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## **Thoughts from your editor: You won't find it all online!**

by Betty Jo Stockton

I love the internet! We started our online adventures before the internet actually existed, since my husband was at the Pentagon and our son was at Carnegie-Mellon, both of which were part of DARPA (Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency). That early online experience was very basic - essentially the exchange of messages between individuals. At the time, it was wonderful! And just look where it has gone in these 40 years. We can get information online anytime of the day or night, on computers, tablets, cell phones and other devices. No more spending the day at the microfilm reader searching for an ancestor on census rolls or waiting for the library to open to check a book or bit of data. We have really become spoiled with the instant information at our fingertips. The kid's excuse for lack of home work is no longer, "the dog ate it", but now is "the internet connection was down".

In preparing for an upcoming talk for the CFGS Daytime Group on "It's Not All Online", I was surprised to find just what a small percentage of the world's knowledge is actually online. The ProGenealogy site estimates that only 1% of all records and family histories are on the Internet! FamilySearch is adding about 6 million per week, but even with that, they stated last fall that less than 7% of their records are online. They hope to have all of their records that are eligible for digitization complete within ten years, but estimate that it would take 300 years to have them all indexed. If you're depending only on online records, you're missing most of the information.

So, what's a researcher to do? The same things we've always done - research wherever the records can be found. Even though the records are not online, the internet can help make the search easier.

The Family History Library is one of the best sources for genealogical data. Members of the LDS church have been searching the world for records and microfilming them for public use. Using the library offerings gives access to records from all over the world, to be used at your local Family History Center. You'll find courthouse and church records, family histories, military records and passenger lists, family histories - and much, much more. To find what the Library has on your area of interest, check the library catalog at [www.familysearch.org](http://www.familysearch.org). When you find an item of interest, click on the film number to order it. If it happens to already be in your local FHC or has been digitized, that will be stated on the ordering page. You'll order it, pay via credit or debit card or PayPal. In about two weeks, it will be at the Local FHC for you to use.

Many of the records you'll want to use are only found in local courthouses - land records, marriages, deaths, tax, etc. A few of these may be available online, but most are not; many of these may never be. How can we access these? First, use reference materials or online sources to find out what records the courthouse has, since the holdings vary and some records may be stored offsite. Check on locations, hours and what regulations they might have that would affect your search. If possible, visit the courthouse yourself. If you can't get there in person, try phoning or writing to see if you can get the records by mail. If that doesn't work, use one of the online sites to see who might be able to get them for you. If you don't want to hire a professional genealogist, check the RootsWeb.com county sites to see if you can find a volunteer to help.

Perhaps what you're looking for is in a local library. Again, use the internet to see if the library catalog is online. If so, you'll be able to plan your visit with call numbers ready. Be aware that all catalogs are not complete - and usually do not include materials in vertical files. Some materials may be available via Inter Library Loan, but most reference-type materials cannot leave the library. If you're not sure what library to visit, check [WorldCat.org](http://WorldCat.org) (see article on p. 37).

Another wonderful source of family history can be found in local newspapers. Often these will fill in some personal information on your family - especially in small towns where everyday happenings made the news. Some of these have been digitized, but only a very small fraction. You can use the internet to search for what newspapers existed for your locale and time, but don't expect to find many online. For most you will need to check locally - many libraries have newspaper holdings for their area and state libraries or archives usually have a good collection of papers. These can be accessed in person, sometimes by mail or by finding someone (volunteer or professional) to do a lookup for you.

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## Pliny Geiger and the Lynn Family of St. Augustine, Florida

by Anne H. Connell

**A**mong my maternal second-great-grandparents were John Martin Geiger and Emily Joyner. J. Martin was born around 1797-1798 in Bulloch County, Georgia. He died on either 5 Dec 1873 (gravestone, Old Fayetteville Cemetery, Dixie County, Florida) or 13 Nov 1874 (probate records, Bradford County, Florida). Wife Emily Joyner was born about 1804 in Georgia and died between 1883 and 1885. They lived in that part of Lafayette County now called Dixie County. Their three daughters were Martha Ann Geiger (1833/8-1894) who married Arch A. Barber, Mary S. Geiger (1834-1910+) who married Arch H. Jones and Elizabeth "Eliza" Geiger (ca.1836-ca.1889) whose husband may have been John N. Robinson. My quest was to find the graves of the five sons.

Their first three sons, Allen Geiger (1827-1895), Charles Geiger (1830-1907) and Noah Geiger (1839-1901), and their wives rest at Santa Fe Cemetery, Bradford County. The unmarked grave of fifth son, Anson Geiger (1846-1900) lies at Old Fayetteville Cemetery in Dixie County, beside the marked grave of his wife Martha Jane Robinson (1847-1927). They are my great-grandparents.

Fourth son Pliny Geiger (b. 13 Aug 1843) eluded me. The "Plen Martin Geiger, 11 Oct 1864-29 Apr 1927" recorded at Santa Fe with some of his family, was a grandson, son of Charles Geiger.

Recalling that Great Aunt Leila Geiger Sauls had told me her "Uncle Plen" had lived in St. Augustine, my husband and I shifted our focus to that lovely old town. The local historical society had very little information, but it was solid gold. His name was in a survey of Evergreen Cemetery and a death notice was undoubtedly his. Following up on that brought us not only to his grave site, but to new mysteries to unravel.

Expecting probably an unmarked grave, we were surprised to find him in a lovely, but unfamiliar, family plot marked with a large rectangular gray stone engraved "LYNN". It held eight identical stone markers with first names only, plus a simple white stone engraved "*Plen (sic) Geiger. Aug. 13, 1843 – Nov. 19, 1895. Age: 52 yrs., 3 mos. 6 days (Masonic Emblem).*" The graves, neatly lined up in rows of three, were enclosed by a low concrete-post-and-pipe border. This plot backs up to the enormous *CARCABA* family monument with its majestic seated female figure of gleaming white marble. The whole cemetery had recently been steam-cleaned and was pristine. *Ten years later it was moldy again and the figure was missing some of her toes.*



Who was "Lynn" and why was Pliny there? The tattered old cemetery record book showed that a Joseph Lynn paid \$66.00 for the plot of nine spaces in Block A, Lot 53, and on the day of Pliny's death, paid \$3.00 to have a grave opened for "*Penn Greiger*", whose funeral was held the next day.

A bit of sleuthing in the few surviving City Directories revealed that beneath the stones marked "FATHER" and "MOTHER" were Joseph Lynn and Nancy Knight. The matching others were their six children. Nancy proved to be a sister-in-law of Pliny Geiger who had been married to her sister, Cynthia Knight. What took down five members of a family in three years – perhaps one of the many epidemics of those times? After a respite of seven years, Drayton Lynn died on August 10, 1904. Four and a half years later, Truman J. Lynn died on February 10, 1909. Another nine years and father Joseph Lynn died on January 1, 1918. Herman Lynn, last of the family, died on June 8, 1925.

In order of death, they were:

- “Walter” *"died December 7, 1894, age 25 yrs. 1 mo. 2 ds."* (b. November 5, 1869). Records show that Walter Artell Lynn was married to Jessie Parmina Usina on 31 May 1893, just eighteen months before his death. On the 1900 Florida Census (taken 7 June), his widow and child are living in St. Augustine with her parents, D. B. and Dora G. Usina, as "Jessie P. Lynn, daughter, WF, b. June 1872, age 27 (28 crossed out), widow, present marriage 0 years, 1 child, b. Fla., parents b. Fla.", and "Addie P. Lynn, granddaughter, WF, b. Aug 1893 (1873 written over), age 6, single, b. Fla., parents b. Fla." Many errors noted on page.
- “Horry” *"died January 25, 1895. Age: 19 yrs. 11 mo. 15 ds."* (b. February 10, 1875). Note: "Oh-ree" is a very old French Huguenot surname in the area of South Carolina where the first Swiss Protestant Geigers settled.
- “Plen Geiger” *"Aug. 13, 1843 – Nov. 19, 1895. Age: 52 yrs., 3 mos. 6 days (Masonic Emblem)."* Cemetery burial ledger says: *"Penn Greiger, 20 Nov 1895"*. Husband of Cynthia Knight. Confederate veteran.
- “Lucille” *"d. Aug. 4, 1897. Age: 20 yrs. 7 ms. 19 ds."* (b. 16 December 1876).
- “Mother” *"d. Sept. 1, 1897. Age: 51 yrs, 1 mo. 9 ds."* (b. 23 July, 1846). Nancy A. Knight, daughter of Jonathan Knight and Christiana Sasser.
- “Drayton” *"d. Aug. 10, 1904. Age: 20 yrs, 4 ms. 17 ds."* (b. 24 Mar 1884). (another of those well-known South Carolina surnames)
- “Truman” *"b. Dec. 10, 1879 – d. Feb. 10, 1909. Age: 29 yrs. 2 mo. 0 ds."* Truman J.’s wife was recorded in city directory as Aphie or Effie.
- “Father” *"d. Jan. 1, 1918. Age: 69 yrs. 10 mo. 2 ds."* (b. 1848).
- “Herman” *"d. Jun. 8, 1925. Age: 54 yrs. 2 mo. 20 ds."* (b. 1871). He was the last of this family. His wife was Genevieve.

I feel certain this 1895 death notice was intended to be for Pliny Geiger (d. 19 Nov., bur. 20 Nov. 1895), not his son William A. Geiger, who was listed in 1898 as a Private in the St. Augustine Rifles/Co. G, First Infantry, FL State Troops: *"Geiger, William. St. Augustine, Fla. November 21, 1895. The funeral of William Geiger took place from Alicia Hospital, where he died, this morning. The deceased resided near Moultrie and was a brother-in-law of Mr. Joseph Lynn of this city."* From *"Florida Times Union"*, Jacksonville, Florida, 21 Nov 1895. It’s too bad Pliny’s survivors weren’t listed, to verify it.

From <oldcity.com>: “Alicia Hospital was in St. Augustine. Moultrie was one of the small settlements nearby. The Alicia Hospital, formerly Dr. Sloggett’s home, was located on Marine Street. In 1889, Dr. Andrew Anderson was elected president of the board of trustees. The hospital began operations in the winter of 1890 after Henry Flagler deeded the concrete structure and grounds to the board of trustees. When it opened, Alicia was the only public hospital in the area from Jacksonville to Daytona. It served both whites and blacks.”

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My grandmother: Victoria Geiger<sup>3</sup> (1871-1965), Anson Geiger<sup>4</sup>, John Martin Geiger<sup>5</sup>, Felix Geiger Sr.<sup>6</sup>, Hans Ulrich Geiger, Emig.<sup>7</sup>, Abraham Geiger<sup>8</sup>, Hans Geiger<sup>9</sup>, Abraham Geiger<sup>10</sup>, Hans Geiger<sup>11</sup> (late 1500s-1637).

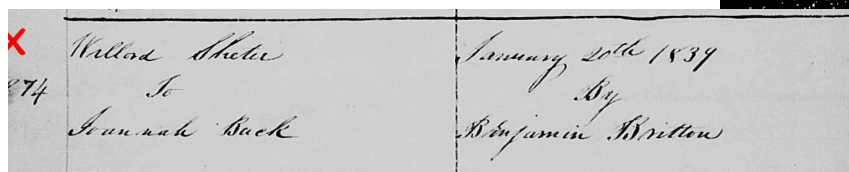
An Ohio **STREETER** Family – Part 1  
Willard **STREETER** (1817-1852) and Joanna **BUCK** (ca. 1823-?)  
Norwich, Franklin County, Ohio

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Willard **STREETER** was born on 02 September 1817, possibly in Ohio.<sup>1-2</sup> An undocumented family tree at ancestry.com titled, "KAVANAGH, HOARTY, WATTS", gives his birth place as Chester, Delaware County, Pennsylvania. At the time of the 1840 U.S. census, Willard lived in Norwich, Franklin County, Ohio.<sup>3</sup> He was age 20 to 29. A female, age 15-19 (presumably his wife), and a male child less than 5 lived with him. In the 1850 U.S. census, he was enumerated in Norwich as a 33-year-old farmer, born in Ohio.<sup>4</sup> His household consisted of Johanna (26), David (11), Daniel (10), Rhoda (7), Hannah (5), Sarah (3), and Lucinda (6 months). Also in the household was James Twigg (age 5). All members are shown as born in Ohio except Johanna, who was born in Pennsylvania. Next door lived William and Catherine **TWIGG** and four children. Willard died on 25 September 1852 at the age of 35 in Franklin County, Ohio.<sup>5-6</sup> He was buried about 26 September 1852 in Hilliard, Franklin County, Ohio, Wesley Chapel Cemetery<sup>7-8</sup>



Willard **STREETER** and Joanna **BUCK** were married



on 20 January 1839 in Franklin County, Ohio<sup>9-10</sup>

Joanna **BUCK** was born about 1823 in Pennsylvania. Her year of birth is estimated from her age in 1850 (26) and 1860 (38). As noted above, Joanna and Willard lived in Norwich, Franklin County, Ohio in 1850.<sup>11</sup> She was enumerated there in 1860, after Willard's death.<sup>12</sup> Her real estate was valued at \$2000 and her personal property at \$100. She was 37 years old and her household consisted of David (20), Daniel (19), Hannah (15), Sarah (13), and Lucinda (11); all but Joanna were born in Ohio. She was born in Pennsylvania. The surname on the census form is misspelled as "STRATER". Joanna lived between Daniel **BUCK** (61, born New York) and Hannah **BUCK** (62, born Pennsylvania), possible parents; and, Elizabeth **BUCK** (33, born Pennsylvania). This appears to be a family cluster. Joanna has not been found in 1870 census. She may have remarried. Neither an Ohio marriage record nor a death record has been located for her as of this writing.

In the 1900 U.S. census, a Joanna<sup>13</sup> **MITCHELL** (76) and her husband, Z. M. **MITCHELL** (76), lived with Sarah (**STREETER**) **BARNETT** and her family. Sarah was a daughter of Willard **STREETER** and Joanna **BUCK**. Joanna and Z. M. **MITCHELL** had been married 36 years (circa 1864) and both would have been born about 1823-24. They are shown as born in Ohio. Joanna had given birth to six children and five were living. They are shown as step-father and step-mother to the head of household, Benjamin **BARNETT** [Sarah (**STREETER**) **BARNETT**'s husband].

Joanna **MITCHELL** might be the mother of Sarah (**Streeter**) **BARNETT**; however, Joanna (**BUCK**) **STREETER** is shown as being born in Pennsylvania on the 1850 and 1860 census records, not Ohio. She also had six known children and all were living in 1900. Alternatively, Joanna and Z. M. **MITCHELL** may be related to Achbur **MITCHELL** who married Lucinda **STREETER**, sister of Sarah **STREETER**. More work is needed to answer this question.

Willard STREETER and Joanna BUCK had the following children:

+2 i. David STREETER, born 07 May 1839, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>13</sup> married Lucinda LATHAM, 30 July 1862, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>14</sup> married Caroline Cook, 24 March 1869, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>15</sup> died 31 March 1904, Norwich, Franklin County, Ohio.<sup>16</sup>

+3 ii. Daniel STREETER, born 04 June 1842, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>17</sup> married Amy CUTLER, 20 October 1861, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>18</sup> married Anna Miller, 01 January 1907, Putnam County, Ohio;<sup>19</sup> died 21 September 1910, Columbus Grove, Putnam County, Ohio.<sup>20</sup> [Note that Daniel's and Rhoda's birth dates are only six months apart; one or both are probably incorrect.]

+4 iii. Rhoda STREETER, born 07 January 1843, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>21</sup> married William T. PEYTON, 09 January 1859, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>22</sup> died 12 January 1905, Hilliard, Franklin County, Ohio.<sup>23</sup>

+5 iv. Hannah STREETER, born 29 December 1844, Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>24</sup> married Charles Elijah SCOFIELD, 15 December 1861, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>25</sup> died 20 August 1927, Texas City, Galveston County, Texas.<sup>26</sup>

+6 v. Sarah STREETER, born 11 May 1847, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>27</sup> married Benjamin BARNETT, 27 March 1862, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>28</sup> died 16 February 1930, Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio.<sup>29</sup>

+7 vi. Lucinda STREETER, born 26 September 1848, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>30</sup> married Achbur O. MITCHELL, 25 October 1864, Franklin County, Ohio;<sup>31</sup> died 24 March 1904, Franklin County, Ohio.<sup>32</sup>

The family of Willard and Joanna's son, Daniel STREETER (1842-1910), will be discussed in Part 2 of this series.

***A Genealogical History of the Descendants of Stephen and Ursula STREETER of Gloucester, Massachusetts, 1642, Afterwards of Charlestown, Mass., 1644-1662***, With an account of the STREETERS of Goudherst, Kent, England by Milford B. STREETER of Brooklyn, N. Y. was published in Salem, Mass. by Eben PUTNAM in 1896, with material appended in 1935. It can be found at familysearch.org under Family History Books. The book connects the Willard STREETER family of this article to Henry Adams of Braintree, Massachusetts, through Henry's daughter, Ursula ADAMS, wife of Stephen STREETER. Henry Adams was the immigrant ancestor of John Adams, Second President of the United States. Stephen STREETER was the immigrant ancestor of Willard STREETER.

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## Burnt Cabins - Fulton County, Pennsylvania

by Patricia Patterson ALLEN

While searching for my roots, I learned that one of my ancestors - David WALKER - and his wife, Elizabeth ELLIOTT, settled near a small town in Pennsylvania in 1772 called **Burnt Cabins**. How does a little town get a name like "Burnt Cabins" I wondered. My curiosity and further research (don't you just love "Google?") led me to the following information.

First, since we are dealing with the 1700's, it might be assumed that local Native American tribes had attacked the settlers, burned their dwellings and reclaimed their land. Hence: Burnt Cabins! However, this was not the case - although a land dispute was involved.

**Burnt Cabins** is a historic unincorporated community in Dublin Township, Fulton County, Pennsylvania at the foot of the Tuscarora Mountain. The land was owned by Native American tribes until 1758; permanent European settlement did not start until 1763 after the French and Indian War. The movement of families across the Susquehanna River into the western regions that had not been formally purchased from the Indians began around 1740. By 1750, a hamlet known as Sidneysville had grown to 11 squatters' cabins.



As a measure of good faith with the Native American nations and their French rivals in the area which is now western Pennsylvania, the British colonies made pacts to keep their settlers east of the Appalachian Mountains. Despite the government's opinion on the matter, settlers from eastern Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia began to settle in this region. Permanent settlement in this region had been forbidden by the Proprietaries prior to the formal purchase of it from the Indians in 1754 as part of the terms of the Treaty of Albany. Only traders were given permission, in the form of a license, to reside in this portion of the frontier before 1754. The Indians complained to the provincial authorities of infractions on the agreements made by the treaties. And the provincial authorities tended to take action to prevent any Euro-American settlement on lands not formally purchased from the Indians. By mid 1749, the various groups of the Iroquois Confederation felt threatened and protested to the provincial government in Philadelphia.

In response to the Senecas' complaint of July 18, 1749, the Lieutenant Governor of the Province, James HAMILTON, issued an edict to all British subjects:

*"I...do hereby, in His Majesty's Name strictly charge, command and enjoin all and every the persons who have presum'd to settle in any part of the Province Westward of the Blue Hills to remove themselves, their Families & Effects, off those Lands."*

This proclamation failed to move settlers out of the settlement of Sidneysville (the site of present day Burnt Cabins.) A month after the Senecas had protested to the Colony, Chief Canasatego of the Onondaga repeated his complaints saying that the whites were "spoiling their hunting". The Provincial government decreed that the pressure on the Indian lands had to end and they took more direct action in May 1750.



While being evicted as trespassers on Indian lands, the settlers were compelled to give bonds for the immediate removal of their families and possessions and to appear at the next term of court. The homes of these early settlers were burned by order of the provincial government to maintain the peace and to demonstrate to Native Americans that their ownership would be respected. Several agents were sent into what was then Cumberland County to remove the white “squatters” from their cabins and settlements, including Sidneysville. Delegates from the Iroquois nations accompanied them primarily to be shown the King’s word being fulfilled.



Beginning on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, the party climbed Tuscarora Mountain (named after one of the six Iroquois nations) and evicted several settlers. As a gesture to the Indians, the provincial officials decided to burn the cabins of Sidneysville. However, only a token of three cabins were destroyed. After this mission, a short period of peace prevailed until 1755.

Apparently, the Burnt Cabins incident did not deter the Euro-Americans from homesteading in this region. Settlers returned to the valleys; in the fall of 1755 a party of about one hundred Shawnees and Delawares, among them Shingas, the Delaware king, attacked in force in what became known as the Great Cove Massacre. They destroyed 27 homesteads, killed much of the cattle and horses on the farms and murdered or captured 47 defenseless inhabitants.

In commemoration of the settlers who had lost their homes five years earlier, Sidneysville became known as Burnt Cabins.

One of the oldest buildings in the tiny town is the Burnt Cabins Grist Mill which still produces flour. It was restored with Federal grant money in 1969 with further restoration still ongoing. It was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1980.

The importance of this little town, consisting of about 44 buildings and 50 acres, was also recognized by being placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1998.

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### Thoughts from your editor...

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Federal records, such as immigration, naturalization and military records, are becoming more available online, but it will be years before the less common records are digitized, if they ever are. The National Archives states that “at the current rate of digitization, it would take approximately 1,800 years to capture the contents of the National Archives text-based collections. Mind you, this doesn't include all the non-text items - photos, films, and so forth - and speaks solely of the National Archives, so it doesn't address any other repository.” If you’re not able to wait that long, you’ll need to take a trip to the Archives, hire a researcher or order the records. The forms and instructions for ordering records is online, but for very small portions of the actual records.

This is only the tip of the iceberg. There are church records, family records, school records, and much more. If you’re expecting to find all the records you need online, you’re missing most of what you need to complete your family history.

## Surname Files in the Vertical Files – Orlando Public Library

compiled by Kim PETERS

continued from previous issue

Conant	Family history
Conduitte	Misc.
Cone	DAR membership application
Conerse	Misc
Congdon	Newsletter Congdon Chronicle 1921-1934
Conger	Newspaper article
Conner	Family history. See also Mobley.
Connor	See Conner
Conway	Misc
Cook	Family history, newsletter, article.
Cooke	Marriage and birth info
Coolidge	Family group sheets
Coon	Surname index
Cooper	Abstracts
Cope	National Genealogy Hall of Fame
Copeland	Newspaper article, marriage and birth info.
Cord	Newspaper article
Corley	Newspaper article
Cormack	Passport
Cornwall	Family history
Corrington	Family history
Corson	Articles
Cory	Misc
Coryell	Newspaper article
Cotton	Family history
Couch	Family history, family group sheets
Coulson	Wills, abstracts
Coulter	Family histories, family group sheets
Coursey	Misc
Courtenay	Family histories
Covington	Newspaper article
Cowan	Family history, periodical articles
Cowne	Family history
Cox	Family history
Cozine	Pension applications, family history
Craig	Article
Crandall	Newspaper article
Crane	Newspaper article
Crauch	Family Tree
Craven	Newspaper article
Crawford	Family tree, group sheets, newsletter. See also Fitch.
Creel	Family Tree

Crenshaw	Letter
Crew	Booklet of corrections to Crew Family History, misc. info
Crews	See Hunnicut
Crockett	Articles
Croftwaite	Copy of broadside
Croll	Fiftieth anniversary booklet
Cromartie	Family history
Cromwell	Illustrations and notes on Oliver Cromwell
Cronkite	Newspaper article
Cross	Research notes, family tree
Crosse	See Cross
Crowell	Bible pages, articles, family tree
Crummer	Misc. Info
Crump	Newsletters from 1980s
Cullen	Misc. info
Culverhouse	Family history
Cummins	Family newsletter 1979-1984
Cunningham	Old records, letters.
Current	Family history booklet
Curry	Research notes and records
Curtis	Family history
Cushman	Notes and research
Custer	Pedigree chart
Custis	Booklet of Custis Lee Mansion
Cutter	Booklet, family history
Dabney	Family history, Family tree.
Dailey	Family history.
Dana	Research notes and records
Danford	LDS ancestral file
Danforth	Family history
Daniells	See Daniels
Daniels	Newsletters from 1970s, obituaries
Dantzler	Newspaper article about L. N. Dantzler, 1948
Darby	Page from Bible
Darcey	See Darcie
Darcie	Pages from Baronetage of England
Darden	Diary published in Newspaper 1972, booklet
Darling	Family tree, Revolutionary War records
Darnall	Family history, government records
Darrow	Booklet of family history

Dart	Newspaper articles
Davenport	Documents, letters, family tree
Davidson	Family trees, pedigree charts, bios
Davies	See Hyatt Bible
Davis	Newsletters, newspaper articles, records. See also Fitch.
Dawson	Copies of records
Day	List of descendants
Darcey	See Darcie
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Dawson	Copies of records
Day	List of descendants
Dean	Copies Bible pages, notes from sources
DeForest	Research notes
Degen	Letter with misc. info
DeLavergne	Newspaper clipping
DeMaille	Baptism certificate 1888
Demo	Misc. info
DeMoss	Misc. Info, newsletters 85-86
Dempster	Diary 1889
Dent	Newspaper clipping
Denton	See McClelland
Deran	Misc. info
DeRossett	Chart of descendants
DeVilbiss	Copy Bible records
Devine	Group sheets, charts
Devon	Booklet
DeVries	Family chart
Dexter	Misc. Info
Dial	Newspaper clipping
Diamond	Misc. Info
Dibrell	Letters, family history, research notes, photos. 3 folders
Dickenson	See Dickerson
Dickerson	Research notes, Register of Jacob McGavock Dickinson papers.
Dickey	Research notes, family history
Dickman	Newspaper article

Dickson	Obituaries
Diehl	Family history
Diffendorfer	Bible records
Dikeau	Newspaper article
Dill	Letter
Dillard	Bible records
Dillon	Family history
Dilworth	Wills
Dimick	Revolutionary War pension application 1895, newspaper article
Disney	Newsletter of family association
Dixon	Newspaper articles
Dixson	See Dixon
Dobson	Family files
Dodd	Magazine article
Dodge	Newspaper article, family history
Dodgen	Family history
Doebler	Family history
Doggett	Booklet, family history
Dolan	Family group sheet
Dolson	Family history
Donaghy	Letters with family history
Dorland	LDS ancestral file
Dorris	Notes
Dorsett	Family history
Dorsey	2 files. Newsletters from 1980s, notes
Dort	Letter
Dotterer	Family histories
Doty	Family history
Douglass	Copies of records
Dow	Newspaper articles
Downing	Copies of Bible pages
Downs	Lineage chart
Doyle	Misc. Info.
Drake	Misc. info
Draper	Index from book
Drawdy	Obituary
Dreisbach	Family tree
Dreppard	DAR membership application
Dresser	Bible pages
Duke	Deeds, family group sheets
Dukes	Misc.
Dunham	Misc.
Edwards	See Hyatt / Randle Bible
Eels	Pedigree charts and articles
Eiselstein	Obituary
Eisenhower	Article
Ekers	Family history info
Elderkin	Family history info

Eldridge	Newspaper articles
Eley	Family bible
Elizabeth II	Pedigree charts, misc. articles
Elkin	Pedigree charts
Ellars	Obituary
Elleman	Family history
Elliot	Misc info
Ellis	Pedigree charts, misc articles, family history
Ellison	Family reunion flyer
Ellsworth	Family history
Elzey	Misc info, letters
Emerson	See Morton
Ennis	Family history info
Ensworth	Family history info
Eppes	Family history info
Erwin	Revolutionary War payroll info, family history, family bible cover
Estabrook	Surname info
Estes	Family newsletter
Evans	Newspaper articles, misc info
Everett	Family history info
Ewer	Misc
Fain	Misc info
Fairchild	Family history info
Fanning	Newspaper article
Farise	See Ferris
Farkas	Magazine article
Farmer	Descendants of Thomas Farmer, family chart
Farrar	Misc articles, family charts
Faulconer	DAR membership application, family bible, misc articles
Faw	Register of papers Walter Wagner Faw
Fawcet	See Thomas. See also Fawcett.
Fawcett	Death, birth, marriage certificates, pedigree charts, family photos, land records
Fears	Newspaper articles
Felix	Family history info
Fennell	DAR information
Fenton	Pedigree charts, family tree, misc info
Ferguson	Misc info, family history, letters
Ferneyhough	Marriage, birth, death certificates, pedigree charts
Ferris	Family history info
Field	Family history, pedigree chart, misc
Finch	Pedigree chart, family history
Finney	Family history, misc info. See Also McKean.

Fish	Missing person letter
Fitch	Family history, Revolutionary War pension application
Fitts	Sons & Daughters of Territory of Florida application
Fitzgerald	See Guy
Flagg	Biography
Flagler	Booklet
Fleming	Pension records. See Warner.
Flint	Family tree, newspaper articles, letters
Flower	Letters, family tree
Floyd	Newspaper article re family home
Fogg	Booklet, DAR charts
Foley	Family newsletters
Follows	Family births
Folsom	Family newsletter
Fonvielle	Letters, misc info
Ford	Family tree, newspaper clippings
Forrester	Bibliographies
Fortier	Family tree
Foster	Revolutionary war muster and pay rolls, bible records, wills
Foute	Obituaries, newspaper photo family home
Fowler	Family tree, family chart
Fralinger	Photo tombstone
Francis	See Fitch
Frankland	Newspaper article
Frary	Family newsletter, journal
Freeman	Pedigree charts, research notes
French	Research notes, ancestor chart
Frick	Newspaper article
Froome	See Redhead Family Bible
Fulford	Family history
Fulgham	Newspaper article
Fuller	Newspaper article, research notes, booklet
Funderburk	Photocopies from various books

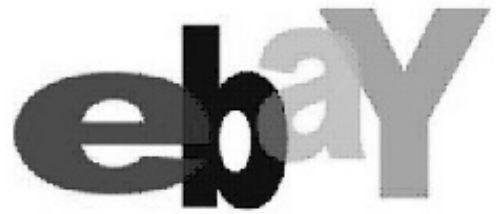
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The complete listing is available at:  
<http://dc.ocls.info/site/topics/show/304-genealogy-resources-at-orlando-public-library>

## Finding Genealogy Records and Books on eBay

by Dick Eastman

I purchased two genealogy books this morning. The books are both about my family name, although not about my direct ancestors. I have seen both books previously in libraries and am quite familiar with the contents. Today, I purchased my own copies on CD-ROM disks to keep on my computer as well as in my own private area "in the cloud."



Both books provide background information which interests me as well as may provide answers when other people contact me about their Eastman ancestry. Since I will copy both disks to my own password-protected area in the cloud, I will have them with me at all times. I can access them from home, from a laptop when in the motor home, at the gate at an airport, from the iPad from most anyplace, and even from my "smartphone" when at the grocery store. Admittedly, reading books on a tiny cell phone screen does offer a few challenges but reading them on a laptop, tablet, or other ebook reader is often more convenient than reading similar information on paper.

Best, of all: I am delighted with the price: \$10.95 for one and \$7.95 for the other. Those prices are much, much cheaper than purchasing reprinted books on paper (typically \$35 to \$200 and occasionally even more).

These books also will be easier to store, easier to access, and much more convenient to read wherever I am. For instance, later this morning I am going to the annual conference of the Federation of Genealogical Societies. I won't be able to access these books for a few days until after I receive them. However, at future conferences when I meet a possible cousin, it will be possible to show the contents to that person within seconds on my laptop computer, iPad, or cell phone. Even better, it only requires a few seconds to copy-and-paste a few paragraphs or even a few pages into an email message and send that information to my new-found cousin. I can even do that while standing in the convention center at a genealogy conference!

In short, I carry my personal library with me at all times. Try doing that with printed books!

Perhaps one of the greatest overlooked genealogy resources is the huge "online garage sale" at eBay. For years before the invention of the Internet, I scoured flea markets and yard sales looking for old books, hand-written records, family Bibles, photographs, and anything else that would assist my search for ancestry. So, why not do the same with the online equivalent of yard sales and flea markets: eBay?

Indeed, old records and genealogy books are available by the hundreds on eBay. You can go to <http://www.ebay.com> and search for almost anything. I did a search on the word "genealogy" and found 61,677 items listed. Some eBay sellers apparently cannot spell too well: I also did a search on the misspelled word "geneology" and found another 362 items listed for sale!

Used book dealers who specialize in genealogy materials are finding that eBay is perhaps the best market for their goods. They can scan out-of-copyright books and then sell the books worldwide on eBay. Millions of people will have access to these books with a simple search, far more potential customers than will ever enter a store or even read a printed catalog. Best of all, out-of-copyright books can legally be scanned once, then sold multiple times to multiple customers. The result is far more profit for each bookseller.

To be sure, the quality of genealogy material on eBay varies greatly, just like the items you find in yard sales and flea markets and even in used book stores. You can find books of all sorts, including

printed books as well as books that have been scanned and are now sold on CD-ROM disks. A few digitized books are even available for direct online downloads within seconds after you make the purchase although CD-ROM distribution is still much more common.

You can occasionally even find original records. I once purchased the original 1907 tax records for the town of Corinna, Maine, hand-written by the municipal tax collector at that time. It shows my grandfather's farm listed with real estate valued at \$400 plus a personal estate of \$92. It states that grand-dad paid real estate taxes that year of \$10, personal estate taxes of \$2.30 and a poll tax of \$3. It also shows that his next-door neighbor never paid his assessed taxes, at least not in the year 1907. I hope that he paid them in arrears the next year.

By the way, I have no idea how official tax records of a town end up on eBay, or in a garage sale for that matter. I would assume that the records still belong to the town. In the case of the Corinna tax records, I scanned the pages that interested me and then donated the original book to the town.

As when searching through garage sales and flea markets, be prepared to sift through a lot of junk in order to find the gems of interest. You will find books, reprints of books, scanned books on CD-ROM disks, reprints of Virkus' Compendium (a series of pseudo-genealogy books printed from the 1920s through 1940s and generally considered to be worthless), genealogy software (always verify that you will receive a legal software license), family Bibles, and more. One of the greatest treasures I ever found was a handmade coverlet made about 1840 by a man in my extended family tree, not a direct ancestor but a great-great-great uncle. The quilt included a handwritten letter from the man's granddaughter written in the 1930s describing her grandfather and how she came to inherit the coverlet.

I have also found listings of CD-ROM disks that contain scanned images of all sorts of books, including a few that are still under copyright. Of course, selling copyrighted material is a Federal offense. Anyone doing so risks receiving an unpleasant letter from the copyright holder's attorneys. If you see such disks listed, you might drop a note to the seller. I have done that and have always received pleasant "thank you" messages in which the seller claimed that he or she did not know that the copyright was still in effect.

Scanning through other items listed on eBay shows that most everything genealogy-related can be found there. In fact there are so many genealogy-related items that there are too many to find by using a simple one-word search of "genealogy." Luckily, there is an easy solution: narrow the search down for specific terms by using more words.

I found my books this morning by performing an eBay search for "Eastman genealogy," which specifies the results to show any listings that have both those words in the titles. I found 43 items listed. Some were of interest while others were referring to items previously mentioned in this newsletter. However, searching through 43 items is much easier than searching through thousands.

Of course, you can search for other words. I have an interest in Penobscot County, Maine, genealogy, so I conducted a search for "Penobscot genealogy" in both titles and descriptions. (Four items were found.) You can use your imagination to find the items that interest you. You might also try searching for combinations of two, three, or more words.

Too busy to go to eBay every few days to find items of interest? There is an answer for you as well. eBay will automatically conduct daily searches for any words or combinations of words that you are looking for. If found, eBay will send an e-mail to you, listing the item(s) found. You do not even need to visit eBay at all until you find something to bid on. You can find more information at <http://pages.ebay.com/buyandsell/myebay>.

Of course, just like flea markets and garage sales, you have to be careful about what you purchase. Money back guarantees may or may not be present; so, read the entire description to find out. eBay has a strong policy about accurately describing the items to be sold and enforces it rigorously.

However, with several million sellers active at any time, it is impossible to enforce those policies everywhere.

One of the best things that eBay did was to invent a rating system in which the buyers rate the honesty and timely shipments of the sellers. If you see a seller with a high rating, you know that previous buyers of his or her products were satisfied with the results. Always read the rating of a seller before bidding. You can read more about the rating system at <http://pages.ebay.com/help/confidence/know-seller-stars.html> and at <http://pages.ebay.com/help/policies/hub.html>.

I must say that I have been an eBay devotee for years. I have purchased probably several hundred items on eBay, including dozens of genealogy books, one tractor, two automobiles, and several computers for myself and my friends. I have also sold numerous items on eBay, again including two automobiles, with one of them shipped to a buyer in the Virgin Islands! I have been quite satisfied with the results.

Out of all my purchases, I can only recall one disappointment, and even that one was handled to my satisfaction. I once purchased an item for \$200 that, upon receipt, seemed to be a bit more "used" than the seller's description indicated. I contacted the buyer, and he immediately said, "Send it back." I did so, and a week later my credit card was credited for the full amount, including shipping. While I am a satisfied eBay shopper, I still closely evaluate every seller's feedback rating before bidding on anything new. I only purchase from sellers who have a high positive feedback rating, typically looking for ratings that are close to 100% positive feedback.

I also always pay with PayPal because of the extra protection offered. The credit card companies all provide insurance against fraud on purchases made with their cards. PayPal then adds an extra layer of protection above that offered by the credit card companies. In effect, PayPal purchases have double insurance protection.

In a few rare instances, the seller may not accept PayPal. If so, I never purchase anything from that seller. I will only make payments with PayPal (although I once paid with a certified check when I purchased an automobile from a seller who lives near me when I picked the auto up in person and drove it home).

eBay is, indeed, the world's largest garage sale. It can provide many items of interest that would be nearly impossible to find elsewhere. Yes, even rare genealogy books and other items can often be found at [www.ebay.com](http://www.ebay.com).

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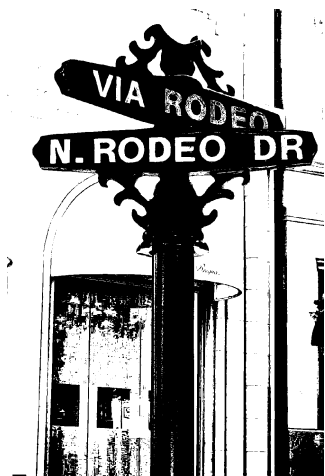
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Note: The CD Roms available on Ebay are sometimes available as free downloadable files from at Internet Archive ([archive.org](http://archive.org)). Be sure to check there before making your purchase!

Ed. note: Even if you are not interested in purchasing an item, check with the seller if it is something that interests you. There was a Bible listed for Minerva (Barney) Linn (1819-1851), a sister of my great, great grandmother, Caroline (Barney) Walling. There were a few pages of family notes, but not enough to justify the price. When I asked, the seller scanned and emailed me a copy of the handwritten family pages.

## A Blessing in Disguise

Marcelle HOBBS



The Los Angeles Times classified ads were strewn all around the small sitting room in the trailer. “What’s a draper?” Suzanne AVAKIAN asked her husband of four years.

“A draper is someone who makes drapes,” John replied without looking up from the newspaper he was reading.

“Well, I certainly know how to make drapes,” Suzanne said. “I am going to apply for this job. The pay is huge for something so simple. It will be another three months before I can start teaching at USC (University of Southern California), and we can certainly use the money. And besides, President Roosevelt seems to have no clue as to how much longer this war is going to last.”

John continued with his reading but was soon distracted by an unpleasant smell. The pot of beans boiling on the stove in the kitchen must be the culprit. He put down the newspaper, walked into the kitchen and lifted the lid from the pot on the stove. “Suze, these beans you’re cooking are burning. There’s no water left in the pot.”

“*O merde*,” she muttered. “I just wasn’t brought up to do anything in the kitchen.” Suzanne knew the food money would run out before the end of the month, and this was the third time she had ruined the few provisions John had last purchased. Well, at least they still had some bread and John loved peanut butter – so that was that – he could have peanut butter on toast providing she didn’t burn the bread.

“Where is this job you’re thinking about?” John asked after having cleaned the mess in the kitchen.

“Uh, Rodeo Drive, wherever that is,” Suzanne responded.

“Rodeo Drive! My God, that’s too far away.”

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“Where is it from Silver Lake?” Suzanne asked as she sorted through the rest of the newspaper.

“Hell, it’s clear in Beverly Hills. Just the gas alone will use up our rations for the whole month. I don’t think this is one of your better ideas.”

“I’m going to apply for it anyway. Besides, it will only be for three months and I’ll take the streetcar so as not to use your *precious* gas ration coupons.”

The following week, Suzanne met with Erma BEAL in Beverly Hills. After spending forty-five minutes on the streetcar to Los Angeles, she transferred onto another going to Rodeo Drive.

“*O mon Dieu*, there it is, 269 Rodeo Drive,” she said to the passenger sitting next to her. “This is my stop. I need to get off,” she shouted to the driver.

“Hold your horses, lady. The stop is just up ahead,” said the driver, who was idling at a red light.

Suzanne proceeded to the front of the streetcar, completely ignoring the driver’s instructions.

“Open the door,” she demanded to the driver.

“No. Go back to your seat.”



Suzanne reluctantly returned to her seat. The streetcar was once again on its way and stopped within a minute. "I can't believe you wouldn't let me get off. All you did was drive another thirty meters," she hissed to the driver as she stepped down onto the sidewalk.

The street was bustling - several young men were rolling metal wardrobes with clothes hanging from racks, a guide holding a small flag over her head was leading a group of tourists and others were window shopping, admiring the luxurious items most could ill afford displayed inside the shops.

"You must be Suzanne," the tall, elegantly dressed woman said, smiling as Suzanne entered the establishment. "I'm Erma BEAL. It is lovely to meet you. Now tell me a bit about yourself and your experience as a draper."

Suzanne pondered carefully as to what she would say. This could be a trap, and she would have to be careful. "Well, as I told you over the telephone, I am Parisian and have spent hours on rue Montaigne and rue de la Paix, the Rodeo Drives of Paris."

"Oh yes, my dear," interrupted Erma. That is precisely what intrigues me about you. In this business, it's all about one's persona. The stars will be crazy about you."

*Ahhhh, this is a trap, Suzanne thought. But she won't catch me.* Suzanne continued, "Each evening in Paris, my family and I worked on projects, sometimes we knitted sweaters and caps, other times it might be crocheting a tablecloth, tatting, needlepoint..."

"Oh my dear, my dear. You are more than qualified," beamed Erma. "Your first customer will be coming in this afternoon. Her name is Sophie Tucker. You do know of Sophie TUCKER?"

"I...", started Suzanne.

"Well, of course you do. Sophie needs a new gown and the material she has picked is right over there." Erma gracefully rose and walked toward the bolt of fabric.

In the mean time, Suzanne was becoming more and more nervous. As she twirled the handle of her purse, she wondered what in the world she had gotten herself into. *O la, la*, she thought. *I am expected to take this fabric and drape it on this Sophie Tucker woman and make her a dress. John was right. I should never have come. But, on the other hand, this will be an interesting challenge, and I do love challenges.*



*Sophie Tucker*

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Suzanne thrived in this job of being a draper. She loved working with the movie stars and with Erma BEAL. Since she had never heard of Sophie TUCKER, she educated herself. She found out this woman was a star of vaudeville and was considered a Red Hot Mama. (John clued her in as to what that meant.) However, three months later, her teaching position with USC began, but she would never forget those marvelous days on Rodeo Drive.

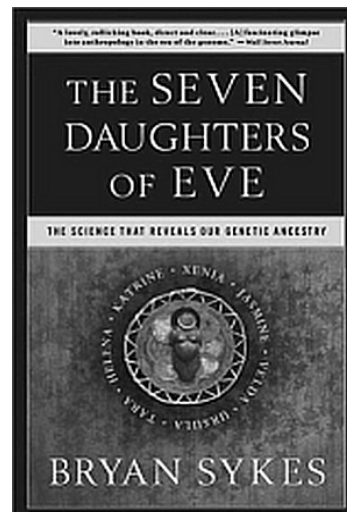
Suzanne (Reynoud) and John AVAKIAN are the author's parents.

## Suggested reading for those interested in genetic testing (DNA analysis)

by Blanche M. WALLACE

I've recently read two of three books written by Bryan Sykes on genetic testing (DNA analysis). Sykes is a professor of human genetics at Oxford University and is one of the pioneers in using DNA to explore the human past. He is founder of Oxford Ancestors (a DNA analysis firm based in England) and is known for his ability to explain difficult scientific concepts using history. He lives up to his reputation in the books described here.

In **The Seven Daughters of Eve**, Sykes describes his work and that of other researchers in tracing the journey of mitochondrial DNA from the origin of humans in Africa to populate the entire world. Mitochondrial DNA (mtDNA) is passed from a mother to her children, but only her daughters carry it forward to the next generation. Sykes names the seven core mtDNA lines and creates an imagined history for each of the ancestral mothers, bringing them to life. I know from my brother's DNA testing that we belong to mtDNA Haplogroup H. Helena is the name Sykes gives to the ancestral mother of this group. She lived about 20,000 years ago when the last Ice Age was at its maximum. Her band of humans inhabited the low-lying lands that bordered the Mediterranean, although that shoreline was many miles away from its current location. It is incredible to realize that my maternal ancestors form an unbroken chain back to Helena. Contemplation of this connection to deep ancestry, as it's called, is a moving experience.



The second book I read is **DNA USA**, a study of the genetic makeup of Americans. In addition to mtDNA and YDNA analysis, autosomal DNA (atDNA) is examined. Autosomal DNA is DNA analysis of the non-sex chromosomes and an analytical technique called “chromosome painting” can be used to show ethnic components. Most subjects tested in New England with proven lines to the 17th century were found to have no Native American or other ethnic components, indicating to Sykes that any offspring of liaisons between the English settlers and the natives most likely remained with the tribes and were raised by them. He explains why Native Americans are averse to genetic testing and how and why Jews have embraced genetic testing. Almost all African Americans tested for the study summarized in this book exhibited a European component in their DNA, often a surprising and disconcerting finding. Subjects with ancestral roots in the Deep South often exhibited an African DNA component. The book illustrates how most of us are a mixture of DNA from many locations and cultures.

I'm looking forward to reading the third book, **The Curse of Adam**, which explores the migration of the Y chromosome from the early humans of Africa as they left and traveled to populate the rest of the world. Y-DNA is passed from father to son in an unbroken line. I've explored this aspect of genetic testing, using the results to separate two Wallace lines with roots in Rutherford County, North Carolina. My brother's closest matches (using 67 markers) are a Wallace male in Nova Scotia (3 of 67 markers are different) and a Hicks male in Georgia (4 of 67 markers are different). No connection has been found in the paper trails, so far.

These books are for the lay reader. You can know nothing about genetic testing and still understand and learn from them. Genetic testing is being used more and more to help solve genealogy questions and to help adopted persons and others find their birth parents. As the data bases grow, more and more questions can be answered and problems solved. This type of testing is performed by several companies, including FamilyTreeDNA.com (the company I use) and 23andme.com. The results are only available to the person tested and no medical testing is performed. Ancestry.com has recently begun offering testing, but does not provide the raw data to the person being tested. For that reason, I don't recommend their service at this time.

Land Record - Orange County, FL - Julia Pope et al - 1912  
by Betty Jo Stockton

We always hear, in our genealogy studies, of the value of land records. So I've diligently looked them up and recorded them, but never saw much value to them. Usually the records show where the land was, when it was purchased and/or sold and who the neighbors were. It included name of witnesses - often relatives or friends - and it might include the wife's first name, as she signed away dower rights.

These were all interesting but didn't give much real family information.

In searching records for the Powell Cemetery book, I discovered a gold mine in a land record - so have changed my tune a bit. This record is for the sale of land by Julia Pope and her children, after the death of her husband Eugene Pope. It gives the usual information on purchasers, land location and witnesses. It also includes the names and marital status of her children, the death date of Eugene, the death of daughter Penny (who died as a minor), the married name, spouse and residence of a married daughter, Mattie. The previous owners of the property and where that was recorded are also included.<sup>1</sup>

Isaac "Ike" Pope died in 1919 and is buried in Powell Cemetery in South Orlando.

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This Indenture, Made the 18th day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and twelve between Julia Pope, Widow, Edward M. Pope, Unmarried, Isaac P. Pope, Unmarried, all of the City of Orlando and State of Florida, and Mattie Goodrich and William J. Goodrich her husband, of the City of Jacksonville and State of Florida, of the County of Orange and State of Florida of the first part, and J. M. Sellers, R. L. Bunch and E. R. Sapp, Partners doing business under the firm name and style of Sellers, Bunch & Sapp, of the County of Orange and State of Florida of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said part 1st of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of 1.00 DOLLARS, lawful money of the United States of America, to them in hand paid by the said part 1st of the second part, at or before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold, aliened, remised, released, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents, do grant, bargain, sell, alien, remise, release, convey and confirm, unto the said part 1st of the second part, and to their heirs and assigns, forever, all that at certain lot, tract or piece of land, lying and being in the County of Orange, and State of Florida, described as follows:

The Southwest quarter of the Southwest quarter of Section Twelve (12), in Township Twenty-three (23), South, of Range Twenty-eight (28) East. (Being the same premises which C. T. Lawrence and Annie R. Lawrence, his wife, by deed dated February, 28th, 1887, recorded in the Clerk's office of Orange County, aforesaid in Deed Book 41 page 213, granted and conveyed unto Eugene F. Pope in fee, and the said Eugene F. Pope being seized afterwards to-wit, on July, 20th, 1894 departed this life intestate and leaving to survive him as his heirs at law the said Julia Pope, his widow, and the said Edward M. Pope, Isaac P. Pope, Mattie Pope (now Goodrich) and Penny Pope his children, to whom the said land descended in fee and thereafter to-wit, on July 25th, 1901 the said Penny Pope died a minor, intestate and unmarried, and therefore her share of the said lands became vested in the parties of the first part as her heirs at law, who thereby became seized of the entire title in and to the lands aforesaid).

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof and also all the estate, right, title, interest, dower and right of dower, separate estate, property, possession, claim and demand whatsoever, as well in law as in equity, of the said part 1st of the first part, of, in and to the same and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above granted, bargained and described premises, with the appurtenances, unto the said part 1st of the second part, their heirs and assigns, to their own proper use, benefit and behoof, forever.

And the said part 1st of the first part, for their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant, promise and agree to and with the said part 1st of the second part, their heirs and assigns, that the said part 1st of the first part at the time of the sealing and delivery of these presents, are lawfully seized in the fee simple of a good, absolute and indefeasible estate of inheritance of and in all and singular the above granted, bargained and described premises, with the appurtenances thereto belonging, and have good right, full power and lawful authority to grant, bargain, sell and convey the same in the manner and form aforesaid. And the said part 1st of the second part, their heirs or assigns, shall and may at all times hereafter peacefully and quietly have, hold, use, occupy, possess and enjoy the above granted premises, and every part and parcel thereof, with the appurtenances, without any let, suit, trouble, molestation, eviction or disturbance of the said part 1st of the first part, their heirs and assigns, or any other person or persons lawfully claiming or to claim the same. And that the same are now free, clear, discharged and unincumbered of all and from all former and other grants, titles, charges, estates, judgments, taxes, assessments and incumbrances of what nature and kind soever.

Except taxes for the year 1912.

Orange County, FL - Deed Book 161, page 179-180  
18 Mar 1912

<sup>1</sup> Orange County Land Records can be found online at: <http://or.occompt.com/>

Date of Sale:  
18 Mar 1912.

Land: SW  
Quarter of the  
SW Quarter of  
Section 12,  
Township 23,  
Range 28 in  
Orange  
County, FL  
purchased 28  
Feb 1887 from  
C. T. and  
Annie R.  
Lawrence,  
recorded in  
Orange  
County, FL  
Deed book 41,  
page 213.

Sellers: Julia  
Pope,  
unmarried;  
Eugene M.  
Pope,  
unmarried;  
Isaac P. Pope,  
unmarried - all  
of Orlando;  
Mattie  
Goodrich,  
wife of  
Graham J.  
Goodrich - of  
Jacksonville,  
FL

Julia is widow  
of Eugene  
Pope, who  
died 20 Jul  
1894,  
intestate;  
Daughter  
Penny died as  
a minor on 25  
Jul 1901

And the said part... of the first part, for... and... their heirs, the above described and hereby granted and released premises, and every part and parcel thereof, with all the appurtenances, unto the said part... of the second part, their heirs and assigns, against the said part... of the first part and... their heirs, and against all and every person or persons whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof, shall and will warrant and by these presents forever defend.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said part... of the first part... have hereunto set their hand and seal, the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of Us:

T. P. Warlow  
Wilber L. Tilden  
C. E. Flynn  
J. W. Gooding

Julia Pope  
Edward M. Pope  
Isaac P. Pope  
Mrs. Mattie Goodrich  
Graham J. Goodrich

STATE OF...  
COUNTY OF...

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That I,

wife of the above named... do by these presents, made and executed by me, separate and apart from my said husband, and in the presence of...

a... of the State of... acknowledge and declare that I did make myself a party to and executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance for the purpose of conveying and relinquishing all my dower, right of dower and separate estate, or any other interest I may have in and to the lands in said conveyance herein described and granted, and that I did the same freely and voluntarily, and without any compulsion, constraint, apprehension or fear of or from my said husband.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my seal, this... day of... A. D. 191...

In Presence of:

STATE OF...  
COUNTY OF...

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that on this... day of... A. D. 191...

personally appeared before me, a... of the State of... the above named... to me well known as the wife of...

and as one of the persons described in, and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, who, being at the time separate and apart from her husband, the said... did then and there make and execute the foregoing acknowledgment, her name being with her hand subscribed, and her seal affixed in my presence.

WITNESS my hand and seal, at... the day and year above written.

STATE OF...  
COUNTY OF...

On this day personally appeared before me... Julia Pope, Edward M. Pope and Isaac P. Pope, heirs of Eugene E. Pope, to me well known as the person described in, and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and acknowledged that... they... executed the same for the purpose therein expressed; whereupon it is prayed that the same may be recorded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal, this... day of... A. D. 191...

Notary Public State of Florida  
My commission expires December 13, 1914.

(Notarial Seal)

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF DUVAL

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on the 20th day of March A.D., 1912, before me the subscriber, a Notary Public personally appeared Mattie Goodrich, (Nes Pope) one of the heirs at law of Eugene E. Pope deceased late of the County of Orange and State of Florida, and Graham J. Goodrich, her husband, who I am satisfied, are the individuals described in, and who executed the foregoing deed and acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

And I further certify that the said Mattie Goodrich wife of the said Graham J. Goodrich on a private examination taken and made before me, separate and apart from her said husband did further acknowledge that she executed the said deed freely and voluntarily and without compulsion, constraint, apprehension or fear of or from her said husband.

Witness my hand and official seal at Jacksonville, in said County and State, the day and year aforesaid.

J. W. Gooding.  
Notary Public, State of Florida.  
My commission expires October 7, 1914.

(Notarial Seal)

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF ORANGE

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this... day of... A. D. 191... I, H. M. ROBINSON, Clerk of the Circuit Court in and for said County, have duly recorded the foregoing Deed in the Public Records of said County.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Court, the day and year above written.

Notaried Deputy Clerk.

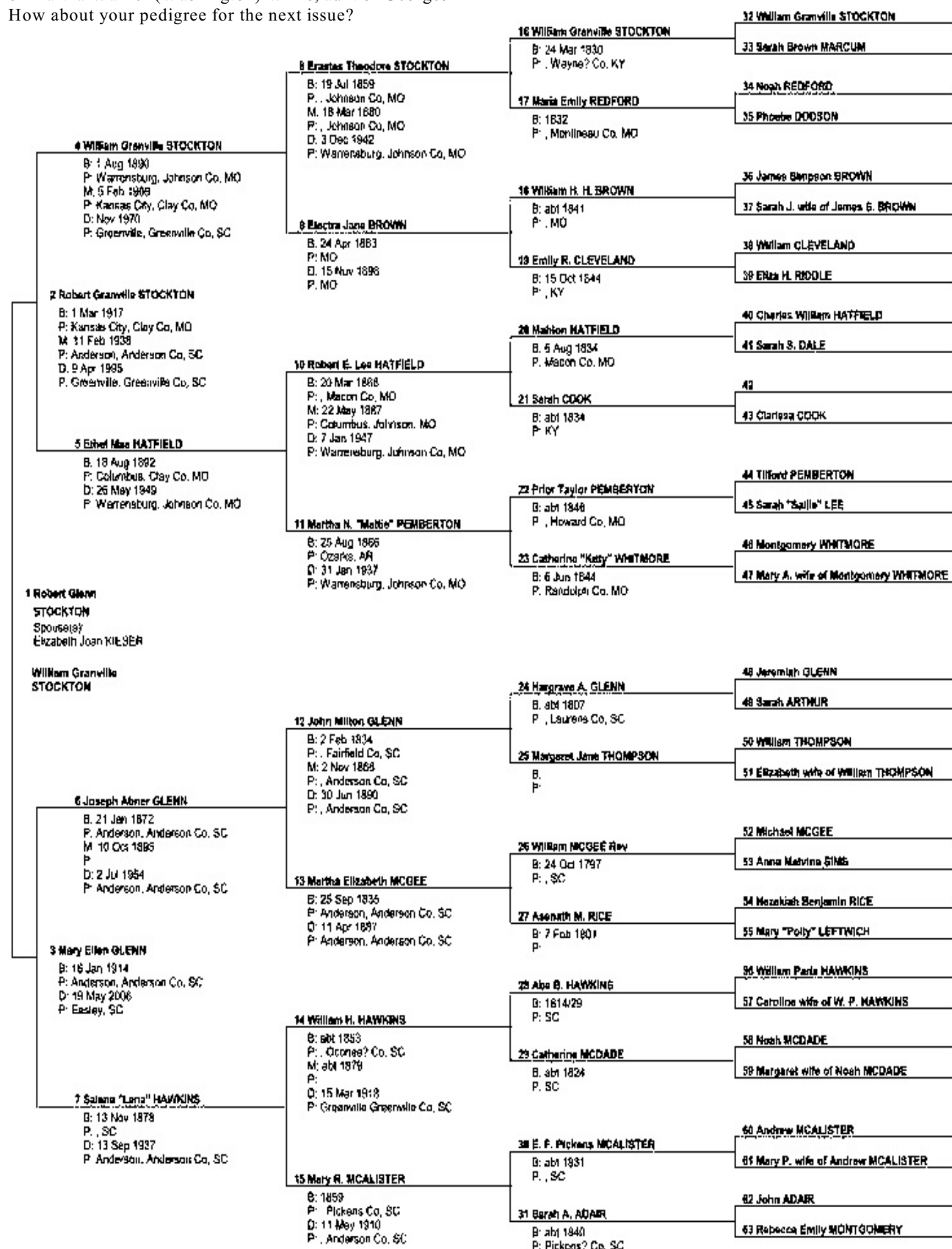
Notaried Clerk Circuit Court.

Buyers: J. M. Sellers, R. L. Bunch & E. B. Sapp, partners - doing business under the firm name of Sellers, Bunch & Sapp.

Witnesses: T. P. Warlow & Wilber L. Tilden (Orange County, FL) to signatures of Julia, Eugene & Isaac Pope; C. E. Flynn & J. W. Gooding (Duval County, FL) to signature of Mattie & Graham Goodrich

## Pedigree of Robert Glenn Stockton

Ed note: Since no one responded to my request for pedigrees, here is my hubbie's. Sallie Lee #45 is related to the Lees of Virginia and is a 2<sup>nd</sup> great granddaughter of Martha Warner (Washington) Willis, aunt of George.  
How about your pedigree for the next issue?



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