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The Kankakee Valley Genealogical & Historical Society is a non - profit organization formed to bring together persons interested in genealogy. We are collecting, copying, buying, and doing research of a genealogical nature to place in the Reference Room of the Kankakee Public Library for the use of our members and the general public. A card file Index of Surnames of members is being prepared and will also be at the library. Micro Films owned by KVG&HS are restricted to membership use only.

#### HISTORY

### KANKAKEE VALLEY GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

In Jan 1968 plans were made for a meeting of ten persons who had an interest in genealogy. The initial meeting of this group took place at the Kankakee Public Library on 16 Jan 1968. A Constitution and By-laws were adopted that evening and plans made for a membership drive.

Charter Membership closed on 13 Mar 1968 with a total of 46 members and officers were elected for the first year. Elected were; Mr. R. M. CAHAN, president; Mr. Leland E. BRAY, vice-president; Mrs. Sylvia SOUCIE, recording secretary; Mrs. Robert A. CHARBONNEAU, corresponding secretary; Mr. Hubert REMILLARD, treasurer; Mr. Charles H. STINSON 1 yr. director; Mrs. Harold E. SMITH, 2 years director; and Mrs. Richard J. CHANDLER, 3 years director.

Monthly meetings are held in the Community Room of the City National Bank, corner of Court St. & Schuyler Ave., Kankakee, Illinois on the third Tuesday at 7:30 PM. The Annual Meeting and Election of officers is held on the third Tues. of March.

At this time, our membership has grown to number 89. 35 of these memberships are, issued to man and wife, or two persons at the same address. The individual memberships stands at 19. We of KVG&HS promote genealogy as a family hobby, and this is why we have such a large ratio of family over individual members.

The following is an activity list of meetings for the next quarter;

- 21 Oct. 1969 Guest speaker from the Iroquois County Historical Society.
- 18 Nov. 1969 Guest speaker from the Kankakee County Historical Society.
- 16 Dec 1969 Workshop. Bring your genealogical problems with you. Other members may have the answer. KVG&HS will have the coffee.

### KVG&HS CREST

The idea of the crest on the front cover was born at one of KVGWS monthly meetings. The workmanship was that of Mr. CARMAIN of Bradley, Illinois who used one of his sign painting pens to put the idea on paper.

The crossed "trade axe" and "peace pipe" above the shield indicates the wars and treaties that took place in the Kankakee River Valley area from the time the first white settler arrived, until the last of the Indian land was sold.

The "white cross" through the center of the shield is for the christian missionaries who first traveled among the Indians and told of the "beautiful land" on their return to civilization.

The remaining four emblems within the shield are for the four major nationalities that settled the area. Starting at the upper right is the "Fleurde-lis" for the French and French-Canadians, beneath that is a double headed eagle which appeared on many early German flags, to the left of the eagle is a shamrock for the Irish (although the Harp of Tara is the national emblem of Ireland we thought a shamrock is a better known Irish emblem), and above the shamrock is the "Cross of St. George" which is part of the flag of England and symbolic in our crest for our English settlers.

# HISTORY OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Of Kankakee, Illinois contributed by: Mrs. Perry D. OAKES

The First Presbyterian Church of Kankakee had its founding in a small upper room in the home of Jeptha RIPLEY on West Court Street; where on 28 Sep 1854, ten persons met with a committee from the Chicago New School of Presbytery and organized the local group. The ten persons were Mr. & Mrs. Jepth RIPLEY, Mrs. Jane BLACKSTONE, Mrs. Sarah BROWN, Thomas D. BROWN, Mr. & Mrs. John MITCHELL, John C. MATEER, Augustine CHESTER, and Courtlandt STRONG. On the Presbytery committee were the Rev. WILSON of Chicago, Illinois and the Rev. PECK of Rockville, Illinois.

The session of the church was organized through the election of Jeptha RIPLEY and Augustine CHESTER as elders. The first services of this group were held in the freight house of the Illinois Central Railroad, as were services of several other Kankakee churches during their formation. During the early days, the church had no resident pastor; but were served by the Rev. CURTISS of Chicago, Illinois and the Rev. LOSS of Joliet, Illinois.

By the Fall of 1855 the congregation had grown to the extent that the church was financially able to have its first building. Mr. Morris KETCHUM and Mr. GRAY, representatives of the Illinois Central Railroad, presented the expanding church with a lot located at the corner of Court Street and Indiana Avenue (still the site of the present day church). The congregation built a chapel twenty-six by thirty-six feet with native materials. Mr. Samuel P. OAKES hauled stones and boulders from along the Iroquois River by wagon to the site for use in the foundation; according to his grand-daughter, Mrs. John V. WOOD.

For about two years services in the new chapel were conducted by the presiding elder, Wilder E. MACK. The Episcopal Church had a part in the early history of the Kankakee First Presbyterian Church when its Rev. CASTLEMAN conducted services for a few months. The session was increased in 1855 through the election of James CROZIER and Samuel P. OAKES. In 1856, John C. MATEER and James ELDER were added.

During the Summer of 1858 the congregation was faced with the question of changing the attitude of the church from the New School to the Old School branch of the Presbyterian Church. The change was approved by the congregation and shortly afterward the church secured its first resident pastor, the Rev. M. W. STAPLES, formerly of Janesville, Wisconsin.

The Fall of 1858 found the church overcrowded and in need of more room. The first chapel had been constructed on the West end of the lot, and faced to the West. During 1858 the building was extended twenty feet North, making a room twenty-six by fifty-six feet. The next year an addition of about thirty by thirty-two feet was made to the east, transforming the church into a "T" shaped building.

Under the pastorate of Rev. STAPLES the membership increased from twenty-eight to one hundred and seven. He resigned in April 1865 and was succeeded by the Rev. H. D. THAYER. His five years service to the church resulted in the addition of ninety-two to the church membership.

It was during the ministry of the fourth pastor, Rev. E. C. OGGEL, that a new brick church was erected. For some time the old frame building had proved inadequate, and the congregation began its fund-raising campaign in 1879 for a new structure. The building was completed in June 1880 at a cost of \$8,100. The dedication took place on 18 July 1880.

The following is a Chronological Roll of Comunicants with their date of enrollment. Further information about the church and members may be obtained contacting Mrs. Perry D. OAKES, 460 S. Nelson Ave., Kankakee, Ill. 60901.

		_			_	_	
MATEER, John C.		_	1854	MANNING, Lucy P.		_	1859
RIPLEYY, Jeptha		_	1854	MANNING, Harriet		_	1859
RIPLEY, Lucinda		_	1854	MAYBON, Harriet		_	1859
BLACKSTONE, Jane		_	1854	DEMARS, Gustave			1859
BROWN, Sarah		_	1854	CHAIJSAI,			1859
BROWN, Thomas D.	28	Sep	1854	WATSON, Mrs. Cornelia		_	1860
CHESTER, Augustine	28	Sep	1854	OAKES, Mrs. Ann E.	16	Apr	1860
STRONG, Courtlandt	28	Sep	1854	OAKES, Wm. C.	16	Apr	1860
MITCHELL, Jno	28	Sep	1854	GROVES, Miss Sally	27	Jul	1860
MITCHELL, Ann	28	Sep	1854	EGGLESTON, Alfred	29	Jul	1860
ALDRICH, Mrs. Harriet	28	Sep	1854	EGGLESTON, Mrs. Laura	29	Jul	1860
CROZIER, John		_	1854	HAWKINS, Mrs. Mary E.			1861
CROZIER, Mrs. John			1854	BLACKSTONE, Lawrence			1861
CROZIER, James		_	1854	CROZIER, James Jr.			1861
CROZIER, Mrs. James		_	1854	FERRIS, Mrs. Susan			1861
ELDER, James		_	1854	CONDT, Mrs. Kate C.			1861
ELDER, Jenett		_	1854	DAVIS, Mrs. N. D.			1861
OAKES, Samuel P.		_	1854	WILCOX, Mrs. Alma A.			1861
OAXES, Grace		_			_		1861
•		_	1854	JONES, Mrs.	_		
OAKES, Ruth		_	1854	CUNNINGHAM, Mrs.			1861
OAKES, Mary E.		_	1854	CUNNINGHAM, Miss			1861
PARKS, James		_	1854	SIZER, Mrs. W. E.			1862
PARKS, Sarah L.		_	1854	SIZER, Mrs. A. D.			1862
YORKS, Cornelius		_	1854	SIZER, Mrs. Catherine		_	1862
MACK, Judith H.		_	1854	SIZERF A. D.			1862
HOBBY, Francis L.		_	1854	MANNING, Mrs. S. N.		_	1862
STARR, William	28	Sep	1854	DALE, Mrs. Hannah	9	May	1862
STARRf Sophia	28	Sep	1854	DALE, Mrs. E. H.		_	1862
BARTONf H. W.	2	Nov	1856	VanDORZEE, Mrs.	9	May	1862
BARTLETT, James	2	Nov	1856	FISH, Mrs, Mary	5	Jul	1863
MATEER, Julia H.	2	Nov	1856	MOREHOUSE, Silas	13	Jul	1863
BARTON, Margaret	2	Nov	1856	OAKES, Theodocia	13	Jul	1863
INGRAHAM, Jeremiah	2	Nov	1856	PARK, R. J.	13	Jul	1863
BARTLETT, Mrs. Marie	2	Nov	1856	PARK, Mary E.	13	Jul	1863
LIVINGSTONE, Rosanna	29	Oct	1858	HOLLIDAY, DaviD	13	Jul	1863
CUNNINGHAM, William C.	29	Oct	1858	NELSON, Rachel	13	Jul	1863
CUNNINGHAM, Mrs. Wm. C.	29	Oct	1858	ROBINSON, John	13	Jul	1863
STAPLES, Mrs, H. G.		Oct	1858	CURRAN, Orville P.	13	Jul	1863
MAYBON, John			1858	MOREHOUSE, Mrs. S.			1863
BAILEY, Mrs. Olive			1858	MARKEM, Mrs. Miranda			1863
WORNER, A. W.			1858	HAIR, Mrs. Eliza			1863
WORNER, Marly L.			1858	HAIR, Miss Mary J.			1863
GAMBLE, R. G.			1859	HOSMER, Mrs. Harriet			1864
GAMBLE, R. G. GAMBLE, Isabella		_		TAYLOR, Mrs. Fanny			
		_	1859				1864
HARTER, Mary Jane			1859	ADAMS, Isaac C.			1864
BAINTER, Clara	3	sep	1859	ADAMS, Mrs. Sarah	20	Mar	1864

NELSON, James W.	26	Mar	1864	COOPER, J. Wesley	2	Jul	1864
BEEBE, Ella L.	26	Mar	1864	RAYDOT, Mrs. Julia	2	Jul	1864
BEEBE, Jane A.	26	Mar	1864	HAIR, Miss Annie	2	Jul	1864
ELDER, Mary B.	26	Mar	1864	STAPLE, Florine	2	Jul	1864
TAYLOR, Dr. Julius L.	2	Jul	1864	HOLLIDAY, Mrs. Augusta A.	2	Jul	1864
TAYLOR, Miss Margaret	2	Jul	1864	GLOVER, Miss Annie	2	Jul	1864
WOODHOUSE, James	2	Jul	1864	CLAUDEL, Nicholas	2	Jul	1864
TAYLOR, Mrs. Margaret	2	Jul	1864	McELROY, Mrs. Margaret	2	Jul	1864
WOODHOUSE, Mrs. Elizabeth	. 2	Jul	1864	MURRAY, Mrs. H. N.	1	Jan	1865
LIVINGSTON, Mrs. Rosanne	2	Jul	1864				

### WARNER - WILLIAMS BIBLE RECORDS contributed by: Mrs. Howard A. MEAD

These records were found in the WARNER - WILLIAMS family bible; printed and published by M. CAREY & Son, No. 126 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, 1802 - 18.

WARNER								
Aaron WARNER	b.			1745		17	Oct	1822
m. Louise	b.			1750	d.			1795
Children:								
Nathaniel	b	29	Nov	1772	d.			
Louise	b.	12	Feb	1774	d.		Jan	1798
Aaron	b.	22	Jan	1776	d.	4	Oct	1777
Sally	b.	20	Jan	1778	d.			1804
Affo	b.	10	Feb	1780	d.	10	Apr	1796
Aaron (2nd son Aaron)	b.	2	Apr	1782	d.		-	
Martha (m. GOSS)	b.		_	1784				1811
Clark	b.			1786			Jan	1844
Lovina	b.	2	Αυσ	1788	d.			
Aurunah			_	1793	d.			
Clark WARNER								
m. Esther McLEAN	b.	7	Jun	1788	d.	19	Jan	1833
11 Jan 1807								
Children:								
Sally (m. MEAD)	b.	13	Dec	1807	d.	30	Mar	1893
Laura	b.	22	Oct	1809	d.			
Alfred	b.	28	Jul	1811	d.	13	Feb	1873
Hannah Amanda (m. WILLIAMS)	b.	22	Jun	1813	d.	14	Nov	1860
Betsy	b.	1	Oct	1815	d.	14	Sep	1819
Lucius	b.	12	Nov	1817			_	
Rozella	b.	11	Feb	1820	d.			
Elvin	b.	26	Aug	1822	d.			
Edward			_	1824				
WILLIAMS								
Alonson WILLIAMS	b	21	Nov	1812	d.		Feb	1887
m/1 Hannah Amanda WARNER				1813				1860
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### Children:

Helen Amanda (m. COOLEY) Seth Jerome Friend Henry Edward	b. b.	13 Aug 6 Jul 6 Jul 13 Feb	1837 1843	d. 1 d. 1	13 Aug :	1909
Alonson WILLIAMS ma/2 6 Apr 1861						
Hannah E.	b.	4 Jul	1845	d.		
Children:						
Sylvia Amelia	b.	31 May	1862			
Ada Alvira	b.	15 Feb	1865	d.		
Earl (or Carl)	b.	29 Hay	1867	d.		
Frank A.	b.	5 Aug	1871	d. 2	28 Aug :	1873
Birdie Lee	b.	22 Dec	1874	d.	_	
Fred	b.	6 May	1876	d.		
Seth Jerome WILLIAMS m. Sarrah susan	b.			<b>d</b> . :	17 Aug :	1883
Children:						
Hannah Helen (m. TODD)	b.	8 Oct	1868	d.	4 May	1924
Alonson Jel,ome	b.	12 Nov	1870	d.	-	
Seth Gilbert	b.	25 Dec	1872	d. :	14 Nov :	1896
Alda Lew (m. McCANDLESS)	b.				-	
TODD						
Thomas TODD	b.	4 Oct	1856	d. 2	28 Mar :	1909
m. Hannah Helen WILLIAMS						
Children:						
Seth William Thomas		5 Sep				
Walter Jerome John	b.	18 Oct	1895	d.		
James Alonson Gilbert	b.	1 Nov	1897	d.		
Harold Henry Clyde	b.	19 Jun				
Samuel Stuart Lyle	b.	25 Jul	1903	d.		
Hannah Helen WILLIAMS-TODD	m/2	SHIELDS	(no c	childre	en).	

### MEAD BIBLE RECORD

contributed by: Mrs. Howard A. MEAD

The following entry was found in the Melville A. MEAD family bible and is a continuation of the of the WARNER family along the line of Sally WARNER, dau. of Clark, and granddaughter of Aaron WARNER b. 1745. This bible, by the Rev. Robert JAMIESON D.D. was published by James S. VIRTUE, City Road and Ivy Lane, London, England.

### MEAD

Dr. Alric B. MEAD b. 10 May 1813 d. 7 Nov 1879 m. 4 Mar 1837 Sally WARNER b. 13 Dec 1807 d. 30 Mar 1893

### Children:

Flavius Josephus	b.	22 Jun 1839	d.	
Bernard Vespasius	b.	13 Sep 1840	d.	
Hannah Amanda (m. BOWERS)	b.	3 Nov 1842	d.	1906
Solon Seward	b.	12 Feb 1844	d.	20 Jan 1911
Melville Aurelius	b.	14 Oct 1845	d.	25 Dec 1915
Teresa Louisa (m. FIELD)	b.	10 Oct 1848	d.	11 Sep 1908

Solon and Melville MEAD married sisters, Marguerite Nanette and Zelina BRUECHET of Wilmington, Will County, Illinois.

Dr. Alric B. MEAD was the Postmaster at Twelve Mile Grove, Wilton Twp., Will County, Illinois from 1841 - 1845. He held this position shortly after coming to the area with Alfred WARNER and Alonson WILLIAMS. Dr. MEAD later settled in Joliet, Will County, Illinois and practiced medicine.

For further information concerning the WARNER - WILLIAMS or MEAD bible records, contact Mrs. Howard A. MEAD, 312 Union Street, Joliet, Ill. 60433.

### HILL - TUCKER BIBLE RECORD

### contributed by: Mrs. Helen GRASSER

Henry HILL married 23 Dec 1830	b.	22 May 1804	d. 5 Oct 1849
Harriet TUCKER	b.	3 Jul 1811	d. 12 Jul 1882
Children:			
Mary A.	b.	2 Jan 1832	d.
Abner M.	b.	6 Jan 1834	d.
Juliette	b.	16 Feb 1836	d.
Adeline J.	b.	17 Jan 1839	d. 21 Apr 1908
Henry C.	b.	15 May 1845	d.
Daniel TUCKER	b.		d. 5 Oct 1856 age 80 yrs
Sally TUCKER	b.		d. 14 Aug 1817 age 37 yrs
L, A. LADD	b.		d. 24 Jun 1840 age 32 yrs
Hannah TUCKER	b.		d. 3 Apr 1863 age 82 yrs

Marriage certificate: Mr. Joseph V. BROWNELL of Cassville, New York married Miss Adeline J. HILL of Manchester, Conn. on 25 Nov. 1860 in the presence of Lester N. DORMAN, Minister of the Gospel.

Joseph W. BROWNELL	b.	d. 21 Apr 190	8
Children:			
Charles	b.	d.	
Harriet Ann	b. 24 Apr 1863	d. 10 Jul 191	8
Mary I.	b.	d.	
George P.	b.	d.	

Harriet Ann BROWNELL married 13 Apr 1884 Dr. George Alden WELLS who was b. 11 Nov 1858 and d. 27 May 1893. (parents of Mrs. Helen GRASSER)

Editor note: The following family information was written by Harriet TUCKER-HILL in 1880 at the bottom of one of the bible pages.

"My great, great grandfather came from Scotland to Boston in the year 1723. He had four sons and two daughters. The boy's names were Adam, Samuel, John and Archibald. Archibald was my great grandfather. He was born about the year 1713. He had five sons and two daughters, Samuel, Adam, William, John, Molly, and Martha. Samuel KNOX was born in Boston in 1745, and came to Ashford with his father in 1762. This is what old Mrs. KNOX wrote from a history of their descent.

On my mothers side we are Scotch, on fathers, English.

signed: Harriet Tucker Hill

### Additional TUCKER - HILL notes:

Abner MORTON b. 1754 and d. 22 Nov 1831 aged 77 yrs. was a Revolutionary Soldier.

His daughter, Anna MORTON b. 1785 and d. 9 Mar 1866 married in 1803 to Thomas HILL b. 1779 and d. 1809. These were the parents of Henry HILL of the bible record.

Archibald KNOX b. 1713 had five sons and two daughters. One son, Adam, KNOX was b. 1743 married a Dorothy \_\_\_\_\_ who was b. 1756. Their children were; Adam, Daniel, and Sallie (Sally). Sally KNOX b. 1780 and d. 14 Aug 1817 married Daniel TUCKER b. 1775 and d. 5 Oct 1856. Their children were; Daniel b. 1808, Mary b. 29 Sep 1809 who married M. A. LADD, Harriet b. 3 Jul 1811 who married Henry HILL, Dorothy b. 10 Jul 1813, and Sally b. 9 Aug 1817.

For further information on the HILL - TUCKER bible record and related families; write Mrs. Helen GRASSER, 216 S. Harrison Ave., Kankakee, Illinois 60901.

### ILLINOIS STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

### Fall Conference - 1969

The Illinois State Genealogical Society will hold its Fall Conference on Saturday, 25 Oct 1969 at the Hotel Orlando in Decatur, Illinois. Reservations should be made prior to 21 Oct 1969 thru Mrs. James Delbridge, 1036 E. Harrison Avenue, Decatur, Illinois 62526. The cost is \$3.75 per person.

Guest Speakers at the ISGS Fall Conference will be;

Mr. John Frederick DORMAN, editor and publisher of "The Virginia Genealogist", First Vice-president of the National Genealogist Society, and noted authority on genealogy and history of the Eastern states. He will speak on the Eastern Seaboard, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Miss Margaret WATERS, a native born Hoosier, is well known as an author and lecturer on Indiana research. A member of the D.A.R., Daughters of the American Colonists, member of the Founders and Colonists of America. She will talk on her work in family research slanted toward both the beginner and more advanced genealogical worker.

Anyone desiring further information about the Illinois State Genealogical Society and their activities should contact this editor, Kankakee Valley Genealogical and Historical Society and many local societies throughout Illinois are independent of, but closely tied to the State Society in order to try to make genealogical research in our state, easier for all.

### CASE FAMILY

### Kankakee County, Illinois contributed by: Mrs. Harold E. SMITH

The CASE family in America traces its ancestry to four brothers; John, William, Thomas, and Henry who left England on 3 Sep 1635 aboard the ship Dorset bound for Bermuda. John CASE, the forefather of the Kankakee County branch appeared in New London, Connecticut before 1640. He married Sarah, daughter of William and Agnes SPENCER; who were among the first settlers of Hartford, Connecticut. Next in line was Bartholomew, Abraham, Elisha, Grove, and Lucius. The CASE family is one of the first to settle the Kankakee County area. The CASE name is carried today by many area residents and also have many related families still within the county limits.

Lucius Marcus CASE was born on 23 Sep 1810, in New Haven, Connecticut and reared under the "blue laws" of that state when education was a privilege and limited to a few. He attended subscription schools which convened in private homes and various log houses. He started out in life for himself at the age of fourteen by learning the carpenter trade. He went with his parents to Chautauqua County, New York where he remained until 1833. At this time, he went westward by water to Jacksonville, Illinois. Later he went to St.Louis, Missouri, then to Cincinnati, Ohio, and still later to Chicago, Illinois. In Chicago he builtthe blocking for the first lake vessel which was constructed in that city. He then moved to Joliet, Illinois and worked at his trade over a year before going to Beloit, Wisconsin. Between 1835 and 1839 he moved to Aroma Township, Kankakee County (then Iroquois County) and settled on Section 28 which was on the Iroquois River and along the Pottawatomi Trail.

Many Pottawatomi Indians traveled along the Trail and often stopped at my great-grandfather's home for food. Indians returned yearly from western Iowa where they were moved to a reservations to visit their home of years past. My father I told of a time when a group of friendly Indians stopped when my great-grandmother had a hogshead cooking. She set it on the table and the Indians completely devoured it.

There were so many large stones which had been used by the Indians for cooking, that in order to clear the land for farming these stones had to be hauled by stone boat to the edge of the Iroquois River. There were four river fords on the Iroquois southwest of present day Aroma Park, Illinois. These bore the names of the persons on whose property they were located; namely, PUTTMAN, CASE, BAILEY, and SAMMON. At or near the Puttman Ford there was a sand pit from which Captain William GOUGAR removed sand, loaded it on sand barges, and hauled it to the site of the new Kankakee State Hospital to be used in the mortar for the brick buildings. This was between 1865 and 1872.

Lucius CASE was a well known carpenter in the Kankakee area, building some of the first houses and other buildings in the vicinity. His first home was a log cabin which burnt sometime between 1862 and 1865. He then built a stone house using stones from the Iroquois River bed and bank. This native stone home was replaced by the present day house in the Fall of

1907 on the original home site. The occupants today are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bauer, grandchildren of William H. Case and Ellen Case Cooper, respectively.

His parents were Grove and Alana Fandell Case who was the daughter of John George Bandell and Sarah Barber. He had thirteen brothers and sisters who were Mahala, William H., Eliza, George Washington b 1804, Edmond b 1805, Elish E. b 1812, Emily R. (Kittie) b 1814, Cynthia, Clinton C., Levi b 1820, Spencer b 1822, Harmon C. b 1824 and Sadie.

Lucius M. Case married Anna Randall in 1842 and a son Albert was born, to them. She died in 1845 and in 1846 he married Olive Johnson, who was the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Steele Johnson. They were among the early settlers coming about 1835 and settling on Section 28. Lucius and Olive Case had three children: Mary Jane b 1849 d August 27, 1871; Ellen Mary b October 9, 1851 d February 16, 1949, and William H. Case b September 22, 1862 d February 24, 1940.

Mary Jane was. married to Stanhope Cooper and died shortly afte the birth of a baby girl who lived only a short time.

Ellen Case was married on January 1, 1876 to Stanhope Cooper b July 3, 1844 d March 24, 1918. Their children were Fred Eugene b November 20, 1877 d April 8, 1968 and Percy Fenimore Cooper b August 18, 1888 d August 22, 1967.

William Harrison Case (my grandfather) was married in 1881 to Cora A. Denton b April 6, 1863 d November 12, 1890. Their children were: Bessie Eugenia Case b July 27, 1883, still living who married Walter L. Kibbons; Harry Case (my father) b June 12, 1885 d September 2, 1966 who married Stella P. Vickery; and Edna Case b February 2, 1887 d July 30, 1955, who married Louis R. Bauer b December 1, 1880 d February 13, 1960. They were the parents of Mrs. Perry Oakes, 460 South Nelson Avenue, Kankakee, who is also a member of our society.

William Case was married on January 20, 1892 to Martha West b December 1, 1869 d September 20, 1945. They had one son Lester William Case b May 4, 1893 still living in St. cloud, Minnesota who married Anna Gangel b April 5, 1896 d January 24, 1957.

Lucius M. and George W. Case, brothers, married sisters, Sorfrona and Olive Johnson. A son of George and Sorfrona, Oscar N. Case b January 29, 1831 d November 1, 1916, is the great-grand-father of Neil Talbert who is another member of our society. Another son, "Little Luce" named after his Uncle Lucius has a daughter Mrs. Olive Welch still living in Kankakee who was born February 5, 1887.

Mr. CASE in his later years was described by those who know him as a tall white-haired man who nearly always wore a dark cape and black hat and carried a cane. Through the years, a family trait has been white hair at an early age. He was stricken with paralysis suddenly on Sunday 4 Jul 1897.and died within three hours at 1:30 PM. His age at the time of his death was eighty-six years and ten months. He was buried the next day in what was then called the Waldron Cemetery.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The preceding and following articles are two of many of the biographical sketches which first appeared in the late 1800s and early 1900s as a part of county histories within the Kankakee River Valley area. These articles have been corrected, enlarged, and updated by descendants of the early settler. For further information on the CASE or related surnames; contact Mrs. Harold E. SMITH, R. R. # 3, St. Anne, Illinois 60964.

### BEEBE FAMILY IROQUOIS COUNTY, ILLINOIS contributed by: Mr. Charles J. BEEBE

Alexander BEEBE b, 1550 d. 1624 and his wife, Elizabeth, of Great Addingoton, Northhamptonshire, England were the parents of a son named John b. 1600.

John BEEBE married Rebecca LADD and became parents of eight children. The church register of St. Andrew's in the village of Boughton, Northhamptonshire, England verify the names of John BEEBE and his eight children. He played an active part in English affairs was especially commended for the part he played in the siege of Harfleur. For his services at Harfleur, John BEEBE was honored by the king of England.

John BEEBE left for America in April or May of 1650, He was accompanied by five of his children; Thomas, Nathaniel, James, Rebecca, and Mary, John and Samuel, two other sons, preceded the family to America by a few months. A daughter, Hannah, and Rebecca LADD, wife of John BEEBE probably died before 1650. No mention of them is found in America.

John, the father, became very ill while coming to this country and died on board ship. He left a will which is presumed to have been written on the day he died, 18 May 1650. This will is on file at Hartford, Connecticut and makes very interesting reading.

The children of John BEEBE and Rebecca LADD landed at Boston Harbor, but settled around New London, Connecticut. They were very active in the affairs of their new country. They played a prominent part in King Philip's War, were among the Minutemen, of '76, and as officers and enlisted, men in the Armies of the Revolution. Col. Bezabiel BEEBE was RW Officer who fought with General George WASHINGTON. James, the son of James, was a member of the Order of Connecticut. Martin, a descendant of the younger John, prepared with others a memorial to Congress recommending the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress.

John, the oldest child of John BEEBE and Rebecca LADD, married Abigail YORKE; their children were: John, Benjamin, and Rebecca.

Thomas and Samuel were twins. Thomas died while young. Samuel m/1 Agnes, KENNEY and m/2 Mary \_\_\_\_\_. The children of Samuel were; Susannah, William, Agnes, Nathaniel, Ann, Jonathan, Mary, and Thomas.

Nathaniel, the third son to survive, settled in New Stonington, Connecticut and died a bachelor.

James, the youngest son, m/1 Mary BOLTWOOD. Their children were; Samuel, James, and Rebecca. After the death of Mary BOLTWOOD, he m/2 Sarah BENEDICT. The children of this marriage were; Mary, Sarah, and James.

The BEEBE family were Puritans and were known in England as husbandmen or yeomen, All the sons of John d, 1650 were very influential in the early settlement of New London, Connecticut. Their descendants gradually moved westward in all directions.

The Kankakee County, Illinois branch of the BEEBE family are descended from Jonathan, son of Samuel. They were early settlers of that county and a settlement approximately five miles East of the present day Court House held the name of Beebetown. Miss Lorain BEEBE established what was believed to be the second school in Kankakee County and a Post Office was given the name Lorain in her honor. At the time of this printing, there have been no male descendants of this branch found. Several related families presently live in the Kankakee area, among them is Mrs. Herman ( Alura ) SNYDER, whose mother was a BEEBE.

The Iroquois County, Illinois BEEBEs migrated from Litchfield County, Conn. This branch first settled near Lowell, LaSalle County, Illinois. Charles Nelson BEEBE, the father, died in Connecticut in 1859. The mother, Alma LOCKWOOD BEEBE, came to Illinois in 1862 with her sons Charles Nelson, Edward Rollin, Stanley Lockwood, and one other son and a daughter who died shortly after their arrival. Other relatives preceded this family to Illinois.

In 1864, William CLAYTON, a close friend of the father of Alma LOCKWOOD BEEBE, persuaded Mr. LOCKWOOD and his daughter to settle in the fertile, black soil of southern Iroquois County. At first, they farmed the CLAYTON land, and later purchased a part of this same land. Mr. LOCKWOOD returned to LaSalle County, but the mother and sons remained. The afore mentioned William CLAYTON was the founder of Claytonville, Illinois.

Charles Nelson BEEBE married Emma HANDY and moved to the farm of her parents in Prairie Green Township. Their children were; Alva, Blaine, Cora, Lola, and one daughter who died young. Alva and Cora never married, Blaine BEEBE married Eura HUGHES of Hoopeston, Illinois. Their children were, Charles and Melinda. Charles married, has a large family, and is presently living in Michigan. Melinda BEEBE married Robert WEAKS. They live in Hoopeston and have two sons. Lola BEEBE married Theodore PIERCE and lived in Hoopeston. Their children were; Merle and Emmaline. Merle PIERCE, deceased, married Kathryn BLACK. Their children were; Patricia and William. Patricia PIERCE married a MILLER, lives in Mundelien, Ill., and has three children. William PIERCE is married, and a businessman in Watseka, Illinois. Emmaline PIERCE is married, lives in Florida, and has two children.

Stanley and Edward BEEBE owned the first General Store in Claytonville. Stanley was the active manager. In 1893 they sold the store and purchased a

General Store and an Opera House in Ambia, Indiana; which had been built by their uncle, George CALKINS. The mother went with Stanley and lived with him until her death in 1914.

Stanley BEEBE, m/1 to \_\_\_\_\_ THOMAS. They had one daughter, Alma, He m/2 to Emma PECKAM. Their children were; Stanley, Wlilliam, California, and Betty. Alma BEEBE married Clyde RICHARDSON. The other four children all married and were last known to be in the Cleveland, Ohio area with the exception of Betty whose last known address was in the State of California.

Edward BEEBE's main interest was farming and livestock raising. At the age of 16 he rented land and by 1893 was the owner of 700 acres of land. His first car load of cattle were sent to the Chicago market. He helped build the roadbed and donated land for a branch of the C&EI Railroad to come from Wellington to Cissna Park, Illinois. He received the first carload of lumber over this railroad into Claytonville, and built livestock yards with it. His was the first carload of livestock shipped from the new yards.

He was a breeder of Norman Horses, raised hogs, sheep, and cattle. He purchased mules on the St. Louis market annually for use in his farming operations and sold them at auction in the winter at a profit, Through his own industry, he overcame the obstacles of life and was known for fair dealings and his willingness to help others.

Politically he was a Republican. He was a delegate to Party conventions, served as first Postmaster of Claytonville, was a road commissioner, school treasurer, served on the school board, was a Methodist and an active Mason.

Edward BEEBE married Laura May SMITH of Fountain Creek Township in 1893. She died in 1895. No issue. He m/2 in Dec 1898 to Linnie May WISE, of the same township. Their children were; Howard Maxwell, Forest Edward, Charles Jacob, George Kenneth, and Joseph Lockwood.

Howard Maxwell BEEBE married Lula EVANS and had one daughter, Beverly Jane. Beverly Jane BEEBE married Robert WICHMAN. Their children were; Robert, and Donna. Robert WICHMAN married Sandra LaFABIER and had a son, Rickey Allen. Donna WICHMAN lives in Watseka, Illinois. Howard Maxwell BEEBE is a farmer and lives near Fowler, Indiana.

Forest Edward BEEBE, is deceased. No known family.

Charles Jacob BEEBE married Lucile WATSON and have two daughters, Charleta and Bette. Charleta BEEBE married Rollyn AFFELD. Their children are; Karen, Robert Charles (deceased), Kenneth, and Karla. All live in Beloit, Wisconsin. Bette BEEBE married James B. JUSTUS. Their children are; Kathleen Rae, Steven Charles, and Edward Scott. This family resides in Champaign, Illinois. Charles Jacob BEEBE is an Insurance and Real Estate Broker and lives with his wife in Watseka, Illinois.

George Kenneth BEEBE, married Adda May ROBERTS. Their children are; Robert, Garrett Charles, and Jenefer. Mr. BEEBE is a farmer. Robert BEEBE married Sue KUPPERSCHMIDT. He is a Veternarian. Garrett and Jenefer reside with their parents in Claytonville, Illinois.

Joseph Lockwood BEEBE married Mildred McCLURE; have two children, James and Teresa. Joseph Lockwood BEEBE farms near Cissna Park, Illinois. Teresa BEEBE,

the daughter, resides with her parents. James BEEBE married Joy HALL. They have two children; Danielle and Stephen, and live in Danville, Illinois.

The original homestead of Edward Rollin BEEBE is shown in the Iroquois Iroquois, County of 1885. His biography is in Portrait and Biographical Record of published in 1893; and in Past and Present of Iroquois County, published in 1907.

EDITOR'S NOTE: For further information on the BEEBE surname or related families, contact Mr. Charles J. BEEBE, 719 S, 4th St., Watseka, Illinois 60970.

### MARRIAGE RECORDS of ST. PATRICKS CATHOLIC CHURCH Kankakee, Illinois contributed by Miss Helen B. NOURIE

Groom	Bride	Date
MEYERS, Ferdinand J. C.	FARRELL, Margaret	20 Sep 1893
WRIGHT, Charles B.	HART, Mrs. Anna Ellen	3 Oct 1893
FARRELL, John	FITZGERALD, Johana	23 Dec 1893
ADAMS, Albert E.	LEE, Matilda	6 Feb 1894
McMAHON, James	HART, Agnes	17 Apr 1894
MULHOLLAND, Charles	SCHOLTZ, Sophia	14 Nov 1894
FLOCKHAST, John	SPIES, Elizabeth	26 Dec 1894
JACKSON, Fred H.	MERRON, Catherine	26 Feb 1895
DUMAIS, Edgar	MARION, Sarah	24 Aug 1896
McHATTN, William P.	HAMBURY, Gertrude E.	21 Jun 1896
DAVIDSON, N. N.	WALWORT, Alexis	17 Nov 1896
BOUDREAU, Peter	McGOWN, Mamie	9 May 1897
DONER, Joseph ,	SMIDTH, Hattie	18 Jul 1897
McGOON, William	FALKNAHAN, Katie	6 Sep 1897
CRANGLE, Peter W.	O'DONNELL, Bridget	18 Nov 1897
SOUCIE, Theodore E.	MARANS, Dora L.	17 Jan 1898
0'HAIR, James	NOWLAN, Mary	18 May 1898
COE, Francis	•	25 Aug 1898
DEBAIS, Louis	GAYNOR, Louise	26 Oct 1898
SCHILLING, John	PELANCE, Mary	23 Nov 1898
PLANTE, Bird	KONAPICK, Catherine	23 Nov 1898
McCOY, Thomas	SMITH, Grace	8 Jan 1899
O'CONNOR, Thomas	POWERS, Ellen	10 Jan 1899
MATHEW, Francis	WELCH, Frances	23 Jan 1899
MALLAN, John	McDONOUGH, Mary	5 Jul 1899
CARSON, George	KRAUSE, Elizabeth	9 Jul 1899
NOWLAN, James	ZOPH, Evelyn	18 Sep 1899
BERANGER, Harry F.	DEVINE, Emma	4 Oct 1899
WYNNE, Charles	BRADBURY, Mary Joseph	18 Oct 1899
MILLS, Luther	HART, Mary	11 Jan 1900
MULLIGAN, Thomas	HART, Cora	27 Feb 1900
SPRAGEN, Thomas	HUNOLD, Catherine	18 Apr 1900

DWYER, David E.	McGINNIS, Agnes	30 Apr 1900
LYNCH, Philip	QUIGLEY, Mary	27 Jun 1900
PITMAN, A.	RILEY, Alace Daisy	20 Aug 1900
ASHBY, Fredrick H.	ROURKE, Margaret	18 Sep 1900
HESSLER, Henry	ALLIE, Martha	25 Sep 1900
ANDREWS, Frank	O'CONNOR, Josephine	21 Nov 1900
McINTYRE, E. L.	ADAMS, Anna	14 Nov 1900
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ROUSH, Levi	KELLEY, Sarah	20	Mar	1855	A	7
BROOKE, Joel L.	BARTON, Lilley	25	Mar	1855	A	7
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EDITOR'S NOTE: The Kankakee Valley Genealogical and Historical Society wishes to thank Mr. Edmond A. SOUCIE, Kankakee County Clerk, and the personnel of his office who have been more then cooperative in aiding us in our Project # 1.

Book A of the Kankakee County, Illinois, Marriage Records will be placed in alphabetical order by both male and female with notes to indicate who performed the ceremony. Our society hopes to make this item available for purchase by Spring 1970.

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 Mrs. Lorraine PROULX, 4919 Siesta Drive, Oceanside, Calif. 92054

Seek ansc. and dese. of Andrew (Andries) MULLER MULLER HOFFMAN and wife. Kundeginda HOPFMAN. She died about YEDICKE 1861 in childbirth in Kankakee, 'Ill., leaving GRABNER four children: John moved to McCook, Neb. 1887, Steve, Mike, and Maria, who was born in 1857 and married in 1880 Herman YEDICKE at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kankakee. Maria was raised by the GRABNER family, who were Catholic. Her natur al parents were of Scotch and German descent and may have been Methodists. Aunt Lillian ?? of Elizabeth, Ill. wrote to Maria. After several children were born Hermandand Maria moved to Jackson Co. as settlers and are buried in the Catholic cemetery in Jackson, Minn.

2. Harry A. PARKHILL, 1094 S. 5th, Kankakee, Ill. 60901

BUTLER WANTED: Parents of Minor BUTLER born 1823 in WILLIAMSON Kentucky married Mary Elizabeth WILLIAMSON Died 1885 In Jefferson County, Illinois

3. Betty SCHATZ, Box 394, Chebanse, Illinois 60922

EMME Desire Information on parents of Fred EMME,
LUKOW born 12 March 1861, Union Hill, Ill., married
BRINKMAN Augusta LUKOW 15 February 1883. Mother's second
HERTZ was Fred BRINKMAN. Other children were Caroline
SIEMERING EMME, married Samuel HERTZ; William EMME, married
BORSCHNZCK Ella HERTZ; George BRINKMAN, married ?; Dena BRINK
MAN, married Fred SIEMERING; Amelia BRINKMAN,
married Jacob BORSCHNZCK

4. Mrs. Perry OAKES 460 S. Nelson Ave., Kankakee, Ill. 60901

DAY OVERHOLT BRADY BELL Wants info on John Sulavan DAY and wife Anna OVERHOLT--their parents--siblings. Their child ren: Maria, 1821; Charles, 1827; Sarah, 1823; Mary, 1832; Andrew Jackson, 1835. All born in Niagara district. Ontario, Canada and Alexander born enroute to Wisconsin.

Want infor on James BRADY who died 4 Oct. 1801 was father of John BRADY who married Jane BELL about 1804.

Exchange infor with descendants of John Franklin BRADY born in 1856 in Iroquois Co., Ill. In 1906 he was a cattle dealer and real estate broker in Atkinson, Neb.

5. Charles J. BEEBE, 719 S. 4th, Watseka, Ill. 60970

BEEBE Was Charles Nelson BEEBE (the husband of Alma

LOCKWOOD BEEBE) who died in Litchfield Co. Conn. in 1859 parents named David and Almira BEEBE?

Did he have brothers Ward, George, Stanley and others. Can anyone give me any further Information on the early history of this family?

I would like to obtain a copy of The Beebe FamilV 1650 - 1950 by David C. BEEBE, Jr. I have not been able to locate this in any library. HELP!

 Mrs. F. E. SHREFFLER, R.R. # 2 Box 137, Kankakee, 111. 60901

BROCKWAY Will Exchange information Wolston BROCKWAY b 1638 BRIGGS-HARRIS ENGLAND wife Hannah BRIGGS-HARRIS b N. Y. Lemual LEACH b 1745 wife Rebecca WASHBURN m 1767 WASHBURN Hardwick Mass. Henry SHREFFLER b Philadelphia, Pa. SHREFFLER wife Christine ?. Louis - DICKINSON b 1800 wife DICKINSON Lavilla CASE b 1800. Lenard LAMB b 1809 wife CASE Emaline WALBRIDGE b 1800. Almon PAINE b 1818 LAMB Champion N. Y. wife Hannah CHASE b 1819 Lowville WALBRIDGE N. Y. Jefferson DAVIS b 1824 Deleware Co. Ohio wife Catharine POOL b 1830. Abreham DOTY b 1820 PAINE CHASE Ohio wife Rosa PLACE b 1837.

DAVIS POOL

DOTY PLACE

7. Mrs. James F. Doolin, 2199 Calista St. Kankakee, Ill. 60901

HEUBERGER Want information concerning ancestry of Genevieve GEIGER (HEUBERGER) GEIGER--who came from Germany about 1885 or'1886. with a girl and a boy to Greene County, Ill. She later moved to Milwaukee, Wisc.

### 8. Mrs. Sylvia Soucie, Box 611, St. Anne, 111. 60964

WISE Mason FOWLER was one of original settlers in
BARNES Sangamon Co., Ill. His daughter Prudence married
FOWLER Frederick Wise from Nelson Co. Ky. Need more info
on all of these people, parents in particular.
Charlton BARNES married Caterine STOTTS and lived
in Christian Co., Ill. unil early 1900's. Think
he had a brother Allen. Children were William,
John, Fredonia, Alonzo (Possum) and Henry. Who
were their parents and where were they from?

Members of the Kankakee Valley Genealogical and Historical Society are entitled to one free query in each quarterly. The first 35 words and the name and address are free, the next 20 words are \$.25 and each additional 20 words are \$.10. For non-members the charge is \$1.00 for the first 35 words and the name and address, the next 20 words are \$.50 and each additional 20 words is \$\_25. All queries should be mailed to: Mrs. Sylvia Soucie, Box 611, St. Anne, 111. 60964 by Jan. 1, April 1, July 1, and Oct. 1. Queries will be published on a first come first served basis as room Is available and will be held over to the next Issue until published.

### PIERRE and MARIE

By: KVG&HS FRENCH - CANADIAN COMITTEE

The French Canadian Committee is made up of KVG&HS members who are descended from early settlers of the Kankakee River Valley area with an origin in Canada. We are proud of the fact that most French - Canadians can trace their lineage, or at least one branch, to the early 1600s as a time of arrival in the New World. Many can trace to Louis HEBERT d. 1627 and his wife, Marie ROLLET, who were the first family to settle in Quebec, Canada in 1613. This is a point of pride with us, because the Mayflower did not arrive at Plymouth Rock until 1620.

Our committee hopes to collect information on as many French - Canadian families of our area as possible. only a small percent of these early families are mentioned in county histories, because of their lack of funds to pay the required fee. A list of these families will be made from early census records and area families with the same surname contacted to gain as much information about their ancestors as they have. We ask our readers to send, or encourage others to send, any information they may have to aid KVG&HS in placing together the pieces of this puzzle. We wish to gather as much as we can in order to preserve the heritage and proper place in history that belongs to our "PIERRES and MARIES."

Pierre and Marie are two names which appear in most French - Canadian families and for this reason we have chosen these names to head our section of The - a - ki - ki. This column will appear in all KVG&HS Quarterlies as an aid in tracing French - Canadian families within our area. It will consist of church records of births, baptisms, marriages, and deaths; small community histories; cemetery records; bible records; excerpts from old newspapers; book reviews; and the lineage of early French - Canadians of the Kankakee Valley.

Research on French -Canadian families is hampered not only by lost records and a general lack of interest in genealogy by a majority; but also by the splitting of many families over the CHINIQUY affair of the mid 1850s. This was

a dispute over land ownership between the Rev. Charles CHINIQUY and the Catholic Bishop of Chicago. Some persons contended that their contributions of money were made to purchase property for the Catholic Church; while others who were very fond of the Rev. CHINIQUY indicated that they wanted him to have sole ownership. A schism resulted and many entire families left the Catholic Church as followers of the Rev. CHINIQUY. Other families were divided on the issue to the point that parents often disowned one or more of their children, who in turn also followed the Rev. CHINIQUY and eventually became Presbyterians. To this day there are families with the same surname who disavow relationship to one another.

KVG&HS members are of both groups, and our interest in genealogy has given us a common cause. Through the use of early census and various church records we hope to reconstruct on paper the families torn apart for the past 115 years for those who, regardless of their thinking on the CHINIQUY affair, want to find their "PIERRES and MARIES.n

Check this and future copies of The - a - ki - ki for County Naturalization and Marriage Records. Ancestors are where you find them, and these two records will be a good place to start. The first recorded marriage of Kankakee County was that of two French - Canadians.

There is a saying in the Kankakee Valley which indicates that a family cannot live in this area for more then two generations without having at least one French - Canadian marry into it. We of KVG&HS do not believe this to be 100% true, 75% true would be a safe estimate.

The early days of the Kankakee River Valley were greatly influenced by people from French Canada. Tradition holds that Father MARQUETTE passed through the area in 1675. Father Louis HENNEPIN and explorer LaSALLE made a journey through the valley in December of 1679. Father CHARLEVOIX was in the area around 1721 doing missionary work among the Indians.

The American Fur Company, with Gordon S. HUBBARD, as the Illinois super-intendent; caused the flow of French - Canadians to commence into the Kankakee Valley. Noel LaVASSEUR is credited with being the first white settler of what is now Kankakee County, The 1820s also saw Jacques JOMBEAU, Dominique BRAY, and Francois BOURBONNAIS; all of whom were traders.

By the 1840s French - Canadians were literally pouring into the area, and within 20 years the majority of persons living in and around the following towns were French -- Canadians. Those towns even today retain a very high percentage of this national group. The towns are; Manteno, St. George, Momence, Beaverville, Martinton, L'Erable, Papineau, Exline, Bourbonnais, Bradley, and the west side of Kankakee. Joliet, in Will County, has a large French - Canadian population also.

After the Great Chicago Fire of 1871, a large number of French - Canadians migrated from that city to the lush farm land of Will, Kankakee, and Iroquois Counties. This was where friends and relatives had already settled two or three decades prior. By the mid 1870s the land of these counties could, hold no more influx of settlers. A new generation of Canadians needed land to support a growing family. Some moved into Lake and Newton Counties, Indiana, Many more migrated into Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, and Kansas. All ties were not completely broken because of this latest migration. Many families still have contact with relatives who left this area 90 years ago.

Annually there is a Homecoming hold at St- George, Illinois- If you had ancestors who lived northeast of Kankakee or Bourbonnais, this is where you will find your third cousins. Just mention a French name, and someone will

either tell you what happened to them or take you by the hand and introduce you to a person bearing the same name. We are also given to understand that there is a "Beaverville Picnic" held annually in Hammond, Indiana. Many men went to the Hammond area seeking work at the steel mills, and it was soon found that more persons formerly residing in Beaverville, Illinois, lived in Hammond then were left in Beaverville. People travel to Hammond for a "get together", instead of having a homecoming in Beaverville. KVG&HS will find the location and dates of these events for 1970 and pass them on to our "Pierre and Marie" researchers.

We would like to hear from anyone, member or non-member, if you have any data on the French - Canadians of the Kankakee Valley. Our project is very large, but we feel it is worth our time and attention. Please give as many names, places, and dates when writing. All material will be considered for publication. Remember!! The - a - ki - ki also has a Query Section.

#### ODDS and ENDS

The name Of KVG&HS Quarterly, THE - A - KI - KI, is one of at least 17 different spellings of what many say the City of Kankakee received its name. The meanings of these 17 variations range from "swampy place", "wolf", "wonderful land", to "beautiful land." KVG&HS, as do many others, prefers the "beautiful land" meaning. The - a - ki - ki (pronounced TEA-A-KI-KI) took ' on a corrupted form, Ki-a-ki-ki. The early French pronounced it Quin-que-que. Thus evolved the English, Kan-ka-kee.

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### OTHER SOCIETIES

### HISTORICAL SOCIETIES:

KANKAKEE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY will hold its Annual Meeting at the Centennial Room of the Gov. SMALL State Park on 9 Nov 1969. Mrs. Thomas BAIRD is president, 1200 Cobb Blvd., Kankakee, Illinois 60901.

WILL COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY holds Monthly Meetings at the Conference Room of the Joliet Public Library on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM. Mrs. Guy BUCCIFERRO, president, 216 Sherma St., Joliet, Ill. 60433.

IROQUOIS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY. For in formation write society c/o Old Court House Museum, Watseka, Illinois 60970. Mr. Benard FLEMING, president.