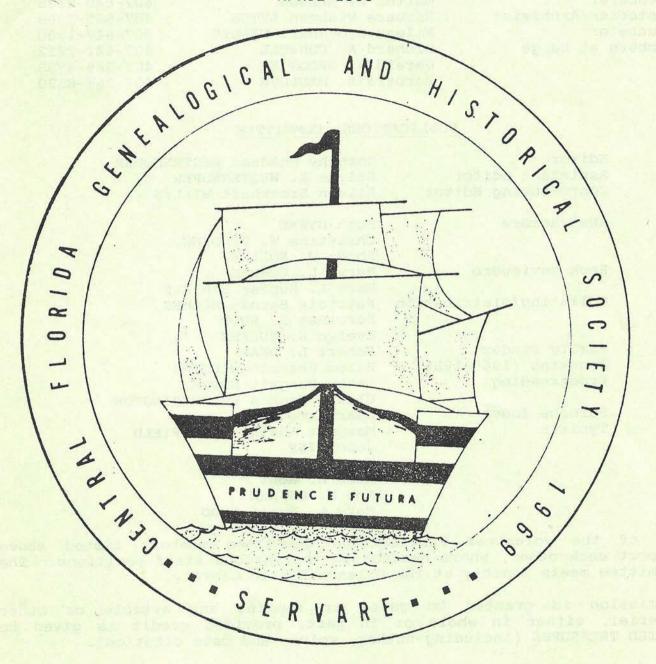
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"The glory of ancestors sheds a light around posterity; it allows neither their good nor bad qualities to remain in obscurity."

--- Sallust

With Spring comes bright sunshine and glorious flowers. Our energy level perks up and, hopefully, our research efforts will be as promising as the weather.

Interest in, and support of, our Cemetery Research Committee is outstanding! After several planning sessions and "field" (or Cemetery) experiences, we are well on our way to producing several excellent research publications on Drange County cemeteries. We are submitting a grant application to the Florida Bureau of Historic Preservation in hopes of obtaining assistance in the publication of these documents. On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish to thank all our members who continue to support this endeavor.

We are discussing a seminar, or mini-workshop, on <u>Immigration</u> as a joint project with the Orange County Historical Museum. As plans become more definite, a report will be made to the membership.

Katherine Ronan Cooper continues to "spread the word" about GENEALOGY. Not only does she teach beginning and intermediate genealogy classes, special Irish research classes, and conduct workshops...she makes television appearances as well! In March, Katherine appeared on the local ABC affiliate, WFTV, Noon News program. Her interest in, and love of, genealogy are a source of inspiration!

Tanya C. Miller

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President

## A QUEST OF THE PAST (Ronan / Walsh / Murnane / Campbell/ Coffey)

On Thursday, January 21, 1988, member Katherine Ronan Cooper shared with CFG&HS members, her students and interested guests "An Evening in Ireland" discussing her ten years of research and a slide presentation of her recent trip to Ireland. The following are two letters sent to Katherine's family and the events leading up to her trip.

Easter 1987

Dear Family,

As all of you know, I began researching our family history in July 1978. What began as a personal quest to learn more about my ancestors has resulted in a parttime/full-time job. Over the past several years I have been teaching others how to research their own family history both in night classes and day long seminars. I have spoken to civic and ethnic groups on the importance of preserving their family history. I do all this, in addition to my part-time job at the bank, for one reason and one reason only: To make everyone I meet, talk to, or teach begin thinking about his or her ancestors. What kind of people were they, what kind of lives did they lead and what did they look like? (all questions I had asked myself) I hope that my enthusiasm will be the inspiration they need to begin preserving their family's treasured past. My students are a constant inspiration to me, and they make the long hours of two jobs in a 24 hour day more tolerable. I must confess, however, that there is another reason why I have willingly subjected myself to this hectic pace for several years. I have a goal in mind and that is really what this letter is all about.

Each Easter Season we celebrate the renewal of life. This Easter Sunday, April 19, 1987, is even more significant, for we are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the arrival of Nicholas William Ronan and his sister Mary Ronan Campbell in America. A century ago they sailed past the one year old Statue of Liberty into New York harbor on board the migrant ship City of Montreal with 1200 other passengers from many European Countries.

What mixed feelings they all must have had as they gazed out across the water to New York and their new homeland. I'm sure there was a mixture of joy, anticipation and sadness.

Several years ago when, after seven years of research, I finally learned the year and details of their arrival, I made a promise to myself that I would return to Ireland in 1987! This July I will realize the accomplishment of that goal. I look forward to the time when I first see the harbor of Cobh, my first glimpse of the port where so many immigrant ships departed from, including the <u>City of Montreal</u>. I too will be feeling mixed emotions. Joy at seeing the home of my ancestors, for the first time, the anticipation of meeting distant cousins I have been corresponding with for so many years, and a profound sadness that my father can't be there with me to share it all.

That brings me to the final reason for this letter. There is no one living in Ireland today who is descended from William and Mary Walsh Ronan, the parents of Ellen, Maurice, Nicholas, Mary, Prudence, and Catherine. These six children all chose the promise of a better life in America. First Ellen and Maurice, Nicholas and Mary, then Catherine and last Prudence and her widowed mother, Mary Walsh Ronan came to America over a 20 year span from approximately 1884 to 1904.

They settled in Connecticut because Mary Walsh Ronan had a brother who had settled there and offered a place for them to live and help in finding a job. Gradually as these first immigrants married, they moved into their own homes and some branched out from Middletown, Conn. to some nearby towns and cities. By the time the children of these immigrants grew up and sought work, times had changed, and they traveled far from Conn. to settle down and raise their families. We are now the grandchildren and great-grandchildren of these original six. We live all over the world, we have families of our own and we live out our lives far away from each other, the direct opposite of our ancestors. We are a well-educated, multi-talented, diverse group, living in a country vastly different from the one our ancestors came to in the late 19th century. This modern America makes it difficult at times to keep families together. My hope is that it won't keep us from remembering who we are, where we came from and hopefully where we are going.

We have lost touch with the children of Ellen Ronan Murnane, Maurice Ronan, and Mary Ronan Campbell. I have placed an ad in the Hartford Courant Newspaper requesting their descendants to contact me. Fortunately Catherine Ronan Quirk's daughter has an excellent memory and I have been very fortunate to be able to contact nearly all of Nicholas Ronan's children, (my aunts and uncles: Martin and Harold before their deaths and Aunt Peg, the last surviving child of his, now residing in Massachusetts.)

All of them have given me great help and support in my project. After I return from Ireland, I will begin the process of writing my book. At first I had hoped to have it ready for publication by 1987, but felt I had to go to Ireland before really being able to write our history completely. I hope that when the book is ready we can distribute it at a family reunion. All I ask is that you give it some serious thought. It would be a chance for all of us to come together from far and near to meet people we've only corresponded with or talked to on the phone, but who are drawn together by a common bond called family. I will keep you up to date as the book progresses and with any luck I will see my dream become a reality.

REMEMBER, WE ARE ALL A PART OF THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US. WE HAVE INHERITED THEIR STRENGTHS, THEIR SENSE OF HUMOR AND THEIR LOVE OF FAMILY.

I think they would be very proud of us.

I wish you all a joyous Easter Season. To my family, with love,

Kate Ronan Cooper (signed)

## SELF FAMILY NEWSLETTER Volume 4, Number 1-4 A Review by Mary L. Kupfer Daniels

This newsletter has a "Membership-Ancestors" section that surely is of interest to the family. A long interview with Thomas Sloan SELF of Hugo, Oklahoma, is most interesting to an outsider.

His cousin, an orphan, was reared with him, became a sheriff of Kiamichi County, Indian Territory, Choctaw Nation, and was killed while escorting a prisoner to Texas on Christmas Eve, 1904. What a story a novelist could make of that! Thomas' aunt was burned to death when her clothing caught fire around a wash pot. And as for Tom himself, since no white man was allowed to have more than ten cows and calves in the Indian territory, Tom married an Indian girl--he doesn't say why, but it's right in the midst of information about cattle--and became a citizen of the Choctaw Nation. He then raised cattle by the hundreds.

Later in No. 1, a fascinating bit of history and geography is revealed. There were three major earthquakes in and around New Madrid, Missouri resulting in the creation of Reelfoot Lake in Tennessee and St. Francis Lake in Arkansas. Six thousand square miles sank to depths of 3 to 9 feet, and the mighty Mississippi actually ran upstream.

In issue No. 2, Tom continues his story. While carrying the mail he met Annie Maude USRAY and married her, but in his words "she cost me a hundred dollars." Ten men had to sign that he vas a good substantial citizen. He mentions that as a member of the Choctaw Tribe he could now vote in their elections and was entitled to an allotment of land.

Probably the most interesting part of No. 3 is that of the land lottery held in Georgia when that state took over the Cherokee lands. Qualified persons registered and their names were sent to the capital, Milledgeville, along with the lots and districts which had been surveyed. Two huge drums were used, one for the names and one for the lot numbers. Immediately after the lottery, 1832, the Cherokee lands were divided into ten counties.

In this issue, also Alfred Dudley SELF begins the story of a boy raised in Jackson County, Indian Territory around the turn of the century.

The final number of Volume 4 continues Alfred's story with an account of Indian games and dances. Of the Snake Dance he says he believes it was all men but they were so covered with blankets, feathers, beads and other decorations he couldn't really tell. Then he adds, rather naively, that as they warmed up, they cast off the blankets and danced mostly in their beads and a breech cloth. "But I don't believe there were any women or girls in that dance."

"Sept 29: received first pay. \$33.33. Started for Ellis Island. Arrived at 2:30. Had dinner and assigned headquarters and watched the boats. Statue of Liberty beautiful all lit up."

That diary entry was written by Miss Blanche Lewis, now of Paisley House, 60 years ago. But the words are just as clear as the memories of the surviving nurses of Base Hospital 31, the first American Expeditionary Forces' base hospital to land in France at the onset of this country's participation in World War I. "Remember how we marched four miles down Fifth Avenue behind Sousa and how those new shoes hurt? (Oct.4:gathered at 79th and Fifth to form in line. Started to march at 12:15...) And how we were the the first women ever allowed in the New York Stock Exchange?"

Time slipped swiftly backward around the lace-covered luncheon table set for seven - seven grey-haired ladies in their 7070'70's and 80s - at the home of Mrs. Clara Wack Cavanaugh in Canfield. Everyone was talking at once. It was their first get together for some time and every year there are fewer places at the table.

Sipping coffee from Mrs. Cavanaugh's delicate china cubs were Miss Lewis, Mrs. Olive Dunn Salcini, Mrs. Leona Osborne Lindsay, Miss Harriet J. Eckels, and Miss Rachel Smith, all graduates of Youngstown Hospital School of Nursing, and Mrs. Alys Stryker Fraser, a graduate of New York City Hospital School of Nursing.

"The nurse detachment left Youngstown at 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, 1917 for New York, there to await embarkation orders. The detachment included 64 nurses under the direction of Miss Frances Kehoe" is the reminder in the souvenir booklet of the 1953 reunion.

It had been the local Red Cross Committee that had enrolled nurses willing to do active service, and mobilization orders were received Sunday, Sept. 9. Between Sunday and Tuesday the excited young women shopped and packed and received telephone calls and were entertained by society groups. Following their 9 a.m. Oath of Allegiance, administered Tuesday at the McMillan Public Library by William Blackburn, the YHA Training School Alumnae honored the now Army nurses at a luncheon at the Hotel Ohio, and later the Mahoning Chapter of the Red Cross feted them at dinner at the Youngstown club.

These recollections and many others are preserved in a yellowed copy of "The Times", the first paper published by Unit 31 and in the possession of Mrs. Cavanaugh. A penciled notation at the top reads, "This paper is managed, edited, and printed by the nursing staff of Unit 31. We hope to improve on the next one." A medical insignia is inserted between "The" and "Times" and a penciled note beside it explains "Same as we wear on our coats with U.S. letters".

After roll call at the Library, "automobiles then took us to the Pennsylvania Station, mid the fanfare and blare of trumpets, lines of khaki clad soldiers guarding us on either side of the street. At Spring Common, soldiers had been detailed to escort us through the crowd and carry our luggage...

The train pulled out at 7 amid cries of 'Good Bye' and 'Good Luck!' and 'Good Bless You!' and 'Take good care of my boy!'

For almost three months, the nurses billeted on Ellis Island. They studied French, they took shore leave to the Big City, they had parties, they were entertained, they wrote and received letters, and all the time they wondered when they would leave for France.

"In the dead of night Dec. 14, that's when we left, from Hoboken, N.J., on the captured German ship, the Leviathan", the girls still remember. "Six tugs threw up a tremendous smoke screen as they pushed us into the harbor. And the German officers who were prisoners on their own ship showed us how to run it and not until we saw signs in the engine room 'Liverpool or Bust'did we know where we were headed."

The crossing took 10 days and it was Christmas Eve when the Leviathan slipped into port at Liverpool. A train bound for Southampton was waiting and at Southampton they boarded the English hospital ship Warilda. While it tossed across the English Channel, the girls ate the British sailors' Christmas dinner of cold turkey "and they never let us forget it."

It was a wretched trip as nausea assailed the landlubbers, and as Mrs. Cavenaugh recalls. "I was careful to choose an upper

as Mrs. Cavenaugh recalls, "I was careful to choose an upper bunk rather than a lower one because I didn't want anyone being ill on me. As it happened I was the one who got violently ill on the poor soul in the lower bunk!". The Warilda was sunk the very next week, with all hands lost.

If they thought conditions on the Warilda were difficult they hadn't seen anything yet. The train from LeHavre to Contrexeville where they would be stationed was not heated, had no food aboard, no bathroom, and no water . "For 48 hours all we had to eat was one can of sardines, a crust of bread, and one can of beans that we had to eat with a piece of cardboard because there were no spoons. It was so cold we had to sit on each others feet to keep warm, and many of us had diarrhea with no bathroom. We found some empty tomato cans along the tracks and we used them for that emergency. Whenever the train would stop, those of us who could would jump out and fill our hot water bottles with snow to take care of the water emergency."

Now they could laugh at those long-ago troubles, which is just one of the blessings of passing time, and it was not unusual that their most vivid memories are of the the humorous incidents rather that of the horrors they saw and endured. These are the gems never read in history books, they are only taken from the mind's "safe" on special occasions shared with one another.

Contrexeville, a resort area with hotels, mineral waters, a gambling casino, theater, and tennis and croquet courts would be the nurses' home for 17 months.

At first they were not really welcome. A French general was dismayed because he thought they were camp followers, and General Pershing said, "We don't want them here, they'll just be in the way." Both men later apologized; Gen. Pershing, by writing in the Stars and Stripes.

Le Casino became the surgical hospital and all the other buildings held either patients or were turned into living areas for medical and nursing personnel. The first patients were German prisoners and French soldiers and civilians. Some of the prisoners spat on the nurses, others kissed the hands that comforted them. As the tempo of the war increased the nurses were up at 4 every morning, meeting incoming trains loaded with wounded soldiers, cleaning and delousing them before taking them to the hospital.

At night the rumble of troop trains disturbed the nurses' dreams and when the wind was right they could hear the guns pounding. When a convoy came through in the small hours, the nurses were routed from their needed beds and slept on cots with sacks of hay for mattresses.

There was that Christmas Day when the nurses sang carols in German for the German prisoners and received a beautiful note of thanks. There was the unexplained unpleasant odor of a Singhalese patient. The source, they found to their horror, was two human ears tied to his belt; they were a battle trophy.

And then there was the hotel they called "The Zoo". "There were no bathrooms and no water, but nearby were bath houses; 12 showers in one room. "The boys always snickered and said we were going to the Follies." The nurses were allowed to bathe every day but Thursday, "that day was reserved for the French, but there were never any takers!"

Payday was once a month and at even a mere \$60 - \$50 for Army nurses serving in the States - the girls were able to save money. They saved other things, too. "Remember the day all the silverware disappeared? I've got one of the spoons yet!"

was it anything like M-A-S-H? "A lot of things went on, don't kid yourself!" And the girls around the table caught each other's eyes in secret smiles that said volumes without saying anything.

At the end of the war, the nurses went their separate ways, most remaining with their profession, some leaving it to marry.

Extracted from Youngstown Vindicator issue of 25 Sep 1977 by Jean Fish, whose aunt was Miss Rachel Smith.

#### Civil War 'Firsts'

"As the breeding ground for modern warfare, the Civil War has long been remembered for its firsts'. It has been credited with dozens like these:

A successful submarine
A 'snorkel' breathing device
Land mine fields
Flame throwers
Aerial reconnaisance
Organized medical and nursing corps
A workable machine gun
The income tax
Withholding tax
American bread lines
The Medal of Honor
The bugle call 'Taps'
American president assassinated
Commissioned American Army Chaplains
Blackouts and camouflage under aerial observation

#### BRITTON GENEALOGY

The History of Somersetshire, by The Rev. John Collinson, F.A.S., MDCCXCI [1791], Volume II, (Extract.)

Ref. Page 314:

"BUTCOMBE

"Stands on the side of a lonely valley, about three miles west of Chew-Stoke, and the same distance from Wrington. This parish comprehends several manors, whereof that of Butcombe belonged at the Conquest to the bishop of Coutences and was thus surveyed: ... etc."

Ref. Page 315:

"This John (deBretesche)(in) 42 Henry III [1258] presented William de Sodden to William Briton, chief justice of the forest, to be his woodward of the forest of Winford, who was admitted accordingly."

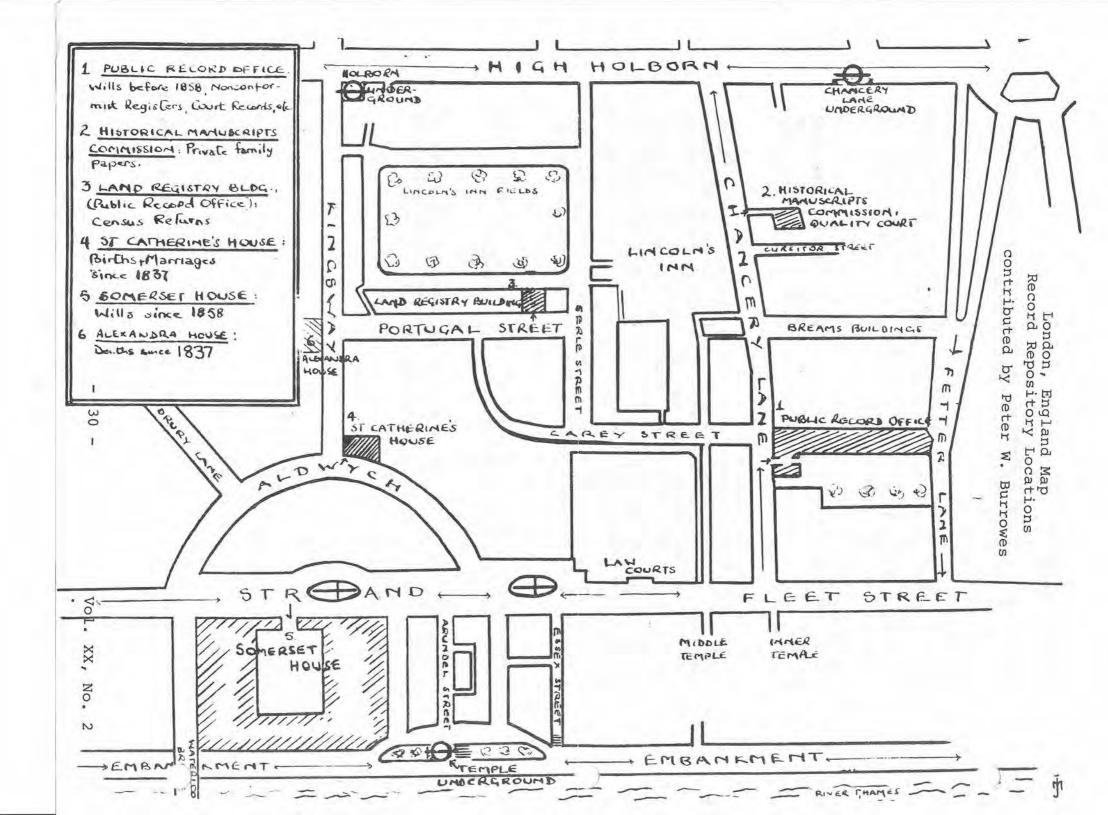
Ibid, Volume III, Page 172:

... "Which Henry (Lovel) was living in the time of King John, and by Christian, his wife, had issue Richard Lovel, baron of Cary (from whom were five descendents of that name, from 38 Henry III to 25 Edward III, when it terminated in St. Maur;) and also four daughters, to whom he gave this manor in four equal portions. The first of these daughters was married to Sir Walter de Easeley, or Ashley; the second to Thomas le Briton; the third to Matthew Wake; and the fourth to William FitzWalter. William FitzWalter sold his fourth part of the estate, which he had in right of his wife, to Thomas le Briton;

Preceeding found in portions of Collinson's, on the place of "Weston, North Weston, or Weston in Gordano."

The foregoing extracted from the original of Collinson's History of Somersetshire, at the Somerset County Records Office, Taunton, Somerset, England, on Oct. 21, 1987.

by Richard A. Connell



P. O. Box 601 Casselberry, Fla. 32707 December 11, 1987

Mr. Alan Bunner 7200 Burtonwood Dr. Alexandria, Va. 22307

Dear Mr. Bunner:

Betty Hughson called me a few days ago and said that you had contacted her about the Hughson family and that you might have some information for me.

First I would like to quote from a letter written by Karthryn Burgess, Historian for the Town of Chatam, N.Y.: "In Half Moon (she is referring to the 1790 Census) is also listed: Nathaniel Huson, I male over 16, none under, and one female in family. By 1800, Nathaniel Hughson is in Columbia County. As to the place of his birth, Fredericksburgh or Frederickstown was an area of what was originally Dutchess County, which became Putnam County June 12, 1812. In the Fredericksburg Tax Lists, compiled by Clifford Buck, I find in Fredericksburgh: Hughson, Jeremiah 1772-1779

" Robert 1772-1779
" Thomas 1772-1775
" William 1775-1779

Earlier, in the area called Southern or Southeast (formed in 1788 from Fredericksburgh and Southeasttown), is listed Hueson, Jeremiah Feb. 1755-June 1755.

"In spite of the various spellings, I think that all of the above are connected with the information you wish on the Hughson-Huson family. Since there was an Elijah Spink in Columbia County in 1800, possibly he was related to the Samuel of Half Moon and to Anna Spink. In addition to this, I may say that some Hughsons served in the Revolutionary War, but no Spinks. An earlier settler of Dobbs Ferry was a Thomas Hughson who m. Marie Dobbs and had clildren between 1695-1714, among whom was a Nathaniel. These families seem to have resided in Fishkill, Dobbs Ferry and Philipsburg. There is a Richard removed from Philipsburg to Fishkill before 1767 who may be related."

#### I- NATHANIEL HUSON

- b. 1767 Fredericksburg, N.Y.
- m. Anna Spink (b. 1770 d. 1798)
- m. Betsey Warren (b. 1764 d. 1836) at Hillsdale, N.Y. 1799
- m. Phebe Boyd (b 1786 widow of Jacob Crawford) in 1836
- d. 1847

He came to Starkey, then Reading, in 1818, settled on the first farm north of the corporation of Dundee (N.Y.), and resided there through life.

Children by Anna Spink:

Ruth b. 1790 m. Judson Millard

Children: Anna m. Robert, brother of Eli Townsend
Lewis M. m. Harriet Henderson
Jane m. Franklin Holden.
Child: Hattie
Squire m. Emily Phillips

Elijah b. 1792 d. Illinois after 1873 m. Alzada Tyler in Columbia Co. N.Y.

Children: Nelson b 1816 d.1838 m Alzada Truesdale

Child: Janett b. 1837 m. John J. Humphries 1861 Starkey N.Y.

lived Elgin Illinois.

child: Alice

Arthur

John

Richard m. Sarah Tyler lived in Ill. Judson m. Ann sister of Harvey Stafford Lousia m. Martial H. Booth

Samantha m. Gabriel Torrance Burgess m. ? lived in Ill.

\* CALVIN b. 1794 d. 1869 m. Betsey Crego

Children: Listed later under II

Betsey b. 1795 m. Eli Townsend (b. 1797 in Columbia Co.)

married by Rev. Stephen Lamphier in 1821

Richard b. 1798 m. Rebecca, (daughter of Samuel Kress Sr.) Was homeopathic physician in Dundee, N.Y. Ca.1856 bought 140 acres bounty land in Kansas from Calvin. Still in Kansas in 1873.

> Children: Eliza Ann m. Edward Hoogland, editor of Dundee Record. Died in Kansas.

> > Child: Mary

Catharine m. 1st wife of James Spicer. Child: one

Samuel K. m. Polly Ann , daughter of John Spicer. Was Homeopathic physician. Moved to Kansas.

Children by Betsey Warren:

Samuel b. 1801 d. 1870 m.Mary Ann Harpending m Rachel Cosad cousin of wife.

Children: Larissa

Mary

Nathaniel b.1804 d 1872/73 m Ann Swarts Children: Eliza M. m. Joshua son of Daniel Raplee

Child: Nathaniel m. Alonzo Eaton

Sally A. m. James Swarthout

Child: Two

Emeline m. David Swarthout

Child: One

Matilda m. Oliver son of Joshua Raplee

Nancy J. m. Thomas Robson

Susan A. m. William Wortman

Anna b.1808 m. Alonzo Simmons

Sally b. 1811 m. 1834 Charles E. Truesdale (b. 1811) They lived in Eddytown, N.Y. Charles was a son of Charles and Semantha Tyler Truesdale II- CALVIN HUSON (son of Nathaniel & Anna Spink Huson)

b. 25 June, 1794 Columbia Co., N.Y.

m. Betsey Crego (b. 1801) 8 November 1817 at Hillsdale, Columbia Co., N.Y.

d. 8 June 1869 Dundee, N.Y.

Served in War of 1812. Drafted at Hillsdale, Columbia Co., N.Y. Served from 14 August - 27 November 1814. Was Private in Company commanded by Capt. Conrad Wilsey in the New York Militia Regiment commanded by Col. Van Dalfsen. Discharged at Brooklyn 27 November 1814. Received 40 acres in Kansas in 1850 from Bounty Act of September. Received 100 acres in Kansas in 1855 from Bounty Act of 3 March. Sold them to his brother Richard. "Calvin Huson came to Starkey, N.Y. in 1818, living sometime on the east and west road south of "Bear Town". He then moved to the town of Seneca and resided there till after the death of his father, whose place he then bought and lived thereon till near his death in 1869. He was a soldier in the War of 1812 and a Democrat of the strictest sect." After Calvin's death Betsey had a hard time getting a pension as Calvin's name had been spelt Hughson on his discharge and on his land warrants.

Children: \*JANE b. 1819 d. 1885 m. James Beattie, Jr.

Children: Listed later under III

Susan b. 1820 m. Haines Clark

Children: Mary

Rosalie

David C. b. 1821 d. 1859 in California. m. Margaret Robson Children: John R.

Calvin J. b. 1855 at Barrington. 1890 lower house of state legislature. 1882 deputy comptroller N.Y. State

Mary Jane

Calvin, Jr. b. 1822 d. 1861 m. Catharine Miller. Lawyer of good reputation, lived in Rochester, N.Y. Elected District Attorney of Monroe Co. 1856. Died at Richmond Va. a rebel prisoner, captured at the Battle of Bull Run where he was a spectator.

Children: Delancey

Clara Hattie Hobart Katy

William. H. b. 1824 m.Emma Reed Kept a public house at
Washington during War of Rebellion, then
keeper of a public house at Starkey Station.
Children: Josephine m. John Maloney

Child: Emma

Cass

Martha & Mary - twins

Elizabeth b. 1825 m. David Clark Eli T. b. 1827 d. California

Emeline b. 1828 m. Uriah Hair Andrew b. 1830 d. 1830

George E. b. 1832 m. Lucy Easton in Illinois

Lewis M. b. 1834 m. Jane, niece of Gov. Macomber of Washington Territory

Clark b. 1836 m. Anna Shimpf, a German girl. Lived in Starkey, N.Y.

Samuel b. 1837 d. 6 April, 1862 Killed in battle at Pittsburg
Landing (Shiloh) by gunshot through breast.
Corp., Co. B 14th Reg't Illinois Infantry.
Enlisted at Jacksonville. Ill, 25 May 1861
for 3 years.

Charles M. b. 1839 m. Mary Terry Lived Starkey, N.Y. Children: Charles T.

John B.

Mary Ann b. 1841 m John Gray of Groveland, N.Y.

Children: Samuel

John

Henry

James K.P. b 1845 d. 1863 killed in action at Gettysburg.
Co. B. 126 N.Y. Infantry. Enlisted at
Starkey, N.Y. 29 July, 1862

III- JANE HUSON (daughter of Calvin & Betsey Crego Huson)

b. 9 February, 1819

m. James Beattie, Jr.

d. 21 March, 1885. Halls Corners, N.Y. Children: John Elliott b. 12 December, 1843 etc.

And so the Huson name passed out of my family tree as the Beattie name took over. I hope there may be something in here that you can use. I also hope you may have something that might help me.

Sincerely.

Rhoda W. Pollin

My sources are:

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Claim of Widow for Service Pension

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War of Rebellion Records of James K.P. Huson

#### LOOKING FOR GRANDPARENTS

As far as I am concerned, there is no one right way to look for grandparents. Most people don't have to look—they know exactly where they lived and where they were buried, but for some it can be a difficult search. One needs luck and a lot of help from the many kind folks out there waiting to be asked.

When we began our search we knew that John A. Todd was born in Indiana ca 1834, that he married in 1856 in Washington Co., Indiana, Harriett N. Orchard, that his eldest son was born in 1857 in Omaha, Nebraska, and that in 1880 he was listed as a Fresbyterian minister, living in Des Moines, Iowa. But where was he in between and where did he die?

A letter to the Presbyterian Synod covering Des Moines told us that the relevant records had not been turned over to the Stated Clerk of the Synod when the two branches of the church were united. Did the previous Stated Clerk object to the consolidation? Anyway, the current incumbent couldn't help.

Then, unexpectedly, the kind genealogist in Salem, Indiana, sent a copy of an entry in the 'Salem Democrat' of July 17, 1890, telling of the death of Harriet Todd in January. Perhaps if her burial could be found others in the family might be buried nearby. Des Moines had no record of her death. Then we remembered that some of the Todds were in the Orchard plot in the Prospect Hill Cemetery in Omaha. An inquiry to the cemetery verified that Harriett Orchard Todd had died on 9 January 1890 and her grave was there, but not her husband's.

The Presbyterian Church has two places where historical records may be located—one in Philadelphia and the other in Montreat, North Carolina. According to the Historical Foundation in Philadelphia, John A. Todd was a Presbyterian evangelist licensed by the Presbytery of Des Moines who made the rounds in Colorado in the 1890's. He was in LaVeta for a time; by 1897 he was in Berkeley, Colorado, in the Pueblo Presbytery, and by 1901 he was in New York. There was no record of him after 1904 so it was presumed that he died there at that time.

The census of 1900 showed that John A. Todd, aged 65, born in Indiana, both parents born in Kentucky, evangelist, was renting a place on Christopher Street in Manhattan with his son Fredie, aged 28, a reporter. There is a census for the city of New York in 1905 but John A. Todd was not included in it. So it seemed reasonable to conclude that he had died there in 1904/5. However, the NYC health department (and here it was necessary to take into account all of the five boroughs of the city) had no record of his death and there was no obituary for him. That seemed to be the end of the search even though we still didn't know where he was buried. Some years later we received an inquiry from a descendant of 'Fredie' above. She had employed a professional genealogist in Kentucky to search for her Todd family. She had found a letter from me in the 'Todd' file asking for information. Our relative knew that John A. Todd had returned to Colorado with his son Eugene who was in poor health and had died in Denver. Sure enough, the health department of Denver sent a copy of the death certificate for John Andrew Todd who died 10 May 1912 and was buried in the Crown Hill Cemetery there, together with Eugene who had died in 1908. So now the search was ended, thanks to the combined efforts of researchers, relatives, kind friends and official sources -- plus a certain amount of luck.

by Mary Louise B. Todd

Daniel Mohr, one of Lower Macungie's oldest and most highly esteemed citizens, was on Saturday evening last garnered as a ripened sheaf by the great harvester, death, and given his rest at the age of 79. He had been suffering from a complication of ills, of which hiccoughing figured as the most troublesome, and which caused his death, as it did that of his father before him. He suffered from the malady periodically for two years. The attacks sometimes lasted for days successively, and the last having been of two weeks' duration he was worn out by it. Deceased was a farmer, and at one time was very largely and profitably engaged in the cigar manufacturing business, keeping in employ many hands. For years past he had, however, lived in a quiet retiracy and in the enjoyment of his accumulated means. He also when in his best years, served the people of his township as one of the Justices of the Peace for a successive period of 28 years. He was a fearless, intelligent and impartial official, and all of the duties of the office were performed with eminent ability and satisfaction. man of many excellent qualities, enjoying the high esteem and respect of all who knew him, and his many friends learned of his death with sorrow and regret, even though it occured at a high old age. He was admired and respected by everyone for his kind and cheerful disposition, integrity and honor. Ripe in years as well as honest to the core in all the relations of life, he passed from the community in which he lived all his life, and the places which have known him for so long will know him no more. He was upright and worthy never swerving from the path of rectitude and honor. No man could lay to his charge fraud or chicanery. As a christian he was faithful, meek, sincere and of much wealth of experience. Patient in suffering and submissive to the will of his Heavenly Father, when the end came, with expressions of clear evidence of his acceptance with God, he passed to his final home honored and believed by all who knew him.

Politically, he was a strong and unswerving democrat; his political as well as his religious duties he never neglected. He never in his life voted any other but the democratic ticket and from the time of attaining his majority he never missed attending a local or general election. He lived to a good age, and whilst his near friends realized that his time was necessarily short they still hoped he might be spared yet a little longer. Death, as said, however found him ready to obey the Master's summons, and when the final hour came he passed away as calmly and peacefully as an infant slumbering upon the mother's bosom. To his family his ministrations were constant and abounding, rich in loving kindnesses, and fragrant with tender care. His family, after performing every duty incumbent upon them as wife and children, will tomorrow lay away all that was mortal until the resurrectionpass it away from sight, not from mind, for the remembrance of that stately form, and those features beaming with love and

kindness, will ever be remembered by all who knew him-much more by those to whom he was most near and dear. Deceased is survived by his wife and six children, five sons and one daughter: John H., William M., Edwin O. of Minesite, Mrs. Amanda Nonnemacher of Wescoesville, Aaron P. of Green River, Utah and B.Frank, who is employed in Aschbach's Music Store, this city. Ten grandchildren also survive. There were five daughters and two sons in the elder Mohr's family: Solomon, who died November 19, 1895, aged 79 years, 7 months; Daniel, the subject of this sketch, aged 79 years, 3 months; and the following surviving sisters: Catherine, widow of Solomon Kehm, aged 77 years; Polly, widow of James Baumer, aged 76 years; Lydia, widow of Solomon Boyer, aged 73 years; Mary, single, aged 70 years and Caroline, widow of Aaron Miller, aged 63 years. The funeral will be held tomorrow, Thursday morning, at 9:30 o'clock, with services in the Trexlertown Reformed Church, Rev. Mr. Brensinger officiating. Interment will be made in the cemetery adjoining the Church.

The above is an obituary of my paternal great-great grand-father, Daniel Mohr. His son, Benjamin Franklin Mohr that is mentioned as a surviving son was my great grandfather. This obituary was listed in the Allentown, Pennsylvania "Morning Call" on July 19, 1897. Two other obituaries were run on other days with similar information but not the length or flowery eloquence of this one. His parents, Gottlieb and Margaret Mohr and the exact date of his birth were also mentioned in one of the abbreviated obituaries taking us back yet another generation!

Ann Mohr Osisek, C.F.G. & H.S.

#### \*\*\*\*THE PENNSYLVANIA DUTCH\*\*\*\*

Pennsylvania Dutch refers to the people who came to Pennsylvania in the 1600's and 1700's from the German Rhineland, and their descendants. Some of these immigrants came from the German part of Switzerland, and others were French Huguenouts. Actually none of them came from The Netherlands. They were called "Dutch" because the word "Deutsch", which means German, was misinterpreted. These settlers came to Pennsylvania mainly because of the promise of religious freedom there. They had suffered intolerance and persecution in Europe. They settled mainly in eastern Pennsylvania, in Berks, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Northampton and York counties. By 1750, they made up half the population of Pennsylvania.

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RICHARD BALLEW'S SERVICE - BURKE CO., N.C.

Declaration In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress June 7, 1832 State of Kentucky Knox County

On the 20th day of Nov. 1833 personally appeared in open court before John Dutton, Richard Adams and Joseph Pritchard, Justices of the Knox County Court, now sitting Richard Ballew a resident of Poplar Creek, Knox Co. Kentucky aged 70 years who being first duly sworn according to law doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress paper June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service under the following officers and several are herein stated; that he was drafted for a tour of 3 months in Burke Co., N.C. where he then resided in the spring of 1779. Under the following named officers George Walker, Captain, Peter Rup, Lieutenant. Name of the ensign not remembered. That he rendez-voused at Burke Court House - thence he marched up the South fork of the Catawba River to Davis's Station. He was then posted with his company until he served out the 3 months. I do not know whether I received a written discharge or not for this service. I think I did not, but if I did, it has been lost. This service was after the Indians and Tories had taken a Station (Warford) on the North fork of Catawba and it was to protect Davis's Station and the inhabitants there abouts that this draft was made. I was discharged in the summer of 1779.

After the above service I returned to Burke County where I lived and joined the company of Captain Thomas Kennedy, man of Garrard County, Kentucky about 90 miles from my present place of residence. I had not been at home long before the news come that the Indians and Tories had killed Davison and McGonigh with their families. Colonel Joseph McDowell raised 100 volunteers to pursue them. That he was one of the 100. Harry Highland was Captain, Samuel Fovrel was Lieutenant. I believe this was in the latter part of the summer of 1779. As well as I can remember, and for a 3 month tour. He again reorganized at Burke Court House. Thence he marched up the South fork of Catawba crossing Davis's Station, where he had been previously forted for 3 months to the head of the Catawba - thence on to Swanee and crossed it above where Buncomb Court House now stands - thence to the old Cowtowns, where we had a battle with the Indians. In the heat of this engagement, under an order to charge, my horse ran against an old peach tree, or rather in passing through the forks of the peach tree my ankle was twisted out of place, which has rendered me a cripple to this day. That they defeated the Indians, killed several and took more than 30 prisoners. My wound rendered me unfit for further service during this tour, though he continued with the Company until their return to Burke and was then discharged. I received no written discharge for this service. When he volunteered for this tour his horse was valued, as was the horses of the rest of the men, and they were told if they lost their horses in the tour the Government would pay for them.

I next volunteered in the Spring of 1780, in Burke County to go atainst the Tories under Captain Harvey. Edmund Furs was my Captain. We marched to pleasant gardens and then joined Bob Cleveland, thence down the Catawba to Love Lady Shoals, not far before we had a skirmish with the Tories under Capt. Murray. In this skirmish Capt. Cleveland was wounded. My father, myself and another man took Capt. Cleveland after he was wounded in a canoe and carried him down the Catawba about 8 miles and left him at a Whits house named Leonaley. He was left here to guard Capt. Cleveland until he got able to march. He states from old age, and the consequent lapse of

memory he cannot remember how long he served during this term, but from the best of his knowledge he did not serve less than one month.

After the tour above related the Tories under the same Capt. John Murray called at my Fathers house and wantonly killed several of his cattle and sheep and then cut open the feather beds emptied the feathers in the yard, cut the bed cords all to pieces, and took away my Fathers riffle. Thence Murray marched to join his brethern under Ferguson. In Feb. 1780, I volunteered to go against the Tories again. Edmond Fear was my Capt. No. McDowell was Col. thence we marched for Kings Mountain and there had a battle with the Tories under Ferguson. I was not immediately in the engagement. My company having been ordered to go to a particular point, missed the way and we did not get back until the Tories had stacked their arms - one of my County men John McFale who served under Ferguson, was hung in my sight with several more, by orders of our Colonel. We brought the prisoners taken at Kings Mt. through Burks. Here I was discharged. From old age and consequent loss of memory, I cannot state precisely now long I served in this tour, but from the best of my recollection not less than six weeks - I received no written discharge for this service.

Shortly after this I volunteered under Capt. Harry Highland, Col. Jo. McDowell — I think this was November 1780. To go against the British under Dunlap. We had a battle on Cain Creek in Burk Co. Hemphill was killed, and John Criswell wounded — both in our Company — we got whiped. I served in this tour not less than 2 weeks. In March 1781 I was drafted for a three months tour in Burk Co. Harry Highland was Captain, Samuel Lamb Lieut, Edmund Petete issued our rations for us each day. Charles McDowell Gen'l. We all rendezvoued above Davis's Station, and it was there we collected our beans, flour, pack horses and we understood Gen'l Rutherford was to join us with more troops when we crossed the Look Out Mountain.

We marched down for the big valley towns on the Mobile River, before we reached there and in about 15 miles of the place as I understood we took an Indian prisoner — from him we learned that the Indians and some Tories were embodied in large numbers waiting and expecting our arrivals — Gen'l Rutherford never joined us and our officers concluding we were too weak to fight the enemy ordered a retreat. In this town we burnt down Indian huts, cut down their cover and done them all the injury we could. I firmly believed I served at least four months in this town, though by the terms of the draft I was only bound to serve 3 months. If I received any written discharge for this service it has slip't my memory. Upon our retreat we had to kill and eat our horses to save us from starvation. I was discharged in August or September from this town.

That he has no documentary evidence of his service. Thomas Kennedy of Garrard County, Jacob Grindstaff of Rockcastle County and my brother Peter Ballew knows I was a soldier of the Revolution.

Richard Ballew

Transcribed by Ruth Byrne

Oct. 7, 1903 An experiment to launch an airplane and prove that man could fly, ended in failure on the Potomac River. The plane was launched from a houseboat equipped with a runway. According to observers, the plane merely slide over the edge of the houseboat and sank into the river. The man was Samuel P. Langley, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

## QUERIES

#88-2-09	HUGHES / WILLIAMS - Seek descendants of Lewellyn W. HUGHES b. 1885 or 1886, probably Red Oak, Montgomery Co., IA, son of Jenkin and Susie E. WILLIAMS HUGHES, originally of
#88-2-10	Licking Co., OH. Alive 1907 in Red Oak.  HUGHES / JONES - Seek info. on Sarah Anna HUGHES, born c.  1865, Licking Co., OH, daughter of Isaac and Sarah  HUGHES. Moved w/parents to Red Oak, Montgomery  Co., IA, 1881. Married JONES. Living in Red
#88-2-11	Oak in 1907.  HUGHES / MERRILL - Seek info. on Mina (Minnie?) HUGHES
#00-2-11	born c. 1873, Licking Co., OH, daughter of Isaac and Sarah HUGHES. Married to Rev. John MERRILL. Living
#88-2-12	in Nebraska City, Otoe Co., NE, 1907.  HUGHES - Need parents of, and death date of Sarah born c. 1815, Wales, married c. 1851, probably Licking Co., OH to Isaac HUGHES, son of Jenkin & Susannah HUGHES. Isaac and Sarah moved to Red Oak, Montgomery Co., IA in
#88-2-13	WILLIAMS / REES - Need death date and place of Catherine REES WILLIAMS, born c. 1834, Wales, married John WILLIAMS, Oct. 3, 1864, Wales. She emigrated to Granville, Licking Co., OH in 1879 with children Ann, born c. 1866 Wales;
	Thomas b. 1867; Edward b. 1870; and Margaret born c. 1873. In 1880 was living with her brother Edward REES in Granville. John WILLIAMS believed to have preceded his family to U.S. What happened to John?
Reply to:	Claire H. Heatherington, P. O. Box 7933, Orlando, FL 32854
#88-2-14	JONES / BARRY - Seek any info. re: Harry JONES b. Cork, Ireland c. 1905. Immigrated to NY c. 1920 w/parents Frederick John JONES and Norah BARRY and sisters Emily, Ada, Nora & Mary. Was in the 71st Regiment, National Guard of NY c. 1935.
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#88-2-15	MOSSBURG (MASBERG?) / BOWERS - Would like any info. poss- ible on Mollie (Mary?) MOSSBURG (MASBERG?), born 1864 in MD and married to Samuel A. BOWERS of Martinsburg, Berke- ley Co., WV. Possible that she was from Washington Co.,
	MD.
#88-2-16	THOMPSON / DALGARN (DAHLGREN) - Would like any info. on Robert A. THOMPSON of Middleway (formerly Smithville), Jefferson County, WV. Believed to be a clockmaker from County Antrim, Ireland and married to a DALGARN (first name unknown). Had 4 children - Philip, William, Enoch, Luci and Montgomery (my great-grandfather).
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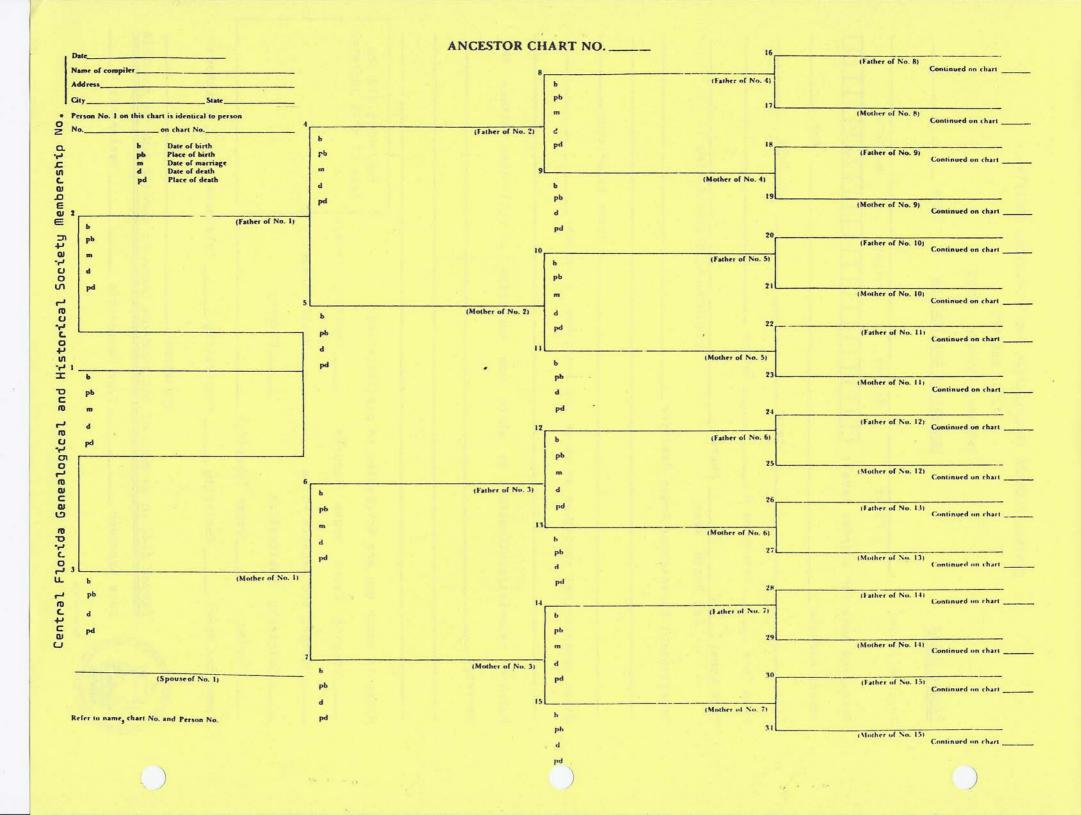
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