legion, and despite rough treatment, served honorably.

Upon Matès's demobilization 28 September 1940, he barely missed being interred in a concentration camp or labor camp. Indeed, life in Vichy France became increasingly intolerable for the young couple and their two children, both born in France. Avoiding the police, attempting to earn enough to survive, and hiding out became full-time activities. Finally, on 25 February 1943, Matès and Idesa were arrested and sent to Auschwitz.

Their children, Marcel, the author's father, and Susanne—through the timely assistance of a Pole whose name no one remembers, as well as help from friends of the family, and the Amelot Committee—obtained forged documents, gained financial support, and were sent to the countryside to live with an elderly couple for the duration of the war. Matès and Idesa did not survive Auschwitz. Idesa probably died shortly after arrival. Matès could have been part of the notorious Sonderkommando, prisoners assigned to empty gas chambers and burn corpses. If so, he may have perished when the men of Krematoriums II and IV rebelled on 7 October 1944.

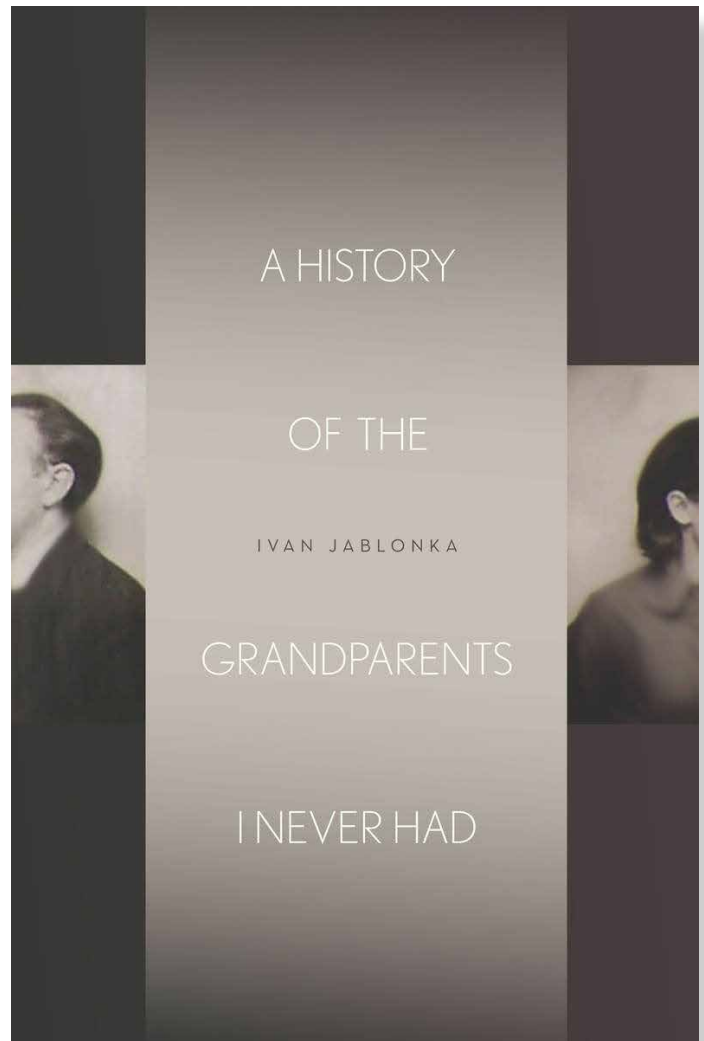
Jablonka's study is well worth reading just for its exceptionally well-told story. But his search for his grandparents is also valuable because it is told as a process of discovery. Within the text he shares his search for evidence and his evaluation of that evidence; and he clearly distinguishes between solid fact-based evidence, iffy evidence, and varying degrees of conjecture. Therefore it is a model study, especially valuable for genealogists and personal family historians who likewise search for any available scraps of evidence, and who often must grapple with questionable evidence or even a complete lack of evidence.

The story of the Jablonkas is divided into three phases: life in Parczew, life in exile in France, and survival and death at Auschwitz. Following are a few examples of the author's diligence in finding and piecing together sources of historical information.

The Yizkor Bukh, or book of remembrance, of Matès's ancestral village, written by World War II survivors, is a key resource for life in Parzew. It is written in Yiddish, which the author neither reads nor speaks, so he hired a translator. He visited central Poland and especially the central Polish State Archives where he discovered court files and confidential police reports for Matès and Idesa. For these rich sources also, he was dependent on Polish interpreters and guides.

Sources for the French years are particularly diverse. In the course of his investigation into his grandparents' sojourn in France, the author used more than twenty archives; met all sorts of witnesses in Poland, Israel, Argentina, and the United States; and read original and translated texts in French, Yiddish, Polish, Spanish, English, and German. One especially impressive example of historical sleuthing and reconstruction for the French years was when Jablonka sought to reconstruct life at Passage d'Eupatoria where Matès and family tried to avoid the Parisian authorities. The author examined the 1936 and 1946 censuses at the archives of the City of Paris and recorded the names of everyone who lived at Numbers 15, 17, and 19 at Passage d'Eupatoria. Then he phoned about 100 total strangers who lived in the region of the Île-de-France and whose surnames matched those of wartime tenants. By this means, Jablonka managed to locate five "reliable witnesses." Their recollections were then meshed with those National Security files at the French National Archives which described tenants who were illegal aliens living at the Passage. Finally, he traveled to Argentina where he interviewed cousins and obtained key family documents. Combining these, as well as numerous other primary and secondary sources, he masterfully reconstructed the Passage's community, Matès and Idesa's arrest, and Marcel and Susanne's avoidance of arrest (see in particular pp. 182–210).

Auschwitz presents an especially difficult task of historical reconstruction. Most Auschwitz archives



were destroyed. The author locates three clues: Matès was transported to Auschwitz in "convoy no. 49." So was Chaim Herman, who when at the camp buried a letter dated 6 November 1944 which was later discovered near a crematorium. Two leaders of the 7 October 1944 revolt of the Sonderkommando were also part of convoy no. 49. None of these mention Matès. However, a survivor of Auschwitz stated that he saw Matès at the camp, and that Matès was an "undertaker." So Matès might have been in the Sonderkommando; but, ultimately the author can only "conjecture." For Idesa, he can only state, "I'll formulate a conjecture within a conjecture." (p. 264).

BOOK REVIEW

The Battle of Wyoming for Liberty and Life

The Whole Story of the 1778 Battle and Massacre in Wyoming Valley, Pennsylvania

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This book is about a small community that was forced to defend itself during the American Revolutionary War because the Continental Congress refused to supply a militia to aide in its defense. Anyone who is interested in the American Revolutionary War and what life was like for such a community or anyone who had ancestors who lived in Pennsylvania's Wyoming Valley during the American Revolution would find this book a fascinating read.

The Battle of the Wyoming Valley, also known as the Wyoming Massacre, was not a part of any major campaign during the Revolutionary War, though it affected the lives of so many people. This book is intended to tell the complete history of this battle, the massacre, what led up to it, the devastation suffered by those who survived, and the events it triggered when the Continental Congress finally decided to take notice.

The author, Mark G. Dziak, was born and raised in the Wyoming Valley. A graduate from King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, he later became a senior publishing editor for an educational book producer.

Dziak begins by describing the heavy taxation of the American colonies in the 1770s to help pay for Britain's war with France. He then recounts how some rowdy colonists threw snowballs at British soldiers in Boston,

and in response the soldiers fired back, killing five civilians in what became known as the Boston Massacre.

Tensions continued to increase, and colonists began to talk about declaring their independence from Britain. Militias were formed, and storage facilities for armaments were built. Britain sent more troops to stop this, and some British soldiers abused their power over the colonists. On April 19, 1775, British soldiers were ordered to march to Concord to confiscate stores of ammunition and armaments. En route they encountered a group of American militia who were prepared to fight, thus triggering the American Revolutionary War.

Dziak then focuses on Pennsylvania's remote Wyoming Valley region, where many of the settlers were sympathetic to the patriotic cause. On August 8, 1775, a panel of Wyoming Valley patriots made a written declaration, offering their support for the American cause for independence. Wyoming was a small, very isolated settlement in the wilderness, consisting of five townships—Wilkes-Barre, Plymouth, Pittston, Forty (Kingston), and Nanticoke. Wyoming settlers knew that if the War came their way, they would probably have to defend their homes and the settlement themselves.

Tensions grew between American Patriots and Loyalists living in the area. Many of the Loyalists were forced from their homes, and they vowed to take revenge.

Since 1731, people living in the Wyoming Valley had maintained friendly relations with the Iroquois Confederacy, which consisted of the Seneca, Onondaga, Oneida, Cayuga, Mohawk, and later the Tuscarora tribes, but by 1776 that started to change. As American forces searched for allies in Europe, British forces searched for allies amongst disaffected Loyalists and people of the Iroquois Confederacy.

At first the Iroquois Confederacy refused Loyalists' pleas to help crush the Americans into submission. Loyalists continued to urge the Iroquois to fight for their cause, and the Iroquois continued to refuse until one of the Seneca chiefs accused them of being cowards. That was intolerable, and it achieved the desired results: the Mohawk, Seneca, and Cayuga chiefs, finally defending their honor, pledged their support to the British. Meanwhile, the Onondaga chiefs declared that they would remain neutral, and the Oneida and Tuscarora chiefs pledged that if they were to fight, it would be on behalf of the American Patriots.

After Wyoming Valley's Patriot panel gave its declaration of support for the cause of American independence, experienced soldier Colonel Zebulon Butler was given command of the Twenty-fourth Regiment. He oversaw the construction of two forts and the reconstruction of another, so that those living in the settlement would have a place to go if the area came under attack.

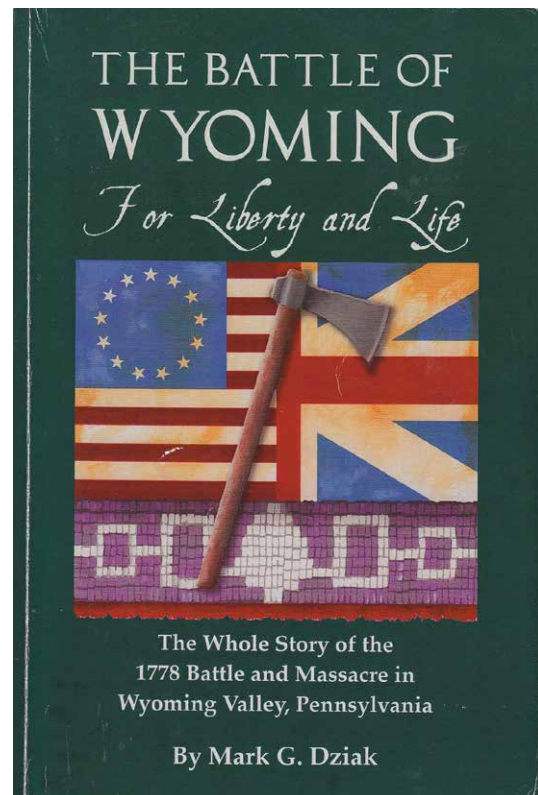
As George Washington called for more troops, recruiters came to the Wyoming Valley and enlisted many of the settlers who were eager to fight. By the time Colonel Butler built his militia, few able-bodied men were still available, so many of those he recruited were old men and very young boys.

As things grew from bad to worse, Colonel Nathan Denison, who was in charge of one of the forts, petitioned the Continental Congress to send soldiers. His request was denied; however, Congress did send guns and ammunition. Denison continued to plead with Congress for support, but each time, he was refused—until late June of 1778, when they finally agreed to combine two broken-down regiments of the Independent Company and order them to march to the Wyoming Valley. By then, it was too late.

In the final days of June 1778, it became clear that the men of the Twenty-fourth were facing a fight. On June 30th, British Loyalists and their Iroquois allies made three attacks on small groups of men who were working away from the settlement. Eight men were killed, two were wounded, and a few others managed to escape and make their way back to Fort Jenkins.

The next day, Colonel Butler led a detail to chase down the enemy, but none were found until they reached the Hadsall Tannery where two of three men had been killed. Butler ordered a small detail to recover the bodies. As they approached, they spotted two Seneca sharpshooters prepared to shoot. Patriots shot at them, injuring one. They chased the other into the river where they bludgeoned him. The squad retrieved the remains of those killed and returned to the Fort.

On July 3, 1778, the British Loyalist Colonel sent a truce party to Fort Jenkins, demanding that Butler surrender the fort, all of its foods, guns, armaments, ammunitions, and all American soldiers. If refused, the Fort would be taken by force and no mercy would be given to those living in or nearby. Butler refused, saying he could not



make that decision without consulting with his officers, and that bought him some time.

Later that day, Butler marched his little militia of 400 towards the enemy stronghold, which consisted of 250 British Loyalists and 450 of their Iroquois allies. Soon after the battle started, it appeared that the Patriots were succeeding in pushing the enemy out of the Wyoming Valley, but the enemy had set a trap. Butler and his men had not realized that they were fighting only half of the British Loyalists and their allies. The other half flanked them, giving them no avenue of escape.

Hundreds were killed during the battle, and many more were killed and scalped in the days after. Those who were spared suffered atrocities and torture and watched in horror as friends and family members were murdered and mutilated, and as their houses and fields were burned and their animals either killed or run off.

Prior to the beginning of the American Revolutionary War, the Wyoming Valley had held a population of about 3,000, but Dziak points out that the Wyoming Massacre triggered what has become known as the "Big Runaway." Some settlers made boats out of the remains of buildings and fences and escaped down the Susquehanna River to Fort Augusta at Sunbury in Northumberland County. Others escaped into the forests and swamps. Many of

the women were pregnant and gave birth in the swamps, and many people, attempting to escape, died before they could get to safety.

Dziak is a very good writer. While I found the background information presented in the first two chapters a little bit slow, chapter three brought the story alive, and as the story progressed I found myself eagerly turning the pages as the story unfolded. It seemed almost as if I was reading a fictional novel that had made it onto The New York Times Best Sellers list. I sometimes found myself revisiting the first two chapters to reread some of the background information in order to get a better understanding of developing events.

The seven chapters of this book are broken into individual sections of just a few paragraphs or a few pages, making it an easy, enjoyable read.

My only criticism is due to my personal preferences. I prefer footnotes to endnotes, which force me to flip to the back of the book to search for sourcing. Additionally, the endnotes provide only the last name of the author of the source along with a page number, which forces the reader to turn to the bibliography to find the full name of the source. My preference would be to obtain all that information on the page that I am reading.

That said, the book is very well sourced with an extensive bibliography, some sources dating back to the early 1800s. It also includes an extensive index of events, places, names of fallen Patriots, survivors, and others who led or participated in or witnessed the events. Additionally, there is an appendix, which includes biographies of leaders of both factions, as well as the text of various surrender agreements. Overall, Dziak has done a masterful job of documenting the story of the 1778 battle and massacre in Wyoming Valley, Pennsylvania.

GFO March 2017 Open House!

Saturday March 18

9am: Comparing Three Testing Companies

10:30am: Basics of Y-DNA and mtDNA

12:30pm: atDNA Basics

2pm: Organizing Data and Contacting Matches

3:30pm: From Native American to Scottish—Discovering my birth father through DNA testing

GFO March 2017 Open House!

**Thursday March 23 –
Mexican History!**

10am: Intro to Mexican History for Genealogy

11:30am: Intro to Mexican Records

1pm: Probate Records-Introduction

2:30pm: US Military Records-Introduction

BOOK REVIEW

The Brix Logging Story: In the Woods of Washington and Oregon

Reviewed by Dale Deatherage

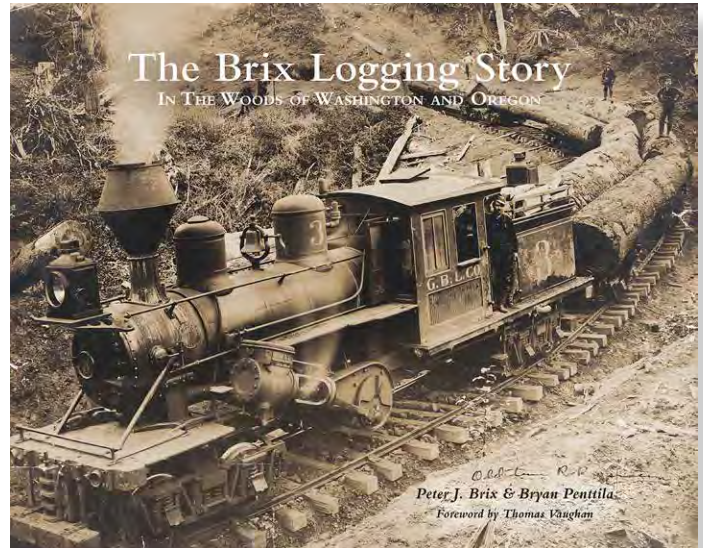
Author: Peter J. Brix & Bryan Penttila
Publisher: BLM LLC, Portland, Oregon, USA
Publication date: 2013
Pages: 150
Price: \$29.95
Order from: Beverly Warren-Leigh
bev@timepreserved.com

This book is about the Brix family, early logging entrepreneurs, during the glory days of tiny trains and titanic trees in the Pacific Northwest. It is a book suited to the family coffee table, full of pictures and stories. The book covers the family history of the co-author's grandfather from his immigration to Washington in 1881 to his death in Portland in 1948. If you like history, photography, railroading, transportation, forestry, logging, even genealogy, you will enjoy this book.

Peter J. Brix co-authored this book to preserve the family records and to provide clues to others searching out the family lineage. As the grandson of Peter John (P.J.) Brix, he has access to a storehouse of family documents, photos, and correspondence.

The book covers four generations. The first generation was the immigrant parents who came from Germany. Accompanying them were six boys and two girls. The writing style is direct. The use of anecdotes and stories gives a robust picture of the family. To have so much context for an ancestor, when so many of us know only the vitals, would be wonderful.

Each chapter of the book covers a decade. During each decade there are details about the various family ventures, changing fortunes, family births, deaths and marriages, and movements of family members around the Pacific Northwest. As business owners, the family had a significant impact on Southwest Washington and Northwest Oregon for many years.



The facts in the book appear to be well documented. They are taken from family records, letters, photos (some by well-known photographers of the time), business ledgers, newspaper clippings, and eye-witness accounts.

If you are related to the Brix family, or had an ancestor who worked for the various Brix family enterprises, this book might be of great interest. If you had an ancestor involved in the forest industry during the early 1900s, the photos and stories recorded could help you understand what life in the woods was like. This book captures a time, not so long ago, when the Pacific Northwest was a paradise for woodsmen and lumber barons.

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BOOK REVIEW

Early Gravestones in Southern Maine

The Genius of Bartlett Adams

Reviewed by Gerry Lenzen

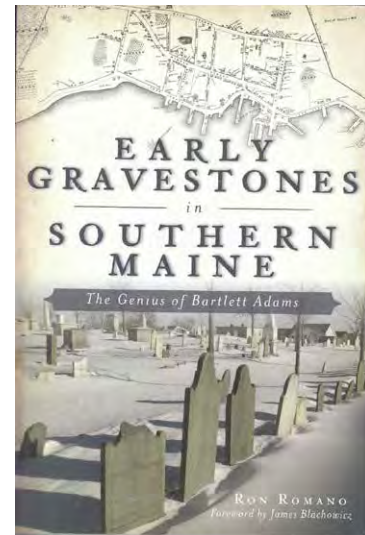
Author: Ron Romano
Publisher: The History Press
Publication date: 2016
Pages: 176
Price: \$21.99, paperback
Order from: arcadiapublishing.com

Those interested in Bartlett Adams's family history; genealogy in southern Maine; the early history of Portland, Maine; stone carvers, cutters, and iconographers; early ship disasters; cemetery enthusiasts; as well as biographers, may find this book of great interest.

Ron Romano wanted to expand the work by Jim Blachowicz about the Kingston, Massachusetts, stone carvers in the Boston area.¹ Bartlett Adams, a stone carver, had gone from Massachusetts to Portland, Maine, where he set up his shop. Blachowicz had told Romano, "I did not attempt an exhaustive canvas of Adams's stones after he moved to Maine." This set Romano on his search for all Adams's work in southern Maine, as well as in several cemeteries in other areas of the state.

Ron Romano is a native of Portland, Maine, and he has an interest in both history and nature. He is an adjunct faculty member at Suffolk University and has served on the board of Emerald Necklace Conservancy in Boston. In 2011 he served on the board of Spirits Alive, "The Friends of Portland's Eastern Cemetery." He currently leads the Historic Walking Tours Program at Eastern Cemetery and lectures both locally and nationally about his own research on Bartlett Adams.

Early Gravestones describes the first tombstone cutter in the Portland area in 150 years. It gives the history of Bartlett Adams and his family, providing a good discussion of the early births and deaths of many members of this family that was fraught with much tragedy.



This book features the work of Bartlett Adams, who was born in Kingston, Massachusetts, October 24, 1776, and died in Portland, Maine, January 27, 1828. He was a prolific carver, and Romano discovered more than 1,750 stones created by Adams in 133 Maine cemeteries. His designs and stone shape are very distinctive and creative.

The text, which is organized in chronological order, makes for a very effective technique for presenting other state and world events that occurred during Adams's life. These events are reflected in some of his carvings.

The material seems well researched. Because it is primarily the work of Ron Romano telling of his searches throughout the greater Portland peninsula, there are no footnotes; however, there are five pages of bibliography and general references. Appendix B lists the 133 cemeteries and the number of Adams's stones in each cemetery. A three-page index is included.

This is an interesting book about the history of a family and the works done by its patriarch. It includes the author's pertinent observations about the drama in the family's life. Most of Bartlett Adams's children died young; six before he and his wife, Charlotte, died. One daughter bore three children before she died at age twenty-four. These were the only grandchildren of Adams.

Anyone who has an interest in gravestones and in the history of the Portland, Maine, area from the latter 1700s to the beginning of the 1800s would find Romano's piece a fascinating read.

ENDNOTES

1. *From Slate to Marble: Gravestone Carving Traditions in Eastern Massachusetts, 1770-1870.*

BOOK REVIEW

White Slave Children of Colonial Maryland and Virginia

Birth and Shipping Records

Reviewed by Joan Galles

Author: Richard Hayes Phillips, Ph.D.
Publisher: Genealogical Publishing Company
Publication date: 2015
Pages: 393
Price: \$39.95 + \$5.50 shipping
Order from: genealogical.com

This book is a companion volume to a book by the same author reviewed in the December 2014 *Bulletin: Without Indentures: Index to White Slave Children in Colonial Court Records (Maryland and Virginia)*. Like its predecessor, this book is for families researching their ancestors who came from the British Isles between 1660 and 1720, and for historians studying early American history, the development of the colonies, and particularly the role of slavery. Those interested in social justice and civil rights may also find this book noteworthy. During the seventeenth century, nearly all the forced labor in Maryland and Virginia was provided by white children. This book attempts to trace their origin.

Richard Hayes Phillips has searched birth and baptism records with the express purpose of matching them to individuals listed in court slave documents. Phillips, a descendant of James Hambleton, discovered his ancestor was “kidnapped from the coast of New England and sold into slavery in Virginia.” New Hampshire records showed a James Hambleton for whom there was nothing but a birth record. Virginia records contained a reference to a James Hambleton for whom there was nothing but a will. Research revealed a Westmoreland County, Virginia, court order book in which Hambleton was sentenced into slavery on 26 April 1699.

This book explores in more depth the origins (through birth and baptismal records) of children who were enslaved in Maryland and Virginia in the late 1600s and

White Slave Children of Colonial Maryland and Virginia: Birth and Shipping Records

Richard Hayes Phillips, Ph.D.



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*Extracts***Biographical Index Hyland–Kindred***Submitted by Loretta Welsh*For more information about the source of this list, see the October 2014 *Bulletin*, page 33.

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Saturday March 18

- 9am Comparing Three Testing Companies
- 10:30am Basics of Y-DNA and mtDNA
- 12:30pm atDNA Basics
- 2pm Organizing Data and Contacting Matches
- 3:30pm From Native American to Scottish - Discovering my birth father through DNA testing

Sunday March 19 – DNA Day

- 9am Convincing Family and Strangers to Test and Why
- 10:30am The Four Autosomal DNA Testing Companies
- 12:30pm Examples of How Autosomal DNA Testing Solved Genealogical Problems
- 2pm GEDmatch
- 3:30pm Q and A

Monday March 20

- 10am Let's Start with the Census
- 11:30am Immigration & Naturalization
- 1pm History of railroads in the US
- 2:30pm Ports and Shipping

Tuesday Marc 21

- 10am GFO Website and Card Catalog - An Introduction
- 11:30am Facebook 101
- 1pm Facebook 102
- 2:30pm Create a Blog to Share Your Family Stories

Wednesday March 22

- 10am Cemetery Research
- 11:30am FindAGrave
- 1pm Photoshop Elements-Intro
- 2:30pm Heritage Makers Books
- 6pm GFO's Resources

Thursday March 23

- 10am Intro to Mexican History for Genealogy
- 11:30am Intro to Mexican Records
- 1pm Probate Records-Introduction
- 2:30pm US Military Records-Introduction

Friday March 24

- 10am Genealogy Basics
- 11:30am Genealogy for Beginners and Beyond
- 1pm Using a Timeline
- 2:30pm Organizing all that STUFF!

Saturday March 25

- 9:30am French Prairie
- 11am The French Canadian Collection at the GFO
- 12:30pm Membership Meeting
- 1pm British Group

Sunday March 26

- 10am Ancestry.com
- 11:30am Findmypast
- 1pm One-Step Webpages
- 2:30pm HistoryGeo
- 3:30pm Family Search

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