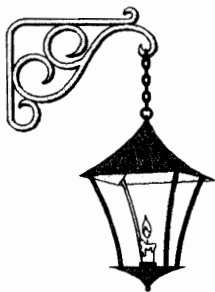


Morris Area Genealogy Society Newsletter

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First Program of the Year:
by Marie Heagney
"Useful Books for Genealogical Research at the
Morris County Library"



Morris County Luminaries by Scott Shepherd and Eleanor H. Casagrand

This is one of a continuing series of biographical sketches of persons strongly identified with Morris County. They are distinguished for their brilliance, character, spirit, influence and excellence.

Elizabeth Freeman Ford Morristown's Super Matriarch

Elizabeth Freeman may be considered the Super Matriarch of Morristown. She was born in Axford, England in March 1681. Elizabeth arrived in what would become Philadelphia at the age of six months, when there was but one house there. Her father, while landing his goods, slipped from the gangplank into the Delaware River and drowned between the ship and shore, leaving a family of young orphan children. When Elizabeth was 18 months old, the family moved to New Jersey.

Elizabeth married John Ford 13 Dec 1701 in Woodbridge, Middlesex Co., NJ. He was a carpenter, miller and, conjecturally, built the first iron forge in Morris County, on the banks of the Whippanong River. John and Elizabeth were the parents of Colonel Jacob Ford, Sr., prominent landowner, iron manufacturer, innkeeper, merchant, and Morris County. He became one of the prominent members of the Provincial Congress. "He was too keenly alive...to permit the infirmities of old age to deter him from participating to the full measure of his ability in the revolt against the long series of tyrannous aggression of the mother country upon the liberties of the American colonies...[his memory] will be cherished so long as the freedom for which he toiled is appreciated."

Elizabeth and John were the grandparents of Colonel Jacob Ford, Jr., who built the Ford Mansion in Morristown between 1772 and 1774, which served as Washington's Headquarters during the winter of 1779-1880. He also built and operated the Powder Mill that provided much needed gunpowder for Washington's troops. He served as Commander of the Militia that covered Washington's retreat through New Jersey in the "Mud Rounds" of 1776 and turned back British Brigadier General Alexander Leslie at Springfield in December 1776. On December 22 Col. Jacob arrived in Morristown with his battalion. He contracted a fever, probably pneumonia, from his recent hardships in battle and died 11 Jan 1777, a martyr to freedom. His father died a week later 19 Jan 1777, also in Morristown.

Elizabeth and John Ford were the great grandparents of Colonel Jacob Arnold, owner and operator of Arnold's Tavern, which served as Washington's Headquarters during the winter of 1776-1777 after the battles of Trenton and Princeton, and Captain of the Light Horse Troop.

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Funeral Home Survey

Due to a very low response to the funeral home survey in Sussex County, there are no results to report this issue. We will combine Sussex County with another county for the December issue.

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Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month, September through May, at Grace Episcopal Church, Route 24, Madison, New Jersey. Coffee is served at 6:45 p.m.; meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. Usually a brief business meeting is held first, followed by the evening's special program.

Newsletter

The *Newsletter* is published four times a year: March, June, September and December. Back issues are available at \$3.50 each. Members are welcome to submit ideas or articles for the *Newsletter*.

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Genealogy Courses Being Offered

Regina Springer will be teaching a **Beginning Course in Genealogy** at the Adult School of the Chatham Middle School, 480 Main Street. The dates are Wednesday, October 4, 11, 18 and 25th. For further information, please call 973-443-9222.

Linnea B. Foster (Lyn) will be teaching an **Intermediate Genealogy Course** at the Morris School District Community School. The dates are Saturday, November 18 and December 2 at Morristown High School, 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Please call the Community School Office (973) 292-2063.

On-Line U.S. Census Records

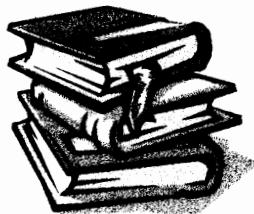
Ancestry.com is preparing to post electronic images of every record from the U.S. Federal Census between the years 1790 and 1920. The census records from the National Archives, contain more than 450 million names. "The ability to view census records online is one of the most significant advancements in online genealogy to date," said Curt Witcher, manager of the Historical Genealogy Department of the Allen County Public Library. "Viewing original documents online not only saves a person time and money by enabling them to view census records in their own living room, but original documents contain a wealth of information and may help researchers go beyond what they can find in an index."

Once digitized, the original census records will be viewable and printable online with an Ancestry.com Census Subscription. The first images will be posted soon and subsequent postings will bring hundreds of millions of images to the site throughout the year.

The information supplied with each individual in the census allows researchers to determine family structure, ages, residence, occupation, and much more.

Our Purpose is to make each issue informative and enjoyable to a varied readership by including articles that present current genealogical tools and methods, unpublished local records, and relevant historical context.

New Acquisitions at the Library



by John A. Sass

Here are the latest acquisitions at the library:

Index to Records of Interments, Greenwood Cemetery, Boonton, Morris County, New Jersey, 1872-1965, compiled by Ruth Daniels and Stuart Shippey, Morris Area Genealogical Society, Morristown, NJ, HM2 BOON GRE INDEX, 2000. This publication is alphabetically arranged and contains information pertaining to interments dating back to 1872. The records include the person's name, interment number, year of interment, lot and plot number, place of birth, age, marital status, last residence, place of death, cause of death and, sometimes, additional remarks. Some entries are impossible to decipher, either because of poor handwriting or faded ink. Also, the final entries on some of the pages seem to be missing. Attempts to obtain the missing information from Greenwood Cemetery were unsuccessful.

Obituary Index to The Daily Record, 1999, Morristown, Morris County, New Jersey, compiled by Claire Kissel, Morris Area Genealogical Society, Morristown, NJ, HMI DAI OBI, 2000. This is the most recent addition to the series of indexing the obituaries from the *Morristown Daily Record*. Users of this index should be aware that while this is primarily an index of obituaries, additional information may be found in the death notices. Death notices are usually listed on the same newspaper page as the obituaries; however a death notice may appear a day before or after the obituary or even as much as a week or two before or after the obituary.

1895 State Census, Hunterdon County, New Jersey, Part 1, compiled by Patricia B. Duncan, Heritage Books, Inc., Bowie, MD, H929.0 CENSUS NJ 1895, 1999. This compilation is a complete transcription of the Hunterdon County 1895 State Census that can be found on Reel 34 at the New Jersey State Archives. This publication details the information from the areas of Alexandria Township, Bethlehem Township, Clinton Township including the town of Allendale, Clinton Borough, Delaware Township, East Amwell Township, Franklin Township, Frenchtown Borough, High Bridge Township, Holland Township, and Junction Borough. *Indexed.*

Early Settlers in The Quaker Community of The Pequest River Valley, Allamuchy, Warren County, New Jersey and Vicinity, by Scott Shepherd, H3W5 ALLA SHE, 2000. This publication is an attempt to determine the location of the properties of early settlers in the Quaker Community of the Pequest Valley. It includes some biographical information on the early settlers themselves and some extensive genealogical information on several families. Some of these families include: Adams, Armstrong, Ayres, Bunting, Danley, Drake, Fezler, Gibbs, Harris, Johnson, Laing, Lundy, Patterson, Penn, Read, Reeder, Rydell, Schmuck, Warbasse, Weiss, Willets and Willison. *Indexed.*

Hackettstown Remembered Through Postcards, by Raymond A. Lemasters, H3W5 HACK LEM, 1999. This publication provides a wonderful opportunity to view the past of Hackettstown, Warren County, NJ. It also presents a virtual kaleidoscope of the growth and development of that area and contains a number of photographs and additional information concerning the following families: Ashley, Ayres, Bowers, Clawson, Cockran, Cooper, Crain, Fowler, Good, Hackett, Johnson, Landon, Skinner, Stewart, Ward, Wilson and Youngblood. *Indexed.*

New Jersey Graveyard and Gravestone Inscription Locators, Mercer County, New Jersey, compiled by Edward J. Raser, Genealogical Society of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ, H3M1 RASE, 2000. The purpose of this book is to identify and provide directions for locating graveyards in Mercer County, New Jersey and to cite manuscript and published lists of their gravestone inscriptions in the area's principal research libraries. The *Locator* covers both extant and extinct graveyards for which genealogical significant information may be found either in written documentation or on actual gravestones. Generally excluded are graveyards of dubious existence or those for which little or no information may exist, such as Indian burial grounds, most Revolutionary War soldier gravesites, and canal/railroad laborer burial grounds. The work is composed of maps showing the distribution of graveyards and descriptive entries providing details on individual graveyards arranged by townships. They included: East Windsor Township including Hightstown Borough, Ewing Township, Hamilton Township, Hopewell Township including Hopewell and Pennington Boroughs, Lawrence Township, Princeton Township including Princeton Borough, Trenton, Washington Township and West Windsor Township. *Indexed.*

Images of America: Newark, Essex County, New Jersey, by Jean Rae Turner and Richard T. Koles, Arcadia Publishing Co., Charleston, SC, H3E5 NEWA TUR, 1997. This publication gives an overview concerning the history of Newark starting from 1666 to the present. Many previously unpublished photographs provide a taste of its diversity.

The Barbour Collection of Connecticut Town Vital Records, Volumes 18-21, by Lorraine Cook White, Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD, H974.6 WHI v. 18-21, 1999. This continuing series of vital records contains birth, marriage, and death records for the following towns: Hartland (1761-1848), Harwington (1737-1854), Hebron (1708-1854), Hartford (1635-1855), Huntington (1789-1850), Kent (1739-1852), Killingly (1708-1850), Killingworth (1667-1850), Ledyard (1836-1855) and Lisbon (1786-1850). *Indexed.*

Marriage Licenses of Caroline County, Maryland, 1774-1815, by Henry Downes Cranor, Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, MD, H975.231 CRA, 1998. This book, first published in 1904, contains marriage licenses that have been copied from the records in the County Clerk's Office. They are arranged chronologically and only one year (1776) is missing. No attempt has been made to correct the spelling of any of the names, some of which are almost undecipherable on the record.

Genealogical Periodical Annual Index: Key to The Genealogical Literature, Volume 32, 1993, by Vanessa Pollay and Leslie K. Towle, Heritage Books, Inc., Bowie, MD, H016.929 GEN v. 32, 2000. This publication is the only comprehensive surname, locality, topical, and book review index to English-language genealogical publications with approximately 15,000 index citations.

Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, Volume 6, Virginia, by Rev. Frederick Wallace Pyne, Picton Press, Rockport, ME, H929.1 PYN v. 6, 2000. This is the sixth volume that provides genealogical information on the fifty-six signers of the Declaration of Independence. Volume 6 covers the state of Virginia, which in 1776, included most of the area known as the Northwest Territory, all of what is now West Virginia, Kentucky, and the southwestern parts of Pennsylvania.

This publication contains the descendants of George Wythe, Richard Henry Lee, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Harrison, Thomas Nelson, Jr., Francis Lightfoot Lee and Carter Braxton. *Indexed.*

Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, Volume 11, Part 3, Edward Doty: His Descendants Through Sons, Isaac and Joseph, and Daughter, Mary, General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Plymouth, MA, compiled by Peter B. Hill, H929.1744 MAY FAM v. 11:3, 2000. This is the third and last volume describing the first five generations of the descendants of Edward Doty. He and his descendants were a prolific lot; publication of all five generations of his descendants in one volume was not practical. *Indexed.*

Mayflower Families Through Five Generations, Volume 19, Family of Thomas Rogers, General Society of Mayflower Descendants, Plymouth, MA, originally compiled by Alice W. A. Westgate, revised by Ann T. Reeves, H929.1744 MAY FAM v. 19, 2000. This publication is based on the carefully researched articles in genealogical journals and family histories, together with probate and land records, and town and church vital statistics compiled by Alice Wilma Andres Westgate. This new publication is a welcomed addition to the other previously published editions. *Indexed.*

Italians to America, Lists of Passengers Arriving at U.S. Ports 1880-1899, Volumes 11-12, Passengers Arriving at New York, by Ira A. Glazier and P. William Filby, Scholarly Resources, Wilmington, DE, H929.3 ITA v. 11-12, 2000. This publication contains a list of Italian immigrants who came to the United States between 1880 and 1915. The names were derived from the original ship manifest schedules. These schedules were filed by all vessels entering U.S. ports in accordance with the Act of Congress of 1819. Although this series of Italians to America includes only the years from 1880 to 1899, plans are being made to publish additional volumes for 1900 to 1915.

The passenger lists reproduced in these volumes are arranged in chronological order by date of arrival. Italian passengers on these lists who disembarked at New York are published in their entirety; the names of non-Italian passengers were deleted. *Indexed.*

Lastly, surnames of published genealogies:

Boone – Descendants of George and Mary Boone
Crane Chronicles: From Connecticut to Canistear, Sussex County, NJ
Hoff – includes Ford, Tuttle and Beach families of Hunterdon and Mercer Counties, NJ
Lippincott

Morris County Marriages

by Linnea B. Foster

The following is a continuation of the abstract of Book E of Morris County Marriage Records. An explanation of these records may be found in Vol. 6, No. 3 (Sept. 1993). The marriages have been abstracted in the order in which they were recorded. The name of the minister or official and the date recorded is shown for each group of marriages. The first column shows the page number in Book E; the second column shows the date of the marriage; the third column shows the names of the bride and groom and other information that appears in the original record.

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by Horace Doolittle, Minister of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, Pompton - Recorded 25 Dec 1847

- 2-133 30 Apr 1840 **Conrad Lines** of Pompton and **Margaret Mead** of Pequannock
2-133 2 Jul 1840 **Peter Slingerland** of NY and **Sarah Ann Slingerland** of Pequannock
2-133 1 Jul 1841 **John B. Steel** of Nyack and **Mary Ellen Mead** of Pequannock
2-133 16 Jul 1841 **Frank Demot** and **Sarah Berg**, colored persons, both of Pequannock
2-133 18 Jun 1843 **John P. Van Wagoner** of Pompton and **Jane Van Pelt** of Pequannock
2-133 1 May 1846 **William Godber** and **Mary Eliz. Sisco**, both of Newark
2-133 29 Jul 1847 **John Van Ness** and **Belinda M. Mead**, both of Pequannock
2-133 25 Nov 1847 **Peter Haycock** of Wayne and **Jane Cook** of Pequannock

by James Richards, Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Morristown - Recorded 3 Feb 1848

- 2-133 26 Jan 1848 Mr. **Elias C. Roy** to Miss **Catharine C. Freeman**, both of Morristown

by Frederick Besel, Minister of the Gospel - Recorded 17 Feb 1848

- 2-134 3 Sep 1847 **Adam Keller** and **Magdalena Miller**
2-134 27 Dec 1847 **John Berker** and **Elizabeth Schell**
2-134 6 Feb 1848 **John Frederick Bitzing** and **Johanna Christina [Kammer?]**
2-134 19 Sep 1847 **Carl Wagner** and **Christina Neagles**

by John L. Lichtenstein, Minister of the Gospel - Recorded 17 Feb 1868

- 2-134 30 Jan 1848 **Johan Frederick Carl Besel** and **Margaretha Sophia Miller**

by Nehemiah P. Price, Minister, Presbyterian Church, Whippany - Recorded 18 Feb 1868

- 2-135 29 Aug 1847 **Ellis Walter Lawson** of NY to **Hannah Maria Smith** of Malapardis, Hanover
2-135 7 Sep 1847 **Edwin E. Pierson** to **Harriet E. Hopping**, both of Whippany
2-135 5 Feb 1848 **Frederick E. Beekman** of Parsippany to **Frances Caroline Vanderhoof** of Whippany, Hanover

by Robert T. Wilson, J.P. - Recorded 31 Jul 1848

- 2-135 6 May 1848 **John Potts** and **Emma Louisa Davis**

by D. Seniz, St. Vincents Church, Madison - Recorded 22 Feb 1868

- 2-136 17 Aug 1847 **Timothy Dunn** and **Julia Oliver**
2-136 4 Sep 1847 **Patrick Dousey** and **Mary Hiffton**
2-136 26 Sep 1847 **John [Candy?]** and **Johanna Mansen**
2-136 3 Oct 1847 **Henry Nicholson** and **Mary [Lucred]**
2-136 8 Oct 1847 **Peter Coury** and **Mary Landigan**
2-136 8 Oct 1847 **Henry Casy** and **Annias Blanchett**

2-136 10 Oct 1847 **James Madden and Margaret Fallen**
 2-136 10 Oct 1847 **John Fourney and Mary Tulley**
 2-136 17 Oct 1847 **Michael Grandy and Bridget Casserly**
 2-136 28 Oct 1847 **John Scollen and Ann Kelley**
 2-136 28 Oct 1847 **Thos. Landigan and Margarett Reynald**
 2-136 4 Dec 1847 **James King and Catharine Maloney**
 2-137 13 Dec 1847 **John McDavid and Bridget O'Neil**
 2-137 2 Jan 1848 **David Landigan and Ellen Murphy**

by Jno. M. Johnson, Minister of the Gospel, Hanover – no date of recording

2-137 19 Feb 1848 **Daniel Hopping and Abigail Ball**, both of Hanover
 2-137 22 Feb 1848 **James H. Winans and Jane E. Kitchel**, both of Hanover

by Barnabas King, Minister of the Gospel – Recorded 29 Feb 1848

2-137 27 May 1846 Mr. **Charles Cory** of Morristown to Miss **Catharine Rowland** of Rockaway Twp.
 2-137 27 May 1846 Mr. **William Baxter** to Miss **Sarah Kelsey**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-137 [10?] Jun 1846 Mr. **Charles P. Hall** of Newark, Essex Co. to Miss **Sarah T. Berry** of Rockaway Twp.
 2-137 20 Jun 1846 **Frederick P. Hople** to Miss **Caroline Peer**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-138 5 Aug 1846 Mr. **Samuel L. Tuttle** to Miss **Mary Elizabeth Zindle**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-138 9 Sep 1846 Mr. **Lyman A. Chandler** to Miss **Mary Elizabeth Jackson**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-138 [3?] Nov 1846 Mr. **Joseph Augustus Blanchard** to Miss **Sarah Vreeland**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-138 2 Oct 1847 Mr. **James J. Stockbouer** to Miss **Elizabeth Kutchers**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-138 24 Oct 1847 Mr. **William Boyd** to Miss **Elizabeth Cooper**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-138 30 Oct 1847 Mr. **Johnson Broadwell** of Rockaway Twp. to Mrs. **Mary Minton** of Jefferson Twp.
 2-138 10 Nov 1847 Mr. **Calvin Cook** to Miss **Mary Neil**, both of Rockaway Twp.
 2-138 20 Nov 1847 Mr. **Samuel Broadwell** of Rockaway Twp. to Miss **Mary S. Skellenger** of Randolph Twp.

by Charles W. Rankin, Rector elect of St. Peter's Church – Recorded 28 Apr 1848

2-139 26 Apr 1848 Mr. **George DeVillers Seymour** of Ogdensburg, NY and **Frances Gabriella**, daughter of **Henry A. Ford**, Esq. of Morristown

by Charles W. Rankin, Rector elect of St. Peter's Church – Recorded 4 May 1848

2-139 1 May 1848 **John McClaskey** of Mendham and **Ellen Laughlin** of Park Hill

by Joseph F. Tuttle, Assistant Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Rockaway – Recorded 13 May 1848

2-139 25 Nov 1847 **Wm. F. Townly** of Elizabethtown to **Ann Eliza Broadwell** of Rockaway
 2-139 13 Feb 1848 **Henry Robert Emory** of Rockaway to **Susan Brown** of Stanhope
 2-139 1 Apr 1848 **Robert Onstead** to **Amanda Peer**, both of Rockaway

by Luke I. Stoughtenburgh, Pastor, First Congregational Church, Chester – Recorded 16 May 1848

2-140 5 Sep 1846 Mr. **Alfred Crammer** and Miss [no name] **Chapman**, at Chester
 2-140 10 Sep 1846 Mr. **Hiram Westbrook** of Wayne Co., PA, and Miss **Eunice Ann Horton**, at Caldwell
 2-140 30 Sep 1846 Mr. **Archibald O. Horton** and Miss **Matilda B. Miller**, at Stanhope
 2-140 27 Oct 1846 Mr. **Israel Hughston** and **Huldah Davenport**, at Randolph
 2-140 21 Nov 1846 Mr. **Nathaniel Skinner** and Miss **Sarah Linderbury**, at Chester
 2-140 2 Jan 1847 Mr. **William Dorland** and Miss **Margaret Wortman**, at Chester
 2-140 2 Jan 1847 Mr. **Francis Peppard** and **Aletta Ann Leanning**, at Chester
 2-140 13 Jan 1847 Mr. **Uriah Crammar** and **Margaret E. Atkins**, at Chester

- 2-140 27 Feb 1847 Mr. **Harrison Coleman** and Miss **Mary Elizabeth Dorland**
 2-140 17 Apr 1847 Mr. **William E. Gray** and Miss **Samantha C. Atkins**, at Chester
 2-140 24 Apr 1847 Mr. **Daniel Horton Lewis** and Miss **Hannah P. Horton**
 2-141 2 May 1847 Mr. **Leonard Sheureman** and Miss **Frances Howell**, at Chester
 2-141 8 May 1847 Mr. [no name] **Oakfield, Jr.** and Miss **Martha Horton**
 2-141 27 Jun 1847 Mr. **Lemuel F. Leek** and Miss **Charlotte Ann Drake**
 2-141 7 Aug 1847 Mr. **John B. Taylor** and Miss **Sarah Blackwell**
 2-141 9 Oct 1847 Mr. **Henry Dorland** and Miss **Rachel Ann Chapman**, at Chester
 2-141 30 Oct 1847 Mr. **William Emmons** and Miss **Elizabeth Cooper**
 2-141 10 Jan 1848 Mr. **John C. Crater** and Miss **Deborah Van Doren**
 2-141 11 Jan 1848 Mr. **Charles W. Hetzel** and Miss **Elizabeth A. Harte**
 2-141 6 Mar 1848 Mr. **Isaac Heldebrant** and Miss **Nancy Stout**

by G. C. Schenck, Minister, R. D. Church of Pompton Plains – Recorded 27 May 1848

- 2-142 27 May 1847 **Peter Van Roden** of Lodi, Hudson Co., and **Letitta Tours** of Spring Garden, Essex Co.
 2-142 15 Jun 1847 **Aaron E. Meeker** of Springfield, Essex Co., and **Adaline B. Lawrence** of East
 Bloomfield, Essex Co.
 2-142 5 Jul 1847 **Hubbard S. Smith** of Bloomingdale and **Henretta Drew** of Hammonds Port, NY
 2-142 20 Sep 1847 **Jacob Post** of Newark, Essex Co., and **Lydia Ann Hopper** of Pequanac
 2-142 30 Oct 1847 **Henry P. Debow** and **Margaret Vreeland**, both of Pequanac Twp.
 2-142 4 Dec 1847 **Garret B. Jacobus** and **Eliza Jane Van Ness** of Pequanac
 2-142 16 Dec 1847 **Charles Pitney** and **Ann Van Winkle**, both of Pequanac Twp.

by G. C. Schenck, Minister, R. D. Church, Pompton Plains – Recorded 29 May 1848

- 2-143 19 Jan 1848 **Jacob P. King** and **Mary Melinda Moloay**, both of Pequanac Twp.
 2-143 16 Mar 1848 **James Ackerman** and **Sarah Miller**, both of Passaic Co.
 2-143 15 Apr 1848 **William H. Gladson** and **Susan Jane Cooper**, both of Pequanac Twp.

by Morgan R. Cox, Minister, Mount Bethel, Somerset Co. - Recorded 3 Jun 1848

- 2-143 9 Oct 1847 **John C. Moor** and **Catharine Compton** of Longhill

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The Van Voorhees Family in America New Genealogy

The Van Voorhees Association is proud to announce that their new genealogy, The Van Voorhees Family in America, has just been published. Embracing the first six generations in America, this newly updated (© 2000) genealogy was compiled and edited by Florence A. Christoph, Certified Genealogist and specialist in Dutch colonial genealogy. The comprehensive volume contains 1,029 pages and includes 3,777 footnotes, user's guide including variations of first names, surname and place index, bibliography, Van Voorhees and given name index, about the author, appendix and illustrations.

For information, please contact Mrs. Frederick Brack, 24 Mary Street, North Haledon, NJ 07508.

[Ed.] Remember, all secondary sources should be used as a guide only and checked, whenever possible, against original or primary sources. Otherwise, at least two additional, unrelated sources should be used to verify and document lineage.

THE IRON ERA



The Iron Era, published in Dover, NJ, contains a wealth of information about residents of Dover and the surrounding areas of Morris County. The Morristown-Morris Twp. Library has microfilm copies of the issues published from Jan. 20, 1872 through Dec. 10, 1905. Unfortunately, there is no index. However, toward the end of each year from 1881 through 1892, a synopsis of the year's events was published in the newspaper. The Library's collection includes a transcript of the synopses, *Morris County History 1881-1892* [HM1/Dove/Mor]. (continued from Vol 13, No 2, p 9).

July 1887 (pg. 50)

- 1 John Wilson, Chatham, shot and killed his wife and then himself
- 1 Maj. F. H. Phipps appointed Commandant at the Dover Powder Depot
- 1 Acme Button Hole Attachment factory at Rockaway started
- 4 Independence Day publicly observed at Boonton, Mt. Tabor and Succasunna
- 8 (pg. 51) New depot at Dover announced, but not yet built
- 10 Weather so cold that fires were required at Lake Hopatcong
- 11 Brass foundry in Boonton started up
- 12 E. B. Mott appointed Superintendent of Morris County Schools
- 13 Hottest day of the season, 96° above zero
- 20 Rev. T. F. Clancy resigned pastorate of the Drakesville Baptist Church
- 20 Chief Lambert presented with fire hat and belt by Vigilant Company
- 22 Patrick Quinn's sentence commuted to imprisonment for life
- 23 Mrs. Mary Nix, Rockaway, observes her 96th birthday
- 25 Byram Pruden, Dover, observes his 95th birthday
- 25 Veteran Memorial Association of Roxbury township organized
- 29 Port Oram furnace blown out
- 30 Destructive storm of rain and wind
- 31 Corner stone of new Catholic Church at Woodport laid
- 31 End of a month of storms that did great damage to bridges, roads and private property; rainfall, 10.02 inches, the greatest recorded; also the highest mean temperature ever recorded

August 1887

- 1 Water in Lake Hopatcong never known to be as high at this date
- 7 Twelfth anniversary of Rev. F. A. Johnson's pastorate of Chester Congregational Church
- 8 A slight frost
- 8 Dover Firemen's elections: Daniel Moller Foreman and Wm. H. Mase Assistant of Engine Co. No. 1; Jas. P. Kelley Foreman and Jas. S. Melick Assistant of No. 2; Fred H. Beach Foreman and Eugene Buchanan Assistant of Truck; Frank H. Lindsley Foreman and H. L. Dunham Assistant of Warden's.
- 10 Democratic Freeholders, for political reasons alone, refuse to confirm E. B. Mott for County School Superintendent.
- 10 Chester Lodge, No. 209, I.O.O.F., instituted at Chester

September 1887

- 1 Merritt Park Hotel opened at Lake Denmark
- 14 Vigilant Engine Co., of Dover, and Washington Engine Co., and Wardens, of Morristown, take part in Easton Firemen's Parade
- 14 Rev. Dr. M. D. Babcock called to Morristown First Presbyterian Church, but declined
- 16 Strike of men on Dover water works
- 17 First killing frost
- 19 Seventh N.J. Regiment Re-union at Morristown
- 24 Water works strike ended
- 30 Bakery of J. F. Tuttle, Rockaway, burglarized

October 1887

- 2 Eleventh anniversary sermon of Rev. W. W. Halloway, Jr., in Dover Presbyterian Church
- 4 Succasunna Lodge, No. 86, K. and L. of the G. S., instituted
- 7 Prohibitionists nominated N. S. Kitchel for Surrogate and J. E. King for Sheriff
- 10 Remonstrance made to Dover Council against Sunday selling of fruits and cigars

October 1887 (continued) (pg. 52)

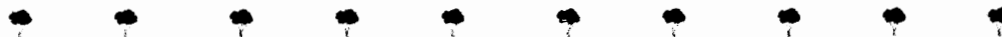
- 17 John Huber, an Easton horse thief, arrested in Dover
- 19 Republicans nominated Wm. H. Howell for Surrogate and Ira W. Cory for Sheriff
- 20 Democrats nominated Chas. A. Gillen for Surrogate and Oscar Lindsley for Sheriff
- 25 Democrats renominated John R. Pitney for Assembly in 1st District
- 26 Republicans nominated Carnot B. Meeker for Assembly in 1st District and renominated S. S. Lyon in 2d District
- 26 Philip Habel convicted of murder in the 2nd degree
- 27 Rev. Geo. H. Stephens installed pastor of Flanders Presbyterian Church
- 31 Dover Building and Loan Association organized

November 1887

- 1 "Feast of the Year" opened in Dover rink
- 1 Corner stone of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, Morristown, laid
- 3 Rev. Dr. B. C. Magie appointed Superintendent of Schools for Morris county
- 5 Water let into the mains of the Dover Water Company
- 5 Philip Habel sentenced to 15 years in State Prison
- 8 Election: Chas. A. Gillen, Surrogate; Ira W. Cory, Sheriff; Carnot B. Meeker, Samuel S. Lyon and John R. Pitney Assemblymen
- 8 Opennaki Club house at Ninkey opened
- 9 Rev. Dr. Magie's appointment confirmed by the Freeholders
- 11 First snow flakes of the season
- 11 Golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Micken, Pompton
- 12 Simon Somers, canal boat captain, shot and killed at Boonton by James Van Orden
- 21 Corner stone of Webb Memorial Chapel at Madison robbed
- 23 Port Oram silk mill completed
- 28 Rev. W. M. Picksley entered upon his duties as rector of St. John's Church, Dover

December 1887

- 1 Dover Water Company began to serve the town with water for fire purposes
- 2 Thermometer 8° above zero; first skating of the season
- 5 Child of Mrs. Cicely Mack, Mt. Hope, drowned in a well
- 5 House of B. F. Knapp, Madison, robbed
- 9 Store of Eugene Bailey, Butler, burglarized
- 10 Morris Canal closed
- 14 Farmers engaged in plowing
- 16 Golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lindsley, New Vernon
- 17 Snow fall of from 15 to 20 inches in Morris county, drifting and blocking the roads and making first sleighing
- 25 White Christmas, with good sleighing
- 25 House of Wm. C. Wallace, Chatham, robbed
- 26 Hungarian riot at Hibernia; several stabbed
- 29 Extensive mine cave at Hibernia



Delaware-in New Jersey

by Sidney S. Jacobson (from The Star-Ledger 23 Aug 1998)

A few miles northwest of the towns of Salem and Harrisonville in Salem Co., NJ, on the shore of the Delaware River, is a curious area called the Killcohook Coordination Area. You will be welcomed by a sign saying, "Welcome to the State of Delaware." It remains a natural area of sand hills, scrubby foliage and dirt roads.

In 1682 the Duke of York gave William Penn what is now Delaware and included all of the Delaware River that flowed within 12 miles of New Castle up to the low-water line on the New Jersey side of the River. In 1925 the Army Corps of Engineers, dredging the river for shipping, piled silt on the New Jersey side. As the 600 acres are west of the line drawn in 1682, the area belongs to Delaware. There are an additional 1,000 acres within the Killcohook Coordination Area in New Jersey.

Index to Records of Greenwood Cemetery, Boonton 1872 – 1899

A Project of the Morris Area Genealogy Society Indexing Group

A photocopy of the records of the Greenwood Cemetery for the years 1872 through 1965 is in the Local History and Genealogy Collection of the Morristown – Morris Township Library. The records give additional information such as place of birth and death. Only the index to interments 1872 – 1899 is being published. The later records may be seen at the Library. Names enclosed in [] in the following list were illegible or the interpretation of the name is not certain. (Continued from Vol. 13, No. 2, Pg. 10)



Page	Name	Interment #	Year	Page	Name	Interment #	Year
16	Rallston, Charles	145	1880	30	Stefanski, Anthony	256	1886
2	Rallston, Mary C.	17	1873	2	Stewart, Geo.	6	1872
48	Renshaw, Franklin S.	435	1891	2	Stewart, Martha C.	5	1872
44	Richards, Eliza Ann	388	1890	16	Stickle, Mary	150	1881
20	Ricker, Anna	178	1883	72	Stiff, Abram M.	638	1898
42	Righter, Chas. A.	380	1890	72	Stiff, Archable N.	642	1898
42	Righter, Kate	382	1890	74	Stiff, Mary F.	664	1899
40	Righter, Sarah E.	359	1889	44	Stiff, Sylvester A.	387	1890
42	Righter, Wm.	381	1890	44	Stillwell, Susan	391	1890
46	Rigly, Margaret	420	1891	24	Stoop, Henry M.	208	1884
58	Ringleib, Charles	513	1894	28	Sutton, John	236	1885
4	Rolston, —	30	1874	32	Sutton, Sarah Elizabeth	282	1887
46	Romine, Gasper	422	1891	52	Swayze, Adelia	466	1892
62	Romine, Jacob	560	1895	10	Syphers, Margaret	91	1876
50	Romine, Sarah M.	455	1892	4	Taylor, Cornelius	31	1874
20	Roome, Mary Jane	184	1883	48	Taylor, Elizabeth	431	1891
4	Ross, Jno.	37	1874	48	Taylor, Eva	425	1891
74	Salmon, Alfred M.	659	1899	2	Taylor, Frank	2	1872
74	Salmon, J.S. (wife of)	658	1899	56	Taylor, J., Dr. (child of)	503	1894
58	Salmon, W. C. (child of)	518	1894	54	Taylor, J.B. (child of)	483	1893
72	Scaarf, Louisa Jane	650	1899	40	Taylor, Jno. L., Dr. (twins of)	361	1889
60	Scott, George	546	1895	20	Taylor, John	176	1882
60	Scott, William	540	1895	46	Taylor, John J.	417	1891
70	Scribner, E.A.	636	1898	28	Taylor, Marion A.	241	1885
16	Sebold, John H.	134	1880	48	Taylor, Martha	432	1891
54	Shaw, James	479	1892	76	Taylor, Raymond	684	1899
24	Shaw, Laura	220	1884	20	Taylor, Robt. M.	181	1883
54	Shaw, Martin S.	481	1893	70	Taylor, Samuel (child of)	635	1898
8	Shellenbarger, —	64	1875	12	Taylor, Susan A.	105	1877
26	Shible, Jonanna	235	1885	2	Taylor, Wm. H. (Nancy), Mrs.	1	1872
22	Shields, Geo. W.	205	1883	6	Temple, —	45	1874
50	Simms, Elizabeth	454	1892	46	Temple, Charles G.	415	1891
16	Simms, Hugh	152	1881	4	Temple, Mary A.	35	1874
76	Simms, J. G. (wife of)	682	1899	6	Temple, Mary A.	47	1875
64	Sindel, William	582	1896	2	Temple, Phebe E.	19	1873
72	Sindle, Burnard	641	1898	46	Thibau, Victor	413	1891
54	Sindle, Sophia	490	1893	10	Tibbals, —	79	1875
66	Sindle, Thomas	675	1899	10	Tibbals, Cornelia	78	1875
24	Slade, Chas.	212	1884	10	Tibbals, Geo. C.	76	1875
14	Slade, Mary Ann	117	1878	10	Tibbals, Lina	77	1875
22	Slater, Harry	188	1883	36	Tibbals, Sarah E.	329	1888
52	Slocum, William J.	465	1892	48	Timbrooks, Lydia	428	1891
4	Smith, Bertha M.	21	1873	28	Tissington, Henry	251	1886
14	Smith, Elizabeth	125	1879	40	Tompkins, Dan'l DeWitt, Sr.	362	1889
58	Smith, Jennie	517	1894	76	Tompkins, E. Clarence	673	1899
14	Smith, Jno. C.	114	1878	54	Tompkins, Harriet	493	1893
6	Smith, Newton	52	1875	50	Tompkins, Maria	449	1892
76	Smith, Sarah	679	1899	14	Trevor, Richard	131	1880
2	Smith, W. B.	18	1873	8	Tucker, Abby	60	1875
2	Smith, William B.	10	1873	30	Tucker, Annie	270	1887
4	Soper, William	33	1874	24	Tucker, Deborah	210	1884
24	Speer, Catharine	207	1884	46	Tucker, John	409	1890
6	Speer, Francis	51	1875	4	Tucker, Laura	28	1874
72	Spencer, Louisa	649	1899	8	Tuttle, Mary	63	1875
70	Spender, John H.	625	1898	32	Tuttle, Zenas	286	1887
14	Staats, Henry S.	115	1878				

(to be continued)



Bible Records

In 1968, Adelaide J. Howell presented three volumes of Bible Records to Local History and Genealogy Department of the Morristown-Morris Township Library; these are records that she had copied and collected over a period of years. A surname index was published in Vol. 1, No. 2 and 3 (June and September, 1988) of the Newsletter. (Continued from Vol 13, No 1, p 13)

Baird Bible Record

from a Bible published in Glasgow & London by W. R. M'Phun 1861
now owned by Mrs. James T. Vose, 163 Western Ave., Morristown, N.J.

Parents names & genealogy

John Baird born in Kilmarnock in the County of Ayr, 20th January 1828, Scotland
Agnes Black born in Saltscoats in the County of Ayr 30th April 1820, Scotland

Children's names

Agnes Baird, Daughter of John Baird & Agnes Black, Born 7th August 1860 at Whitehaught Lodge, Paisley, Scotland
Chas. Geddes Campbell, Jr. Born Tuesday August 30th 1892 at 62 Kearny St., Newark, N.J.
John Baird Campbell, son of Agnes Baird Campbell and Chas. B. Campbell born Thursday January 2d 1896 at 106 Lincoln Ave., Newark, N.J.

Marriages

John Baird and Agnes Black, his wife, married 28th November 1851 by Rev. William Nisbet, Pastor of U.P. Church Abey Close, Paisley, Scotland
Chas. B. Campbell and Agnes Baird were married Thursday Nov. 11th, 1886 by Revd. David Waters D.D. pastor of North Reformed Church at Newark, N.J. U.S.A.

Deaths

Agnes Black, wife of John Baird, died Friday, April 21, 1893, aged 72 years, 11 months and 21 days
John Baird died Thursday Oct. 4th 1894 aged 64 years 3 months and 16 days
Agnes Baird, wife of Charles B. Campbell, died at Lakewood, N.J. May 7th, 1906 in the 46th year of her age.
Funeral services were held in the North Reformed Church of Newark N.J. address by Rev. Dr. Vance – pastor of the church. Interment in family plot in Fairmont Cemetery, Newark, N.J.

(Gift of Mrs. J. V. C. Parker)

Baker Bible Record

Record from a Bible printed in 1797 found at the home of Jacob and Betsy Baker at Littleton, N.J.
and now in the possession of Miss E. B. Johnson, Avon, N.J.

Enoch Clark	was born	Sept. 20, 1750
	died	March 28, 1832
Sarah Baker Clark, his wife	died	April 16, 1818 aged 64
Lewis Baker, Jr.	died	Nov. 1868
Elizabeth Clark Baker	died	Sept. 27, 1880
	married in Morristown by Rev. Ford.	

Both died in the old Baker homestead and are buried in Parsippany

Children of Jacob and Betsy Baker

1.	David	born	April 11, 1751
2.	Sary	born	April 11, 1754
3.	Phebe	born	Oct. 31, 1758

4.	Esther	born	Dec. 30, 1760
5.	Jonathan	born	May 6, 1764
6.	Mary	born	Feb. 1, 1766
7.	William	born	June 4, 1768

(Copied by Mary Johnson Parker and Recopied by Adelaide Johnson Howell May 1935.)

Baker Bible Record

Record from a Bible printed at Edinburgh, mark Charles Kerr, 1790. Owned and copied by E. B. Johnson, Avon, N.J. Recopied by Mary Johnson Parker and by Adelaide Johnson Howell.

Margaret Price, her Bible

Margaret Price was born in the year 1764, March, 23rd day
married Dec. 9, 1793

Jonathan Baker, her husband was born May 6, 1764 and died Oct. 8, 1814

Margaret Price Baker died Mar. 28, 1816

Their children

Phebe Baker	born Oct. 26, 1794 lived 10 weeks and 6 days
Mary Baker	born May 6, 1796 died April 19, 1887
Lorania Baker	born Nov, 19, 1798 married 1820 Silas Tuttle of Whippany died Oct. 6, 1880
Clarissa Baker	born Dec. 21, 1800 married 1852 Jared Howell of Parsippany died Feb. 29, 1884
Sarah Baker	born Nov. 7, 1803 married 1820 [1828?] Alfred Johnson of Littleton died June 27, 12882
Phebe Baker	born Sept. 24, 1805 died Oct. 3, 1891
Julia Baker	born Apr. 22, 1809 married 1840 Daniel Pruden of Brooklyn died Feb. 1867
Sarah Baker	born at Littleton, N.J. died at Newark died June 27, 1882 married Jan. 14, 1828 to
Alfred Johnson	born April 5, 1805 died at Littleton, N.J. Oct. 12, 1847

Children of Sarah Baker and Alfred Johnson

Margaret Johnson	born Oct. 27, 1828
Emma Lucilla Johnson	born Sept. 13, 1830
Henry Martin Johnson	born Sept. 9, 1833
Theodore Frelinghuysen Johnson	born July 11, 1835
Phebe Johnson	born Dec. 1836
Jonathan Johnson	born Jan. 10, 1840
Mary Roberson	born Jan. 26, 1843

Margaret Johnson married Oct. 1846 Belknap Gregory at Littleton; died May 29, 1857 at Littleton

Theodore Johnson married May 25, 1865 Annie Vail at Johnsonburg. N.J.

Henry Martin Johnson died Aug. 23, 1855 at Port City, Wisconsin

Prudden Family Bible of Mrs. Bertha S. Ralston

Births

Peter C. Prudden, born March 6, 1808
Albert Prudden, April 10, 1810
James E. Prudden, January 23, 1812
Abigail B. Prudden, September 24, 1813
Ira B. Prudden, August 15, 1815
Jonathan H. Prudden, September 22, 1818
Sarah E. Prudden, June 25, 1823
Theodore Prudden, July 19, 1831

Peter Prudden, May 30, 1764
Esther Pruden, Nov. 4, 1763

Children of the above parents

Hiram Pruden, April 25, 1783
Lewis Pruden, July 20, 1785
Rhoda Pruden, Jan. 8, 1787 (June 8, 1787?)
Jemima Pruden, Dec. 14, 1788
Elias Pruden, Feb. 24, 1790 (1791?)
Byram Pruden, July 25, 1792
Silas Pruden, Feb. 17, 1795
Zenius Pruden, Aug. 13, 1800 (1802?)

Deaths

Byram Pruden died July 1, 1888
Sarah E. Prudden, died April 11, 1841
Theodore Pruden, died Feb. 4th, 1875
James E. Pruden, Jan. 27th, 1876
Father, February 20th, 1850 Mother, April 23rd, 1836
Albert Pruden, died Jan. 5, 1884
Ira R. Pruden, died Feb. 15, 1888
Peter C. Pruden, died July 1886
Abigail B. Overton, died Jan. 9, 1896
Jonathan H. Pruden, died Nov. 22, 1898

Note pinned to sheet in front of Bible

Father died May 16, 1870 aged 76 (*Prob. not Pruden fam.*)
Mother died Nov. 11, 1866, age 73 (*Prob. not Pruden fam.*)

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Dr. Isaac and Margaret (Caldwell) Canfield

by Scott Shepherd

One of the daughters of Rev. James & Hannah (Ogden) Caldwell was Margaret, who married Isaac Canfield. Margaret and Isaac were parents of six children. The second of these was Isaac Canfield, MD. He played a role in one of the more noteworthy events of 1833 in Morristown, which was the murder of Samuel & Sally Sayre and their maid Phebe in their home. Today the home serves as Jimmy's Restaurant on South Street in Morristown.

The perpetrator, one Antoine Le Blanc, was caught within a day of his deed and convicted later that year. His hanging, the last on "The Green," was one of the great social events of the decade, attracting as many as 12,000 onlookers, according to some accounts. Following the hanging, the lifeless body of Le Blanc was carried across the street to the office of Isaac Canfield, MD for autopsy and other "medical experiments." After completing the experiments, a plaster "Death Mask" was rendered and Le Blanc's skin was peeled off and dispatched to Atno Tannery on Washington Street, where it found its way into various memorabilia e.g., wallets, lampshades, and book jackets.

ELIZABETH FREEMAN FORD—MORRISTOWN'S SUPER MATRIARCH

Elizabeth Freeman (Mar 1681-21 Apr 1772)

Born in Axford, England in 1681, migrated with her family to Philadelphia the same year and then to New Jersey in 1682

Married 13 Dec 1701 at Woodbridge, NJ

John Ford (1659-Before May 1724)

Elizabeth is buried in the Presbyterian Church Yard

Two Sons / Jacob & Samuel

Colonel Jacob Ford, Sr. (13 Apr 1704-19 Jan 1777)
A prominent land owner and iron manufacturer,
Member of the New Jersey House of Assembly, and Judge of
the Morris County Court.
Married 1742
Hannah Baldwin (Nov 1701-13 Jul 1777)
Both buried are in the Presbyterian Church Yard
Seven or Eight Children / 2nd Phebe, 6th Jacob, Jr.

Samuel Ford (11 Oct 1710-11 Aug 1752)
Married About 1732
Sarah Baldwin (Jul 1709-22 Apr 1789)
Seven Children / 5th Eunice

Phebe Ford (20 Feb 1729-2 Aug 1819)
Married 16 Oct 1748
Samuel Arnold (About 1726-3 Oct 1764)
Six Children / 1st Jacob

Eunice Ford (About 1842-8 Mar 1802)
Married 21 Apr 1761
Stephen Moore (About 1738-19 Jan 1777)
Six Children / 1st Hannah

Colonel Jacob Arnold (14 Dec 1749-1 Mar 1847)
Owner of Arnold's Tavern which served as Washington's
Headquarters the Winter of 1776-1777, and Commander of
the Light Horse Troop. The Tavern later was moved from its
location on The Green to the Basking Ridge Road and became
All Souls Hospital.
Married 1st Elizabeth Tuthill & 2nd Sarah Nixon
Jacob & Sarah are buried in the Presbyterian
Church Yard

Hannah More (1761-9 May 1822)
Married 8 Dec 1778
Davis Vail (1758-13 Nov 1816)
Both are buried in Presbyterian Church Yard
Ten Children / 1st Stephen, 2nd Lewis

Stephen Vail (28 Jul 1780-12 Jul 1864)
Owned and operated Speedwell Iron Works
Married 4 Jul 1801
Bethia Youngs (9 Aug 1778-17 Sep 1847)
Both are buried in St. Peters Church Yard
Stephen donated the church bell to the
South Street Presbyterian Church in Bethia's honor.
Six Children / 4th Alfred Lewis

Colonel Jacob Ford, Jr. (10 Feb 1738-11 Jan 1777)
Built the Ford Mansion from 1772-1774 which served as
Washington's Headquarters the Winter of 1779-1780. In 1776
built the Powder Mill on the Whippany River that provided
Gun Powder for Washington's army. Turned back Brigadier
General Alexander Leslie at Springfield 14 December 1776.
Died of "Fever" and buried with full military honors at a
funeral attended by George Washington.
Married 27 Jan 1762
Theodosia Johnes (13 Sep 1741-31 Aug 1824)
Daughter of Reverend Timothy Johnes
First Pastor of the Presbyterian Church In Morristown
Both buried in the Presbyterian Church Yard

Alfred Lewis Vail (25 Sep 1807-18 Jan 1859)
Co-Inventor of the telegraph with his NYU Professor Morse
and developer of the Dot and Dash Alphabet that bears
Morse's name.
Married 23 Jul 1839
Jane Elizabeth Cummings
(26 Jul 1817-10 Jun 1852)
Both are buried in St. Peters Church Yard

Note:

As a result of her marriage to John Lindsly following the
death of John Ford, Elizabeth was the step-mother of Daniel
Lindsly, the father of Major Joseph Lindsley, who helped
build "The Ford Mansion", ran the Ford Powder Mill after
Jacob Ford, Jr.'s death in 1777, and was the Head Carpenter
in the construction of the Second Meeting House of the
Presbyterian Church in Morristown.

Lewis Vail (1784-1856)
2nd Married
Jane McCune (1782-1817)
Three Children / 1st Davis II

Davis Vail II (1811-1885)
Married
Phoebe Quinby (1815-1894)
Ten Children / 6th Theodore

Theodore Newton Vail (1845-1920)
The first President of AT&T, who in 1917 built
the Vail Mansion in South Street Morristown.

Scott Shepherd



Morris County Luminaries

(continued from pg. 1)

Elizabeth and John Ford were the great-great grandparents of Stephen Vail, owner and operator of The Speedwell Iron Works. They were the great-great-great grandparents of both Alfred Vail and George Vail. Alfred was co-inventor of the Telegraph with his NYU Professor Samuel B. Morse. He also is said to have invented the dot-dash code that bears Morse's name. George Vail was a silent partner in his brother's "Telegraph Venture" and went on to serve two terms in The United States House of Representatives. Finally they were the great-great-great-great grandparents of Theodore Newton Vail, the first President of AT&T, who built the Vail Mansion on South Street, Morristown in 1917.

Following the death of her husband in 1721, Elizabeth married John Lindsly, who was the third boy born in Newark, NJ. His date of birth, 1666, makes him the oldest person on record resting in the Morristown Presbyterian Church cemetery. One of John Lindsly's

grandsons was Joseph Lindsley (by that time someone had added an "e" to the name). Joseph would have been a step-grandson of Elizabeth. Joseph was a carpenter by trade and was documented as having helped build the original portion of the Morris County Courthouse and the schoolroom wing of the Macculloch Hall Museum. In addition he was the head carpenter in the construction of the Second Meeting House of The Presbyterian Church in 1793. He also operated Ford's Powder Mill following the death of Colonel Jacob Ford, Jr. in 1777.

Elizabeth (Freeman) Ford Lindsly died 21 Apr 1772 in Morristown at the age of 91 years.

Sources & additional information: History of the First Presbyterian Church, Morristown, N.J., Combined Registers, 1742-1889; History of Morris County, New Jersey, with Illustrations and Biographical Sketches of Prominent Citizens and Pioneers (New York: 1882); Lee, Francis Bazley, ed., Genealogical and Memorial History of the State of New Jersey. See also MAGS Vol. 1, # 3, p. 3, "The Fords and the Ford Mansion."

Queries:

by Jeannette Libowitz

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Answers to queries should be sent directly to the submitter, whose name and address are shown at the end of the query. The deadline for queries for the next issue is November 1, 2000



GUERICE: I need the dates of the marriages of Josephus Guerice (Proof??)

#1 Abbie Louise Baldwin b. 3 Mar. 1829 d. 18 Jan. 1861 - moved to Morristown Presbyterian Church from Chatham 16 Jan. 1858 (Session Book p. 186) #2 Phoebe Ann Aber b. ca. 1844. Joined Morristown Presbyterian Church with Josephus 1866 but moved to Mendham. Children: # (1) Edward Baldwin # (2) Elizabeth Louise, Anna Belle, Lillian Betts b. 1873 and Courtland Vincent. Denise G. Rice, 2876 Faraday Ct., Decatur, GA 30033-2409.

MILLS: John Mills b. 13 May 1806 in Suckasunny (Succasunna), Roxbury Township, Morris County, NJ m. Elizabeth Mann b. 27 Oct. 1809 in Vernon Twp., Sussex County. The marriage took place in Vernon Twp. 28 Mar. 1829. John's parents were John Mills b. ca 1760 and Elizabeth Pierson b. ca 1780. Can anyone shed more light on John Mills (the elder) and his ancestors and/or Elizabeth Pierson and her forebears? Lorraine Johansen, 377 Hardwick Rd., Sequim, WA 98382. E-mail: <johansen@olypen.com>



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