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## EDITOR'S PAGE

All of the compiled articles in this issue include calculated dates (flagged by the notation “[calc.]”). In genealogy, these are most often seen as estimated dates of birth based on someone’s age at death. Calculating a birth date from an age at death can be easy or complicated. On p. 71 of this issue, Isaac Getchell is listed as dying on 30 Nov. 1893 at age 83 years, 7 months, 4 days. His birth date calculation is simple if we convert his death date and age to single numbers in the form year+ month+day:

date of death	d. 30 Nov. 1893	18931130
minus: age	83y 7m 4d	<u>-830704</u>
equals: birth date		18100426 = 26 April 1810

Oftentimes, however, subtracting the age from the death date results in an impossible answer. In these cases we need to adjust the answer using the number 8870, a mathematical factor that converts the months to a 1–12 scale and the days to a 1–30 scale. A good example of this is seen for Sarah Cushman (p. 83):

date of death	d. 12 May 1889	18890512
minus: age	69y 10m 13d	<u>-691013</u>
equals: birth date		18199499 = 99 day, 94 month, 1819

The result above—99 day, 94 month, 1819—obviously requires further adjustment. By further subtracting the 8870 factor, we arrive at the correct date:

impossible birth date		18199499
minus: factor		<u>-8870</u>
equals: birth date		18190629 = 29 June 1819

In this example, both the calculated month and day were impossible answers until we subtracted the factor. In other cases, it may be that only the month or only the day is impossible. If only the month is wrong, we use a factor of 8800; if only the day is wrong, we use a factor of 70. This is illustrated by two more examples from this issue, Hiram Look (p. 70) and Annie B. Stevens (p. 75):

Look d. 22 Aug. 1905, ae74y 11m 9d	Stevens d. 1 April 1907, ae 21y 0m 16d		
date of death	19050822	date of death	19070401
minus: age	<u>-741109</u>	minus: age	<u>-210016</u>
equals	18309713	equals	18860385
minus: factor	<u>-8800</u>	minus: factor	<u>-70</u>
equals: birth date	18300913	equals: birth date	18860315
	or 13 Sept. 1830		or 15 March 1886

[This methodology assumes all months are 30 days long and the result may therefore differ from a pure calendar calculation. Ages at death in town records and on gravestones were usually computed using the same 30-day methodology. But because we cannot be certain which system was used, all calculated dates should be labeled “calc.” to flag them as estimates.]

As of 1 May 2013, I was 60 years, 3 months, and 20 days old. I’m hoping readers will now be able to work out when to send me greetings on my next birthday!

—Joseph C. Anderson II, FASG, Editor

## AARON DAY OF WELLS AND SANFORD, MAINE, AND HIS FAMILY

By Edward G. Hubbard

Aaron is one of the most obscure members of the extensive Day family that resided in Wells, Maine, in the eighteenth century and from there spread out to neighboring towns and beyond. Records pertaining to him and his family are sparser than those for most of the other Day families of that locale and period. Nevertheless, analysis of the various types of extant records and the application of logic and judgment can produce reasonable results, as this study will demonstrate.

The earliest record of Aaron is that of his marriage to Hannah Hatch in 1771, which took place in Wells in late April or May.<sup>1</sup> Given that many young men of the period married at around the age of 21, it can be conjectured that Aaron was born about 1750. No record of his birth or baptism has been found, but this is probably due to the fact (noted by this author and by Priscilla Eaton in previous articles in this publication<sup>2</sup>) that there is a gap in the Wells baptismal records from late 1750 to March 1754. Can his parents nevertheless be identified?

In recent decades, Aaron has been placed by various researchers (the most prominent being genealogist Fred Boyle<sup>3</sup>) as a son of William and Dorothy (Littlefield) Day of Wells. The basis for this is probably the work of William S. Thompson, who listed Aaron as their sixth child.<sup>4</sup> As noted by Ina Harris Day,<sup>5</sup> however, that identification is highly unlikely, as the marriage of William and Dorothy did not take place until 1755 (marriage intentions 8 February<sup>6</sup>), several years later than when Aaron was probably born and only sixteen years before his marriage. Furthermore, the cited account by Thompson of William and Dorothy Day's family is problematic in other regards, for it omits some children (*cf.* Boyle and Mrs. Day) and attributes others to

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<sup>1</sup> Hope Moody Shelley, ed., *Vital Records of Wells, Maine, 1619–1950* (Rockport, Maine, 2005), 69 (hereafter cited as Shelley, Wells VRs). Their marriage intentions were published 27 April 1771. The exact date of the marriage is not known, as it is illegible on the original record, but it would have been after the publication and probably before 30 May 1771, the date of the marriage recorded immediately after theirs (Shelley, Wells VRs, 78).

<sup>2</sup> Edward G. Hubbard, "Identifying the Parents of Lucy Hatch of Wells, Maine," *The Maine Genealogist* 34(2012):109–21; Priscilla Eaton, "The Family and Ancestry of Elisha Hatch of Wells, Maine: Early Baptist and 'Sifter' of the Minister," *The Maine Genealogist* 26(2004):3–14.

<sup>3</sup> Frederick R. Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale, Maine* (Portsmouth, N.H., 1988), 82 (hereafter cited as Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*).

<sup>4</sup> William S. Thompson, "Records of Kennebunk and Kennebunkport Families," 6 vols., (typescript, 1928–29, Maine Historical Society Library, Portland), 328–29 (hereafter cited as Thompson, "Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Families"). He listed their children as (1) Martha, (2) Eunice, (3) William, (4) Dorothy, (5) David, (6) Aaron, (7) Elizabeth, and "probably others."

<sup>5</sup> Ina Harris Day, *William Day and Dorothy Littlefield and Many of Their Ancestors, Descendants and Cousins* (Murray, Utah, 1989), 85 (hereafter cited as Day, *William Day and Dorothy Littlefield*).

<sup>6</sup> Shelley, Wells VRs, 44.

them in error.<sup>7</sup> Finally, Thompson contradicts that account in regard to Aaron as, elsewhere in his section on the Days, he leaves Aaron's lineage unidentified.<sup>8</sup>

Aaron was, therefore, not a son of William, nor was he a son of the latter's oldest brothers, Joseph and Benjamin. In their respective wills,<sup>9</sup> they named their children (most of whom are also known from the Wells church records), but Aaron was not among them. Process of elimination points to William's only other brother, Hilton Day ("Sr."), as Aaron's father.<sup>10</sup>

Hilton married (marriage intentions, Wells, 15 December 1749)<sup>11</sup> Elizabeth Littlefield (a sister of William's wife, Dorothy), but their first recorded child (Priscilla) was not baptized until 29 January 1755.<sup>12</sup> In the intervening years—which coincide with the aforementioned gap in the Wells baptismal records—they could well have had two other children. Fred Boyle identified Susanna, who is missing from the baptismal records, as their daughter.<sup>13</sup> Given that she married Joshua Goodwin in Wells on 9 January 1772,<sup>14</sup> she was probably born about 1752 or 1753<sup>15</sup> and would have been their second child. Aaron, having born about 1750, would have been their first child.

This conclusion is supported by the 1790 census,<sup>16</sup> in which Aaron was enumerated in Sanford (apparently in geographical order) immediately before Hilton ("hilkem") and the latter's son Dependence Day. (Another son, Hilton ["hiltten"] lived nearby and was listed in the ninth row below Dependence). The only other Day who was enumerated in Sanford that year was Henry ("heneary"), who was not only Hilton's nephew but also his son-in-law.<sup>17</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Martha and Eunice, the first two he listed, were in fact children of William's brother, Hilton, and are listed as such in Thompson's account (p. 328) of Hilton's family. The sketchy nature and inaccuracy of his account of William's family is no doubt due to the fact that they left Wells at an early date and were in Francisborough [Cornish], Maine, by 1790 (W<sup>m</sup> Day household, *Heads of Families of the First Census of the United States Taken in the Year 1790: Maine* [Washington, 1908], 60, col. a [hereafter cited as *Heads of Families, 1790, Maine*]).

<sup>8</sup> Thompson, "Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Families," 338.

<sup>9</sup> York Co., Maine, Probate Records, 14:54 (will of Joseph Day, dated 17 May 1782), 18:45 (will of Benjamin Day, dated 16 Jan. 1794).

<sup>10</sup> Hilton was bp. Wells, 3 Aug. 1729 ("Records of the First Church of Wells, Maine," *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* [NEHGR] 75(1921):105 [hereafter cited as "First Church Wells"]) and was the 3rd son of Joseph and Patience (Hilton) Day. The aforementioned Joseph and Benjamin were, respectively, the 1st and 2nd sons of that couple, while William, the subject of Mrs. Day's work, was their 4th and youngest son (*ibid.*, 105, 106).

<sup>11</sup> Shelley, Wells VRs, 44.

<sup>12</sup> "First Church Wells," NEHGR 75(1921):313.

<sup>13</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 81.

<sup>14</sup> Shelley, Wells VRs, 79.

<sup>15</sup> Assuming she was about 20 years old when she married.

<sup>16</sup> Aaron Day household, *Heads of Families, 1790, Maine*, 66, col. c.

<sup>17</sup> Henry Day m. Wells, 19 Feb. 1778, Hilton's daughter Priscilla Day (Shelley, Wells VR, 83; Frederick R. Boyle, *Early Families of Alfred, Maine* [2006], 87 [hereafter cited as Boyle, *Early Families of Alfred*]).

Aaron must have moved from Wells to Sanford before 1790, perhaps with Hilton (Sr.), who purchased 200 acres of land there on 19 December 1780.<sup>18</sup> Aaron eventually acquired several parcels of land in that town, but the deed for the purchase of the farm on which he lived was not recorded in the York County registry of deeds. The 1800 census of Sanford is missing, but Aaron appeared on the town's 1805 voting list,<sup>19</sup> and was living there in 1810 and 1820.<sup>20</sup> In 1830 he was probably the male aged 70–80 in the household of Rufus Day of Sanford.<sup>21</sup> He died sometime between then and 16 November 1837, when the Rufus referred to him in a deed as “my honored father Aaron Day late of Sanford aforesaid deceased.”<sup>22</sup>

Aaron's wife, Hannah, was probably a daughter of John and Bathsheba (Goodale) Hatch of Wells, born about 1752.<sup>23</sup> She may have been the female, aged 45+, in Aaron's household in 1820;<sup>24</sup> but if so, she most likely died before 1830, as she does not appear to have been enumerated in that year's census.

It is possible, however, that Hannah died in the early 1790s and that Aaron married a second time. The Aaron Day who married Abigail Young in Alfred on 23 December 1795 could have been a possible son of Aaron (see below), but he may have been Aaron himself.<sup>25</sup> If that were the case, Abigail would have been not only the older female enumerated in Aaron's household in 1810 and 1820, but also the mother of his younger children.

#### THE CHILDREN OF AARON DAY

In the absence of relevant birth or baptismal records, efforts to reconstruct Aaron's family must begin with a review of census records. In 1790 his household included himself, three other males, and four females, one of whom was no doubt his wife.<sup>26</sup> The 1800 census records for Sanford are missing, but in 1810 Aaron had two females aged 16–25 as well as a male and a female aged 10–15.<sup>27</sup> In 1820 he had two females aged 26–44 along with a male and a female aged 16–25.<sup>28</sup> Based on these data, we can posit that his children comprised the following:

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<sup>18</sup> York Co., Deeds, 71:210.

<sup>19</sup> Thompson, “Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Families,” 341.

<sup>20</sup> Aaron Day households, 1810 and 1820 U.S. Censuses, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 1014 (1810); p. 550 (1820).

<sup>21</sup> Rufus Day household, 1830 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 333.

<sup>22</sup> York Co. Deeds, 160:67.

<sup>23</sup> Edward G. Hubbard, “Identifying the Parents of Lucy Hatch of Wells, Maine,” *The Maine Genealogist* 34(2012):109–21.

<sup>24</sup> Aaron Day household, 1820 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 550.

<sup>25</sup> George Phoenix, “Alfred Marriage Records,” *Maine Historical and Genealogical Recorder* [MHGR]4(1887):59.

<sup>26</sup> Aaron Day household, *Heads of Families, 1790, Maine*, 66, col. c.

<sup>27</sup> Aaron Day household, 1810 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 1014.

<sup>28</sup> Aaron Day household, 1820 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 550.

Three females born by 1790  
 Three males born by 1790  
 Two females born 1790–1794  
 One female born 1795–1800  
 One male born 1795–1800

The next step is to review other researchers' accounts of Aaron's children. It appears that Thompson attempted to identify them, but his list is incomplete, unclear and even confusing, as he included some individuals who were members of a related Day family.<sup>29</sup> As noted above, Mrs. Day, whose focus was on William Day's family, stated that Aaron was not a member of that family. She proposed another Aaron as a son of William and, in a footnote to her discussion about him, merely cited Boyle's list of the children of Aaron of Sanford.<sup>30</sup>

We turn to those identified by Boyle as the children of Aaron and Hannah:<sup>31</sup> (1) Bathsheba; (2) (possibly) Aaron Jr.; (3) (probably) Sarah; (4) (probably) Ephraim; (5) (possibly) Eunice; (6) (probably) Mary; (7) (probably) Hannah; (8) (probably) Esther; (9) (probably) Rufus. His list of individuals, and the birth dates he attributes to them, coincide quite well—in terms of genders and ages—with the family structure suggested by the census enumerations cited above. We must now consider the case for each of the proposed children, one by one.

1 *Bathsheba Day* is explicitly named as a daughter of Aaron in Sanford church records, which note the 28 July 1796 death of "Bathsheba, daughter of Aaron Day, 19 yrs."<sup>32</sup> Her age indicates that she was born either in the later part of 1776 or the earlier part of 1777.

2 *Aaron Day Jr.* is found as such only in the 1800 census of Wells.<sup>33</sup> That enumeration is enigmatic, for although he is named therein as "Jr.," no other Aaron was recorded in Wells. (When two men of the same name resided in the same town, the older was referred to as "Sr.," while the younger was known as "Jr."<sup>34</sup>) He was aged 26–44, and if his age were near the bottom of that range (say 26–28), he could have been a son of Aaron of Sanford. That his household included a male and three fe-

<sup>29</sup> Thompson, "Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Families," 338. Thompson's Jacob (p. 338) was a son of Joseph and Mary (Storer) Day of Wells, and Abigail and Olive (ibid.) were probably their daughters. See Edward G. Hubbard, "The Family of Joseph Day '3<sup>rd</sup>' of Wells, Maine," *York County Genealogical Society Journal* 22(2007):73–74.

<sup>30</sup> Day, *William Day and Dorothy Littlefield*, 85–86. Mrs. Day erred in identifying Rufus Day of Sanford as a son of the Aaron Day whom she believed was a son of William. She also erred in stating that an Aaron Day m. Wells, 3 Aug. 1788, Lydia Taylor. The marriage was actually that of Aaron *Littlefield* and Lydia Taylor (Shelley, Wells VRs, 86).

<sup>31</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 82–83.

<sup>32</sup> Deaths, "Church Records, Congregational Church Records, South Parish, Sanford," MS at the Maine State Library, Augusta (hereafter cited as "Sanford Church Records").

<sup>33</sup> Aaron Day Jnr, 1800 U.S. Census, Wells, York Co., Maine, p. 981.

<sup>34</sup> For an in depth discussion of this practice, see Joseph C. Anderson II, "Eleven Thomas Abbotts of Berwick, Maine, and Vicinity," *The American Genealogist* 70(1995):85–95.



males under 10 years of age suggests that he already had four children, which does not necessarily preclude him from being in the 26–28 range (although, of course, he could have been older). His age is also consistent with the possibility that he was the otherwise unknown Aaron Day who married Abigail Young in Alfred on 23 December 1795.<sup>35</sup> However, if he had been, the chronology is probably too tight for him to have had four children by the time of the 1800 census. He does not appear in subsequent censuses or in any other records found to date, so only his name and possible age give reason to identify him as a son of Aaron of Sanford. He can, at most, be considered only as a possible son.<sup>36</sup>

3 *Sarah Day* was reportedly the wife of Daniel Morrison and later of Noah Taylor. Boyle identified her as a probable daughter of Aaron because (1) Sarah Morrison (a widow and household head) was enumerated in 1810 next door to Aaron, and (2) Aaron conveyed land in 1812 to Olive, John, and Daniel, “the children of Daniel Morrison, late of Sanford, deceased,” “in consideration of the love and good will I bear towards the [said] children.”<sup>37</sup> Other cases are known in which similar verbiage was used in the conveyance of land to blood relatives,<sup>38</sup> so it is possible that a relationship existed. However, had Sarah been a daughter of Aaron, one might expect her marriage to Daniel to have been recorded in Sanford, as were the marriages of several other Days of that town in the late 1700s and early 1800s, yet there is no such record. It is not even certain that Sarah was a Day by birth, and in fact, a Daniel Morrison (although not necessarily the one of Sanford) married a Sarah *Nason* in Berwick on 14 February 1805.<sup>39</sup> In the absence of more substantial evidence, it does not seem prudent to identify Sarah as a daughter of Aaron.

4 *Ephraim Day* was “of Sanford” when he and Polly Littlefield published their intentions of marriage in Wells 25 October 1809.<sup>40</sup> He was in Wells in 1810,<sup>41</sup> but in 1820 he was enumerated in Sanford next to Aaron Day,<sup>42</sup> and in 1830 he was

<sup>35</sup> George Phoenix, “Alfred Marriage Records,” MHGR 4(1887):59.

<sup>36</sup> Given that the 1800 census suggests he had a son and three daughters born in the 1790s, just as the 1800 and 1810 censuses suggest that Aaron of Sanford had a son and three daughters born in the same decade, one might wonder whether they were one and the same, especially if the anomalous appellation of “Jr.” in the census had been in error. However, one would then have to question why Aaron of Sanford might have been enumerated in Wells in 1800. Furthermore, there is the matter of the inconsistencies in their reported ages. Aaron of Sanford would have been in the “45 or more” age range in 1800, while Aaron Jr. of Wells was only 26–44.

<sup>37</sup> York Co. Deeds, 131:199, dated 20 June 1812.

<sup>38</sup> An example is the deed from Richard and Aaron Hubbard to John Lary, whose wife, Hannah (Hubbard), was probably their niece (York Deeds, 103:179). See Frederick R. Boyle, *Early Families of Shapleigh and Acton, Maine* (Portsmouth, N.H., 2002), 366–67.

<sup>39</sup> John Eldridge Frost and Joseph Crook Anderson II, *Vital Records of Berwick, South Berwick and North Berwick, Maine, to the Year 1892* (Camden, Maine, 1993), 195.

<sup>40</sup> Shelley, Wells VRs, 152. They m. 20 or 23 Nov. 1809 (Shelley, Wells VRs, 139, 171).

<sup>41</sup> Aged 16–25 in Ephraim Day household, 1810 U.S. Census, Wells, York Co., Maine, p. 831.

<sup>42</sup> Aaron Day household, 1820 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 550.

enumerated in that town in proximity to Rufus Day,<sup>43</sup> to whom Aaron had deeded his 100-acre farm the previous year.<sup>44</sup> His age,<sup>45</sup> his Sanford provenance, and his residence next to Aaron provide ample reasons for identifying him as a probable son of Aaron.

5 *Eunice Day* was “of Sanford” when she married Amos Maddox “of Wells” 15 December 1802.<sup>46</sup> The fact that Aaron was the only Day in Sanford who could have had a daughter of marriageable age at that time is sound reason for identifying him as her father. The date of her marriage suggests that she was born in the early 1780s, which would be consistent with her being one of the three females (other than his wife) enumerated in his household in 1790.

6 *Mary Day* was 36 years of age when she died in Sanford in April 1827,<sup>47</sup> and thus was born about 1791. In 1820 two females aged 26–44 (born ca. 1776–94) were living with Aaron,<sup>48</sup> who was then the only Day in that town who could have had a daughter of Mary’s age, so he probably was her father. (The wife of Aaron’s probable son, Ephraim Day of Sanford, was called “Polly,” a nickname for “Mary,” and was probably about the same age as this Mary. The 1830 census, however, indicates that she was still living as of that year’s enumeration.)

7 *Hannah Day* (then age 54) was living with Rufus Day in 1850,<sup>49</sup> and was probably one of the three females aged 30–39 in his household in 1830 (one being his wife).<sup>50</sup> These enumerations suggest that she was his unmarried sister and therefore a daughter of Aaron.

8 *Esther Day* married Henry Perkins probably in early 1832,<sup>51</sup> and was aged 54 in 1850.<sup>52</sup> She was probably another of the aforementioned three females, aged 30–39, in Rufus Day’s household in 1830.<sup>53</sup> She, too, was probably a sister of Rufus and therefore a daughter of Aaron.

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<sup>43</sup> Rufus Day household, 1830 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co, Maine, p. 333.

<sup>44</sup> York Co. Deeds, 160:66, dated 3 Dec. 1829.

<sup>45</sup> Given that (per the cited censuses) he was aged 16–25 in 1810 and 40–49 in 1830, his birth can be placed in the period 1785–1790. This would be consistent with him having been the youngest of the three young males enumerated in Aaron’s household in 1790.

<sup>46</sup> Marriages, Sanford Church Records.

<sup>47</sup> North Parish Congregational Church Records, cited in Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83.

<sup>48</sup> Aaron Day household, 1820 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 550. The female who was 45 or more years of age was probably his wife.

<sup>49</sup> Rufus Day household, 1850 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 140, #371/389.

<sup>50</sup> Rufus Day household, 1830 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 333.

<sup>51</sup> Intentions published Sanford, 31 Dec. 1831, as cited by Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83.

<sup>52</sup> Henry Perkins household, 1850 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 138, #342/356.

<sup>53</sup> Rufus Day household, 1830 Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 333.

9 *Rufus Day* referred to Aaron as his father in the 1837 deed cited above, so he certainly was his son. His reported ages in four consecutive censuses (52 in 1850, 62 in 1860, 72 in 1870, and 82 in 1880)<sup>54</sup> would place his birth in the later part of 1797 or earlier part of 1798.

Setting aside Boyle's identification of Sarah as a probable daughter of Aaron, we now have identified two individuals—Bathsheba and Rufus—as definite children of Aaron, another five—Ephraim, Eunice, Mary, Hannah and Esther—who probably were his, and one—Aaron "Jr."—who may have been. They would align with the family structure suggested by the censuses as follows:

Three females born by 1790: Bathsheba, Eunice, and unknown  
 Three males born by 1790: Aaron "Jr.," Ephraim, and unknown  
 Two females born ca. 1790–94: Mary and Hannah or Esther  
 One female born ca. 1795–1800: Esther or Hannah  
 One male born ca. 1795–1800: Rufus

Our task is incomplete, for we have not found a third male and a third female who would have been born by 1790. We now need to revisit various records, as well as the work of others, in an attempt to fill those gaps.

Returning to the Sanford church records, we find that Elizabeth Day married Isaac Witham on 27 November 1799, and that she died in her 27th year on 15 October 1802.<sup>55</sup> Boyle and Mrs. Day both placed her as a daughter (born ca.1775) of William and Dorothy (Littlefield) Day—probably because Thompson did so.<sup>56</sup> Thompson, however, appended a question mark to the line on which he listed Elizabeth, and in any case, there are sound reasons to doubt this identification. William and his family had relocated to Cornish by 1790, so it seems unlikely that an unmarried daughter of his would have been "of Sanford" nearly a decade later. Aaron Day, however, was a resident of that town from sometime before 1790 through at least 1830 and certainly could have had a daughter who was of marriageable age by 1799. It is therefore reasonable to identify Elizabeth as a probable daughter of Aaron—one who, furthermore, may have been named after his mother.

Boyle and Mrs. Day also list David Day (born 16 December 1771) as a son of William and Dorothy (Littlefield) Day—probably based, as in the case of Elizabeth, on Thompson.<sup>57</sup> However, Thompson contradicted himself by subsequently listing David as a son of Aaron and Hannah (Hatch) Day.<sup>58</sup> The latter parentage is more

<sup>54</sup> Rufus Day household, 1850–70 U.S. Censuses, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 140, #371/389 (1850); p. 436, #419/389 (1860); p. 621, #177/188 (1870); Moses Day household, 1880 U.S. Census, Kennebunk, York Co., Maine, E.D. 192, p. 283, #486/349.

<sup>55</sup> Marriages, Sanford Church Records; Deaths, Sanford Church Records.

<sup>56</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 82; Day, *William Day and Dorothy Littlefield*, 122; Thompson, "Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Fams.," 329.

<sup>57</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 82–83; Day, *William Day and Dorothy Littlefield*, 83; Thompson, "Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Fams.," 328.

<sup>58</sup> Thompson, "Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Fams.," 338.

probable. Given that William and his family had moved to Cornish by 1790, it is unlikely that a (then) teenaged son of his would have remained behind in Sanford. However, deeds provide the most compelling evidence that David was a son of Aaron Day. Over the course of nearly three decades, David acquired various tracts of land in Sanford. In six of the eleven instances in which he purchased land, the eight sellers were the members of the family of Hilton Day (Sr.) of Sanford, Aaron's probable father:

Benjamin Pugsley (deeds dated 2 May 1799 and 19 June 1801<sup>59</sup>): son-in-law of Hilton, having married his daughter Martha, 15 Nov. 1787.<sup>60</sup>

Samuel Shackford (deed dated 8 March 1816<sup>61</sup>): son-in-law of Hilton, having married his daughter Eunice, 15 Nov. 1787.<sup>62</sup>

Theodore Goodwin (deed dated 13 Jan. 1813<sup>63</sup>): son of Joshua Goodwin and Hilton's daughter Susanna.<sup>64</sup>

Ebenezer Goodwin (deed dated 19 Feb. 1814<sup>65</sup>): son of Joshua Goodwin and Hilton's daughter Susanna.<sup>66</sup>

Joseph Day, Henry Day, Robert Day, and Priscilla Day (deed dated 4 Jan. 1825<sup>67</sup>): children of Henry Day and Hilton's daughter Priscilla.<sup>68</sup>

This series of deeds suggests that David had strong and ongoing ties to Hilton Day's family and point to his being a member of that family, as he would have been were Aaron his father. Finally, it is noteworthy that two of David's children were named Aaron and Hannah<sup>69</sup>—the names of his probable parents.

The above evidence suggests that Thompson was probably correct when he listed David as a son of Aaron. He would have been the oldest of the three young males residing with Aaron in 1790. The fact that those males were tallied as being under 16 years of age in the cited enumeration could be construed as evidence against this conclusion. However, it is well known that ages reported in the censuses were approximate and that individuals could have been (and sometimes were) tallied in the wrong "age" column. The argument is outweighed by the other evidence.

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<sup>59</sup> York Co. Deeds, 97:8 (two deeds).

<sup>60</sup> Marriages, Sanford Church Records; Martha, daughter of Hilton Day, bp. 21 May 1769 ("First Church Wells," NEHGR 76[1922]:182).

<sup>61</sup> York Co. Deeds, 97:9.

<sup>62</sup> Marriages, Sanford Church Records; Eunice, daughter of Hilton, bp. 26 Aug. 1759 ("First Church Wells," NEHGR 76[1922]:179).

<sup>63</sup> York Co. Deeds, 97:10.

<sup>64</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Alfred*, 153–54.

<sup>65</sup> York Co. Deeds, 97:10.

<sup>66</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Alfred*, 153–54.

<sup>67</sup> York Co. Deeds, 158:66.

<sup>68</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Alfred*, 87–88.

<sup>69</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83 (citing a family record).

## GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

**AARON<sup>5</sup> DAY** (*Hilton<sup>4</sup>, Joseph<sup>3</sup>, Timothy<sup>2</sup>, Anthony<sup>1</sup>*) was probably born in Wells in or about 1750.<sup>70</sup> Sometime before 1790, he settled in Sanford and was living there 3 December 1829, when he deeded his farm to Rufus Day.<sup>71</sup> He was probably the male, aged 70–79, enumerated in the latter’s household in Sanford in 1830,<sup>72</sup> but died sometime before 16 November 1837, the date of a deed in which Rufus described him as his late father.<sup>73</sup> Aaron filed intentions in Wells, 27 April 1771, to marry HANNAH HATCH,<sup>74</sup> probable daughter of John and Bathsheba (Goodale) Hatch, born about 1752.<sup>75</sup> She may have been the female, aged 45 or more, who was enumerated in Aaron’s household in 1820,<sup>76</sup> but if so, she probably died by 1830, when no elderly female was in the household of Rufus Day.<sup>77</sup> However, it may be that the Aaron Day who married Abigail Young in Alfred on 23 December 1795 was Aaron himself rather than his possible son.<sup>78</sup> In that case, Abigail would have been not only the older female enumerated in Aaron’s household in 1810 and 1820, but also the mother of his younger children.

Children of Aaron and Hannah (Hatch) Day, as reconstructed above:

- i (prob.) DAVID DAY, b. 16 Dec. 1771, d. Sanford 16 Dec. 1836,<sup>79</sup> m. (int.) Wells, 22 Aug. 1793,<sup>80</sup> ELIZABETH/BETSEY NORTON of Wells, b. 23 July 1770, d. 10 Nov. 1835.<sup>81</sup> In his will dated 12 Oct. 1836 and in probate 6 March 1837, David Day of Sanford, yeoman, named his son Ebenezer Day, daughter-in-law Phebe Day, daughter Betsey Day, daughter Abigail Day, Betsey Perkins (no relationship stated), and son Jacob Day.<sup>82</sup>
  - Children:<sup>83</sup> 1. *Ebenezer Day*, b. 23 May 1795, d. 2 Nov. 1848; m. (cert.) Sanford, 27 Oct. 1822, Phoebe Norton. 2. *Luther Day*, b. 31 March 1799, d. 29 July 1825.
  - 3. *David Day*, b. 7 Feb. 1801, d. 4 Sep. 1824. 4. *Lucy Day*, b. 7 June 1803, d. 2

<sup>70</sup> Based on the likelihood the he was about 21 when he married, and the probability that he was the male, aged 70–79, enumerated in the household of Rufus Day in 1830.

<sup>71</sup> York Co. Deeds, 160:66.

<sup>72</sup> Rufus Day household, 1830 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 333.

<sup>73</sup> York Co. Deeds, 160:67, in which he conveyed “all the land which is included in the deed from my honored father Aaron Day, late of Sanford aforesaid, deceased, to me.”

<sup>74</sup> Shelley, Wells VRs, 69; see note 1.

<sup>75</sup> Edward G. Hubbard, “Identifying the Parents of Lucy Hatch of Wells, Maine,” *The Maine Genealogist* 34(2012):109–21.

<sup>76</sup> Aaron Day household, 1820 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 550.

<sup>77</sup> Rufus Day household, 1830 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 333.

<sup>78</sup> George Phoenix, “Alfred Marriage Records,” MHGR 4(1887):59.

<sup>79</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83 (birth and death, citing a family record).

<sup>80</sup> Shelley, Wells VRs, 113.

<sup>81</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83 (citing a family record).

<sup>82</sup> Joseph Crook Anderson II, comp., *York County, Maine, Will Abstracts 1801–1858* (Camden, Maine, 1997), 669–70.

<sup>83</sup> All information from Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83–84 (citing a family record and Sanford marriage records).

Nov. 1819. 5. *Aaron Day*, b. 15 March 1805, d. 31 Aug. 1830. 6. *Subbunera/Lubinar Day*, b. 3 May 1808, d. 7 June 1825. 7. *Betsey Day*, b. 16 Aug. 1810. 8. *Jacob Day*, b. 7 July 1812, d. York, Maine, 24 March 1885; m. (int.) Sanford, 16 Sept. 1837, Elizabeth/Betsey Perkins. 9. *Hannah Day*, b. 31 March 1814, d. 2 Aug. 1830. 10. *Abigail Day*, b. 6 Nov. 1817.

- ii (poss.) AARON DAY, b. say 1774; possibly the Aaron Day who m. Alfred, 23 Dec. 1795, ABIGAIL YOUNG (although that Aaron may have been Aaron “Sr.”);<sup>84</sup> possibly also the Aaron Day “Jr.” enumerated (aged 26–44) in Wells in 1800 with a female of the same age as well as a male and three females under 10 years of age (their children?).<sup>85</sup> No further record of the Wells family has been found.
- iii (prob.) ELIZABETH DAY, b. ca. 1775, d. 25 Oct. 1802, aged 27;<sup>86</sup> m. Sanford, 27 Nov. 1799, ISAAC WITHAM,<sup>87</sup> b. 1770–80, d. Sanford, probably 19 Feb. 1839.<sup>88</sup> They possibly had two daughters.<sup>89</sup>
- iv BATHSHEBA DAY, b. ca. 1777, d. 28 July 1796, aged 19.<sup>90</sup>
- v (prob.) EUNICE DAY, b. by 1784,<sup>91</sup> d. by 1819;<sup>92</sup> m. Sanford, 15 Dec. 1802, AMOS MADDOX of Wells, b. ca. 1767, d. 10 Nov. 1857, aged 90.<sup>93</sup> He m. (2) Kennebunk, 9 Sept. 1819, Mary Abbot.<sup>94</sup>
  - Children:<sup>95</sup> 1. *Aaron D. Maddox*, b. 13 Dec. 1804, d. Lawrence, Mass., 21 April 1885, age 80 years, 4 months, 8 days;<sup>96</sup> m. Susan —.<sup>97</sup> 2. *Daniel Maddox*, b. [calc.] 15 June 1809, d. Andover, Mass., 7 Jan. 1881, aged 71 years, 6 months, 22 days;<sup>98</sup> m. Lebanon, Maine, 23 Sept. 1838, Lucy Lord.<sup>99</sup> 3. *Melinda Maddox*, b. 10 July 1812, d. Berwick, 25 March 1890;<sup>100</sup> m. Somersworth, N.H., 25 March 1834, Asa

<sup>84</sup> George Phoenix, “Alfred Marriage Records,” MHGR 4(1887):59.

<sup>85</sup> Aaron Day Jr., 1800 U.S. Census, Wells, York Co., Maine, p. 981.

<sup>86</sup> Deaths, Sanford Church Records.

<sup>87</sup> Marriages, Sanford Church Records.

<sup>88</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 327.

<sup>89</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 327.

<sup>90</sup> Deaths, Sanford Church Records.

<sup>91</sup> Aged 26–44 Aaron Day household, 1810 U.S. Census, Wells, York Co., Maine, p. 1014.

<sup>92</sup> Her husband married again that year, per Thompson, “Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Fams.,” 1232.

<sup>93</sup> Thompson, “Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Fams.,” 1233.

<sup>94</sup> Joseph P. Thompson, copier, “Records of the First Parish church of Kennebunk,” (manuscript, Maine Historical Society, Portland, Mv K37), 82 (hereafter cited as Kennebunk 1st Parish).

<sup>95</sup> All information not otherwise cited from Thompson, “Records of Kennebunk/Kennebunkport Fams.,” 1233. There were probably others who may have d. young). In 1810, the household included two females under 10 (Amos Maddox household, 1810 U.S. Census, Wells, York Co., Maine, p. 853).

<sup>96</sup> Massachusetts Vital Records, 1841–1910” (from original records held by the Mass. Archives), AmericanAncestors.org, 364:230 (hereafter cited as Mass. VRs, 1841–1910).

<sup>97</sup> Aaron Maddox household, 1880 U.S. Census, Lawrence, Essex Co., Mass., E.D. 202, p. 559, #158/219.

<sup>98</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 328:171.

<sup>99</sup> George Walter Chamberlain, ed., *Vital Records of Lebanon, Maine, to the Year 1892*, 3 vols. (Boston, 1922–23), 2:142.

<sup>100</sup> “Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922,” Ancestry.com.

Knox.<sup>101</sup> 4. *Sarah Maddox*, m. George Seavy of Portsmouth, N.H. 5. *Esther Maddox*, b. Sanford ca. 1818, d. Wakefield, N.H., 4 July 1899, aged 81;<sup>102</sup> m. South Berwick, Maine, Sept. 1848, William Hutchings.<sup>103</sup>

vi (prob.) EPHRAIM DAY, b. 1785–90,<sup>104</sup> d. after 1830;<sup>105</sup> m. Wells, 20 Nov. 1809, MARY/POLLY LITTLEFIELD,<sup>106</sup> b. Kennebunk, Maine, 3 Oct. 1795, daughter of [?] and Abigail (—) Littlefield, d. Blackstone, Mass., 10 March 1846, aged 50 years, 5 months, 7 days.<sup>107</sup>

Children: 1. (unnamed child), b. ca. Jan. 1812, d. Kennebunk, 13 April 1812, aged 4 months.<sup>108</sup> 2. (prob.) *Levi Day*, b. ca. 1813, living 1850, aged 37.<sup>109</sup> 3. *Abigail/Abbie W. Day*, b. Biddeford, Maine, [calc.] 30 June 1816, d. Uxbridge, Mass., 6 Dec. 1895, aged 79 years, 5 months, 6 days; unmarried.<sup>110</sup> 4. *Nathan Day*, b. Kennebunk, [calc.] 23 Oct. 1822, d. Blackstone, Mass., 1 July 1850, aged 27 years, 8 months, 8 days;<sup>111</sup> m. Blackstone, Mass., 24 Nov. 1849, Belinda S. Orff.<sup>112</sup> 5. *Charity C. Day*, b. Kennebunk, [calc.] 21 Dec. 1824, d. Blackstone, Mass., 26 June 1847, aged 22 years, 6 months, 5 days; unmarried.<sup>113</sup> 6. *Sarah O. Day*, b. Kennebunk, [calc.] 5 Sept. 1829, d. Uxbridge, Mass., 10 Jan. 1860, aged 30 years, 4 months, 5 days;<sup>114</sup> m. Eber King Brown.<sup>115</sup>

<sup>101</sup> “New Hampshire, Marriage Records Index, 1637–1947,” Ancestry.com.

<sup>102</sup> “New Hampshire, Deaths and Burial Records Index, 1654–1949,” Ancestry.com.

<sup>103</sup> “Maine, Marriage Records, 1705–1922,” Ancestry.com.

<sup>104</sup> Age 16–25 in 1810 and age 40–49 in 1830 (Ephraim Day households, 1810 U.S. Census, Wells, York Co., Maine, p. 831; 1830 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 333).

<sup>105</sup> Ephraim Day household, 1830 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 333. An Ephraim Day was also enumerated in Kennebunk in 1830 (1830 U.S. Census, Kennebunk, York Co., Maine, p. 107). Several facts suggest that the two men were one and the same: (1) Duplicate enumerations are rare but not unknown, and may have occurred because individuals or entire families moved during the census period. (2) As already noted, Ephraim of Sanford married in Wells and was enumerated there in 1810. Kennebunk was part of Wells until 1820. (3) As also noted, a child of his died in Kennebunk in 1812. (3) The death records of three of Ephraim’s children give their birthplaces as Kennebunk. (4) The tallies of the two households in 1830 were very similar. The six individuals in Kennebunk were of the same genders and in the same (or nearly the same) age categories as six of the seven individuals in Sanford. The Sanford household included a male, aged 15–20, who was not enumerated in Kennebunk, but was old enough to have been living elsewhere.

<sup>106</sup> Shelley, Wells VRs, 139.

<sup>107</sup> All information from her death record at “Massachusetts, Town and Vital Records, 1620–1988,” Ancestry.com. Her father’s first name on the record appears to read “Nalkin,” but could be actually Nathan or Nelson. “Nathan” is more likely, as she had a son bearing that name.

<sup>108</sup> Kennebunk 1st Parish, 96, “found dead in bed.”

<sup>109</sup> He was residing in 1850 with Nathan Day and the latter’s wife, “Melinda” [*sic*: Belinda], and sister Abigail (Nathan Day household, 1850 U.S. Census, Blackstone, Worcester Co., Mass., p. 313, #10/10).

<sup>110</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 456:716.

<sup>111</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 50:95.

<sup>112</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 38:311.

<sup>113</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 27:147.

<sup>114</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 140:206.

<sup>115</sup> Eber K. Brown household, 1850 U.S. Census, Mendon, Worcester Co., Mass., p. 305, #98/135.

vii (prob.) MARY DAY, b. ca. 1791, d. Sanford, April 1827, aged 36;<sup>116</sup> apparently unmarried.

Children of Aaron and either Hannah (Hatch) Day or Abigail (Young) Day:

viii (prob.) HANNAH DAY, b. ca. 1796, d. after 1850;<sup>117</sup> apparently unmarried.

ix (prob.) ESTHER DAY, b. ca. 1796, d. after 1870;<sup>118</sup> m. (int.) Sanford, 31 Dec. 1831 (his third marriage), HENRY PERKINS of Sanford,<sup>119</sup> b. ca. 1764, son of David & Sarah (Hobbs) Perkins,<sup>120</sup> d. after 1850;<sup>121</sup> no children.

x RUFUS DAY, b. ca. 1798,<sup>122</sup> d. Kennebunk, 11 June 1881, aged 83;<sup>123</sup> m. (cert.) Sanford, 25 June 1825, KETURAH PERKINS,<sup>124</sup> b. ca. Oct. 1798, daughter of David and Anna (Estes) Perkins,<sup>125</sup> d. Kennebunk, 20 July 1880, aged 81 years, 9 months.<sup>126</sup> They moved from Sanford to Kennebunk between 1870 and 1880.<sup>127</sup>

Children:<sup>128</sup> 1. *Moses M. Day*, b. 1825, d. Lawrence, Mass., 9 June 1896; m. Arabella Perkins. 2. *Luther Day*, b. 1 Sept. 1826, d. 1 Oct. 1887; m. (1) Sanford, 28 Nov. 1853, Mary Jane Perkins; m. (2) (int.) Sanford, 23 April 1856, Susan Wakefield. 3. *Hobbs Perkins Day*, b. 2 July 1830, d. Kennebunk, 8 Jan. 1888; m. (1) Georgia A. Fiske, m. (2) Emily (Emma) F. Durrell.

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<sup>116</sup> North Parish Congregational Church Records, cited in Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83.

<sup>117</sup> Aged 54 in Rufus Day household, 1850 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 140, #371/389).

<sup>118</sup> Aged 74 Ivory Wakefield household, 1870 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 621, #179/190.

<sup>119</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83.

<sup>120</sup> Thomas Allen Perkins, *Jacob Perkins of Wells, Maine, and His Descendants 1583–1936* (Haverhill, Mass., 1947), 17, 45 (hereafter cited as Perkins, *Jacob Perkins*).

<sup>121</sup> Aged 86 in Henry Perkins household, 1850 U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 138, #342/356.

<sup>122</sup> Aged 52 in 1850 Rufus Day household, U.S. Census, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 140, #371/389.

<sup>123</sup> Kennebunk VRs, 1:60.

<sup>124</sup> Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83 (citing Sanford marriage records).

<sup>125</sup> Perkins, *Jacob Perkins*, 18.

<sup>126</sup> Kennebunk VRs, 1:58.

<sup>127</sup> Rufus Day household, 1870 U.S. Censuses, Sanford, York Co., Maine, p. 621, #177/188; Moses Day household, 1880 U.S. Census, Kennebunk, York Co., Maine, E.D. 192, p. 283, #486/349.

<sup>128</sup> All information from Boyle, *Early Families of Sanford-Springvale*, 83–84 (citing *Jacob Perkins of Wells* and Sanford marriage records).



## A STUDY OF THE JOSEPH SAVAGE FAMILY OF ANSON, MAINE

### Using the Hilton Papers and Other Testimony of the Time

*Submitted by Linda Longley*

Among the many unique collections found in the archives of the Maine Historical Society library is one seemingly ordinary box and a large envelope containing an assortment of genealogical records gathered by Geneva E. (Albee) Hilton. Born in Anson, Maine, in October 1859, Geneva was the daughter of Benjamin and Lois (Hinkley) Albee. She married 28 October 1894 Virgil D. Hilton,<sup>1</sup> born in Anson 30 April 1856, son of Joel and Lucy (Mitchell) Hilton.<sup>2</sup> At a meeting of the Anson school committee in 1909, Mrs. Virgil D. Hilton was given the title of local historian and appointed the task of writing a history and geography of the town in order to provide pupils with knowledge of the town in which they lived. Geneva was a teacher,<sup>3</sup> and when she married in 1894 at age 35, the marriage record noted that she was a painter. Her husband, Virgil Hilton, worked at the *Anson Advocate* as a printer.<sup>4</sup> Unfortunately, her history of Anson was never completed, but to the benefit of many, the genealogical materials generated over many years were gifted to the Maine Historical Society in 1923 and are found there in the appropriately named Hilton Collection.<sup>5</sup>

Contained within the folders of the Hilton Collection are handwritten scraps of paper, sheets of typewritten genealogies, letters, and notebooks. A significant amount of this information was copied or used for reference in a manuscript compiled by

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<sup>1</sup> Maine, Marriage Records, 1713–1937, Ancestry.com.

<sup>2</sup> Virgil D. Hilton household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset, Maine, E.D. 142, p. 19A, #418/455. His birth, birthplace, and parentage given on his death record, he dying at No. Anson, 16 January 1919, aged 62 years, 8 months, 16 days (Maine, Death Record, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com).

<sup>3</sup> Ernest George Walker, *Emden Town of Yore* (Skowhegan, Maine, 1929), 582; Benjamin G. Allbee household, 1880 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset, Maine, E.D. 153, p. 184, #111/116. “Jennie’s” occupation was “teaching school.”

<sup>4</sup> Walker, *Emden Town of Yore*, 90.

<sup>5</sup> Maine Historical Society, Portland, Coll. 413a, “Geneva Hilton” genealogical collection, compiled by Geneva Hilton, consisting of family genealogies and marriage records from Anson, Maine. Records donated in 1923 (hereafter called the Hilton Coll. 413a); Maine Historical Society, Coll. 413, “Geneva E.A. Hilton Papers,” ca. 1900–1923, compiled for the history of Anson, Maine, including information on businesses, cemeteries, descriptions of area, natural disasters, settlers, roads, maps, military, schools, government, societies and Paul Coffin, 1 linear foot, gift of Geneva Hilton, Aug. 1923 (hereafter called the Hilton Coll. 413). In her will Geneva Hilton left a note as follows: “Over twenty years ago, my husband, the late Virgil D. Hilton, and myself began gathering material for a history of the town of Anson. Our records were taken from the town of Anson. Our records were taken from the town books, local newspaper of fifty years, the village cemetery and farm burying grounds, and from the aged people who had it from their fathers about the beginning of the town. It was here a little and there a little. I regret that it is in such an unfinished condition. Signed, Mrs. Geneva E.A. Hilton, North Anson, Maine, given by will to the Maine Genealogical Society, which is now a part of the Maine Historical Society.” (Hilton Coll. 413a).

the mid-twentieth-century Maine genealogist, Marion L. Dunn. The document of 265 pages, “James Savage of Woolwich, Maine ( –1748) and Some of His Descendants,” by Dunn provides details of family members living in towns from Woolwich to Anson, mostly located along the Kennebec River.<sup>6</sup>

Joseph Savage, the central subject of this study, is profiled within Dunn’s manuscript on page 88, where it says that he was born in Woolwich 17 June 1781, son of James and Annah (Young) Savage. According to a well respected and often referenced book by Ernest George Walker, *Embden Town of Yore*, Joseph’s father, James Savage (1750–1838), married in 1774 Annah Young of Pownalboro, and in 1780 was living in Anson, probably the first of the pioneer families to settle that far north.<sup>7</sup> Samuel Weston’s Field Book, dated January 1791, says that James Savage had “settled on 332 acres of land, No. 1, 1st Range, now called Madison” before 1784. It adds that James had lived on the land with his family for the better part of ten years along with the Joseph Moore family. This implies that Joseph Savage was born in what is today Madison, Maine.<sup>8</sup>

Dunn also states that Joseph died before 1845, “as his wife was a widow at the time of her death,” and cites a death notice found in the *Maine Farmer*: “Lucy Savage, in Madison, Mrs. Lucy, wife of Jos. Savage, aged 62, Sept. 25, 1845.” Dunn’s interpretation was that Lucy died after her husband. Another notation for Lucy’s death is found in Embden, Maine, cemetery inscriptions for those buried at either “Pleasant Dale” or “Murphy” or “Boothby” (none specified), where it says that Lucy Savage died 11 July 1845 at age 62, the wife of Joseph Savage.<sup>9</sup>

It is proposed here that Joseph lived beyond the 1845 date stated by Dunn. In Walker’s *Embden Town of Yore*, there is a marriage for Joseph Savage and Betsy Hunnewell, who were married on 26 May 1846 at Embden.<sup>10</sup> The couple is found in the 1850 census living in Embden: Joseph, aged 68, his age aligned with a 1781 birth date, and Betsy, aged 55.<sup>11</sup> Joseph and Elizabeth P. Savage appear again in the 1860 census in Madison, Joseph, aged 78, and Elizabeth P., aged 65. Living in their household is a Seth P. Bean and his wife, Frances, both aged 60.<sup>12</sup> By the 1870 census, Joseph Savage was no longer living with Elizabeth P. Savage, but she continued to live with Seth and “Fanny,” now in Cornville, Maine.<sup>13</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> Marion L. Dunn, “James Savage of Woolwich, Maine ( –1748) and Some of His Descendants,” typescript, Maine Historical Society (1971) (hereafter cited as Dunn, “James Savage of Woolwich”). Dunn references the Hilton Papers many times throughout the manuscript.

<sup>7</sup> Walker, *Embden Town of Yore*, 99.

<sup>8</sup> Samuel Weston Field Book, 7 Jan. 1791, film #107, Maine State Archives, Augusta.

<sup>9</sup> Nancy Hamlin Davis and Ruth Hamlin compiled cemetery inscriptions for Embden: Pleasant Dale/Murphy/Boothby Cemetery, <[www.oldcanadaroad.org/cemeteries/cemembdpleas.html](http://www.oldcanadaroad.org/cemeteries/cemembdpleas.html)>.

<sup>10</sup> Embden Town and Vital Records, 1804–1892 [Family History Library (FHL), Salt Lake City, film #10,846].

<sup>11</sup> Joseph Savage household, 1850 U.S. Census, Embden, Somerset, Maine, p. 218, #67/73.

<sup>12</sup> Joseph Savage household, 1860 U.S. Census, Madison, Somerset, Maine, p. 219, #126/128.

<sup>13</sup> Seth P. Bean household, 1870 U.S. Census, Cornville, Somerset, Maine, p. 111, #222/219.

The “Marble Records” series at the Skowhegan, Maine, public library includes a gravestone illustration and handwritten record saying: “Betsy Savage, former wife of Benjamin Hunnewell, died 6 Apr 1883.”<sup>14</sup> A genealogy of the Hunnewell family states that Elizabeth Bean, born 1795 in Concord, New Hampshire, daughter of Joseph Bean, and widow of Benjamin Hunnewell, married second 12 May 1846 Joseph Savage. It goes on to say that Betsy Savage died 6 April 1881 [*sic*] and is buried in Murphy Cemetery, Embden.<sup>15</sup>

As noted, Joseph Savage was not living with Betsy in 1870 and probably died sometime during the previous decade. Unfortunately, no death record, probate, or gravestone has been found for him.

A file folder in the Hilton Collection contains a genealogical summary of the Joseph Savage family compiled by Geneva Hilton. It is typed on a single sheet of paper, now a rich shade of tan from oxidation. It provides noteworthy family information and names Joseph’s wife, Lucy Rogers, daughter of Capt. Robert and Elizabeth (Davis) Rogers, and three of their children: Robert, Reuben, and Catherine.<sup>16</sup> No mention of other children is made, although census records for that time would suggest otherwise. The following tables show Joseph’s household in the 1810 and 1820 censuses, describing the ages of the children living there.

Joseph Savage Household, 1810 U.S. Census, Anson, Maine, p. 521

3 males 0–9	Robert, age 9; Reuben; unknown
1 male 26–44	Joseph, age 29
2 females 0–9	unknown; unknown
1 female 26–44	Lucy, age 27

Joseph Savage Household, 1820 U.S. Census, Anson, Maine, p. 246

2 males 10–15	Reuben; unknown
1 male 16–25	Robert, age 19
1 male 26–44	Joseph, age 39
2 females 0–9	Catherine, age 7; unknown
1 female 10–15	unknown
1 female 16–25	unknown
1 female 26–44	Lucy, age 37

Analyzing census records before 1850 is risky and not very reliable. For this study it only helps prove with some certainty that there were more than three children in the Joseph Savage household over a ten-year period when the children were

<sup>14</sup> “Marble Records,” Skowhegan Monumental Works, 1855–1960, 13 vols. plus index, a project of the Maine Old Cemetery Association (2006), Skowhegan Public Library (also located at the Bangor Public Library and Maine State Library), vol. 6, book 36, p. 118. The stone was paid for by L. P. Smith of Cornville.

<sup>15</sup> Neil Otis Hunnewell, *The Descendants of Israel Hunnewell* (n.p., 1996), 19 (hereafter cited as Hunnewell, *Israel Hunnewell*) The death year is probably incorrect and should be 1883 as shown in the Marble Records.

<sup>16</sup> Hilton Coll. 413a, folder 3/8.

young. Comparing the Savage genealogy in the Hilton Collection with this analysis shows there may be an additional three daughters and one son. It seems that Geneva Hilton included in the Savage genealogy only those of Joseph's children who were still remembered by family members at the time the study was conducted.

Of all the notes found in the Hilton Collection, one most important to this study confirms the connection between Joseph and his daughter, Catherine, the only daughter named by Geneva Hilton. A handwritten slip of paper identifies Vesta (Getchell) Hilton and her grandparents. Vesta was born 7 March 1840 and was twenty years older than Geneva, but the two were living in the Anson vicinity during their adult lives, with Vesta moving across the river to Madison by 1900. Vesta's husband, John Moore Hilton, was a cousin of Geneva's husband, Virgil. The Hilton, Getchell, and Savage families were among a group of close-knit pioneer families of the region, with many of the family members described within the pages of Walker's *Embden Town of Yore*. Geneva was surrounded by this community and probably with the help of Vesta wrote with some confidence about the Joseph Savage family, and especially about Catherine's line.

The slip of paper found in the Hilton collection reads: "Vesta Getchell Hilton of Madison is a great granddaughter of Joseph Savage and Lucy Rogers. Her grandfather was Simeon Getchell."<sup>17</sup> The note miscalculates Vesta's relationship to Joseph and Lucy by one generation—they were in fact her grandparents. Hilton rectifies the error in the genealogical summary describing the Joseph Savage family, previously mentioned, and in her "Savage Family" manuscript found by the author in the Stewart Public Library of North Anson.<sup>18</sup> The original of this typed manuscript is found at the Maine Historical Society within the Hilton collection.

A letter sent to this author dated 4 April 1994 by David A. Getchell, in response to an inquiry requesting information about the Getchell family of Anson, further supports Vesta's note and her descent from Joseph. Along with a copy of a handwritten letter dated 12 January 1863 written by Catherine (Savage) Getchell to her son, Alden Getchell,<sup>19</sup> then serving in the Civil War, was included a typed page showing the family line of Alden's daughter, Bertha (Getchell) Foster (Mrs. W. J. Foster), indicating connections to the Knowlton family of Wrentham, Massachu-

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<sup>17</sup> Hilton Coll. 413, box 1/2, Fletcher-Gilman.

<sup>18</sup> Ernest G. Walker, "Savage Family," typescript, Stewart Public Library, North Anson (1931), pp. 25–26. The children of Joseph and Lucy (Rogers) Savage are named as follows: Robert, Reuben, and Catherine. The preface to the book reads: "A manuscript donated to the Stewart Public Library of North Anson, Maine by Ernest G. Walker of Washington D.C. It is part of a large mass of material gathered by him in writing *Embden Town of Yore*. The typed portion herewith is a copy of manuscript written by the late Geneva Allbee Hilton of North Anson and bequeathed by her to the Maine Historical Society at Portland [56 pages] The notations in pen and ink are information gathered by Mr. Walker. Washington D.C., Jan 6, 1931."

<sup>19</sup> Somerset Co., Maine, Probate Records, 83:70 (Isaac Getchell will, filed Dec. Term, 1893); 88:1213 (administration, filed 2nd Tues., Jan. 1894; public notice ordered, April Term, 1899). Alden was named in his father's will.

setts. David A. Getchell's letter indicated that the paper was a part of Bertha's application to the Daughter's of the American Revolution in the 1950s. It shows Bertha's lineage through her father, Alden Getchell, her grandmother [K]atherine Savage who married Isaac Getchell, and her great-grandmother Lucy, daughter of Robert Rogers, aka Robert Knowlton, the patriot, and Lucy's husband, Joseph Savage.<sup>20</sup> Bertha B. Getchell, born circa 1876 in Lewiston, Maine, daughter of Alden and Lillian C. (Babcock) Getchell, married in Anson, 27 October 1898, Willard Foster, born September 1874, son of J. W. and Marietta (Call) Foster.<sup>21</sup> The couple was living with Bertha's father, Alden Getchell, in Anson in the 1900 census where her birth date is listed as July 1876.<sup>22</sup> Bertha was fifteen years younger than Geneva Hilton, but she was an adult during the writing and compiling of the materials for Geneva's history of Anson. Bertha had moved across the river to Madison by the 1910 census, and was still there in 1920, certainly well known to her aunt Vesta (Getchell) Hilton, and likely well acquainted with Geneva (Albee) Hilton.<sup>23</sup>

Only a few records have been found to assist in documenting the life of Joseph Savage. Fortunately, Geneva E. (Albee) Hilton, Vesta (Getchell) Hilton, and Bertha (Getchell) Foster all wrote papers and notes about Joseph's family that help create a credible narrative. Marion L. Dunn also added knowledge of the family giving us Lucy's death date, but probably misinterpreting the document when she said that Joseph died before his wife. Hopefully one day a death record will be found for Joseph Savage, thereby settling the question of where he spent his last days and where he is buried.

#### GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

1 **JOSEPH<sup>4</sup> SAVAGE** (*James*<sup>3-1</sup>) was born 17 June 1781, at either Woolwich<sup>24</sup> or a township then called No. 1, 1st Range (now Madison),<sup>25</sup> son of James and Annah (Young) Savage.<sup>26</sup> He died after 1860 and likely before 1870.<sup>27</sup> He was of "Barnardstown" (Madison) when he married first in Norridgewock, Maine, 3 February 1801, LUCY ROGERS of Anson.<sup>28</sup> Lucy was born 23 September 1786,<sup>29</sup> daughter of

<sup>20</sup> Getchell Family Papers. in this author's possession.

<sup>21</sup> All information from marriage record, Maine, Marriage Records, 1713–1937, Ancestry.com.

<sup>22</sup> Alden Getchel household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset, Maine, E.D. 142, p. 6A, #91/117.

<sup>23</sup> William J. Foster household, 1910 U.S. Census, Madison, Somerset, Maine, E.D. 230, p. 20B, #336/432: "father-in-law," Alden Getchell, age 66, living in the household; William J. Foster household, 1920 U.S. Census, Madison, Somerset, Maine, E.D. 111, p. 20A, #350/482: "father-in-law," Alden Getchell, age 76, living in the household.

<sup>24</sup> Dunn, "James Savage of Woolwich," 88.

<sup>25</sup> Samuel Weston Field Book, 7 Jan. 1791, film #107, Maine State Archives.

<sup>26</sup> Dunn, "James Savage of Woolwich," 88.

<sup>27</sup> He does not show up in any 1870 census records in Maine.

<sup>28</sup> Marlene A. Groves, *Vital Records of Norridgewock, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2009), 253.

<sup>29</sup> Dunn, "James Savage of Woolwich," 88.

Robert Rogers (*aka* Robert Knowlton) and Elizabeth/Betsy (Davis).<sup>30</sup> She died 25 September 1845, age 62.<sup>31</sup> Joseph married second in Embden, 26 May 1846, ELIZABETH/BETSY (BEAN) HUNNEWELL,<sup>32</sup> born in Concord, New Hampshire, in 1795, died 6 April 1883, daughter of Joseph Bean and widow of Benjamin Hunnewell.<sup>33</sup>

Joseph was “of Anson” in a deed dated 16 March 1811 when he purchased fifty acres of land in Anson from James Burnes.<sup>34</sup> He sold the parcel to Joseph Snell on 17 November 1812.<sup>35</sup> Joseph Savage was a party to a total of ten deeds between 1811 and 1835 and was grantor in seven of them. In a deed dated 7 April 1832,<sup>36</sup> he sold land to Ichabod Dunlap. Walker speculated that Ichabod was Joseph’s son-in-law, as he married a Betsy Savage on 9 February 1822.<sup>37</sup> It is probable that Betsy was the eldest “unknown” daughter shown previously in the census analysis outlined in this article.

The most significant deed documents Joseph’s relationship to his father. On 5 October 1835, Joseph sold the farm on which he lived to Alfred Drummond, with Lucy Savage, Joseph’s wife, relinquishing her right of dower. Joseph sold 150 acres with “reference to a deed of James Savage, father of said Joseph, and the deeds of Joseph Savage to Hartson Savage being had for a more particular description.”<sup>38</sup>

Children of Joseph<sup>4</sup> and Lucy (Rogers) Savage:<sup>39</sup>

- i ROBERT<sup>5</sup> SAVAGE, b. ca. 1801, d. 12 March 1874, age 73 years;<sup>40</sup> m. (int.) Anson, 9 March 1827, MARY/POLLY WITHAM,<sup>41</sup> b. ca. 1801,<sup>42</sup> apparently d. between

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<sup>30</sup> Rev. Charles Henry Wright Stocking, *Knowlton’s of England and America* (New York, 1871), 47, 75; George Henry Knowlton, *Errata and Addenda to Dr. Stocking’s History and Genealogy of the Knowltons* (Boston, 1903), 31, 45. In this latter work, changes to the original book are made. The first change on p. 31 references p. 47 (386) in the original and reads: “Robert, b. January (not June), m. Betsey Davis, not Dane. Notice, he changed his name from Knowlton to Rogers, his mother’s maiden name, and his descendants were all known by the name Rogers.” The second change on p. 45 references p. 75, (386) in the original and reads: “‘Robert’ should read ‘Robert Rogers’ see Errata (386), page 47. All his chil[dren] were known as Rogers. He res. in Northport, Me.”

<sup>31</sup> “Vital Statistics from ‘Maine Farmer’, 1833–1853,” University of Maine, Orono, 3:388.

<sup>32</sup> Embden Town and Vital Records, 1804–1892 [FHL film #10,846].

<sup>33</sup> Hunnewell, *Israel Hunnewell*, 19.

<sup>34</sup> Somerset Co. Deeds, 2:229.

<sup>35</sup> Somerset Co. Deeds, .2: 449.

<sup>36</sup> Somerset Co. Deeds, 33:94.

<sup>37</sup> Walker, *Embden Town of Yore*, 499, 500, 701

<sup>38</sup> Somerset Co. Deeds, 38:28.

<sup>39</sup> Walker, “Savage Family,” 25, 26. The children of Joseph and Lucy (Rogers) Savage are named as follows: Robert, Reuben, and Catherine; Hilton Coll. 413a, folder 3/8.

<sup>40</sup> Hilton Coll. 413a, folder 3/8; Dunn, “James Savage,” 88, 176.

<sup>41</sup> *Original Records of Maine Towns and Cities: Town of Anson*, Picton Press CD-Rom (Rockport, Maine, 2005), CD2, image 474, p. 343 (hereafter cited as Picton’s *Anson VRs*).

<sup>42</sup> She was aged 49 years in 1850 (Robert Savage household, 1850 U.S. Census, North Anson, Somerset, Maine, p. 187, #84/91).

the 1860 and 1870 census enumerations. Robert was enumerated in Embden (age 20–30) in 1830 and in Concord, Maine, in 1840 (age 30–40). By 1850 he was back in North Anson where his occupation was given as shoemaker,<sup>43</sup> and where he continued to be enumerated in 1860.<sup>44</sup> In 1870 he was living in Anson in the Asa Parlin household, listed as a pauper.<sup>45</sup>

Children of Robert<sup>5</sup> and Mary/Polly (Witham) Savage:<sup>46</sup>

- 1 *Norris*<sup>6</sup> *Savage*, b. ca. 1826, d. Goshen, Va., 2 May 1892; m. Louisa Hall. In 1860 he and Louisa were living in New Portland, Maine, with 5 children.<sup>47</sup> In 1880 Norris was living as a blacksmith in Piney Creek, Alleghany Co., N.C., described as married, but without a wife residing with him.<sup>48</sup>
- 2 *Robert R. Savage*, b. Lexington, Maine, [26] Jan. 1832,<sup>49</sup> d. North Anson, 16 April 1903;<sup>50</sup> m. Anson, 17 Feb. 1857, Betsey Smith,<sup>51</sup> b. March 1838,<sup>52</sup> daughter of Daniel and Sarah R. (Bunker) Smith.<sup>53</sup>
- 3 *Newman Savage*, b. ca. 1833, d. of disease, 27 Feb. 1864, while serving in the Civil War;<sup>54</sup> m. Anson, 20 Dec. 1855, Elizabeth Avery,<sup>55</sup> b. July 1840,<sup>56</sup> daughter of Dudley and Fanny D. (Getchell) Avery, d. 6 Aug 1913.<sup>57</sup> She m. (2) Skowhegan, 13 April 1865, Charles S. Pullen of Anson.<sup>58</sup> Newman was a shoemaker.<sup>59</sup>

<sup>43</sup> Robert Savage household, 1850 U.S. Census, North Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 187, #84/91.

<sup>44</sup> Robert Savage household, 1860 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 508, #100/100.

<sup>45</sup> Asa Parlin household, 1870 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 19, #299/311.

<sup>46</sup> All uncited information from Hilton Coll. 413a, folder 3/8; Dunn, "James Savage," 176.

<sup>47</sup> Norris Savage household, 1860 U.S. Census, New Portland, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 314, #267/294.

<sup>48</sup> Norris Savage household, 1880 U.S. Census, Piney Creek, Alleghany Co., N.C., E.D. 14, p. 301, #162.

<sup>49</sup> Robert R. Savage household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, E.D. 142, p. 10A, #191/221.

<sup>50</sup> Maine Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com. This record names his parents as Robert and Polly (Witham) Savage and his birthplace as Lexington.

<sup>51</sup> Picton's *Anson VRs*, CD1, image 67.

<sup>52</sup> Robert R. Savage household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset, Maine, E.D. 142, p. 10A, #191/221.

<sup>53</sup> Betsey aged 12 years in Daniel Smith household, 1850 U.S. Census, North Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 193, #164/174; her parents' m. New Portland, Maine, 18 Oct 1834 per Maine, Marriages, 1771–1907, FamilySearch.org.

<sup>54</sup> American Civil War Soldiers, Ancestry.com.

<sup>55</sup> Walker, *Embden Town of Yore*, 716.

<sup>56</sup> Chas. Pullen household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, E.D. 142, p. 10A, #195/225.

<sup>57</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com, which names her parents.

<sup>58</sup> Sally Furber Nelson, *Vital Records of Skowhegan, Maine (Formerly Milburn and a Part of Bloomfield)* (Rockland, Maine, 2010), 303.

<sup>59</sup> Newman Savage household, 1860 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 500, #40/40.

- 4 *Florentine A. Savage*, b. ca. 1834, d. 10 April 1875, aged 41, and bur. in Sunset Cemetery, Anson;<sup>60</sup> m. Madison, 24 Aug. 1854, Hiram M. Look, b. Starks, [calc.] 13 Sept. 1830, son of Jerry and Armilda (Tolman) Look, d. Madison, 22 Aug. 1905, aged 74 years, 11 months, 9 days.<sup>61</sup>
- 5 *William Kendrick Savage*, b. Lexington, Maine, [calc.] 24 Jan. 1835, d. Wales, Maine, 18 Nov. 1900, aged 65 years, 9 months, 24 days;<sup>62</sup> m. ca. 1887, Betsey Jane Grant,<sup>63</sup> b. Smithfield, Maine, 22 Feb. 1833, daughter of Nathaniel Grant,<sup>64</sup> d. Wales, 3 May 1902, aged 68 years, 5 months.<sup>65</sup> He was a shoemaker.
- 6 *Eveline G. Savage*, b. 1838, d. Oakland, Calif., 13 June 1890; m. 1 May 1866, Atwood Morse of New Portland, Maine.<sup>66</sup>
- 7 *Franklin Savage*, b. 1845, not living in Robert's household in 1850.<sup>67</sup>
- ii (poss.) BETSY SAVAGE, b. ca. 1803; m. (int.) Anson, 11 Feb. 1822, ICHABOD DUNLAP;<sup>68</sup> divorced in 1855.<sup>69</sup> Betsy and Ichabod were living together in the 1850 census. She is next found in the 1870 census living with Eleazer and Kate Littlefield in Palmyra, Maine.<sup>70</sup> In 1880 she was still living in the Littlefield household, now called "mother-in-law."<sup>71</sup>
- Child as found: 1. *Catherine/Kate Dunlap*, b. Embden, [calc.] 26 June 1824, d. Palmyra, 5 March 1905, aged 80 years, 8 months, 9 days;<sup>72</sup> m. 23 Sept. 1844, Eleazer Littlefield.<sup>73</sup>
- iii (poss.) REUBEN SAVAGE, presumably b. in the period 1803–10 when three males under 10 were enumerated in the 1810 census household of Joseph Savage.<sup>74</sup> It is

<sup>60</sup> *Maine Cemetery Inscriptions: Somerset County*, Maine Old Cemetery Association Special Publication No. 12, Picton Press CD-Rom, image 117 (hereafter cited as *Somerset Co. Inscriptions*).

<sup>61</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com, which names his parents.

<sup>62</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>63</sup> Wm. Savage household, 1900 U.S. Census, Wales, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 10, p. 17A, #287/295. They had been married 13 years and had 2 children, both deceased

<sup>64</sup> Marlene A. Groves, comp., *Vital Records of Smithfield, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2009), 37.

<sup>65</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>66</sup> Their intentions on 27 April 1866 recorded in Picton's *Anson VRs*, CD1, image 93.

<sup>67</sup> Robert Savage household, 1850 U.S. Census, North Anson, Somerset, Maine, p. 187, #84/91.

<sup>68</sup> Picton's *Anson VRs*, CD2, image 398.

<sup>69</sup> Maine, Divorce Records, 1798–1891, Ancestry.com.

<sup>70</sup> Ichabod Dunlap household, 1850 U.S. Census, Embden, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 219, #83/90.

<sup>71</sup> Eleazer C. Littlefield household, 1880 U.S. Census, Palmyra, Somerset, Maine, E.D. 160, p. 312, #11/11.

<sup>72</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>73</sup> Walker, *Embden Town of Yore*, 710.

<sup>74</sup> Joseph Savage household, 1810 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset, Maine, p. 521. Geneva Hilton and Walker in the *Savage Family*, 25–26, claimed that Reuben was married and a resident of Anson in 1860. In a thorough review of the 1860 census of Anson, Reuben Savage was not found, although a Reuben Savage of Solon, Maine, did purchase land in Anson in 1858 and then sold it in 1859 (Somerset Co. Deeds, 85:285 [FHL film #12,190]). Deeds for all those named Reuben Savage in Somerset Co. between 1830 and 1865 suggest that this man who purchased land in Anson was a younger Reuben Savage, enumerated at Parlin Pond Settlement in 1860, aged 43 (Ruben Savage household, 1860 U.S. Census, Parlin Pond Settlement, Twp. 1, Range 5 West, Somerset,



possible he was living with his parents, Joseph and Lucy Savage, in 1810 (under age 10), 1820 (aged 10–15), and 1830 (20–29),<sup>75</sup> and d. before 1840, by which time Joseph and Lucy had moved to Madison and were living there with two small children aged 5–10, possibly grandchildren.<sup>76</sup>

- iv CATHERINE SAVAGE, b. [calc] Aug 1812,<sup>77</sup> d. Anson, 6 March 1869, aged 56 years, 7 months;<sup>78</sup> m. (int) Anson, 22 Dec 1831, ISAAC GETCHELL,<sup>79</sup> b. Litchfield, Maine, [calc.] 26 April 1810, son of Simmons and Cynthia (Chase) Getchell,<sup>80</sup> d. Anson, 30 Nov. 1893, aged 83 years, 7 months, 4 days.<sup>81</sup> Isaac m. (2) Anson, 23 Aug. 1876, Mrs. Augusta A. (Savage) Boardman,<sup>82</sup> b. Madison, [calc.] 12 Aug. 1824, daughter of Jesse and Nancy (Blake) Savage, d. Solon, Maine, 13 Aug. 1909, aged 85 years, 1 day.<sup>83</sup> In his will dated 26 Nov. 1883, Isaac Getchell of Anson named his wife Augusta, to whom he left his real estate in Solon, and children Lizzie Longley, Vesta Hilton, Alden Getchell, and Mark Getchell.<sup>84</sup>

Children of Isaac and Catherine (Savage) Getchell.<sup>85</sup>

- 1 *Elizabeth Getchell*, b. Anson, May 1836, d. Old Orchard Beach, 12 May 1926;<sup>86</sup> m. (int) Anson, 1 Sep 1855, David Longley,<sup>87</sup> b. Moscow, Maine, 15 Feb. 1831, son of George W. and Mary (Spaulding) Longley,<sup>88</sup> d. Bingham, Maine, 26 April 1866.<sup>89</sup>
- 2 *Vesta Getchell*, b. Anson, 7 March 1840, d. Madison, 25 Dec. 1921, aged 81 years, 9 months, 18 days, after an illness of one year;<sup>90</sup> m. Madison, 1 Jan.

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Maine, p. 645, #481/468). Geneva Hilton ascribes to Joseph's supposed son Reuben a daughter Sarah, b. 1838, but that Sarah appears to be the daughter of the younger Reuben. She was aged 12 in the 1850 enumeration of this other Reuben's household (Reuben Savage household, 1850 U.S. Census, Solon, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 40, #569/579).

<sup>75</sup> Joseph Savage household, 1810–1830 U.S. Censuses, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 521 (1810); p. 246 (1820); p. 216 (1830).

<sup>76</sup> Joseph Savage household, 1840 U.S. Census, Madison, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 260.

<sup>77</sup> Hilton Coll. 413a, folder 3/8; Walker, "Savage Family," 25, 26. The children: Robert, Reuben, and Catherine; Isaac Gitchell household, 1850 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 176, #129/135; Dunn, "James Savage of Woolwich," 239; Getchell Family Papers in this author's possession.

<sup>78</sup> Emma Folsom Clark, *History of Madison*, p. 91 "Mrs. Isaac Getchell"; Getchell Cemetery, Anson, Maine, *Downeast Ancestry*, Biddeford, Maine, V.9, Issue 5, p. 191 (Feb 1986).

<sup>79</sup> Anson VRs, CD 2, image 528.

<sup>80</sup> Hilton Coll. 413a; Simmons Gitchell, aged 62 years, was living with Isaac and family in 1850 (Isaac Gitchell household, 1850 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, p. 176, #129/135); Simmons Gatchell and Cynthia Chase m. Litchfield, 14 April 1808 (Marlene A. Groves, comp., *Vital Records of Litchfield, Maine* [Rockland, Maine, 2010], 82).

<sup>81</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>82</sup> Anson VRs, CD 1, image 224.

<sup>83</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>84</sup> Somerset Co. Probate Records, #139.

<sup>85</sup> Hilton Coll. 413a, folder 3/8; Dunn, "James Savage of Woolwich," 176.

<sup>86</sup> Maine VRs, Maine State Archives, Augusta, deaths 1926.

<sup>87</sup> Picton's *Anson VRs*, CD1, image 61.

<sup>88</sup> Moscow VRs, p. 53 [FHL film #11,551].

<sup>89</sup> David W. Longley inventory, Somerset Co. Probate Records, #N-349.

<sup>90</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

1860, John Moore Hilton,<sup>91</sup> b. Anson, [calc.] 29 Dec. 1836, son of Edgar and Adaline (Moore) Hilton, d. Madison, 15 Sept. 1903, aged 66 years, 8 months, 16 days.<sup>92</sup> No children.

- 3 *Alden Getchell*, b. Anson, 9 June 1843,<sup>93</sup> d. 9 Dec. 1823 and bur. in Madison Bridge Cemetery, Madison;<sup>94</sup> m. (1) Lewiston, 12 May 1873, Laura Titus;<sup>95</sup> m. (2) Lewiston, 1 Sept. 1875, Lillian C. Babcock,<sup>96</sup> b. 11 Sept. 1857,<sup>97</sup> d. 3 March 1887 and bur. with Alden in Madison Bridge Cemetery.<sup>98</sup> Alden Getchell served in the Civil War.<sup>99</sup> Their daughter, Bertha (Getchell) Foster, b. July 1876, applied to the Daughters of the American Revolution and outlined her connection back to Joseph Savage.
- 4 *Mark Getchell*, b. Anson, Dec. 1841,<sup>100</sup> d. Lewiston, Maine, 18 July 1921, aged 72 years;<sup>101</sup> m. ca. 1870,<sup>102</sup> Adelaide/Addie L. Jones, b. Madison, 5 Feb. 1842, daughter of Timothy and Sarah (Mercer) Jones, d. Anson, 15 Nov. 1917, aged 75 years, 9 months, 10 days.<sup>103</sup> No Children.

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<sup>91</sup> Cheryl Willis Patten, contrib, "Marriages Performed by Reverend Thomas Gilmore Mitchell in Auburn, West Minot, And Madison, Maine," *The Maine Genealogist* 31(2009):121.

<sup>92</sup> All information from Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com; John M. Hilton household, 1900 U.S. Census, Madison, Somerset Co., Maine, E.D. 157, p. 1A, #3/3.

<sup>93</sup> Alden Getchell household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co., Maine, E.D. 142, p. 6A, #91/117; his gravestone gives his full date of birth.

<sup>94</sup> *Somerset Co. Inscriptions*, image 1144.

<sup>95</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1771–1907, FamilySearch.org; Getchell Family Papers, in this author's possession.

<sup>96</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1771–1907, FamilySearch.org; Getchell Family Papers, in this author's possession.

<sup>97</sup> Alden Getchel household, 1880 U.S. Census, Lewiston, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 15, p. 346B, #236/271.

<sup>98</sup> *Somerset Co. Inscriptions*, image 1144.

<sup>99</sup> U.S. Civil War Soldier Records and Profiles, Ancestry.com.

<sup>100</sup> Mark Getchell household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co, Maine, , E.D. 142, p. 2B, #34/38.

<sup>101</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>102</sup> Mark Getchell household, 1900 U.S. Census, Anson, Somerset Co, Maine, , E.D. 142, p. 2B, #34/38.

<sup>103</sup> All information from Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

## THOMPSON BIBLE RECORD, SOUTH BERWICK, MAINE

*Contributed by Leslie D. Sanders*

*Holy Bible*, published by Holman, Philadelphia, 1887:

Births [both this and Marriages page in one hand, apparently written at one sitting]

George Thompson Born Aug 9th 1827  
Mary Thompson Born Oct 16th 1829  
Charles E. Thompson Born Feb 19th 1853  
Laura B. Thompson Born March 28 1856  
Vitter F. Thompson Born May 17th 1858  
George L. Thompson Born March 24th 1861  
Louisa J. Thompson Born Aug 1st 1864  
Mary E. Thompson Born June 17th 1867  
Ralph H. Hilton Born Nov 18th 1885

Marriages

George Thompson Married Feb 19th 1851  
Charles E Thompson Married Nov 8th 1874  
Laura B Thompson Married Nov 27th 1873  
Vitter F. Married Aug 16th 1881  
Mary E. Thompson Married Sep 28 1885  
Ralph H. Married July 24 1907

[There is a red embroidered bookmark within the Bible's pages with initials that read "FWH" and a photo pasted onto a Bible page of a suburban home, perhaps from a newspaper. It has a handwritten title under it, "Alva Hillton and Family," and is surrounded by a handwritten Bible verse. The page was torn in half and reads "So. Berwick" then "Unity" then "Maine" with perhaps "Addison" written over it.]

### FAMILY SUMMARY

**GEORGE W. THOMPSON** was born in South Berwick 9 August 1827, son of James and Bridget (Chadwick) Thompson.<sup>1</sup> He died in South Berwick of heart disease 8 November 1904, aged 78 years, and is buried in Clarke Cemetery, Blackberry Hill Road, Berwick.<sup>2</sup> He married 19 February 1851 [*sic*: 1852] MARY G. STEWART, their marriage intentions recorded in South Berwick, 31 January 1852.<sup>3</sup> Mary

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<sup>1</sup> Bible record; his parents and place of death from his death record, see note 2.

<sup>2</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617-1922, Ancestry.com; findagrave.com.

<sup>3</sup> While the Bible gives the year as 1851, the marriage intention and certification occurred on 31 Jan. and 15 Feb. 1852, respectively, recorded in a chronological listing of intentions (John El-dridge Frost and Joseph Crook Anderson II, eds., *Vital Records of Berwick, South Berwick, and North Berwick, Maine* [Camden, Maine, 1993] 368 [hereafter cited as Frost & Anderson, *Berwick VRs*]). The intention records her name as Mary "T." Stewart, but other records including her grave-stone point to her middle initial being "G."

was born in Wells, Maine, 16 October 1829, daughter of George and Louisa (Withum) Stewart.<sup>4</sup> She died in South Berwick 11 February 1922, aged 92 years, 4 months, and is buried with her husband in Clarke Cemetery.<sup>5</sup> George Thompson evidently lived all of his life in South Berwick, where he was described as a horse cutter in 1850, a farmer in 1860, a railroad repair worker in 1870, and a farmer in 1880 and 1900.<sup>6</sup> After her husband's death, Mary G. Thompson resided in the family of her daughter Mary and son-in-law Alva S. Hilton.<sup>7</sup>

Children of George W. and Mary G. (Stewart) Thompson, b. So. Berwick:<sup>8</sup>

- i CHARLES E. THOMPSON, b. 19 Feb. 1853, d. 1927 and bur. in Portland St. Cemetery, So. Berwick;<sup>9</sup> m. So. Berwick, 8 Nov. 1874, GEORGIA F. HOPKINS,<sup>10</sup> b. Trenton, Maine, [calc.] 5 June 1855, daughter of John and Adeline E. (Leland) Hopkins, d. So. Berwick, 13 Nov. 1921, aged 66 years, 5 months, 8 days, and bur. with her husband in Portland St. Cemetery.<sup>11</sup> Charles was living in Lewiston, Maine, in 1880, where he was described as a railroad fireman, and in Portland in 1900 and 1910, described as a locomotive engineer and a machinist in a machine shop.<sup>12</sup>
  - Children of Charles E. and Georgia F. (Hopkins) Thompson:<sup>13</sup> 1. son, b. April 1880, d. bef. 1900. 2. *Flora E. Thompson*, b. Dec. 1884.
- ii LAURA B. THOMPSON, b. 28 March 1856, d. Wells, 3 Feb. 1930, aged 73 years, 10 months, 6 days;<sup>14</sup> m. Wells, 27 Nov. 1873, GEORGE F. STEVENS of Wells,<sup>15</sup> b.

<sup>4</sup> Bible record; Hope Moody Shelley, *Vital Records of Wells, Maine, 1619–1950* (Rockport, Maine, 2005), 380 (hereafter cited as Shelley, *Wells VRs*); her parents' m. (int.) Wells, 16 May 1828 (*ibid.*, 299).

<sup>5</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617-1922, Ancestry.com; gravestone at findagrave.com. Her death record gives her mother's name as "Lauri Getchell," which appears incorrect. Her mother's name is Louisa on Mary's birth record in Wells. Mary was born the year after George Stewart m. Louisa Withum. Possibly Mary's middle name was "Getchell."

<sup>6</sup> James Thompson household, 1850 U.S. Census, South Berwick, York Co., Maine, p. 310, #96/101; George [W.] Thompson households, 1850–1900 U.S. Censuses, South Berwick, York Co., Maine, p. 816, #268/286 (1860); p. 677, #364/375 (1870); E.D. 208, p. 605D, #462/499 (1880); E.D. 255, p. 16B, #369/385 (1900).

<sup>7</sup> Alva S. Hilton household, 1910 U.S. Census, South Berwick, York Co., Maine, E.D. 269, p. 18A, #308/355; "Albert" S. Hilton household, 1920 U.S. Census, South Berwick, York Co., Maine, E.D. 136, p. 6A, #137/137.

<sup>8</sup> Names and birth dates from Bible.

<sup>9</sup> Maine Old Cemetery Association, *Maine Cemetery Inscriptions: York County*, 4 vols. (Camden, Maine, 1995), 3:2038 (hereafter cited as *York Co. Inscriptions*).

<sup>10</sup> Bible record; Frost & Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 465.

<sup>11</sup> All information from Maine, Death Records, 1617-1922, Ancestry.com; *York Co. Inscriptions*, 3:2038.

<sup>12</sup> Charles E. Thompson households, 1880 U.S. Census, Lewiston, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 9, p. 198B, #308/430; 1900 and 1910 U.S. Censuses, Portland, Cumberland Co., Maine, E.D. 700, p. 6A, #99/118 (1900); Ward 7, E.D. 88, p. 3A, #29/48 (1910).

<sup>13</sup> All information from census, see note 12.

<sup>14</sup> Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 644.

<sup>15</sup> Bible record; Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 475.

[calc.] 22 Feb. 1849, son of Calvin and Betsy (Littlefield) Stevens,<sup>16</sup> d. Wells, 25 March 1924, aged 75 years, 1 month, 4 days.<sup>17</sup> George F. Stevens and family resided in Wells, where he was a farmer and carpenter.<sup>18</sup>

Children of George F. and Laura B. (Thompson) Stevens:<sup>19</sup> 1. *Arthur L. Stevens*, b. Feb. 1875. 2. *Charles H. Stevens*, b. March 1877. 3. *Solomon Russell Stevens*, b. Aug. 1878. 4. *Bertha Mae Stevens*, b. Jan. 1882. 5. *George C. Stevens*, b. June 1883. 6. *Annie B. Stevens*, b. [calc.] 15 March 1886, d. Wells, 1 April 1907, aged 21 years, 16 days.<sup>20</sup> 7. *John Stevens*, b. Aug. 1887. 8. *Florence E./Flossie Stevens*, b. Sept. 1890. 9. *Lester C. Stevens*, b. May 1893. 10. *James Stevens*, b. March 1896. 11. *Grace M. Stevens*, b. Oct. 1898.

- iii VITTER F. THOMPSON, b. 17 May 1858, d. Berwick, 12 Nov. 1915, aged 57 years, 5 months, 26 days,<sup>21</sup> m. 16 Aug. [prob.] 1880, SEDLEY S. GOODWIN,<sup>22</sup> b. 12 April 1858, son of George W., Jr., and Fidelia F. (Scott) Goodwin,<sup>23</sup> d. 7 Nov. 1939 and bur. in Woodlawn Cemetery, So. Berwick.<sup>24</sup> Sedley Goodwin lived in Berwick where he worked as a laborer in a mill yard.<sup>25</sup> (Vitter's name is given variously in the records as Vitter, Vetter, Lurevetta, Eveter, Letta, and Verta.)

Children of Sedley S. and Vitter F. (Thompson) Goodwin:<sup>26</sup> 1. *Maud Goodwin*, b. March 1881. 2. *Gertrude Goodwin*, b. Sept. 1883. 3. *Charlie Goodwin*, b. Oct. 1886. 4. *Alice Goodwin*, b. Sept. 1888 or 11 Sept. 1889.<sup>27</sup> 5. *Roy Goodwin*, b. June 1893. 6. *Marion Goodwin*, b. 1 Aug. 1895.<sup>28</sup> 7. *Gladys Goodwin*, b. April 1899. 8.

<sup>16</sup> George F. Stevens, aged 1 and 11, respectively, in Calvin Stevens household, 1850 and 1860 U.S. Censuses, Wells, York Co., Maine, p. 182, #323/357 (1850); p. 1018, #286/271 (1860); his parents m. Wells, 16 June 1844 (Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 343).

<sup>17</sup> Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 622.

<sup>18</sup> George F. Stevens household, 1900–1920 U.S. Censuses, Wells, York Co., Maine, E.D. 257, p. 13A, #326/335 (1900); E.D. 271, p. 12A, #272/280 (1910); E.D. 139, p. 5B, #120/125 (1920).

<sup>19</sup> From census data, see note 18.

<sup>20</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617-1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>21</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617-1922, Ancestry.com, her name given as “Verta” Goodwin, wife of Sedley Goodwin.

<sup>22</sup> Bible record gives m. 16 Aug. 1881; however, the marriage intentions were recorded So. Berwick, 10 Aug. 1880, certificate dated 16 Aug. (Frost & Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 406).

<sup>23</sup> John Hayes Goodwin and John Eldridge Frost, “Daniel Goodwin of Ancient Kittery, Maine, and His Descendants,” typescript at Maine Historical Society, Portland (1985), 235; his birth date also given on his gravestone.

<sup>24</sup> Findagrave.com.

<sup>25</sup> Sedley Goodwin household, 1900–10 U.S. Censuses, Berwick, York Co., Maine, E.D. 222, p. 10A, #228/238 (1900); E.D. 224, p. 4A, #78/79 (1910).

<sup>26</sup> Names from census data (see note 25) and cited sources; note that the 1900 census indicates that Vitter was the mother of 8 children, 7 then named. The name of the 8th child who d. young not discovered.

<sup>27</sup> Daughter Alice was listed as b. Sept. 1888 in Sedley Goodwin's 1900 census entry. However, the Berwick town records record “girl Goodwin, daughter of Sedley,” b. 11 Sept. 1889 (Frost & Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 527).

<sup>28</sup> Maine, Birth Records, 1621–1922, Ancestry.com.

*Clyde Goodwin*, b. 5 Oct. 1902, d. Berwick, 13 April 1904, aged 1 year, 6 months, 7 days.<sup>29</sup>

- iv GEORGE L. THOMPSON, b. 24 March 1861, d. 27 Aug. 1885, aged 24 years, 5 months, 3 days, and bur. with his parents in Clarke Cemetery, Berwick. (In the 1880 census of his father's household, his name was given as "Lineon" Thompson.)
- v LOUISA J. THOMPSON, b. 1 Aug. 1864, d. 3 May 1867, aged 2 years, 9 months, and bur. with her parents in Clarke Cemetery, Berwick.
- vi MARY E./MAMIE THOMPSON, b. 17 June 1867, living with her husband in So. Berwick in 1930, aged 63, but not found there in 1940;<sup>30</sup> m. So. Berwick, 28 Sept. 1885, ALVA S. HILTON,<sup>31</sup> b. 4 April 1867, son of Woodbury and Frances E. (Allen) Hilton,<sup>32</sup> d. Wells, 29 Jan. 1950, aged 82 years.<sup>33</sup> Alva Hilton was a day laborer and resided in So. Berwick. The birth of Alva and Mary's son, Ralph, was given in the Bible record, suggesting the Bible was passed down to Alva's family. This is supported by the photo in the Bible with the notation "Alva Hillton and Family." However, the significance to the family of the initials "FWH" on the bookmark in the Bible has not been learned.

Child of Alva S. and Mary E. (Thompson) Hilton: 1. *Ralph Harry Hilton*, b. So. Berwick, 18 Nov. 1885,<sup>34</sup> d. So. Berwick, 14 May 1974;<sup>35</sup> m. So. Berwick, 24 July 1907, Eva Louisa Foss,<sup>36</sup> b. 10 Dec. 1882, daughter of William W. and Maria A. (Winn) Foss, d. 15 May 1966 and bur. in Woodlawn Cemetery, So. Berwick.<sup>37</sup> Census records appear that Ralph had no children.

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<sup>29</sup> Maine, Birth Records, 1621–1922, Ancestry.com; Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>30</sup> Alva S. Hilton household, 1930 U.S. Census, South Berwick, York Co., Maine, E.D. 56, p. 15B, #322/378. There is a gravestone in Clarke Cemetery, Berwick, for Mary and Alva, but the stone only gives their dates of birth.

<sup>31</sup> Frost & Anderson, *Berwick VRs*, 479.

<sup>32</sup> Gravestone, Clarke Cemetery, Berwick (birth date); Alvah S. Hilton, aged 13, son, in Woodbury Hilton household, 1880 U.S. Census, Wells, York Co., Maine, E.D. 210, p. 647, #413/431; his parents m. Wells, 14 Oct. 1855 (Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 356).

<sup>33</sup> Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 729.

<sup>34</sup> Bible record.

<sup>35</sup> Maine Death Index, 1960–1997, Ancestry.com.

<sup>36</sup> Maine, Marriage Records, 1713–1937, Ancestry.com.

<sup>37</sup> *York Co. Inscriptions*, 2014; Social Security Death Index, Ancestry.com, which provides her dates of birth and death; her parents given on her marriage record.

## SIMEON DWINEL OF LISBON, MAINE

### A Comparison of Sources

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Genealogists are often confronted with conflicting information in different sources documenting the same event. Careful evaluation is needed to decide which of the sources is likely to be the most accurate. A case in point is the family of Simeon Dwinel of Lisbon Maine. The birth dates of all four of his children and the death date of his wife and one daughter are included in the town vital records.<sup>1</sup> Simeon, his wife, and all four of his children are buried in the Lisbon Ridge Cemetery and their gravestones include the full date of death. Except for the gravestone of daughter Sarah, which gives her birth date, all of the other gravestones include the age of the decedent at the time of death.<sup>2</sup> In addition, there is a family Bible that includes the dates of birth and death for all six members of the family as well their marriage dates.<sup>3</sup> Comparing the dates from these various sources, there are conflicts with the birth dates of one daughter and the death date of another daughter (see table below). The question is: how does one resolve these conflicts?

#### Sources for Simeon Dwinel Family (conflicting information in bold)

Family Member	Event	Lisbon VRs	Gravestone	Family Bible
Simeon Dwinel (father)	Birth		calc. 1795–96	30 Dec. 1795
Simeon Dwinel (father)	Death		20 July 1880	20 July 1880
Eliza Dwinel (mother)	Birth		calc. 1796–97	27 Oct. 1796
Eliza Dwinel (mother)	Death	23 Oct. 1869	23 Oct. 1869	23 Oct. 1869
Lydia Dwinel (daughter)	Birth	3 Sept. 1820	Sept.–Oct. 1820	3 Sept. 1820
Lydia Dwinel (daughter)	Death		2 April 1888	2 April 1888
Sarah Dwinel (daughter)	Birth	24 Sept. 1822	24 Sept. 1822	24 Sept. 1822
Sarah Dwinel (daughter)	Death		8 Jan. <b>1896</b>	8 Jan. <b>1893</b>
Rufus Dwinel (son)	Birth	6 April 1826	calc. 1825–26	6 April 1826
Rufus Dwinel (son)	Death		23 April 1866	23 April 1866
Eliza Dwinel (daughter)	Birth	19 Aug. <b>1832</b>	calc. <b>1835–36</b>	19 Aug. <b>1833</b>
Eliza Dwinel (daughter)	Death	23 Oct. 1861	23 Oct. 1861	23 Oct. 1861

Generally speaking, the record made closest to the time of the event is likely to be the more accurate; however, it often takes some analysis to determine which rec-

<sup>1</sup> Marlene Alma Hinkley Groves, *Vital Records of Lisbon, Maine Prior to 1892* (Camden, Maine, 1995), 130 (hereafter cited as *Lisbon VRs*).

<sup>2</sup> Photos of all the Dwinel family gravestones are online at findagrave.com. The Lisbon Ridge Cemetery Association has posted burial records that are found online at: <[www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~meandrhs/lisbon/cemetery/upland.html](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~meandrhs/lisbon/cemetery/upland.html)> (hereafter cited as Lisbon Ridge Burial Records). In some cases, the burial records do not agree with the gravestone inscriptions as shown in the photos.

<sup>3</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible, in possession of Kim Smith of White Lake, Mich. (hereafter cited as Dwinel/Smith Bible). A transcription is online at <[www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~meandrhs\\_taylor/bible/smith.html](http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~meandrhs_taylor/bible/smith.html)>.

ord is the earliest. The Dwinel/Smith Bible, which contains all of the births for Simon Dwinel's children, was published in 1814—well before the first child's birth in 1820. A close review of the handwriting on the page of births suggests that the first three children's birth records—those for Lydia, Sarah, and Rufus—were entered into the Bible at a single sitting. The entry of the fourth child's birth, Eliza, was entered at a later date in another hand. It would therefore appear that the earlier entries were made in the period 1826–1833 and that the last entry for Eliza was made sometime following her birth.

Conversely, the entry in the Lisbon vital records appears to have been made in a single sitting, and therefore sometime after daughter Eliza's birth. We can judge that the Bible is probably more accurate than the town record with regard to Eliza's date of birth, but we cannot say this with certainty, as we don't know how soon after Eliza's birth the Bible record was updated, nor do we know the exact date when the town record was entered.

The gravestone is the least reliable source regarding Eliza's birth, since it was carved many years later, and there is no assurance the carver had firsthand knowledge of Eliza's birth date. Just because the dates are carved in stone does not ensure that they are right.

The correct year of death for daughter Sarah is fairly easy to resolve, as the Lisbon Ridge Cemetery Association burial records indicate that Sarah died 9 January 1893.<sup>4</sup> In addition, the Maine statewide vital records series indicates that Sarah died in Lisbon 8 January 1893, aged 70 years, 3 months, 15 days.<sup>5</sup>

It would appear therefore from this example of the Dwinel family that the Bible record contains the most trustworthy information on the family. Nevertheless, when conducting genealogical research, it is always wise to try to correlate all facts with any additional sources that may be available, as any record may contain errors.

#### GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY

1 Capt. **AARON<sup>5</sup> DWINAL** (*Amos<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>*) was born in Sutton, Massachusetts, 10 August 1762 [or 1764], son of Amos and Lydia (Jennison) Dwinal.<sup>6</sup> He died 5 August 1844, aged 82 years,<sup>7</sup> in Leeds, Maine,<sup>8</sup> and was

<sup>4</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.

<sup>5</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com

<sup>6</sup> “Early Vital Records of Poland, Maine,” *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register* [NEHGR] 88(1934):60, gives the birth date as 10 Aug. 1762; his birthplace of Sutton, Mass., given in his rejected Revolutionary War pension application, #R3172; he gave his year of birth in that same application as 1764; his parents m. Sutton, Mass., 7 Dec. 1756 per *Vital Records of Sutton, Massachusetts, to the End of the Year 1849* (Worcester, Mass., 1907), 250. Aaron used the surname *Dwinal*, while his children used either *Dwinal* or *Dwinel*.

<sup>7</sup> Gravestone inscription, Lisbon Ridge Cemetery.

<sup>8</sup> Georgia Drew Merrill, Edit., *History of Androscoggin County* (Boston, 1891), 442 (hereafter cited as Merrill, *History of Androscoggin County*).



buried at Lisbon Ridge Cemetery in Lisbon, Maine. He was a resident of Bakerstown, now part of Auburn, Maine, when he married first SUSANNA LANE of New Gloucester, the mother of his five oldest children, their intentions recorded New Gloucester, 16 July 1785.<sup>9</sup> In 1790 he was still living in Bakerstown where he was enumerated [1-0-4-0-0] in a household that included his first wife and his three oldest daughters.<sup>10</sup> Susanna died in New Gloucester 2 June 1796.<sup>11</sup> He married second HULDAH WILSON of Poland, Maine, the mother of his sixth child, their intentions recorded Minot, 3 February 1798.<sup>12</sup> He married third in Minot, 9 January 1800, ABIGAIL (TRUE) FORBES of Poland.<sup>13</sup> Abigail, who was born circa 1778 and died 13 or 14 August 1832, aged 54, was the mother of his ten remaining children.<sup>14</sup> As a resident of Bowdoin, Abigail had married first John Forbes of North Yarmouth, their intentions dated in North Yarmouth 29 January 1796.<sup>15</sup> She is buried with Aaron in Lisbon Ridge Cemetery. Aaron was living in Lewiston in 1810, in Lisbon in 1830, and in Leeds in 1840.<sup>16</sup> He married fourth in Lisbon, 19 November 1833, JUDITH SPOFFORD of Lisbon.<sup>17</sup> She was much younger than Aaron, born circa 1804,<sup>18</sup> and married second in Leeds, 12 May 1846, Josiah Day, Esq.<sup>19</sup>

At the age of 17 Aaron enlisted for six months from the town of Sutton to reinforce the Continental army, arriving at Springfield 27 July 1780 and marching to camp on 28 July 1780 under the command of Capt. Storer. His physical description indicates that he was 5' 11" tall with a ruddy complexion.<sup>20</sup> During the War of 1812, he was a captain of a company of militia from Lisbon assigned to Col. Merrill's

<sup>9</sup> *Original Records of Maine Towns and Cities: Town of New Gloucester*, Picton Press CD-Rom (Rockport, Maine, 2005), CD1, image 117 (hereafter cited as Picton's New Gloucester VRs).

<sup>10</sup> *Heads of Families of the First Census of the United States Taken in the Year 1790: Maine* (Washington, D.C., 1908), 11, col. b.

<sup>11</sup> Aaron Dwinel sketch submitted by James B. Vickery, in Ruth Gray, *Maine Families in 1790 Vol. 1* (Camden, Maine, 1988), 93 (hereafter cited as Dwinel Sketch, *Maine Families in 1790*).

<sup>12</sup> Joseph Crook Anderson II, *Early Vital Records of Minot, Maine* (Rockport, Maine, 2005), 4 (hereafter cited as *Minot VRs*). In Dwinel Sketch, *Maine Families in 1790*, 93, Huldah is incorrectly assigned as the mother of all Aaron's children born 1798 or later. Since Aaron married his 3rd wife in Jan. 1800, Huldah obviously cannot be the mother of any children born after 1800.

<sup>13</sup> *Minot VRs*, 31, Rev. Jonathan Scott officiating.

<sup>14</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 21 (13 Aug.); Lisbon Ridge Burial Records (14 Aug.).

<sup>15</sup> Ruth Wilder Sherman, *Vital Records of North Yarmouth, Maine, to the Year 1850*, 2nd ed. (Camden, Maine, 1993), 154; Dwinel Sketch, *Maine Families in 1790*, 1:93.

<sup>16</sup> Cap Aaron Dwyndal household, 1810 U.S. Census, Lewiston, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 34; Aaron Dwinell household, 1830 U.S. Census, Lisbon, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 191; Aaron Dwinel household, 1840 U.S. Census, Leeds, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 158.

<sup>17</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 365, James Emerson Esq. officiating.

<sup>18</sup> Her age was 56 in 1860 per Josiah Day household, 1860 U.S. Census, Lewiston, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 333, #397/442.

<sup>19</sup> J. C. Stinchfield, *History of the Town of Leeds, Androscoggin County, Maine* (Lewiston, 1901), 342.

<sup>20</sup> *Massachusetts Soldiers and Sailors of the Revolutionary War*, 17 vols. (Boston, 1896–1908), 5:112.

Regiment that served at Bath from 10 September 1814 to 28 September 1814.<sup>21</sup> Aaron was active in politics and served in the Massachusetts House of Representatives from Lewiston in 1812 and from Lisbon in 1815.<sup>22</sup> After Maine became a state, he was the representative from Lisbon to the Maine House of Representatives for four years from 1826 through 1829.<sup>23</sup> Aaron Dwinal was a leader of the Whig Party and “espoused that cause with a zeal not always tempered with discretion.”<sup>24</sup>

Children of Aaron<sup>5</sup> Dwinal and his 1st wife, Susanna (Lane), all births recorded Poland:<sup>25</sup>

- i SUSANNA DWINAL, b. Bangor 2 Feb. 1787, living Monmouth in 1860;<sup>26</sup> m. (1) Oct. 1804 NATHANIEL HERRICK, b. 26 July 1781, son of Joseph and Mercy/Marcy (Preston) Herrick, d. 5 Jan. 1821.<sup>27</sup> Susanna m. (2) Greene, 13 July 1823 SAMUEL RICKER, a farmer from Lisbon,<sup>28</sup> b. Greene or Webster,<sup>29</sup> May 1797, son of Simeon and Dorcas (Dixon) Ricker,<sup>30</sup> d. 1 Dec. 1845, age 48 years 8 months, and bur. in Pease Cemetery, Monmouth.<sup>31</sup> In 1860, Susanna, aged 73, was head of a household in Monmouth that included her son Simeon Ricker, her daughter-in-law Ellen, and her daughter Susan Ricker.<sup>32</sup>

Children with 1st husband: 1. *Eliza C. Herrick*, b. Greene, Oct. 1807;<sup>33</sup> m. (int.) Lisbon, 25 March 1834, John Heath.<sup>34</sup> He was a currier enumerated in both Litchfield and Roxbury, Mass., in 1850.<sup>35</sup> 2. *Amos D. Herrick*, b. 8 April 1809,<sup>36</sup> d. 27 Aug.

<sup>21</sup> *Records of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia . . . During the War of 1812–14* (Boston, 1913), 233 (hereafter cited as *Mass. Militia During War of 1812*).

<sup>22</sup> Merrill, *History of Androscoggin County*, 301.

<sup>23</sup> Merrill, *History of Androscoggin County*, 303

<sup>24</sup> Merrill, *History of Androscoggin County*, 441.

<sup>25</sup> “Early Vital Records of Poland, Maine,” NEHGR 88(1934):60

<sup>26</sup> Her birthplace given on the death record of her son Simeon Ricker (below); “Susan” Ricker household, 1860 U.S. Census, Monmouth, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 26, #202/238.

<sup>27</sup> Janus G. Elder, *A History of Lewiston, Maine with a Genealogical Register of Early Families* (Auburn, 1997), 210 (hereafter cited as Elder, *History of Lewiston*); both his birth and death are recorded in Greene, Maine, online at: <[www.townofgreene.net/Vital%20records.html](http://www.townofgreene.net/Vital%20records.html)>.

<sup>28</sup> Greene VRs, <[www.townofgreene.net/Vital%20records.html](http://www.townofgreene.net/Vital%20records.html)>.

<sup>29</sup> Birth locations from death records of daughter Susan Baker and son Simeon Ricker (below).

<sup>30</sup> Percy Leroy Ricker and Elwin R. Holland, *A Genealogy of the Ricker Family* (Bowie, Md., 1996), 46 (hereafter cited as Ricker & Holland, *Ricker Family*).

<sup>31</sup> Gravestone inscription, Pease Cemetery, Monmouth.

<sup>32</sup> “Susan” Ricker household, 1860 U.S. Census, Monmouth, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 26, #202/238.

<sup>33</sup> Jedediah Herrick, *Genealogical Register of the Name and Family of Herrick . . .* (Bangor, 1846), 38 (hereafter cited as Herrick, *Herrick Genealogy*), which indicates that there was a son Amos Herrick, b. and d. in 1805, and a son Aaron Herrick, b. 1809. Greene vital records indicate Amos was b. in 1809. There may have been another son named either Amos or Aaron b. in 1805.

<sup>34</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 347.

<sup>35</sup> John Heath household, 1850 U.S. Census, Litchfield, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 337, #5/5, entered 29 July 1850; John Heath household, 1850 U.S. Census, Roxbury, Norfolk Co., Mass., p. 99, #1226/1731, entered 23 Aug. 1850.

<sup>36</sup> Greene Maine Town Records, Births, Deaths, Marriage Intentions and Marriages, 1768–1849, p. 31 (hereafter cited as Greene VRs).

1811, aged 2 years, 4 months.<sup>37</sup> 3. *Ruth Dwinel Herrick*, b. 30 Aug. 1811,<sup>38</sup> d. 3 March 1852, aged 36 years, bur. Locust Grove Cemetery, Hampden, Maine;<sup>39</sup> m. 1835 William P. Kilgore,<sup>40</sup> a trader and farmer living in Hampden 1850–70.<sup>41</sup> 4. *Sarah/Sally Dwinel Herrick*, b. Greene, 28 Oct. 1813.<sup>42</sup> She resided 5 Sept. 1850 with her sister Mary Ann in Randolph, Mass., her married sister Delaney living several houses away.<sup>43</sup> On 25 July 1850, Sarah was enumerated in Hampden living with her sister Ruth's family.<sup>44</sup> 5. *Orlon Whitman Herrick*, b. Greene, 2 Sept. 1816,<sup>45</sup> no further record found. 6. *Mary Ann Herrick*, b. Greene, 5 July 1818,<sup>46</sup> d. Weymouth, Mass., 15 May 1883, aged 64 years, 10 months;<sup>47</sup> m. Randolph, Mass., 11 Jan. 1855, George Hayden.<sup>48</sup> In 1870 and 1880 they resided in Weymouth where George worked in a boot factory.<sup>49</sup> 7. *Delana Herrick*, b. Greene, [calc.] 5 July 1821,<sup>50</sup> d. Boston, 22 March 1895, aged 73 years, 8 months, 17 days;<sup>51</sup> m. ca. 1848, Moses Abbott.<sup>52</sup> Delana was a beneficiary of the will of her sister Mary Ann Hayden in 1883. Moses, a shoemaker, was living in Randolph, Mass., in 1850, in Lisbon in 1870 where he was called a farmer, and in Boston in 1900.<sup>53</sup>

Children with 2nd husband: 8. *Simeon D. Ricker*, b. Monmouth, 3 Jan. 1824, d. Monmouth, 7 Jan. 1892, aged 64 years [*sic*], 4 days;<sup>54</sup> m. Litchfield, 5 Jan. 1856, Helen J./Ellen Wadsworth.<sup>55</sup> Simeon was a farmer in Monmouth in 1860, 1870, and

<sup>37</sup> Greene VRs, p. 84.

<sup>38</sup> Greene VRs, p. 43.

<sup>39</sup> Gravestone inscription, Locust Grove Cemetery, Hampden, Maine.

<sup>40</sup> Herrick, *Herrick Genealogy*, 38.

<sup>41</sup> William P./Wm. P. Kilgore household, 1850–70 U.S. Censuses, Hampden, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 326, #189/197 (1850); p. 329, #187/184 (1860); p. 57, #294/305 (1870).

<sup>42</sup> Greene VRs, p. 51.

<sup>43</sup> Sarah Herrick household, 1850 U.S. Census, Randolph, Norfolk Co., Mass., p. 200, #402/530; Moses Abbot household, 1850 U.S. Census, Randolph, Norfolk Co., Mass., p. 200, #404/533.

<sup>44</sup> William P. Kilgore household, 1850 U.S. Census, Hampden, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 326, #189/197.

<sup>45</sup> Greene VRs, p. 51.

<sup>46</sup> Herrick, *Herrick Genealogy*, 38.

<sup>47</sup> Massachusetts Vital Records, 1841–1910” (from original records held by the Mass. Archives), AmericanAncestors.org, 347:295 (hereafter cited as Mass. VRs, 1841–1910); George W. Chamberlain, *History of Weymouth Massachusetts in 4 Volumes* (Boston, 1923), 3:264, states: “MARY A. HAYDEN, wife of George, died 15 May, 1883. Her heirs were her husband and Delany Abbott, wife of Moses; Susan D., wife of Storrs [Almon] Baker of Richmond, Me., a half sister; Simeon Ricker of Monmouth, Me., a half brother; and Aaron Ricker of Sumpter, S. C., a [half] brother.”

<sup>48</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 88:194.

<sup>49</sup> George Hayden household, 1870 and 1880 U.S. Censuses, Weymouth, Norfolk Co., Mass., p. 550, #1542/1873 (1870); p. 416B, #591/724 (1880).

<sup>50</sup> Herrick, *Herrick Genealogy*, 38, gives b. June 1820.

<sup>51</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 456:121.

<sup>52</sup> Date of marriage based on Moses and Delaney having a son aged 11 months in 1850.

<sup>53</sup> Moses Abbot households, 1850 U.S. Census, Randolph, Norfolk Co., Mass., p. 200, #404/533; 1870 U.S. Census, Lisbon, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 320, #62/62; 1900 U.S. Census, Boston, Suffolk Co., Mass., E.D. 1214, p. 238B, #54/122/301.

<sup>54</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>55</sup> Marlene A. Groves, comp., *Vital Records of Litchfield, Maine* (Rockland, Maine, 2010), 432.

1880, and a beneficiary of the will of his half-sister Mary Ann Hayden.<sup>56</sup> 9. *Aaron D. Ricker*, b. Greene, 3 Feb. 1826,<sup>57</sup> d. Sumter, S.C., 3 Dec. 1896;<sup>58</sup> m. (1) Lowell, Mass., 1 Sept. 1851, Sarah H. Packard;<sup>59</sup> m. (2) Lowell, Mass., 6 Dec. 1871, Annie L. George.<sup>60</sup> He resided in Lowell in 1860, but moved to Sumter, S.C., by 1870 when he was described as a grocer.<sup>61</sup> He served as a private in the 30th Mass. Infantry during the Civil War for 3 years, 8 months, beginning in Oct. 1861 and was a beneficiary of the will of his half-sister Mary Ann Hayden in 1883.<sup>62</sup> 10. *Susan D. Ricker*, b. Monmouth, [calc.] 29 Nov. 1828, d. Auburn, 14 March 1902, aged 73 years, 3 months, 15 days,<sup>63</sup> m. Lowell, Mass., 29 April 1863, Almon Storrs Baker of Lowell.<sup>64</sup> She was a beneficiary of the will of her half-sister Mary Ann Hayden in 1883. 11. *Washington Ricker*, b. ca. 1831, d. 15 Sept. 1848, aged 17 years, and bur. in Pease Cemetery, Monmouth.<sup>65</sup>

- ii RUTH DWINAL, b. 19 March 1788, d. Lewiston, 30 Sept. 1810,<sup>66</sup> m. (int.) Lewiston, 11 March 1809, JOEL THOMPSON Jr.,<sup>67</sup> b. Lewiston, 26 July 1784, son of Joel and Martha (Cotton) Thompson,<sup>68</sup> d. Wayne, 15 Sept. 1851, aged 68 years.<sup>69</sup> Joel m. (2) Topsham, 12 Dec. 1813, Rachel Wilson of Topsham,<sup>70</sup> with whom he had 7 sons and 1 daughter.<sup>71</sup>

Child: 1. *Joel Dwinal Thompson*, b. Lisbon, 24 Dec. 1809, d. Bangor, 21 Feb. 1853;<sup>72</sup> m. Bangor, 16 Feb. 1842, Harriet/Hattie N. French.<sup>73</sup> He was a merchant in Bangor in 1850.<sup>74</sup>

<sup>56</sup> "Susan" Ricker household, 1860 U.S. Census, Monmouth, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 26, #202/238; "Simon"/Simeon Ricker households, 1870–80 U.S. Censuses, Monmouth, Kennebec Co., Maine, p. 380, #160/165 (1870, "Simon"); E.D. 99, p. 323D, #49/51 (1880, Simeon).

<sup>57</sup> Ricker & Holland, *Ricker Family*, 156.

<sup>58</sup> Ricker & Holland, *Ricker Family*, 342.

<sup>59</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 55:106.

<sup>60</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 236:231. He was of Sumter, S.C.

<sup>61</sup> Aaron D. Ricker households, 1860 U.S. Census, Lowell, Middlesex Co., Mass, p. 387, #2103/2661; 1870 U.S. Census, Sumter, Sumter Co., S.C., p. 262, #73/73.

<sup>62</sup> 1890 Veterans Schedule, Sumter, Sumter Co., S.C., E.D. 131.

<sup>63</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>64</sup> Ricker & Holland, *Ricker Family*, 342.

<sup>65</sup> Gravestone inscription, Pease Cemetery, Monmouth, Maine.

<sup>66</sup> Douglas I. Hodgkin, comp., *Records of Lewiston, Maine, Volume II* (Rockport, Maine, 2001), 382 (hereafter Hodgkin, *Records of Lewiston*).

<sup>67</sup> Hodgkin, *Records of Lewiston*, 426.

<sup>68</sup> Hodgkin, *Records of Lewiston*, 296; his parents m. 3 Feb. 1780 (Joseph C. Anderson II, *Vital Records of Brunswick, Maine, 1740–1860, and the Forsaith Book* [Rockport, Maine, 2004], 93).

<sup>69</sup> Maine Old Cemetery Association, *Maine Cemetery Inscriptions: Kennebec County*, Picton Press CD-Rom (Rockport, Maine, 1999), 3186, citing gravestone, Wayne Village Cemetery.

<sup>70</sup> Mary Pelham Hill, *Vital Records of Topsham, Maine, to the Year 1892*, 2 vols. (n.p., 1929–30), 2:260 (hereafter cited as *Topsham VRs*).

<sup>71</sup> Oliver Barrett Clason, *History of Litchfield, Maine, and an Account of Its Centennial Celebration, 1895* (Augusta, 1897), 351 (hereafter cited as Clason, *History of Litchfield*).

<sup>72</sup> Clason, *History of Litchfield*, 351.

<sup>73</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1771–1907, FamilySearch.org.

<sup>74</sup> Joel Thompson household, 1850 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 145, #2060/2113.

- iii SALLY DWINAL, b. 30 April 1790. She was not present in her father's household in the 1810 census and she reportedly never married.<sup>75</sup>
- iv AARON DWINAL, b. 11 Dec. 1791, d. 22 Jan. 1820, aged 28 years and bur. Lower Corner Cemetery, New Gloucester;<sup>76</sup> m. (int.) Lisbon, 7 March 1815, CELIA CUSHMAN,<sup>77</sup> b. 25 Nov. 1793, daughter of Jabez and Ursula (Bearce) Cushman of New Gloucester,<sup>78</sup> d. 29 Sept. 1858 and bur. Webber Cemetery, New Gloucester.<sup>79</sup> Celia m. (2) New Gloucester, 27 Aug. 1824, Nicholas Sweetsir of Gray.<sup>80</sup> Nicholas was a farmer in New Gloucester with whom she had 4 additional children.<sup>81</sup>
- Children: 1. *Samuel Cushman Dwinel*, b. New Gloucester, 30 April 1816,<sup>82</sup> d. New Gloucester of consumption, 22 Oct. 1849, aged 33 years.<sup>83</sup> 2. *Sarah Cushman Dwinel*, b. [calc.] 29 June 1819, d. Merrimac, Mass., 12 May 1889, aged 69 years, 10 months, 13 days;<sup>84</sup> m. Gray, 22 July 1841, Isaiah Adams.<sup>85</sup> They were living in Gray in 1850 when Isaiah was described as a merchant.<sup>86</sup> After Isaiah's death she was living with her children in New Gloucester in 1860, she was running a boarding house in Portland in 1870, and she was living with her daughter and son-in-law in Merrimac, Mass. in 1880.<sup>87</sup>
- 2 v SIMEON DWINEL, b. 30 Dec. 1795, d. 20 July 1880; m. ELIZA HERRICK.
- Child of Aaron Dwinel and his 2nd wife, Huldah (Wilson), birth recorded Lisbon.<sup>88</sup>
- vi HULDAH DWINAL, b. 14 June 1798, d. 24 April 1825;<sup>89</sup> m. Lisbon, 1 Jan. 1818, EDMUND HINKLEY.<sup>90</sup> Edmund was b. 24 July 1790, son of Isaac Hinkley of Lis-

<sup>75</sup> Cap Aaron Dwinel household, 1810 U.S. Census, Lewiston, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 34, included 4 males under 10 (Amos-8, Rufus-6, Orin-4, Luther-1), 1 male 10-15 (Simeon-15), 2 males 16-25 (Aaron Jr.-19 and unknown), 1 male 45 and over (Cap. Aaron-48), 1 female under 10 (Abigail-10), 1 female 10-15 (Huldah-12), and 1 female 26-44 (Abigail). Sally, age 20, was not present. Elder, *History of Lewiston*, 146, says she did not marry.

<sup>76</sup> Gravestone inscription, Lower Corner Cemetery, New Gloucester.

<sup>77</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 73.

<sup>78</sup> *Original Records of Maine Towns and Cities: Town of New Gloucester*, Picton Press CD-Rom (Rockport, Maine, 2005), CD1, image 27 (hereafter cited as Picton's New Gloucester VRs); her parents m. (int.) New Gloucester, 6 May 1781, per *ibid.*, image 115.

<sup>79</sup> Gravestone inscription, Webber Cemetery, New Gloucester.

<sup>80</sup> Picton's New Gloucester VRs, CD1, image 216, Rev. Elisha Moseley officiating.

<sup>81</sup> Picton's New Gloucester VRs, CD1, image 90 (births); Nicholas Sweetsir household, 1850 U.S. Census, New Gloucester, Cumberland Co., Maine, p. 73, #228/338.

<sup>82</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 16.

<sup>83</sup> Picton's New Gloucester VRs, CD1, image 242.

<sup>84</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841-1910, 400:627.

<sup>85</sup> <[files.usgwarchives.net/me/vr/marriages/grooms/gr1892ad2al.txt](http://files.usgwarchives.net/me/vr/marriages/grooms/gr1892ad2al.txt)>, Samuel H. Shepley, minister, officiating.

<sup>86</sup> Isaiah Adams household, 1850 U.S. Census, Gray, Cumberland Co., Maine, p. 206, #17/17.

<sup>87</sup> Sarah D. Adams household, 1860 U.S. Census, New Gloucester, Cumberland Co., Maine, p. 569, #100/110; Sarah "A." Adams household, 1870 U.S. Census, Portland, Cumberland Co., Maine, p. 116, #270/337; Daniel M. Means household, 1880 U.S. Census, Merrimac, Essex Co., Mass., E.D.140, p. 141A, #43/53.

<sup>88</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 20.

<sup>89</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 44.

<sup>90</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 91, Rev. William Frost officiating.

bon, and d. 24 July 1867, aged 77.<sup>91</sup> He m. (2) (int.) Lisbon, 8 April 1827, Eliza Sinclair of Lisbon<sup>92</sup> and had 8 additional children.<sup>93</sup>

Children:<sup>94</sup> 1. *Emeline Hinkley*, b. 11 Sept. 1818, d. before 19 Sept. 1834 when Edmund named a 2nd daughter Emeline b.. 2. *Ruth Hinkley*, b. 12 Nov. 1822; no further record found.

Children of Aaron Dwinal and his 3rd wife, Abigail (True) (Forbes), recorded Lisbon:<sup>95</sup>

vii ABIGAIL DWINAL, b. 29 Oct. 1800; m. Lisbon, 14 Feb. 1822, STEPHEN DAVIS of Lisbon.<sup>96</sup> They were living in Carmel in 1850, 1860, and 1870, where Stephen was described as a cooper.<sup>97</sup>

Children:<sup>98</sup> 1. *Orin D. Davis*, b. 1825, d. 1853.<sup>99</sup> 2. *William Davis*, b. Hampden, [calc.] 29 Oct. 1829, d. Carmel, 12 Jan. 1905, aged 75 years, 2 months, 13 days.<sup>100</sup> 3. *Frances A. Davis*, b. Jan. 1834.<sup>101</sup> 4. *Celia M. Davis*, b. Carmel, [calc.] 25 Jan. 1836, d. Carmel, 12 Oct. 1896, aged 60 years, 8 months, 17 days.<sup>102</sup> 5. *Mary E. Davis*, b. ca. 1838. 6. *Harriet L. Davis*, b. Aug. 1844, d. 1927.<sup>103</sup> William, a cooper, never married and lived with his unmarried sisters, Frances, Celia and Harriet in 1880, and with Frances and Harriet in 1900.<sup>104</sup>

viii AMOS DWINEL, b. 26 Jan. 1802, d. 20 Oct. 1883, aged 81 years, and bur. North Burial Ground, Providence, R.I.,<sup>105</sup> m. (int.) Lisbon, 18 Sept. 1832, SARAH SMALL,<sup>106</sup> b. Limerick, 29 July 1805, daughter of James and Lydia (Howard) Small of Rumford,<sup>107</sup> d. 15 Sept 1903, aged 98, and bur. North Burial Ground,

<sup>91</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 2 (birth); Elder, *History of Lewiston*, 216 (death).

<sup>92</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 88.

<sup>93</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 43–44.

<sup>94</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 43.

<sup>95</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 20–21.

<sup>96</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 91, Rev. William Frost officiating.

<sup>97</sup> Stephen Davis households in Carmel, Penobscot Co., Maine: 1850 U.S. Census, p. 351, #525/535; 1860 U.S. Census, p. 633, #95/90; 1870 U.S. Census, p. 328, #260/264.

<sup>98</sup> All six children are included in 1850 census with ages given (see note 97). Birth months of William, Francis and Harriet from 1900 census (see note 104).

<sup>99</sup> *Maine Cemetery Inscriptions: Penobscot County*, Picton Press CD-Rom (Rockport, Maine, 2005), 283 (hereafter cited as *Penobscot Co. Inscriptions*), citing g.s., Village Cemetery, Carmel.

<sup>100</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com. His gravestone in Carmel Village Cemetery gives his dates as 1830–1905 (*Penobscot Co. Inscriptions*, 283).

<sup>101</sup> She is bur. in Carmel Village Cemetery, but the stone has no dates (*Penobscot Co. Inscriptions*, 283).

<sup>102</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com. She is bur. in Carmel Village Cemetery, but the stone has no dates (*Penobscot Co. Inscriptions*, 283).

<sup>103</sup> *Penobscot Co. Inscriptions*, 283, citing g.s., Village Cemetery, Carmel.

<sup>104</sup> William Davis households in Carmel, Penobscot Co., Maine: 1880 U.S. Census, E.D. 32, p. 268B, #14/16; 1900 U.S. Census, E.D. 89, p. 328B, #216/223.

<sup>105</sup> Gravestone inscription, North Burial Ground, Providence; Rhode Island, Deaths, 1630–1930, Ancestry.com.

<sup>106</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 343. The intention was also filed in Rumford, 21 Sept. 1832 per William Berry Lapham, *History of Rumford, Oxford County, Maine . . .* (Augusta, 1890), 267 (hereafter cited as Lapham, *History of Rumford*).

<sup>107</sup> Lapham, *History of Rumford*, 397.

Providence.<sup>108</sup> Amos was a farmer in Lyndon, Aroostook Co., in 1860 and 1870, and a retiree living in Caribou in 1880.<sup>109</sup> Sarah was living in her son Warren's household in Providence, R.I., in 1900.<sup>110</sup>

Children:<sup>111</sup> 1. *Warren Small Dwinel*, b. 20 July 1833; d. 12 Jan. 1903 and bur. North Burial Ground, Providence, R.I.,<sup>112</sup> m. Boston, Mass., 29 Sept. 1859, Serena Dayton.<sup>113</sup> In 1870 he and his wife were living in his parents' household in Lyndon where he was a cabinet maker, but by 1880 they were living in Providence where he was a bookkeeper.<sup>114</sup> 2. *Amos Henry Dwinel*, b. 29 June 1837, d. 11 Jan. 1918, aged 80, at the Soldiers Home in Chelsea, Mass.,<sup>115</sup> and bur. North Burial Ground, Providence; m. (1) — —;<sup>116</sup> m. (2) Manchester, N.H., 12 Oct. 1882, Emma Brewer.<sup>117</sup> He enlisted in the Civil War from Lowell, 7th Battery, in Dec. 1861 and served 3 years. He resided in Philadelphia many years and then in Arlington, Mass., for the last 20 years of his life when he worked for Sherman & Co., book publishers in Boston.<sup>118</sup> 3. *Lester Dwinel*, b. 19 April 1840, d. N.Y., 4 Jan. 1901, aged 60, and bur. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>119</sup> m. 7 Dec. 1870 Lydia Herrick.<sup>120</sup> He served in the Civil War as a sergeant and 1st lieut. in Co. G of the 15th Maine Infantry Regiment,<sup>121</sup> and resided in Bangor after the war where he was a timberland dealer.<sup>122</sup> 4. *Ellen*

<sup>108</sup> Gravestone inscription, North Burial Ground, Providence, R.I.; Rhode Island, Deaths, 1630–1930, Ancestry.com.

<sup>109</sup> Amos Dwinell/Dwinal/Dwinel households, 1860–80 U.S. Censuses, Lyndon, Aroostook Co., Maine, p. 48, #311/ 307 (1860); same place, p. 247, #154/149 (1870); Caribou, Aroostook Co., Maine., E.D. 304, p. 141B, #80/88 (1880).

<sup>110</sup> Warren S. Dwinel household, 1900 U.S. Census, Providence, Providence Co., R.I., E.D.74, p. 26A, #15/8/10.

<sup>111</sup> Names and birth dates from William B. Lapham, *History of Rumford, Oxford County, Maine . . .* (Augusta, 1890), 316–17.

<sup>112</sup> Rhode Island, Deaths, 1630–1930, Ancestry.com; gravestone inscription, North Burial Ground, Providence, R.I.

<sup>113</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 128:91.

<sup>114</sup> Amos Dwinal household, 1870 U.S. Census, Lyndon, Aroostook Co., Maine, p. 247, #154/149; Warren S. Dwinel household, 1880 U.S. Census, Providence, Providence Co., R.I., E.D. 45, p. 228A, #61/89/185.

<sup>115</sup> Obituary, *The Lexington Minuteman*, 19 Jan. 1918.

<sup>116</sup> Amos must have had 2 wives since he had a son aged 36 in 1910, although he had only been married to his wife, Emma, for 28 years (A. Henry Dwinel household, 1910 U.S. Census, Arlington, Middlesex Co., Mass., E.D. 728, p. 84, #13/430/529).

<sup>117</sup> New Hampshire, Marriages, 1720–1920, FamilySearch.org.

<sup>118</sup> Obituary, *The Lexington Minuteman*, 19 Jan. 1918.

<sup>119</sup> Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

<sup>120</sup> Elder, *History of Lewiston*, 210.

<sup>121</sup> 1890 Veterans Schedule, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 118; Maine State Archives, Civil War Officers, <[www.maine.gov/sos/arc/archives/military/civilwar/offpix.htm](http://www.maine.gov/sos/arc/archives/military/civilwar/offpix.htm)>.

<sup>122</sup> Lester Dwinel household, 1880 and 1900 U.S. Censuses, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 29, p. 215D, #364/378 (1880), E.D.79, p. 166A; #201/120/132 (1900); Business Directory, City of Bangor, 1883, <<http://files.usgarchives.net/me/penobscot/directories/business/1883/cityofba425gms.txt>>.

*Dwinel*, b. 9 July 1844, living in her parents' household in Lyndon in 1870, aged 25.<sup>123</sup>

- ix RUFUS DWINEL, b. 1 Nov. 1804, d. 29 Sept. 1869, aged 64 years, 11 months, and bur. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>124</sup> never married. A man with superior business capabilities, he became a lumber baron and was mayor of Bangor in 1838.<sup>125</sup> In addition to his lumber interests, he was one of 42 businessmen who joined forces on 26 Feb. 1833 to develop a palace hotel, *The Bangor House*. This hotel, the largest in Maine with 75 rooms, cost \$125,000 to build and furnish.<sup>126</sup> A controversial and colorful bachelor of Bangor society, he left a substantial amount of money to his housekeeper when he died.<sup>127</sup>
- x ORIN DWINEL, b. 23 Aug. 1806, d. 11 Feb. 1876 and bur. in Maple Grove Cemetery, Mechanic Falls, Maine;<sup>128</sup> m. Portland, 16 May 1836, ELVIRA ROBINSON of Portland,<sup>129</sup> b. Paris, Maine, 11 July 1807, daughter of Stephen and Jemima (Haskell) Robinson,<sup>130</sup> d. Minot, Maine, 11 April 1888 and bur. with her husband in Maple Grove Cemetery.<sup>131</sup> Orin was a farmer living in Poland in 1850, 1860 and 1870, while Elvira was a widow living in Poland in 1880.<sup>132</sup>
- Children:<sup>133</sup> 1. *Harriet R. Dwinel*, b. ca. 1837, d. 15 April 1924 and bur. with her parents in Maple Grove Cemetery. 2. *Aaron Lorenzo Dwinel*, b. ca. 1839, enumerated in Plumas, Plumas Co., Calif., in 1870 when he was described as a placer miner, and in Gibsonville, Sierra Co., Calif., in 1880 when he was described as a saloon keeper.<sup>134</sup> On 12 Oct. 1892 he was living in Downieville, Sierra Co., Calif., when he was on a voter registration list, the last record found for him.<sup>135</sup> 3. *Mary E. Dwinel*, b. ca. 1846, d. 2 Aug. 1935 and bur. in Maple Grove Cemetery with her parents. 4. *Albert Quincy Dwinel*, b. Jan. 1848, d. Tewksbury, Mass., of tuberculo-

<sup>123</sup> Amos Dwinel household, 1870 U.S. Census, Lyndon, Aroostook Co., Maine, p. 247, #154/149.

<sup>124</sup> Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

<sup>125</sup> Business Directory, City of Bangor, 1883 (see note 122).

<sup>126</sup> Ryan R. Robbins, Bangor in Focus, Bangor House, <[http://bangorinfo.com/Focus/focus\\_bangor\\_house.html](http://bangorinfo.com/Focus/focus_bangor_house.html)>.

<sup>127</sup> Mount Hope Cemetery, map of graves of interest provides a short biography of Rufus Dwinel, <[www.mthopegr.com/map](http://www.mthopegr.com/map)>.

<sup>128</sup> Gravestone, findagrave.com.

<sup>129</sup> Maine, Marriage Records, 1713–1937, Ancestry.com, Rev. Joseph Vaill officiating.

<sup>130</sup> William Berry Lapham and Silas Packard Maxim, *History of Paris, Maine, from Its Settlement to 1880* . . . (Paris, Maine, 1884), 715.

<sup>131</sup> Gravestone, findagrave.com.

<sup>132</sup> Orren/Orin Dwinel/Dwinel household, 1850–70 U.S. Censuses, Poland, Cumberland Co., Maine, p. 43, #152/154 (1850); Poland, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 171, #1/1 (1860); p. 406, #403/420 (1870); Elvira Dwinel household, 1880 U.S. Census, Poland, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 19, p. 441C, #487/530.

<sup>133</sup> All enumerated in Orin Dwinel household, 1860 U.S. Census, Poland, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 171, #1/1.

<sup>134</sup> Aaron Dwinelle household, 1870 U.S. Census, Plumas, Plumas Co., Calif., p. 32, #142/146; Aaron L. Dwinell listed as a boarder in the James E. Perry household, 1880 U.S. Census, Gibsonville, Sierra Co., Calif., E.D. 101, p. 184B, #14/14, Aaron listed as married, but no wife with him.

<sup>135</sup> Aaron Lorenzo Dwinel, California, Great Registers, 1866–1910, FamilySearch.org.



sis, 5 Nov. 1905, aged 54 years, described as a motorman, single,<sup>136</sup> and bur. in Maple Grove Cemetery with his parents.

- xi LUTHER DWINEL, b. 9 Jan. 1809, prob. d. prior to 1850 when his daughter was living with his wife's family;<sup>137</sup> m. Lisbon, 1 Jan. 1833, PRISCILLA ELIZABETH TEBBETS,<sup>138</sup> b. Lisbon, 11 Dec. 1811, daughter of Isaac and Reliance (Thompson) Tebbets,<sup>139</sup> d. Bangor, 13 July 1835, aged 23.<sup>140</sup>

Children: 1. *Sarah Octavia Dwinel*, b. Bangor, 21 Nov. 1833, d. Cambridge, Mass., 16 Feb. 1895, aged 61 years, 3 months, 26 days;<sup>141</sup> m. Topsham, 9 Aug. 1859, Rev. Charles Carroll Everett.<sup>142</sup> In 1850, at age 16, Sarah was living with her mother's family in Topsham.<sup>143</sup> Rev. Everett graduated from Bowdoin College in 1850, studied at the University of Berlin for one year and then graduated from the Harvard Divinity School in 1859. He received a Doctor of Divinity degree from Bowdoin in 1870 and one from Harvard in 1874, and a Doctor of Laws degree from Bowdoin in 1894. From 1859 to 1869 he was pastor of the Independent Congregational Church in Bangor. In 1869 he became the Bussey professor of theology at Harvard and in 1878 he was appointed dean of the faculty of theology.<sup>144</sup> 2.

*Charles T. Dwinel*, b. ca. June 1835, d. Bangor, 9 Aug. 1835, aged 2 months.<sup>145</sup>

- xii CALVIN B. DWINEL, b. 30 Oct. 1810, d. Bangor, 1 Aug. 1887, aged 76 years, 9 months, and bur. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>146</sup> m. Lisbon, 3 Nov 1833, ELIZA BUCKNAM.<sup>147</sup> Calvin was a merchant in Bangor selling lumber and groceries and was one of the original stockholders for Mount Hope Cemetery.<sup>148</sup>

Children, recorded Lisbon:<sup>149</sup> 1. *Celia Frances Dwinel*, b. 11 Sept. 1835, d. Northampton, Mass., 30 Oct. 1867, aged 32, and bur. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>150</sup> never

<sup>136</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 1905/90:435.

<sup>137</sup> Rebecca Tebbetts household, 1850 U.S. Census, Topsham, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 345, #39/43.

<sup>138</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 367, Samuel Moody, Esq. officiating.

<sup>139</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 109; her parents m. (cert.) Topsham, 31 Aug. 1803 per *Topsham VRs*, 2:261.

<sup>140</sup> Michelle E. Thomas, *Vital Records of Bangor, Maine, Volume 2: Death Records* (Rockport, Maine, 2003) 72 (hereafter cited as Thomas, *Bangor Deaths*).

<sup>141</sup> Mass. VRs, 1841–1910, 455:101; Gravestone inscription, Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, Mass., as cited in Thomas W. Baldwin, comp., *Vital Records of Cambridge, Massachusetts, to the Year 1850*, 2 vols. (Boston, 1914–15), 1:236.

<sup>142</sup> *Topsham VRs*, 2:88.

<sup>143</sup> Rebecca Tebbetts household, 1850 U.S. Census, Topsham, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 345, #39/43.

<sup>144</sup> Samuel M. Crothers, "Charles Carroll Everett (1829–1900)," from *Heralds of a Liberal Faith*, <[www.harvardsquarelibrary.org/Heralds/Charles-Carroll-Everett.php](http://www.harvardsquarelibrary.org/Heralds/Charles-Carroll-Everett.php)>; *Obituary Record of the Graduates of Bowdoin College and Medical School for the Decade Ending 1 June 1909* (Brunswick, Maine, 1911), 74–75, Class of 1850.

<sup>145</sup> Thomas, *Bangor Deaths*, 72.

<sup>146</sup> Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

<sup>147</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 367, Samuel Moody, Esq. officiating.

<sup>148</sup> Calvin Dwinel household, 1860 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 54, #390/396; Bangor Directory (1859); *The Maine Historical Magazine* 3(1888):49.

<sup>149</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 141–42.

<sup>150</sup> Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

married. 2. *Julia Adalaid Dwinel*, b. 21 Sept. 1840, d. 22 May 1900, aged 59 years, 7 months, 7 days, and bur. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>151</sup> m. 30 Nov. 1865, Henry M. Prentiss, a resident of Bangor and managing operations director of vast timberlands.<sup>152</sup> 3. *Frank Dwinel*, b. 7 May 1842, d. 16 March 1921, aged 78 years 10 months, and bur. in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>153</sup> m. Bangor, 4 Oct. 1870, Emma H. Crosby.<sup>154</sup> He was a grocer in Bangor in 1870, a superintendent of a laundry in Chelsea, Mass., in 1880, and a dealer of wholesale fancy groceries in Bangor in 1900.<sup>155</sup> 4. *Charles Dwinel*, b. 4 Feb. 1844, d. Bangor, 16 Nov. 1907, aged 63, and bur. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>156</sup> m. Bucksport, 10 March 1869, Louisa M. Snow,<sup>157</sup> whom he later divorced.<sup>158</sup> He was a traveling salesman.

- xiii ALBERT DWINAL, b. 29 March 1813, never married,<sup>159</sup> no further record found.
- xiv MARY ANN DWINEL, b. 22 May 1815, d. Minneapolis, Minn., 28 Jan. 1894, aged 78,<sup>160</sup> m. Bangor, 4 Sept. 1842, HORACE W. S. CLEVELAND, b. Lancaster, Mass., 16 Dec. 1814, son of Richard and Dorcas Cleveland (Hiller) Cleveland,<sup>161</sup> d. Hinsdale, Ill., 5 Dec. 1900, aged 85, and bur. Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis.<sup>162</sup> They resided in Burlington, N.J., Salem and Danvers, Mass., Tarrytown and Brooklyn, N.Y., Chicago, Ill., and Minneapolis, and he moved back to Chicago in Oct. 1895.<sup>163</sup> Horace was an eminent 19th-century American landscape architect, sometimes considered second only to Frederick Law Olmsted. Some of his projects included Oak Grove Cemetery in Gloucester, Mass., Sleepy Hollow Cemetery in Concord, Mass., Roger Williams Park in Providence, R.I., and the park systems for Omaha, Neb., and St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.

<sup>151</sup> Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

<sup>152</sup> George Thomas Little, *Genealogical and Family History of the State of Maine*, 4 vols. (New York, 1909), 1:374.

<sup>153</sup> Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

<sup>154</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1771–1907, FamilySearch.org.

<sup>155</sup> Calvin Dwinel household, 1870 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 207, #1271/1407; William G. Grantman household, 1880 U.S. Census, Chelsea, Suffolk Co., Mass., E.D. 790, p. 343A, #118/150/251; Frank Dwinil household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 70, p. 28B, #93/224/332; Business Directory, City of Bangor, 1883, <<http://files.usgwarchives.net/me/penobscot/directories/business/1883/cityofba425gms.txt>>.

<sup>156</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com; Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

<sup>157</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1771–1907, FamilySearch.org.

<sup>158</sup> Elder, *History of Lewiston*, 147 (wife); his death record and census data indicate he was divorced (Henry M. Prentiss household, 1900 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 80, p. 177B, #18/15/18).

<sup>159</sup> Elder, *History of Lewiston*, 146.

<sup>160</sup> Interment Records, Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis, Minn., <[www.lakewoodcemetery.com](http://www.lakewoodcemetery.com)>, (hereafter cited as Interment Records, Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis).

<sup>161</sup> Edmund James Cleveland and Horace Gillette Cleveland, *The Genealogy of the Cleveland and Cleaveland Families*, 3 vols. (Hartford, 1899), 2:498, 1075 (hereafter cited as Cleveland, *Cleveland Families*).

<sup>162</sup> Interment Records, Lakewood Cemetery, Minneapolis.

<sup>163</sup> Cleveland, *Cleveland Families*, 2:1075-76

Children, b. Burlington, N.J.:<sup>164</sup> 1. *Henry Russell Cleveland*, b. 5 Oct. 1846, d. Barranquilla, Colombia, of dysentery, 2 June 1880, aged 34; m. Barranquilla, 1 Jan. 1875, Carmen Sanchez. He was a machinist and a mechanical engineer. 2. *Ralph Dwinel Cleveland*, b. 17 July 1851; m. Philadelphia, Pa., 18 Dec. 1878, Aurora Eustis. He was superintendent of the Lakewood Cemetery Assoc. in Minneapolis, V.P. of the American Association of Cemetery Superintendents, and an active partner in his father's landscape architectural firm.

xv CHARLES DWINAL, b. 24 Dec. 1817, never married;<sup>165</sup> no further record found.

xvi CELIA C. DWINEL, b. 12 Dec. 1820, d. 17 July 1913, aged 92 years, 7 months, 5 days, and bur. Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor;<sup>166</sup> m. 14 Oct. 1847, WILLIAM C. BRUCE.<sup>167</sup> In 1850 they resided in Bangor where he was a merchant.<sup>168</sup> She was a single woman living in Bangor in 1880, while in 1910 she was an 89-year-old widow enumerated both in Salem, Mass., and in Bangor.<sup>169</sup>

Child: 1. *Helen M. Bruce*, b. ca. 1849, never married.<sup>170</sup> She is bur. in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Bangor, with her parents, but her stone has no dates.

2 **SIMEON<sup>6</sup> DWINEL** (*Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Amos<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>*) was born in Lisbon, Maine, 30 December 1795, son of Capt. Aaron and Susanna (Lane) Dwinel.<sup>171</sup> He died in Webster, Maine, 20 July 1880, aged 84 years, 6 months.<sup>172</sup> The 1880 census report taken on 6 June 1880 stated that he had cancer of the eye.<sup>173</sup> He married 15 September 1819 at Greene, Maine, ELIZA HERRICK.<sup>174</sup> She was born 27 October 1796,<sup>175</sup> daughter of Joseph and Lydia (Lowell) Herrick of Portland, Maine, and Milford, New Hampshire.<sup>176</sup> She died 23 October 1869, aged 72 years.<sup>177</sup> Simeon served as a private in his father's company in the Lisbon militia during the War of 1812.<sup>178</sup> Like his father, Simeon was involved in politics and

<sup>164</sup> All information from Cleveland, *Cleveland Families*, 2:1075, 1769–70.

<sup>165</sup> Elder, *History of Lewiston*, 146.

<sup>166</sup> Interment Records, Mt. Hope Cemetery.

<sup>167</sup> Elder, *History of Lewiston*, 146.

<sup>168</sup> Wm. C. Bruce household, 1850 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 42, #590/635.

<sup>169</sup> Ellen Crosby household, 1880 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 25, p. 96A, #3/2/2; Mary T. Saunders household, 1910 U.S. Census, Salem, Essex Co., Mass., E.D. 472, p. 160A, #182/42/56; Mary A. "Brackd" household, 1910 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, E.D. 142, p. 248B, #535/344/387.

<sup>170</sup> Wm. C. Bruce household, 1850 U.S. Census, Bangor, Penobscot Co., Maine, p. 42, #590/635.

<sup>171</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible.

<sup>172</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery.

<sup>173</sup> Joseph Kilgore household, 1880 U.S. Census, Webster, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 21, p. 472A, #101/101.

<sup>174</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; Walter Lindley Mower, *Sesquicentennial History of the Town of Greene, Androscoggin County, Maine: 1775 to 1900 . . .* (Auburn, Maine, 1938), 144, indicates date of marriage was 16 Sept. 1819; int. filed 22 Aug. 1819 [*Lisbon VRs*, 77].

<sup>175</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible.

<sup>176</sup> Herrick, *Herrick Genealogy*, 45.

<sup>177</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 130; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery.

<sup>178</sup> *Mass. Militia During War of 1812*, 233.

served as a selectman in Lisbon in 1835, 1836, 1852, and 1853.<sup>179</sup> He was also the representative from Lisbon to the Maine House of Representatives in 1841.<sup>180</sup> Benjamin D. Bryent of Webster wrote in his diary on 19 April 1880: "Simeon Dwinel upwards of eighty years of age, has become demented and wanders around. He is living with his son-in-law, Joseph Kilgore, a farmer of Webster, Me."<sup>181</sup> Bryent also wrote at the time of Simeon's death: "Simeon had his home for many years upon a farm on 'Lisbon Ridge', Lisbon, Me. He was a successful farmer, but upon the deaths of his wife [in 1869], [his son] Rufus d 23 Apr 1866 ae 40y, and [his daughter] Eliza d 23 Oct 1861 ae 25y, some years ago, sold his farm and was afflicted with the infirmities. He was of medium stature, light complexion, intelligent, a Universalist in religion, politically a Whig, then a republican. He leaves two married daughters [Lydia & Sarah]. The funeral is on Thursday at the house of Mr. Kilgore."<sup>182</sup> Simeon was a life-long resident of Lisbon until he retired and moved into the household of his daughter and son-in-law in Webster.<sup>183</sup>

Children of Simeon<sup>6</sup> and Eliza (Herrick) Dwinel, all b. Lisbon:

- 3 i LYDIA<sup>7</sup> DWINEL, b. 3 Sept. 1820, d. 2 April 1888; m. JOSEPH KILGORE.
- 4 ii SARAH/SALLY DWINEL, b. 24 Sept. 1822, d. 8 Jan. 1893; m. DANIEL SMITH.
- iii RUFUS DWINEL, b. 6 April 1826,<sup>184</sup> d. 23 April 1866, aged 40, and bur. Lisbon Ridge Cemetery, Lisbon;<sup>185</sup> never married.
- iv ELIZA H. DWINEL, b. prob. 19 Aug. 1833,<sup>186</sup> d. 23 Oct. 1861 and bur. Lisbon Ridge Cemetery, Lisbon;<sup>187</sup> never married.

3 **LYDIA<sup>7</sup> DWINEL** (Simeon<sup>6</sup>, Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Amos<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>) was born 3 September 1820, daughter of Simeon<sup>6</sup> and Eliza (Herrick) Dwinel.<sup>188</sup> She died 2 April 1888, aged 67 years 6 months.<sup>189</sup> She married JOSEPH KILGORE of Topsham, in Topsham, the marriage certificate dated 17 February 1850.<sup>190</sup> Joseph

<sup>179</sup> Merrill, *History of Androscoggin Co.*, 449.

<sup>180</sup> Merrill, *History of Androscoggin Co.*, 303.

<sup>181</sup> Benjamin D. Bryent diary, 19 April 1880, as quoted by David C. Young, "Early Families of Sabattus, Androscoggin Co., Maine," <<http://files.usgwarchives.net/me/androscoggin/sabattus/families/dfiles.txt>> (hereafter cited as Bryent diary).

<sup>182</sup> Bryent Diary, dated July 1880.

<sup>183</sup> Simeon Dwinel/Dwinal household, 1830–70 U.S. Censuses, Lisbon, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 197 (1830); p. 344 (1840); p. 420, #700/781 (1850); Lisbon, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 9, #67/69 (1860); p. 320, #57/57 (1870); Joseph Kilgore household, 1880 U.S. Census, Webster, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 21, p. 472A, #101/101.

<sup>184</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 130.

<sup>185</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery. As noted above, the Lisbon records give her birth date as 19 Aug. 1832 (*Lisbon VRs*, 130).

<sup>186</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 130, indicates year of birth was 1832.

<sup>187</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery; *Lisbon VRs*, 130.

<sup>188</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 130.

<sup>189</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery.

<sup>190</sup> *Topsham VRs*, 2:88.

was born in Lisbon, 24 February 1816, son of Caleb and Philena (Dunning) Kilgore, and died 31 August 1896.<sup>191</sup> He was a farmer in Topsham in 1850, a livery stable keeper in Portland in 1860, a stable keeper residing with his father-in-law in Lisbon in 1870, and a farmer in Webster in 1880.<sup>192</sup>

Children of Joseph and Lydia<sup>7</sup> (Dwinel) Kilgore, recorded Portland:<sup>193</sup>

- i FRANK W. KILGORE, b. 8 Sept. 1851, d. 17 June 1878, aged 26, and bur. Lisbon Ridge Cemetery, Lisbon.<sup>194</sup>
- ii ADA B. KILGORE, b. 7 Oct. 1852, living with her parents in 1870, aged 17;<sup>195</sup> no further record found.
- iii HERBERT LESLIE KILGORE, b. 3 March 1857, d. Portland, 24 May 1911, aged 55 years, widower;<sup>196</sup> m. Webster, Maine, 22 Sept. 1883, FLORENCE H. BLETHEN.<sup>197</sup>

4 **SARAH/SALLY<sup>7</sup> DWINEL** (*Simeon<sup>6</sup>, Aaron<sup>5</sup>, Amos<sup>4</sup>, Jonathan<sup>3</sup>, Thomas<sup>2</sup>, Michael<sup>1</sup>*) was born 24 September 1822, daughter of Simeon<sup>6</sup> and Eliza (Herrick) Dwinel,<sup>198</sup> and died 8 January 1893.<sup>199</sup> She married at Lisbon, 28 September 1848, DANIEL SMITH.<sup>200</sup> Daniel, a farmer in Lisbon,<sup>201</sup> was born 2 December 1823, son of Edward and Marcia (Jack) Smith.<sup>202</sup> He died in Lisbon 22 January 1912, aged 88 years.<sup>203</sup> After Sarah's death, Daniel resided on the family farm in the household of his son Charles.<sup>204</sup>

Children of Daniel and Sarah/Sally (Dwinel) Smith, all births recorded Lisbon:<sup>205</sup>

<sup>191</sup> *Lisbon VRs*, 115 (birth); death per by David C. Young, "Early Families of Sabattus, Androscoggin Co., Maine," <<http://files.usgwarchives.net/me/androscoggin/sabattus/families/dfiles.txt>>.

<sup>192</sup> Joseph Kilgore households, 1850 U.S. Census, Topsham, Lincoln Co., Maine, p. 364, #342/359 (1850); 1860 U.S. Census, Portland, Cumberland Co., Maine, p. 705, #824/1296; Simeon Dwinel household, 1870 U.S. Census, Lisbon, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 320, #57/57; Joseph Kilgore household, 1880 U.S. Census, Webster, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 21, p. 472A, #101/101.

<sup>193</sup> Portland Births, 5:208, 273.

<sup>194</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.

<sup>195</sup> Simeon Dwinel household, 1870 U.S. Census, Lisbon, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 320, #57/57.

<sup>196</sup> Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>197</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1771–1907, FamilySearch.org.

<sup>198</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery; *Lisbon VRs*, 130.

<sup>199</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery.

<sup>200</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 301, David T. Stephens, M.G., officiating.

<sup>201</sup> Daniel Smith household, 1870–80 U.S. Censuses, Lisbon, Androscoggin Co., Maine, p. 333, #251/287 (1870); E.D. 16, p. 377A, #350/409 (1880).

<sup>202</sup> Gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery; his death record names his parents.

<sup>203</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; gravestone inscription Lisbon Ridge Cemetery; Maine, Death Records, 1617–1922, Ancestry.com.

<sup>204</sup> Charles D. Smith household, 1900–10 U.S. Censuses, Lisbon, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 27, p. 166B, #87/88 (1900); E.D. 32, p. 90A, #471/542 (1910).

<sup>205</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 211.

- i CHARLES D. SMITH, b. 8 Nov. 1853, d. 1925,<sup>206</sup> m. Lisbon, 12 March 1881, MARY A. STARBIRD of Lisbon,<sup>207</sup> b. 1859, d. 1926.<sup>208</sup> His entire family, except for son Ralph, is bur. in Lisbon Ridge Cemetery, Lisbon. Charles was a farmer in Lisbon.<sup>209</sup> Children: 1. *son*, d. 24 April 1885.<sup>210</sup> 2. *daughter*, d. 3 Oct. 1888.<sup>211</sup> 3. *Ralph E. Smith*, b. 19 June 1890,<sup>212</sup> m. ca. 1915, Grace —.<sup>213</sup> He was a bank employee living in Auburn in 1920 and in Lewiston in 1930.<sup>214</sup> 4. *Charles Leigh Smith*, b. 28 Feb. 1898,<sup>215</sup> d. 1977,<sup>216</sup> m. Lisbon, 5 Sept. 1823, Norma I. Foster.<sup>217</sup>
- ii IDA E. SMITH, b. 8 Jan. 1859, d. 21 Oct. 1886, aged 27, and bur. Lisbon Ridge Cemetery, Lisbon,<sup>218</sup> m. Lisbon, 21 Feb. 1880, VINCENT A. HOGAN of Lisbon.<sup>219</sup> Children:<sup>220</sup> 1. *Nellie Florence Hogan*, b. 20 May 1882, living in her uncle Charles D. Smith's household in Lisbon in 1900, aged 18;<sup>221</sup> no further record found. 2. *Sadie Mae Hogan*, b. 4 March 1886; m. Lisbon, 26 Dec. 1906, William E. McCarthy;<sup>222</sup> living with her husband in her cousin Ralph E. Smith's household in Auburn in 1920, aged 33.<sup>223</sup>
- iii RALPH C. SMITH, b. 29 Oct. 1860, d. 8 Sept. 1861, aged 10 months, and bur. Lisbon Ridge Cemetery, Lisbon.<sup>224</sup>

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<sup>206</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.  
<sup>207</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 389, E.S. Stackpole, M.G., officiating.  
<sup>208</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.  
<sup>209</sup> See note 204.  
<sup>210</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.  
<sup>211</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.  
<sup>212</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible.  
<sup>213</sup> 1930 census indicates he married at age 25 (see note 214).  
<sup>214</sup> Ralph E. Smith household, 1920–30 U.S. Censuses, Auburn, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 3, p. 32B, #40/96/111 (1920); Lewiston, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 4, p. 65B, #98/425/727 (1930).  
<sup>215</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible.  
<sup>216</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.  
<sup>217</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1892–1996, Ancestry.com.  
<sup>218</sup> Lisbon Ridge Burial Records.  
<sup>219</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 386, E.S. Stackpole, M.G., officiating.  
<sup>220</sup> Births in Dwinel/Smith Bible.  
<sup>221</sup> Charles D. Smith household, 1900 U.S. Census, Lisbon, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 27, p. 166B, #87/88.  
<sup>222</sup> Maine, Marriages, 1892–1996, Ancestry.com.  
<sup>223</sup> Ralph E. Smith household, 1920 U.S. Census, Auburn, Androscoggin Co., Maine, E.D. 3, p. 32B, #40/96/111.  
<sup>224</sup> Dwinel/Smith Bible; *Lisbon VRs*, 212.

NINETEENTH-CENTURY RECORDS OF THE  
FIRST AND SECOND CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES  
OF WELLS, MAINE

*Submitted by Priscilla Eaton*

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A Record of Adult Baptisms at the First Church of Wells

9 Jul 1815	John Eaton	6 Dec 1812	Abigail Grant
8 Sep 1815	Samuel Hubbard	11 May 1815	Sarah Hill
6 Jul 1816	John Frost	4 Jun 1815	Polly Pope
Aug 1818	Forrest Jeffords		Mehitable Clark
22 Aug 1824	Samuel Jeffords	5 May 1816	Hannah Jacobs
6 May 1827	Nathaniel Rankin		Olive Gooding
2 Sep 1827	Samuel Storer	Jun 1817	Mary Buzzell
	Reuben Mace	6 Jul 1817	Eliza Grant
	Enoch Goodale	3 Aug 1817	Hannah Gilman
	Benjamin Furbish	3 May 1818	Sarah Pope
	James Rankin Jr.	4 Oct 1818	Olive Butland
	Ivory Kimball	1 May 1825	Dorcas Butland
4 Nov 1827	Stephen Kimball Jr	8 Oct 1825	Rebecca Pike Dorrell
4 Jul 1830	Walter Forest Hill	6 Nov 1825	Eunice Perkins
	Dominicus Pope	6 May 1827	Sarah Hubbard
	Joshua Hubbard		Sarah Littlefield
	Dimon Hill	3 Jun 1827	Caroline Rankin
4 Sept 1831	John Rankin	1 Jul 1827	Lydia Maxwell
	Charles Bridges		Sarah Ann Bragdon
	Hiram Littlefield		Almira Chick
	Hiram Littlefield 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 Sep 1827	Abigail Eaton
	Samuel Rankin		Sarah Littlefield
	George Littlefield		Sarah Wells
	James Winn Jr.		Eliza Sherman
	William Winn		Harriet Littlefield
	James Stuart		Mary Littlefield
	Eben Giles More		Huldah Littlefield
	Jonathan Bourne		Mary Pope
	William Harmon		Mary Ann Pope
	Samuel Butland		Sarah Ann Storer
	Joseph Grover		Isabel Welch
	Charles Hill		Lucinda Getchell
	Matthew Rickey Hill		Nancy Hemmenway
	Rufus Cole	6 Apr 1828	Jane Littlefield
	Samuel Rankin Jr	7 Sep 1828	Martha Wells
	Otis Winn	7 Jun 1830	Jemima Stuart
1832	Moses Hemmenway		Mary Storer

	Rufus Boston	4 Jul 1830	Lucy Jones
	Samuel Pope		Alice Hubbard
3 Nov 1832	Oliver Storer		Lucinda Pope
7 Sep 1834	Withahom <sup>42</sup> Kimball	4 Feb 1831	Abigail Rankin
	Benjamin [?] Kimball		Abigail Rankin 2nd
	John Patten Kimball		Sally Rankin
1838	Dominicus Pope Jr		Olive Bourne
6 Oct 1839	Ivory Littlefield		Alice Maxwell
2 Aug 1840	Eli Penny Littlefield		Abigail Stevens[?]
	Isaiah Littlefield		Hannah Hill
4 Oct 1840	Samuel Littlefield		Mary Ann [?] Clark
29 Nov 1840	Jonathan Winn		Hannah Ann Hill
	William Patten Bourne		Augusta Pope
13 Jun 1841	Daniel Bragdon		Hannah Gooch
30 Jul 1843	William Rankin		Nancy Harmon
6 Sep 1863	Abner F. Kimball		Dorcas Jacobs
	Augustus T. Littlefield		Olive Maxwell Swett
	Jonathan Evander Bourne	10 Jun 1832	Elizabeth Clark
	Adoniram J. Littlefield	Jul 1832	Agnes Bragdon
	Joseph D. Wells	7 Sept 183	Ann Littlefield Hatch
		7 Oct 1837	Sally Storer
			Hannah Storer
			Elizabeth Storer
		1838	Sarah [?] Butland
		5 Aug 1838	Mrs. Olive Rankin
		4 Nov 1838	Mrs. Ann Littlefield
		1839	Abigail Came
		24 Feb 1839	Mrs. Huldah Getchel
		2 Aug 1840	Martha Maxwell
			Mary Hill Eaton
			Martha Rankin Littlefield
		29 Nov 1840	Olive W. Littlefield
			Mehitable Bourne
		30 Jul 1843	Betsy Goss Littlefield
		13 Dec 1847	Betsey Butland
		17 Oct 1849	Abby, daughter of Samuel Furbish, age 18 yrs, on her death bed
		3 Nov 1850	Hannah Neal Littlefield
		3 Nov 1855	Mrs. Mary Augusta Lowell
		5 Jul 1857	Mrs. Harriet Maxwell
			Mrs. Priscilla S. Eldridge

<sup>42</sup> Town records establish that this is *Wilbraham* Kimball (Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 383).



3 May 1863	Hannah G. Littlefield Elisabeth Jane Maxwell
5 Jul 1863	Ellen C. Gooch Lura[?] Parsons
6 Sep 1863	Asenath Kimball Hannah Olive Kimball Mary Elizabeth Mariner Elisabeth Winn Mary L. Libby Clara A. Libby Abby Ann Wells Charlotte A. Littlefield Helen M. Wells Clara G. Warren

*[There are numerous cases when the marriage intentions appear in the town records, but the marriage record could only be discovered in the church records. In some instances it appears as if an entire report from the minister to the town clerk is missing. In other cases, a single record seems to have been omitted. There were also six cases in which neither the intentions nor the marriage appeared in the town records. These missing marriages are the records which appear below.<sup>43</sup>]*

A Record of Marriages Solemnized by Greenleaf

20 Apr 1823	Stephen Cain & Miss Jane Wells both of Wells
8 May 1823	Otis Blabun & Miss Mary Littlefield both of Wells
18 May 1823	Oliver Stevens & Miss Hannah Maxwell both of Wells
1 Jul 1823	William Chamberlain of Hanover, NH & Miss Sarah L. Gilman of Wells
8 Jul 1823	Capt Thomas Bragdon & Mrs. Alice Hubbard both of Wells
9 Oct 1823	Jeremiah H. Curtis of Dover, NH & Miss Esther Wilson of York
18 Jan 1824	Archibald Smith of Alfred & Miss Alice Curtis of Wells
8 Feb 1824	William Baston & Miss Sarah E Furbish both of Wells
12 Feb 1824	Samuel Storer & Miss Mehitable Littlefield both of Wells
24 Feb 1824	John Stuart Jr & Miss Abigail Stevens both of Wells
26 Feb 1824	Jonathan Cooper of Littleton, Mass & Miss Mary Jeffords of Wells
24 Mar 1824	James Winn Jr & Miss Lydia Storer both of Wells
21 Apr 1824	Capt Samuel B Sayer & Miss Merriam Littlefield both of Wells
22 Apr 1824	Joshua Crediford & Miss Sarah Blabun both of Wells

A Record of Marriages Performed by W Clark at Wells

10 May 1833	Asa Hart & Miss Tabitha Kimball both of Wells
23 Sep 1833	John C Eaton & Miss Dorcas Jacobs both of Wells

<sup>43</sup> The marriage records through 1854 were transcribed by Dorothy Keyes Seaman and contributed to the Historical Society of Wells and Ogunquit by her estate. Additions and corrections were made by Hope Moody Shelley. The marriages from 1854–1872 were transcribed by the submitter. Most of these marriage records are not included here, as they already appear in the town records.

13 Dec 1833	Richard Wells & Miss Tabitha Littlefield both of Wells
30 Dec 1833	Samuel Donnell & Miss Anne Littlefield both of Wells
1834	James L. Cole & Miss Sarah Rankin both of Wells
1834	Hiram Littlefield & Miss Nancy Eaton both of Wells
20 Apr 1834	William Donnell & Mrs. Hepzibah Donnell both of Wells
26 Jul 1834	James Kingsbury of Boston Mass & Miss Theodosia Jones of Wells
14 Oct 1834	John Morrison Jr & Miss Christiana Hill both of Wells
20 Oct 1834	Capt Charles Hill & Miss Mary Dean both of Wells
12 Apr 1835	Ivory Littlefield & Miss Mary Ann Littlefield both of Wells
27 Apr 1835	William Bartlett & Miss Tabitha <sup>44</sup> Maxwell both of Wells
23 Jun 1835	John B Maxwell & Miss Harriet Curtis both of Wells
30 Jun 1835	John Wells & Miss Sally G Littlefield both of Wells

Marriages Solemnized by J Colburn

23 Jul 1837	John H Plaisted & Miss Jane McCrillis both of So. Berwick
3 Oct 1837	Major William H Swett of York & Miss Tabitha Maxwell of Wells
29 Oct 1837	Obadiah Winn & Miss Jane Boston both of York
10 May 1838	Aaron Maxwell Jr & Miss Martha Donnell both of Wells
12 Jun 1838	Ezekiel Staples of Biddeford & Miss Caroline Rankin of Wells
8 Aug 1838	Charles Littlefield & Miss Elzea Hilton both of Wells
6 Sep 1838	William Bartlett & Miss Hephzibah Furbish both of Wells
9 Sep 1838	Capt Otis Winn & Miss Hannah C Winn both of Wells
5 Nov 1838	William Gooch Jr & Miss Susan Littlefield both of Wells
13 Dec 1838	David G Fisher of Boston & Miss Isabella Rankin of Wells
9 Jan 1839	Capt James Winn Jr & Miss Mary Jane Bragdon both of Wells
19 Feb 1839	David Thompson & Mrs. Priscilla Sands both of Kennebunk
9 Sep 1839	Francis Plaisted Jr & Miss Susan Grant both of York
9 Sep 1839	Ralph Hobbs & Miss Eloisa Storer both of Wells
2 Nov 1839	William Waterhouse Jr of Lyman & Miss Martha R. Clark of Wells
28 Nov 1839	Mr. Jacob Littlefield 3 <sup>rd</sup> & Miss Mary Littlefield both of Wells
26 Jan 1840	Josiah Crediford Jr & Miss Nancy Hatch both of Wells
8 Oct 1840	William S Underwood of Quincy, Mass & Miss Abigail Hemmenway of Wells
23 Aug 1843	Horace Hilton & Miss Hannah Littlefield both of Wells

Marriages by Giles Leach

19 Aug 1860	Mr. John C. Roberts to Mrs. Caroline M. Oakes both of Boston
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Marriages Solemnized by Rev Lewis Goodrich in Wells

19 Feb 1871	Erastus Hilton & Miss Lavinia Bennett both of Wells
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<sup>44</sup> Town records establish that this is *Isabella* Maxwell (Shelley, *Wells VRs*, 304).

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