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The purpose of the Society shall be to bring together persons interested in genealogy and family history. The Society shall collect and file family, public, and church records of the Kankakee Valley area with the intent of preserving them and making them accessible. The Society shall collect and file genealogical data of a non-local nature that would be of interest to the membership for their research. The Society shall assist persons engaged in genealogical research of families who are or have been located in the Kankakee Valley area. The purpose of this Society shall also be to promote genealogical research within the communities of the Kankakee Valley Area.

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Playing Cards Date Back to Middle Ages

During the Middle Ages, jacks, queens and kings (face cards) were named for legendary, historical and Biblical figures. With a little bit of research on the subject, it was learned that the proper name for the King of Hearts is Charlemagne, Emperor of Rome, founder of the Roman Empire. The King of Spades is David, who slew Goliath. The King of Diamonds represents Julius Caesar. Judith, who the bible says killed an Assyrian general to save Israel, is the Queen of Hearts. Athena, the Greek goddess of war and wisdom, is the pseudonym for the Queen of Spades. The Queen of Diamonds represents the Biblical Rachel. The Queen of Clubs is Elizabeth I of England.

La Hire, a French warrior who fought with Joan of Arc, earned the title of the Jack of Hearts. The Jack of Spades stands for Hogier, cousin of Charlemagne and a Danish hero. The Jack of Diamonds signifies Sir Hector, a Knight of the Round Table and half-brother of Sir Lancelot. The Jack of Clubs is Sir Lancelot himself, chief knight of King Arthur's Round Table.

The suits in a deck of playing cards represent the four ranks of society in the Middle Ages. Hearts are churchmen and statesmen; spades, the military; diamonds, the merchants; clubs, the peasants and workers.

The earliest playing cards in Europe were those used in Italy during the 14th century. During the French Revolution, playing cards were forbidden by law. Then the kings, queens and jacks became sages, virtues, and heroes.

Taken from the Daily Republic Times via The Genie's View, LaSalle County Genealogy Guild, Jan./Feb. 2003.

When Surnames Disappear

Only 20% of the surnames used still exist after 13 generations. Ninety percent of all families from the 1700's are now extinguished. In 1974, the Social Security Administration had 1,285,556 different surnames on file, of which 448,663 had only one occurrence. Over 5,000 surnames of the knighthood in the Domesday Book of 1086 have died out.

Treasure Chest News, Central FL Gen. Society

French-Canadian Genealogy Terms

arpent	land measure (0.845 acres)
baptême	baptism
concession	land grant
décédé	died
dit	alias
engage	indentured worker
épouse	wife, bride
époux	husband, bridegroom
établi, établie	settled
feu, feue	deceased
fits	son
filles	daughter

frere	brother
jour	day
marraine	godmother
mois	month
pere	father
recensement	census
sepulture	burial
veuf, veuve	widower, widow

Excerpts from Ancestry, Vol. 20 No. 6.

NEW PUBLICATIONS/CD'S

Lockport Baptist Church

Will/Grundy Counties Gen. Society announced its next publication in the Churches of Will County compiled and edited by Sue Kratsch. This 120-page soft cover publication is a transcript of original records of Lockport Baptist Church from 1872 through 1915. Order from WGGS, P.O. Box 24, Wilmington, IL 60481-0024 at a cost of \$15 plus \$3.50 shipping and handling.

Reference and Guide Book for the Genealogist

American-French Genealogical Society is offering a resource book by Armand Letourneau. This guide is offered in a 3-ring binder so pages may be removed when you make a research trip. Included is a review of how to read the various repertoires that you will encounter including Jette, PRDH and Drouin. There are lists of counties in New England and PQ, abbreviations, Catholic Parishes of PQ and New England, church terms. PQ map and several generation charts and family group sheets. Order from AFGS, P.O. Box 830, Woonsocket, RI 02895-0870 at a cost of \$35 plus \$7 S/H per book.

GENEALOGY SEMINARS/CONFERENCES

Genealogical Institute of Mid-America

The 9th Annual Institute will be held July 7-11, 2003, in Springfield, Illinois. Speakers include Lloyd Bockstruck, Eastern Sources, of the Dallas Public Library Genealogy Dept; Sandra Luebking, Part II, editor of the FGS Forum; Paul Milner, British Isles, columnist for the FGS Forum; and Michael Neill, Part I, columnist for the Ancestry Daily News and the FGS Forum. There is a link to the registration form on the society's website www.rootsweb.com/~ilsgs/index.html. Cost is \$350 for ISGS members and \$400 for non-members.

FGS/FSGS Conference

The Federation of Genealogical Societies and the Florida State Genealogical Society present *A World of Hidden Treasures 2003* at the Renaissance Orlando Resort at SeaWorld, Orlando, Florida, from September 3-6, 2003. There are a wealth of speakers including Jeff Bockman, Tony Burroughs, John Philip Colletta, Sandra Hargreaves Luebking, Paul Milner, Michael John Neill, George Schweitzer, Loretto Dennis Szucs and Curt Witcher. Early registration for full conference is \$159 and \$81 for a single day. For further information, contact FGS/FSGS 2003 Conference, P.O. Box 200940, Austin, TX 78720-0940, phone 888-FGS-1500, e-mail fgs-office@fgs.org; register online at www.fgs.org

Midwestern Roots 2003

This seminar is presented by the Indiana Historical Society and the Indiana Genealogical Society on July 11 and 12 at the Indianapolis Marriott East, East 21' St. and Shadeland Ave. Speakers include: Tony Burroughs, Vicki Casteel, John Philip Colletta, P. Michael Conneally, Amy Johnson Crow, Meg Hacker. Cyndi Howells, Paul Milner, Michael John Neill, John Newman, Loretto Szucs, Susan Kaufman, Martin Tuony, Sheryl Vanderstel, Betty Warren, Curt Witcher and Marianne Wokeck. Registration is \$150 for non-members, \$125 for members. www.indianahistory.org/midwesternroots

KVGS WEBNEWS (<http://kvgs.org>)

Voices of World War II: Experiences from the Front and at Home

This web site contains World War II in photographs and sound clips. The site is a joint project of the Truman Presidential Library and the Dept. of Special Collections at Miller Nichols Library, University of Missouri-Kansas City. The site features seven main sections: 1939-1941, Pearl Harbor, Europe & D-Day, Home Front, Pacific Theater, Post War World and This Project (guide to resources for further study). The combination of photography and audio makes this presentation especially powerful. www.umkc.edu/lib/spec-col/ww2/main.htm

Free Databases:

All the Olive Tree Genealogy: olivetreenealogy.com

Past Voices: Letters Home: pastvoices.com

Canadian Military Heritage Project: www.rootsweb.com/~canmil

USA Genealogy: www.rootsweb.com/~ote/usa_genealogy

Family Branches, an Online Community of Family Trees: freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~mVfamily_branches

According to member, Pauline Murphy, the following is a good site: refdesk.com Hit go, scroll down to subject Genealogy.

Michigan Cemetery Sources:

Access published cemetery transcriptions and find the locations of 3,700 cemeteries.

michigancemeteries.libraryofmichigan.org/default.aspx

USA and Canada Naturalization and Citizenship Records:

Access dates of immigration, ship's passenger lists, ports of arrival and even the birthplaces of your ancestors. naturalizationrecords.com

GREAT & GREAT, GREAT

Looking for birth (baptism) for Walter E. **Gerard** (Girard), son of Joseph W. Gerard who married Parmella (Pamela) in Kankakee County 16 Apr 1878. Believe Walter was born 28 May 1879 or 1880 in Momence. Contact Bonnie **Barnes**, 3404 Patricia Dr., Urbandale, IA 50322, bonbar50@aol.com.

Grandmother Mabel **Bonsall** md. Oscar **Brownsey** and lived in Chicago and LaPorte, IN. She was born 09 Feb 1885 and her parents were Fred/Frank Bonsall and Mary Clayton from Kankakee. I believe she was buried in Cabery. Need information on Mary **Clayton**, Contact Margo **Caylor**, 6711 E. Camino Principal, Tucson, AZ 85715, mcaylor@marykay.com.

Looking for information on the marriage of Rose **Bentz** or Rose **Welsh/Welch** and unknown Duncan/Dunkin between 1907 and 1915. Contact Sandra Bolin, 1475 221st St., Garvin, MN 56132, bsbolin@rconnect.com.

Looking for parents and siblings of Benjamin **Bettters** (Lamieux). Married Marie **Boudreau** in Kankakee County on 06 Jan 1859. Benjamin and Marie moved to Cloud Co., KS, in 1871. Marie is daughter of Julien Boudreau and Phoebe Cyr. Contact Joanne Boudreau, 11604 S.W. 3rd St., Yukon, OK 73099, boudswbeu.net.

Looking for parents and siblings of Regis/Richard **Yarneau/Yarno/Garneau**, b. 21 Mar 1833 in Canada. m. ca 1859 in MI, d. 08 Mar 1895 in Beaverville, IL. Contact Ila **Calaway**, 3211 NW 42, Oklahoma City, OK 73112-6225, icalaway@yahoo.com.

Searching for when and where Maria **Bravino** died. She was on the 1900 census but not the 1910. Her husband was John Baptiste Bravino, naturalized in Kankakee Co. in 1901, died 1935, buried Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Coal City. Son Daniel 1893-1901 Joliet. Contact Anthony Bravino, 8420 W. North Terrace, Niles, IL 60714 (847) 825-8939.

1882 KANKAKEE COUNTY MARRIAGES

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette (publication date in parenthesis).

(27 Jul 1882) In Kankakee, July 4, 1882, by Rev. N. H. Axtell, Joseph Simmons, of Grant Park, and Miss Helen Henson, of Sumner.

(27 Jul 1882) At Kankakee, July 8, by Otis Durfee, Edward Jessup, and Miss Allie Austin, both of Momence.

(27 Jul 1882) In St. Anne, July 16, by Rev. Goulet, Edward St. Peter and Caroline Reno, both of St. Anne.

(27 Jul 1882) At Kankakee, July 8, by Rev. H. Stamer, Henry A. A. Meyer and Miss Ida M. L. Siefert, both of Kankakee.

(27 Jul 1882) At St. Anne, July 19, by Rev. A. Goulet, Ovilia Cobrille and Miss Hermine Arceneau, both of St. Mary.

(10 Aug 1882) In Kankakee, Aug. 5, by A. Zinkann, Herman Bohmert, of Chicago, and Mrs. Rachael Gernenz, of Kankakee.

(10 Aug 1882) In Kankakee July 11 by Rev. N. H. Axtell, William Howie, of Michigan City, Ind., and Miss Alice Stowell, of Momence.

(10 Aug 1882) In Manteno, June 7, by Rev. A. L. Bergeron, Eli Martin and Miss Louis Pepin, both of Manteno.

(10 Aug 1882) In St. George, July 17, by Rev. I. C. Lesage, Michael Fiegel and Miss Maggie Kressboth of Momence.

(10 Aug 1882) In St. Anne, Aug. 2d, by Rev. M. Letellier, Dave Cote, of St. Mary, and Miss Philomene Fortin, of St. Anne.

(10 Aug 1882) In Kankakee, July 15, by Rev. N. Brink, Adolph Karlson and Miss Anna Mansdoffer, both of Monee.

(10 Aug 1882) In Kankakee, Aug. 2, by Rev. H. Staner, Edward W. Hyer and Miss Mary M. Strehlow, both of Kankakee.

24 Aug 1882) In St. Anne, Aug. 14 by Rev. M. Letellier, Joseph Bergeron and Miss Eugenie Duclos, both of St. Anne.

1882 KANKAKEE COUNTY BIRTHS

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette.

<u>Son/Dau.</u>	<u>Parents</u>	<u>Date</u>
Daughter	Mrs. Wm. Ganett, Momnece	06 Jul 1882
Daughter	Mrs. J. P. Ackerman, Kankakee	14 Jul 1882
Daughter	Mrs. Rodney Brown, Kankakee	14 Jul 1882
Daughter	Mrs. Conrad Falkenhan, Kankakee	06 Jul 1882
Daughter	Mrs. Chris C. Case, Momence	12 Jul 1882
Daughter	Mrs. Philip Faucher, St. Anne	22 Jul 1882
Son	Mrs. B. F. Barker, Momence	24 Jun 1882
Son	Mrs. Samuel B. Harpham, Essex,	04 Jul 1882
Son	Mrs. Henry Offermann, Otto	12 Aug 1882
Son	Mrs. G. Grabenstein, Kankakee	23 Jun 1882
Daughter	Mrs. W. J. Wilson, Sumner	13 Aug 1882
Daughter	Mrs. Ed Donnelly, Essex	(no date)

1882 KANKAKEE COUNTY DEATHS

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette (publication date in parentheses).

(27 Jul 1882) In Momence, of Dropsy, June 6, 1882, Jonathan Fender, aged 83 years, 11 months.

(27 Jul 1882) In Momence, June 25, of acute rheumatism, George Wier, aged 6 years.

(27 Jul 1882) John A. Arthur went to his long rest on Saturday morning, July 22d. Mr. Arthur was born in New Glasgow, Prince Edward's Island, Dec. 25, 1828. He came to Niles, Mich., in 1851 and shortly after moved to Goshen, Ind., where he resided ten years. He then returned to Niles and in 1874 came to Kankakee. At the time of his death, he was proprietor of the European restaurant on East avenue. He leaves a family of six children, the youngest 14 years of age - all of whom were present at the funeral which was held at the Episcopal church at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Phillip's officiating. The remains were then shipped to Buchanan, Mich. The members of the family from abroad were James A. Arthur, Goshen, Ind.; Edward A., of Minneapolis, Minn.; Oliver A., of El Paso, Ill.; his sister, Mary Arthur, of Buchanan, Mich., and his brother James, of Galena, Kansas. Mr. Arthur was a man of integrity and honor - a kind father and respected by his acquaintances. He was a sufferer from Asthma for 30 years which was the immediate cause of his death.

(27 Jul 1882) On Thursday morning, July 22, at half-past twelve o'clock, Mrs. J. H. Shaw breathed her last, after seven weeks of suffering. In her death her husband loses a loving wife and her children a fond mother. Mr. Shaw was summoned to her wife's bedside from the southern part of the State, but arrived too late. The funeral services were held at the house Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Phillips officiating, and attended by a large number of friends. The coffin and rooms were hung with floral emblems, offerings of sympathizing friends. The subject of our sketch was born in Pitchcomb, Gloucestershire, England. In 1854, accompanied by her husband, John Holmes, she came to Kankakee county, where she has since resided. Three children were born to them, two of whom died in infancy, the surviving member, Frank, is now living in Chicago. After the death of her first husband, which occurred in --, she married J. S. Shaw, Dec. 24, 1859. By this union she leaves two children, Ernest and Jessie. During the last illness of their mother Jessie and Ernest have been ever present at her bedside, ministering to her needs with all the tenderness that filial affection could bestow, and with this consolation and a faith in the goodness of Him who doeth all things well, they submit to His decrees.

(03 Aug 1882) In St. Anne, June 25, of brain disease, Ida Servis, aged 11 years.

(03 Aug 1882) In St. Anne, July 1, of remittent fever, Hypolite Corbeile, aged 50 years.

(03 Aug 1882) A son of Fred Kraft, aged 14 years, residing in the vicinity of the brick yards, is in a critical condition with lockjaw, caused by a wound in the hand from the bursting of a blank cartridge. The accident occurred last week Monday and lockjaw set in on Saturday last with the usual accompaniments of rapidity of all the muscles of the body, and paroxysms. Dr. Frasier is attending and he reports the recovery of the boy extremely doubtful. The lad refuses to tell how the accident occurred, and also declines to take medicine. P.S. The boy died yesterday morning.

(03 Aug 1882) The friends of Miss Emma Barton and Mr. D. G. Bean mourn their decease. The announcement of the death of Emma, youngest daughter of Wm. L. Barton, at three o'clock on Thursday morning of last week, in the 24th year of her age, was received with sincere mourning among the young people with whom she had been for several years so closely identified in her friendships. The sad event was not unlooked for, her long illness from typhoid fever serving to prepare her relatives and friends for the announcement. Nevertheless her untimely removal in the early years of womanhood when life seems most full of hope and possibilities, is a blow which time may heal but can never obliterate. She has been an active and popular member of the young social circles of the city, and at home the affection of father, mother and sisters held her in a warm embrace. The funeral on Saturday afternoon at the house was largely attended, Rev. D. S. Phillips, of St. Paul's church, officiating. The floral tributes were unusually numerous and elaborate. The Baker's Dozen, of which society of young ladies the deceased was a member, presented a lyre, nearly three feet high - an elegant and costly offering. A number of young gentlemen contributed a cross and a pillow - the latter with "Emma" picked out in pansies on a white ground. Other offerings nearly as handsome were shown - appropriate tributes to the memory of one whose youth and comeliness were typified in the beauty and fragrance of the

blossoms. At the conclusion of the service the casket was born to the hearse by Messrs. Duff and Will Sherman, Charles Cobb, Ed. Knight, Arthur Swannell and Clarence Hlt. The sympathy of a large circle of friends is extended to the bereaved family.

The death roll is augmented by another name - that of Daniel G. Bean, an old and esteemed citizen of Kankakee, who departed this life on Thursday of last week, at the age of 70 years and 6 months. Mr. Bean was born in Warner, N.H., and at the age of 21 moved to Lowell, Mass., where he worked at his trade of building and contracting. About 1853 he came to Detroit and built the first gang-saw mill in the West. Something over twenty years ago he came to Kankakee as manager of the lumber yard now owned by the Reitz brothers, then owned by Detroit gentlemen. After the sale of the business to the Rietzes, Mr. Bean followed his vocation of architect and builder. Among the monuments of his skill is the railroad bridge at Waldron. He was also a competitor in drawing the plans for the hospital buildings here, this being about the last work he performed his illness commencing soon after. He held the positions of government assessor and deputy United States marshal a few years ago, and for several years represented this district on the republican state central committee. About four years ago he was stricken with paralysis which subsequently resulted in softening of the brain. By his marriage with Demarais Fuller, at Lowell, Mass., in 1831, he had one child, Elbridge, who died in Kankakee about twelve years ago. The funeral on Monday last was largely attended, Rev. Mr. Phillips conducting the services. J. K. Croswell, Wm. Potter, W. T. Gougar, Dr. Ames, A. B. Nichols and Wm. Beebe, of Albany, N.Y., acted as pallbearers. The relatives from abroad were Chas. Bean and wife, of Ionia, Mich., Wilbert Bean, of Detroit and Mrs. McCall, of St. Thomas, Canada. The deceased was a member of the Masonic order. He had many friends among all classes, and his death will occasion regret wherever he was known.

(17 Aug 1882) In Limestone, July 14, 1882, of spinal meningitis, Maude Arnold, aged 20 years 4 months.

(17 Aug 1882) In this city, Aug. 13, of cholera infantum, Mamie Elvena, only child of George and Hattie Babel, aged one year and a half.

(24 Aug 1882) In the hospital, Aug. 1, of brain disease, Joseph M. Augersbach, aged 66 years.

(24 Aug 1882) In the hospital, July 31, of meningitis, Henry Kerstens, aged 28 years.

(24 Aug 1882) Charles Lindsay, known to many of our residents as a former townsman, died last Sunday forenoon at the residence of his son. David J., in Chicago, aged 63 years. The remains were taken to Waukegan for burial. Mr. Lindsay was a man of sterling character, something of a religious enthusiast, and a gentleman of genial qualities. His last visit to Kankakee occurred last spring as one of the praying band who held services in the First M.E. church one Sunday.

COUNTY COURT - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, July 27, 1882.

Final certificate of naturalization issued to Antoine Dumais.

Margaret Feely was adjudged insane and committed to the insane hospital.

Estate Adam Lockie. Bond approved and appraisers appointed.

Estate Caroline Wite. Claims allowed. J. N. Frazer, \$35; W. H. VanPipe, \$22. Claim of Dr. Beels, disallowed.

Letters of guardianship of Minnie Schelock and Philip Wambach issued to Minnie Wambach in bond of \$4000.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 3, 1882.

Estate Philip Wambach. Report of sale of real estate approved. Decree of distribution of property entered.

Estate Zeno Streeter. Wm. Enos, James Barnett and David Sammons appointed appraisers.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 10, 1882.

Estate Frederick Tupper. Administrator's report approved.

Estate J. L. Babi. Same order. Estate John Rapp. Will admitted. Estate Wm. Hammond. Inventory, selection, etc. approved.

Estate J. B. Cyrier. Claim E. Wright for \$8 allowed. Estate John Pastoral. Claim Alex Schiffman for \$71.50 allowed. Estate Frederick Meyer. Claim Peter Hill for \$13.50 allowed.

Estate Christian Wolf. Claim of Wm. Crandall for \$9 allowed. Claim of German Lutheran church disallowed; proof demanded, and set for hearing first day of August term.

Estate Philip Mason. Report approved. Estate Bernard Mullaney. Final report approved and administrator discharged.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 24, 1882.

Estate Lorenzo Jones. Edward W. Dyer appointed administrator in bond of \$13,000. David Greenawalt, A. S. Vail and H. A. Porter appointed appraisers.

Guardianship Mary Kellison. Report of sale approved and deed ordered. Guardianship Ursule, Philip, Fralina and Pierre Brosseau. Report approved.

Estate Caroline Witte. Decree of sale of real estate approved.

Estate Rufus Chadwich. Inventory, appraisalment and widow's selection approved.

Estate Jane Milk. Inventory approved.

Guardianship Michael McGuire. Final report approved and guardian discharged.

Estate Henry Nordmeyer. Will admitted.

EAST OTTO - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, July 27, 1882.

Guy Huckins has a new McCormick binder and is doing up the work with ease and satisfaction. James Barnett has a new Champion combine and thinks they are just perfect.

Miss Fannie Huckins has been sick with brain fever. Mrs. Paitow was on the sick list last week but is around again.

Melvin, son of Alvin Miller, of Chebanse, met with quite an accident on last Sunday. While bathing in

the river he climbed the fence to get a board, and the rail gave way letting him down on a nail, tearing a five inch gash in the front part of his leg half way above the knee.

Wm. Enos, Frank McKee, Charley Johnson and two or three young men from Kankakee will compose the party which is to start for a hunting trip to Michigan in about two weeks.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 10, 1882.

Miss Libbie Blainy closed a very successful term of school in district No. 2 on last Thursday. A good many visitors were present, and they had a large table set and a union dinner which all seemed to enjoy.

Mrs Streeter is visting this week in Buckingham. Miss Addie Taft is quite sick. Frank Fender has returned to Chicago.

BUCKINGHAM - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 24, 1882.

H. Aldrich has returned from an extensive trip through Nebraska and has located in Merrick county. He was well pleased with the country and its prospects, and reports large crops of all kinds.

L. C. Oulmunn was called away to Dakota by a telegram to the effect that his claim would be jumped unless he put in an appearance soon. Mr. O. has located a claim of 120 acres close to Ordway and is bound to hold it. He reports the Norton folks all well and satisfied with their homes.

ST. ANNE - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, July 27, 1882.

Mr. Ganier has bought a new binder. Mr. and Mrs. Paradis start for Winnepeg this morning.

Mr. Austin, station agent at the C. & E.I.R.R. is not able for duty at present.

At the meeting of the St. Anne Musical and Literary society the following officers were elected: L. H. Perry, president; Mr. Faunier, vice-president; D. T. Allard, scretary; Rev. Paradis, treasurer. First meeting August 28th. A pleasant and entertaining programme will be carried out.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 10, 1882.

Mr. Langdoc is very ill at present. Mr. C. Lowe was in town Saturday and purchased a house and lot Mr. C. D. Gammon will commence his house in about a week.

Mr. C. Chiniquy speaks on temperance Sunday evenings. Our town house will soon undergo a few repairs. Mr. Gagnon has the job.

Our school commenced Sept. 1st - Mr. LaFlin teacher at \$40 per month.

LOCAL MISCELLANY - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, July 27, 1882.

Harrison Loring is making some extensive repairs in the house south of his residence on Schuyler avenue. Mr. Emory Cobb is building two large hay barns, one on his farm at the city limits and the other on the creamery farm. C. W. Johnson is tearing down the old Balch warehouse and removing it to the Three I railroad on Bourbonnais street.

The census of the Kankakee Union school district for 1882 is completed and shows the number

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 3, 1882.

Our sympathy is extended to Joe St. Louis and wife who lost their infant son Ralph on the 19th ult.

Alvah Myers' new hay pressing barn, near the Three I depot, is enclosed. It is 60 x 80, and is built with a truss roof which obviates the necessity of posts inside the building. Arch Sinclair is the architect and builder.

Arthur Swannell has ordered a Racine boat, 14 feet long and 28 inches wide. Art says if necessity requires it will accommodate three persons, but it will be constructed on the old principle that "two is company and three is a crowd".

Walter Hatch has again entered the employ of the Western Union's construction department, and the building of the telephone line from Kankakee to the towns along the Southwestern road will be carried on by someone else. The material for the line is here.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 10, 1882.

The family of Mr. Harry Koon will remove to Philadelphia this week where Mr. K. will engage more extensively in the manufacture of his patent medicines.

Father Manning, who is now a confirmed invalid, has recently been alarmingly ill, but has passed through the crisis safely, and is again able to take his buggy rides on pleasant days. Wm. Beebe, whom old residents will remember as a photographer in this city, was in town last week. He now resides in Albany, and is said to be worth \$200,000 or \$300,000, made in real estate.

The condition of M. O. Clark, editor of the Mومence Reporter, is favorable. Unless a relapse occurs he will probably be out in a week or so. His malady is malarial fever (which is so prevalent at Mومence), with other complications of a different nature.

Dr. N. Shepardson, who lived in Kankakee for several years, but is now a resident of Fremont, O., has just lost his second wife whom he had married but a few weeks previous. The doctor's first wife with whom he was living at the time of his residence here, is divorced from him.

John Jackson, the short-hand reporter, who has made the acquaintance of many of our citizens while on duty at our circuit court sessions, has just been married. Not long ago Isaac, his brother and likewise a stenographer on this circuit, entered into double blessedness. Those boys are as near alike as two huckleberries and their wives will have to take extra precautions to keep them sorted out.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 17, 1882.

Mr. Wilcox, father of Mrs. T. H. Stratton and Mrs. D. C. Riker, of Momence, died very suddenly at that place last Sunday morning, at the age of 58 years. He was in his usual health, it is said up to a few moments before his death.

A. H. Farley, of Gardner, has opened a tidy little restaurant in the Orr block, Court street, and is prepared to furnish meals or lunches at all hours. He is an old resident of Kankakee county, a member of the Farley family of Manteno. The name is a sufficient recommendation for the good will of our people.

The friends of Mrs. Lucelia W. Dye, widow of the late Rev. D. W. Dye, of this city, present her name in this week's Gazette as an independent candidate for the office of county superintendent of schools. Samuel B. McLane, of Essex, also announces himself for the same position. George Huckins adds to his announcement for sheriff, "subject to the decision of the republican county convention."

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 24, 1882.

R. J. Hanna has been elected president and R. Lavery clerk of the board of education for the ensuing year.

Lemuel Milk is going his full share in the proposed ornamentation of Mound Grove cemetery. He has ordered a \$1500 granite monument, twenty-two feet high, for the grave of his lately deceased wife.

ROCKVILLE - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, July 27, 1882.

Wesley and Charley Shreffler have purchased a new selfbinding harvester.

Mrs. James Beaver has been very sick the past few days.

Mrs. Thomas Magruder and daughter are visiting relatives at Wolcott, Indiana. Miss Raub has closed her school in district No. 7. Byron Saltsgiver is visiting his parents after five years in the West.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 10, 1882.

George, Johnnie and Irvie Goodwin have gone to Aberdeen, Dakota, where their father has located. The school board in district No. 10 are repairing their school house; a thing much needed. Barney Shreffler has purchased a new steam thresher.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 24, 1882.

Mr. Brayton died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cyrus Grimes, in this township, Aug. 16. He was born in Fowler, St. Lawrence county, NY, Feb. 10, 1837. From his native State he went to serve his country in the late war. He was among the first to respond to the call, serving for three years in the 60th NY regiment. He was severely wounded at the battle of Lookout Mountain, so disabling him as to make his discharge necessary. From his home in New York he went to Minnesota and remained there till the fall of 1865 when he came to Rockville, Ill. For months the disease has rested upon him. On the 18th of Feb. last he went to Dakota, but was soon obliged to return and was permitted to spend his last hours with friends.

ESSEX - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, July 27, 1882.

Quite a number of people from Braceville congregated at Mr. Young's last Thursday evening and gripped the light fantastic. It was a surprise dance. Jno Warrens were surprised in the same way. An enjoyable time was had at both places.

Mr. Sweet, the shoemaker, claims to have all the work he can possibly do. He does his jobs in a workman-like manner, and merits the patronage he is receiving.

Jas. Kriebel has gone to the eye and ear infirmary in Chicago to get his shattered eyes and face doctored. He was getting better when last heard from.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 3, 1882.

The Odd Fellows of Essex had a meeting last Saturday evening in their new hall, to take some steps to prepare for the instituting of a lodge in this place. H. L. White was elected chairman and Ira Lish secretary of the meeting.

There seems to have been an advance in teachers' wages for the coming winter. Lady teachers are asking \$40 per month and gentlemen \$45.

MOMENCE - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 3, 1882.

M. O. Clark, the editor of the *Reporter*, has been very sick for the past ten days with bilious fever. At present writing (Wednesday) he is mending slowly.

The outer walls of Knighthart's new building are nearly completed, and the building makes a fine appearance. The main building is 40 x 60, three stories high, with a two story brick kitchen fifteen feet in length on the east end. The main building is about 42 feet high.

There is considerable sickness in this locality just now, and it is impossible to find out just how they all are. W. W. Parish Sr., and Alfred Farr are both confined to their beds, and four members of Samuel Chamberlain's family have been taken down and are threatened with typhoid fever.

Mr. S. Burchard, a cousin of P. H. Burchard, of Sumner, is on his way home from Europe with 200 head of Dutch Friesian cattle for the Chenango Valley Dutch Friesian Association of New York, of which P.H. will purchase a carload for his herd in Grant Park.

Tony Demac, wiper on the Momence accommodation, on the C. & E.I. was so seriously hurt in coupling the other day that his recovery is doubtful.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 10, 1882.

W. W. Parish, Sr., and his daughter, Mrs. C. H. Bellanger, are recovering from severe attacks of typhoid fever.

While engaged in her household duties, Mrs. S. A. Randall slipped and fell on a wet floor and hurt her hip quite badly. No bones were broken or dislocated, but such a fall to a lady of her age is a painful affair.

The telephone line between Kankakee and Momence has been doing a good business, and has proved a great convenience. The switchboard that was put up at Momence at first was made to accommodate ten instruments, and that number are in use now. The necessary amount has now been subscribed to extend the line from Momence to Grant Park, and work will be commenced on it soon. The greater part of the amount was raised at Grant Park.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 17, 1882.

The following corps of teachers for the Momence Union school has been employed: Miss M. C. Wolcott, principal; Mrs. L. S. Rowell; Mrs. M. M. Younger; Mrs. O. B. Schmall; Miss Florence Dennis; Miss Emma Griffin.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 24, 1882.

E. A. Wickstrom arrived home from his visit to his home in Sweden last Monday night. He was in good health and just as happy as ever.

There is a strong probability that the Momence and Grant Park Methodist Episcopal churches will each have a pastor next year. Momence uniting with Exline and Grant Park with Sherburnville. This speaks well for the development of the work under Elders Hoover and Linn. If it should be divided Elder Hoover expects to go elsewhere.

John Morrison and F. S. Campbell recently bought 1800 acres of land in Pocahontas county, Iowa, for which they paid \$10,000 each.

Mr. Henry Miller is in danger of losing an eye as the result of the explosion of a gun cap, a piece of which imbedded itself in the ball of the eye.

CHEBANSE - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 3, 1882.

A terrible accident occurred about 2 miles north of this place on Wednesday afternoon, the victim, Mr. V. M. Smith, being run over and horribly mangled. How the accident happened no one knows, but it is supposed that in passing from the caboose to the next car he missed his footing and fell between the cars. The first intimation of anything wrong was immediately after he went out, when the conductor felt a slight jarring of the caboose, and upon looking out beheld Smith sitting upon the track signaling the train to back up. He was picked up and brought to this place and placed in the freight depot, where he was attended by Dr. Stebbins, who after an examination telegraphed for Dr. Knott of Kankakee. The wheels passed over both legs below the knees, mangling them in a horrible manner, besides breaking both limbs in several places above the knees. There were several cuts and bruises about the head and three fingers of the right hand were so badly bruised as to render amputation necessary. He was conscious at times until eight o'clock, when he sank into a stupor, in which he remained until he died at 12:45 a.m. His brother from Peoria arrived soon after his death and also his two nieces from Gilman. Mr. Smith was 29 years old, a widower and leaves a little girl eight years of age. His remains were taken to Peoria on Thursday for interment.

Johnny Lamb, one of our Chebanse boys who has been engaged in braking for the Illinois Central, was recently appointed conductor of one of the local freight trains.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 17, 1882.

Hon. Samuel Pickett, member of the Virginia state legislature, is in town visiting at the residence of James Porch, and also his sister, Miss Ann Pickett, of Oshkosh, Wis. Mr. Pickett and Mr. Porch were raised in the same neighborhood and were schoolmates and had not seen each other for nearly twenty years.

Mrs. Fred Schrader has been quite sick during the past week.

Mr. William Enos, in company with several others, left for Escanaba last Friday on their annual hunting and fishing trip.

Mr. Alonzo Babcox and Miss Lizzie Vose were married last Thursday at the residence of the bride's parents in Waukegan, Ill., by the Rev. Mr. Bailey. Both parties are well known by the citizens of this place who extend their hearty congratulations. They will make Chebanse their home.

KANKAKEE COUNTY CHURCHES, CEMETERIES & FUNERAL HOMES

Taken from the Kankakee Sunday Journal, February 12, 2002. The following information was extracted from an article listing length of time each one has been in existence.

Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Kankakee	195 years
First United Methodist Church, Momence	158 years
Mound Grove Gardens of Memory, Kankakee	151 years
Asbury United Methodist Church, Kankakee	149 years
St. Rose Catholic Church, Kankakee	147 years
St. Joseph Catholic Church, Manteno	147 years
First Presbyterian Church of Kankakee	147 years
The Daily Journal, Kankakee	147 years
Assumption Catholic Church in Ashkum	146 years
First Baptist Church, Kankakee	145 years
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Kankakee	143 years
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Kankakee	139 years
Senesac Funeral Homes	137 years
St. John the Baptist Church, L'Erable	136 years
Fedde-Helfrich Chapel, Peotone	135 years
Wesley United Methodist Church, Bradley	112 years
Bradley Evangelical United Methodist Church	109 years
Central Christian Church, Bourbonnais	108 years
Trinity Lutheran Church, Kankakee	105 years
Segur-Knapp Funeral Home	105 years
Provena St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee	105 years
Rehr & Kaiser Funeral Home	102 years
St. Joseph Church, Bradley	98 years
Brown Funeral Home, Manteno	98 years
Hertz-Thoma Chapel, Kankakee	97 years
Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Kankakee	87 years
Schreffler Funeral Homes, Kankakee	84 years

PILOT - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 3, 1882.

Sinclair Inkster and family will start for Cheny, Washington Territory, next Monday. They will be very much missed in this neighborhood.

Miss Richards closed her school in town on Saturday last. The exercise were held in the hall. The youngsters had a jolly time, and it was interesting for those who attended.

Edward Trembly, a young farmer of Pilot township, disappeared the other morning and his friends are still anxiously inquiring as to his whereabouts. He started for an adjacent quarry before breakfast to get a couple of pails of water and has not been seen since. The pails were found on the edge of the quarry, but whether Trembly fell or jumped into the pond, or has taken a notion to change his residence, isn't definitely known.

MANTENO - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, January 5, 1882.

P. Gousset, Fred Ferris and Ernest LeBeau started Tuesday morning for France to be absent about three months. Mrs. Smith starts for Oshkosh, Wis., this week. J. A. Richardson and J. B. Shingle expect to make a trip through the Northwest soon.

Mr. L. Towner , lately with C. P. Skinner, has opened a grocery for himself where he would be pleased to have his friends call. Mr. Towner is a young man of good business qualities and many friends and we look for him having abundant success.

M. R. Peters made extensive additions and repairs to his house and not without effect either. Already a young lady of about 12 pounds or so has taken up her abode there, and from all external appearances expects to make that a permanent stopping place.

Mr. L. LaCount and Miss Clara Beedy were united last Sunday week by Rev. Campbell in the holy bonds of wedlock, that is to say plunged head over tin cup into the sea of matrimony. Several more couples are standing on the brink afraid to dive in. LaCount comforts them by saying it's just all right.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 24, 1882.

The Manteno public school will open next Monday, Prof. Rowell as principal, and Misses Slin, S. Collins, and A. Richardson as assistants. Mr. Rowell is a successful teacher and with his help we look for a prosperous school.

BONFIELD - 1882

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, August 10, 1882.

Mr. John Verkler is building a new barn, size 30x40. Messrs. Chaune Koon and John Snider have returned from sunny Kansas where they report things not being as favorable as most newspaper correspondents would make it. C. W. Johnson is having his grain elevator painted.

RESEARCHING THE FAMILY TREE BEGINS WITH SIMPLE BLOOD TEST

Taken from an article in Capper's by Hannah Wolfson, May 1, 2001.

Genealogical research has always meant days in dusty archives and searches through miles of microfiche and stacks of faded photographs. But soon, history hunters might be able to find out where they're from with a cheek swab and a few hours of gene testing.

Scott Woodward, a microbiology professor at Brigham Young University, in Provo, Utah, is directing a project that combines old-fashioned genealogy with the latest technology. He hopes it will make it easier to fill out family trees. "Each of us carries a history of who we are and how we're related to the whole world," Woodward said. "We're trying to decode that history."

The process begins with the prick of a needle. Volunteers from all over the country, each with a written genealogy that extends back at least to their great-great-grandparents, have given Woodward a few teaspoons of blood during the first year of the project. DNA from the blood is analyzed to create a map of about 250 simple genetic markers.

In the future, a supercomputer will create a matrix of all those genes and the historical data from the donated family trees. Woodward says he'll then be able to focus on any spot in space and time - say, Denmark in 1886 - to identify the genes residents carried. That means future genealogists will be able to submit their own DNA and a query. Because all names are stripped off the blood samples and charts to protect privacy, it is impossible to track specific individuals. But a researcher could ask where his or her great-grandmother was from and Woodward could answer: she was born in Denmark around 1886.

That's an exciting proposition, said Ed Gaulin, president of the Mansota Genealogical Society in Bradenton, FL, which helped organize a recent sampling trip by university researchers to western Florida. "I've been at this genealogy thing since I was a kid and I've seen three major advances in genealogy," said Gaulin, who donated blood himself. "The photocopier was the first, the next was the computer, and the third one is DNA. That's where I put this. It's that important.

At least 11,000 people have donated blood so far, a bit more than the initial one-year goal of 10,000. He figures he needs 100,000 for a solid database, which he could have in three years.

KANKAKEE COUNTY SCHOOL RECORDS

REGISTER OF TEACHERS & OTHER APPLICANTS FOR TEACHER'S LICENSE

Date	Name	Address	Where Educated	Age	Nativity
21 Jul 1900	Eva Holmes	Momence, IL	Momence	24	
21 Jul 1900	Claude G. Sparks	Herscher, IL	Central Normal	25	
21 Jul 1900	Walter H. Bonn	Momence, IL		26	
26 Jul 1900	Alice Cyrier	Bourbonnais, IL	Notre Dame & C. Tr. S.	37	
27 Jul 1900	Ethel Dole	Manteno, IL	Manteno HS Cent. Norl.	21	
28 Jul 1900	Mrs. Margaret Frith	City, K. IL	Kankakee H.S.	30	
28 Jul 1900	Harriet Forman	City, K. IL	"	20	
28 Jul 1900	Josie Bunker	City, K. IL		26	
28 Jul 1900	Ella St. John	Momence, IL	Normal Tr. H.S.	47	

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Where Educated</u>	<u>Age Nativity</u>
28 Jul 1900	Maud Graham	Bradley, IL	Bradley H.S.	17
01 Aug 1900	Isabel Durfee	Kankakee, IL	N.G. H.S.	32 NY
04 Aug 1900	Georgian Lamport	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	18 IL
04 Aug 1900	Nellie H. Dwyer	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	19 IL
04 Aug 1900	Bess McKee	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	18 IL
04 Aug 1900	Leva Furwall?	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee H.S.	18 IL
04 Aug 1900	Jeannette Delay	Kankakee, IL	North Platte Neb. & Chgo	18 IL
04 Aug 1900	Cornelia Muggy	Grant Park, IL	Grant Park	17 IL
04 Aug 1900	Florence Beggs	Clifton, IL	Oley, Marion Normal	20 IL
04 Aug 1900	Jerome Snyder	Bonfield, IL	Valparaiso, Normal (9)	28 IL
04 Aug 1900	Florence Thurston	Manteno, IL	Manteno	20 IL
04 Aug 1900	Narcisse Marcott	Bourbonais, IL	Bourbonnais Col.	19 IL
04 Aug 1900	Walter C. Cheffer	St. Anne, IL	St. Anne	18 IL
07 Aug 1900	Maude Bratton	City K., IL	Kankakee H.S.	19 IL
07 Aug 1900	William Henry	Bonfield & City, IL	Onarga Sem.	33 IL
07 Aug 1900	Nettie B. Clark	Kankakee, IL	H. School	20 IL
07 Aug 1900	Lulu Buhrmester	Kankakee, IL	H. School	18 IL
07 Aug 1900	Olive Hendrix	St. Anne, IL	Elgin H.S. & Chicago Col.	23 IL
07 Aug 1900	Bertha Durham	Momence, IL	H.S. Mo.	20 IL
13 Aug 1900	Anna Livingston	City K., IL	H.S. Kankakee	20 IL
05 Aug 1900	Wm. N. Watters	Clark City, IL	Valpo. Normal	38 IL
08 Aug 1900	Maude Hooker	Wilmington, IL	Wilmington H.S.	19 IL
08 Aug 1900	Herbert Wheeler	Grant Park, IL	Grant Park	17 IL
08 Aug 1900	Laura Devine	Irwin. IL	Washington IL	17 IL
08 Aug 1900	Mabel Groves	Momence, IL	Normal	30 IL
08 Aug 1900	May Lamport	Momence. IL	Momence H.S.	19 IL
24 Aug 1900	Sister St. Luce	Bourbonnais, IL	Canada	35 Canada
24 Aug 1900	Sister St. Joseph	Bourbonnais, IL	Canada	35 Canada
24 Aug 1900	Alvisa Beard	Manteno, IL	Cert. Normal	27 IL
24 Aug 1900	Florence M. Perley	City K., IL	Kankakee H.S.	20 IL
24 Aug 1900	Mrs. Lou Dugan	St. Anne, IL	C. & Valpo.	43 IL
25 Aug 1900	Isabel Bouchard	St. Anne, IL	St. A. & Valpo.	21 IL
25 Aug 1900	Helen Alpiner	St. Anne, IL	State University	22 IL
01 Sep 1900	Cora Nichols	Momence, IL	Momence, Valpo.	33 IL
01 Sep 1900	Lulu Beebe	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee, IL	21 IL
01 Sep 1900	Carrie Nosker	St. Anne, IL	Wisconsin Univ.	25 WI
01 Sep 1900	Seth Shepard	Momence, IL	Valparaiso, IN	28
01 Sep 1900	Thaddeus Legg	Waldron, IL	Valparaiso, IN	31
01 Sep 1900	A. G. Obrecht	Herscher, IL	Valparaiso, IN	24
01 Sep 1900	L. E. Landon Brown	St. Anne, IL	Wisconsin Univ.	30
01 Sep 1900	Louis Heller	Momence, IL	Ind. Normal	27
01 Sep 1900	Sarah J. Porter	Chebanse, IL	Ind. & Cent. Normal	36
01 Sep 1900	Ella Lish	Clark City, IL	H. School	43
01 Sep 1900	Marie Rafferty	Essex, IL	Ind. Normal	35
01 Sep 1900	Mabel Peterson	Wilmington, IL	H. School	21
01 Sep 1900	Ethel Nichols	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	23
01 Sep 1900	F. N. Tracy	City, IL	College	50
01 Sep 1900	Anna Johnson	Lowell, IN	Ind. Normal	22
01 Sep 1900	Mary A. Hargreaves	City	Ind. Normal	30

01 Sep 1900 S. D. Saltzgiver	Deselm, IL	Ind. Normal	39
01 Sep 1900 Clara Doyle	St. Anne, IL	"	20
01 Sep 1900 Nettie Sykes	Chebanse, IL	High School	29
01 Sep 1900 Bertha Shreffler	Deselm, IL	Cent. Normal	22
04 Sep 1900 Julia Ryder	St. Anne, IL	Wisconsin Univ.	26 WI
04 Sep 1900 Francis Childs	City, IL	High School	22
04 Sep 1900 John Wilson	Momence, IL	High School Valpo.	18 WI
04 Sep 1900 Margaret Miller	Manteno, IL	Cent. Normal	29
04 Sep 1900 Calista Prince	City, IL	H.S. & Chicago	31
04 Sep 1900 Agnes Lockie	City, IL	H.S. Manteno	27
08 Sep 1900 Ruby Williams	City, IL	H.S. Watseka & West. Col.	26
08 Sep 1900 Libbie Houghton	Union Hill, IL	Indiana Normal	31
12 Sep 1900 Alivia Lesage	St. George, IL	"	24
15 Sep 1900 Ruby Spicer	City, IL	"	31
15 Sep 1900 Marion Higgins	City, IL	H. School	37
15 Sep 1900 Nannette Linden	City, IL	H. School	21
15 Sep 1900 Daizy Anderick	City, IL	Waukegan H.S. Cook Co.	20
15 Sep 1900 Clara Hohen	City, IL	H. School	18 IN
15 Sep 1900 Wm. Amos Bourne	City, IL	Univ. IN	31 IN
15 Sep 1900 Kathryn Devine	Chebanse, IL	St. Joseph's A.	18
15 Sep 1900 Nelly Devine	Chebanse, IL		25
17 Sep 1900 Pearl Howell	City, IL	Univ. Of Michigan	28
17 Sep 1900 Mary Marlatt	City, IL	College D? Univ.	31
15 Sep 1900 Matis E. Bloom	City, IL		IL
15 Sep 1900 Katharine Kenaga	City, IL	Kan H.S. & Lk. Forest	IL
22 Sep 1900 Geo. Jackson	City, IL		IL
22 Sep 1900 Jennie Clute	City, IL	H.S. St. Norl Univ. Mich.	32
22 Sep 1900 Gertrude Freeman	Momence, IL		22
22 Sep 1900 Bertha Lamb	Momence, IL		26
22 Sep 1900 Peninnah Hess	Momence, IL	Valparaiso Norm.	20
22 Sep 1900 T. Emma Griffin	Momence, IL		42
22 Sep 1900 Carrie E. Gray	Bonfield, IL		24
06 Oct 1900 Margaret Rose	Kankakee, IL	New York	62 NY
12 Oct 1900 Mabel Green	Manteno, IL	Normal	25
07 Oct 1900 Nellie Durham	City, IL	H.S. City	21 IL
18 Oct 1900 Mrs. Howard Drayer	Manteno, IL	Valpo	24 IL
18 Oct 1900 Marie Laroche	Bourbonnais, IL	Acadmey	25 IL
18 Oct 1900 Clara Peterson	Buickingham, IL	Village School	22 IL
20 Oct 1900 Ada Hertz	Bonfield, IL	Kankakee H.S.	20 IL
27 Oct 1900 Alden Brown	Buckingham, IL	Onarga Sem.	22 IL
03 Nov 1900 Louella Ellsworth	Kankakee, IL	Ind. Normal	20 IL
03 Nov 1900 Emma Brock	Irwin, IL	Ind. Normal	28 IL
03 Nov 1900 Fred Sunderman	Lowell, Ind.	Ind. Normal	34 IN
03 Nov 1900 Olive Slainau?	Bonfield, IL	Ind. Normal	26 IL
03 Nov 1900 Geo. L. Caldwell	City, IL	Ind. Normal	33 Canada
03 Nov 1900 Ida LeBrun	Bourbonnais, IL	Academy	21 IL
08 Nov 1900 Maggie McGovern	Wilton or Symerton	Cent. Normal	23 IL
08 Nov 1900 Eva F. Fellingham	Verona, IL	Normal	23 IL
09 Nov 1900 Lillian Catterlin	St. Anne, IL	Western Iowa C.B.	22 IL
12 Nov 1900 Meda Snyder	Buckingham, IL	Onarga Sem.	32 IL
15 Nov 1900 Jessie Gordon	Bourbonnais, IL		20 IL

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Where Educated</u>	<u>Age Nativity</u>
15 Nov 1900	Carrie M. Griffin	Grant Park, IL		IL
15 Nov 1900	Lois Chester	Bonfield, IL		21 IL
17 Nov 1900	J. V. Gilborne	Herscher, IL		28 IL
17 Nov 1900	Frank Schow	Carrow, IL		29 IL
18 Nov 1900	Fabianna Gibault	Momence, IL	Mo. St. School	18 IL
26 Nov 1900	Attia Vickery	Waldron, IL	Valpo.	21 IL
26 Nov 1900	Emma Cochran	Exline, IL	Valpo.	19 IL
26 Nov 1900	Geo. Hawker	Salina, IL	Normal	34 IL
01 Dec 1900	Alma E. Deslauriers	St. George, IL	St. Joseph's Acad.	17 IL
01 Dec 1900	Clark Simpson	Cabery, IL	H.S. & Cent. St. Normal	19 IL
01 Dec 1900	J. W. Butcher	Buckingham, IL	Ind. H.S. Nor. & Univ.	39 IL
01 Dec 1900	Flora C. Clover	Union Hill, IL	Univ. & Normal	47 IL
08 Dec 1900	Margaret F. Essex	Grenadam Miss.	H.S. Momence	33 IL
10 Dec 1900	C.E. Smith	Union Hill, IL	Cent. Normal	21 IL
15 Dec 1900	Mina Amidon	Herscher, IL	Dist. School	17 IL
01 Jan 1901	D. M. Jones	Kankakee, IL	Normal	42
05 Jan 1901	Jeminie Stocksdales	Manteno, IL	Manteno St. S.	19 IL
05 Jan 1901	Margaret Armitage	Buckingham, IL	Buckingham	14 IL
05 Jan 1901	Mina C. Langley	Buckingham, IL	Buckingham	16 IL
05 Jan 1901	Belle Rice	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	18 IL
05 Jan 1901	Tilda Langlois	Manteno, IL	Manteno	21 IL
13 Jan 1901	Laura Hasemeyer	Essex, IL	Essex & Norm.	20 IL
12 Jan 1901	Hannah Moat	Manteno, IL	Valpo. Normal	26 IL
19 Jan 1901	Effa Grinnell	City, IL	Kankakee H.S.	25 IL
19 Jan 1901	Cora L. Wheeler	Grant Park, IL	Valparaiso Normal	27 IL
19 Jan 1901	Grace Bartlet	Herscher, IL	Herscher	17 IL
19 Jan 1901	Nellie Buckley	Buckingham, IL	Buckingham	17 IL
16 Jan 1901	Henry Christman	City, IL	Kankakee H.S.	31 IL
20 Jan 1901	Ellen M. Murphy	Chebanse, IL	Chebanse	25 IL
01 Feb 1901	Anna McGivney	Chebanse, IL	Chebanse H.S.	28 IL
01 Feb 1901	Edith Muzzy	Grant Park, IL	Onarga	IL
12 Feb 1901	Marie McDonald	Cabery, IL	Country & Cabery	17 IL
14 Feb 1901	Evelyn M. Jones	Chebanse, IL	Chebanse H.S.	20 IL
14 Feb 1901	Nettie Vroom	Deselm, IL	Deselm & Normal	23 IL
16 Feb 1901	Susie M. Poorbaugh	City, IL	St. Joseph's	19 IL
16 Feb 1901	Dorothy Juneau	Chebanse, IL	H.S. Chebanse	20 IL
23 Feb 1901	Ada Bowman	Cabery, IL	St. Normal	28 IL
23 Feb 1901	Mary Bukowsky	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	26 IL
23 Feb 1901	Flora Hendrix	Buckingham, IL	Valparaiso	23 IL
26 Feb 1901	Anna K. D. Essington	Cabery, IL	Normal, Ind.	30 IL
26 Feb 1901	Mabel Amidon	Herscher, IL	Onarga Sem.	19 IL
02 Mar 1901	Maggie Mulligan	Essex, IL		32 IL
02 Mar 1901	L. A. Mulligan	Essex, IL		29 IL
02 Mar 1901	Bridget Mulligan	Essex, IL		37 IL
02 Mar 1901	Anna Chapman	Grant Park, IL	Normal	24 IL
02 Mar 1901	Keith G. Morris	Momence, IL	Rantoul H.S. & Valpo.	22 IL
02 Mar 1901	Benj. J. Voigt	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee & N.W. Col.	20 IL
02 Mar 1901	Mabel M. Krouse	Onarga, IL	Onarga Sem.	18 IL

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Where Educated</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Nativity</u>
09 Mar 1901	Ruby Bratton	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee, IL	31	IL
11 Mar 1901	Bertha Soucie	Bonfield, IL	Bonfield, IL	23	IL
11 Mar 1901	Mattie Baechler	Momence, IL	Valparaiso	23	IL
15 Mar 1901	Agnes McCabe	Essex, IL	Cabery & Cent. Normal	20	IL
15 Mar 1901	Mary Wilson	Grant Park, IL		20	IL
16 Mar 1901	Grace McLeran	Bradley, IL	Onarga & Eureka	20	IL
16 Mar 1901	Mayme Hammond	Chebanse, IL	Village, D.	17	IL
16 Mar 1901	Martha Herscher	Herscher, IL	N.O.H. & Normal 1 term	18	IL
16 Mar 1901	Jeny Laneau	Tucker, IL		25	IL
16 Mar 1901	Maud J. Smith	Sollitt, IL	Valpo.	26	IL
05 Mar 1901	Kate White	Essex, IL	Essex Cent. Norm.	19	IL
19 Mar 1901	Maggie Riley	Manteno, IL	Esse. Valpo.	31	IL
25 Mar 1901	Clara Law	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	19	IL
25 Mar 1901	Katie Shannon	Waldrom, IL	Valpo.	29	IL
25 Mar 1901	Edith Warfel	Bradley, IL		30	
01 Apr 1901	Louella Lee	Essex, IL	Valparaiso Normal	23	IL
03 Apr 1901	Ethel S. Stonerock	Cabery, IL	Elwood H.S. Grad.	17	IL
04 Apr 1901	Cora M. Dean	Essex, IL	Normal	21	IL
06 Apr 1901	Maud A. Leach	Custer Park, IL	KKK HS & Dwight Ottawa, P. College	19	IL
06 Apr 1901	Oliver Peterson	Herscher, IL	Dist. 5 Norton	21	IL
06 Apr 1901	Cora Brown	St. Anne, IL	St. Anne 10th Gr.	18	IL
06 Apr 1901	Bernard C. Grimes	Manteno, IL	Onarga Seminary	18	IL
06 Apr 1901	Mayme F. Brand	Salina, IL	North Western	24	IL
06 Apr 1901	Alice A. Lord	Manteno, IL	Manteno HS & St. Geo.	18	IL
06 Apr 1901	Ella Buck	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee H.S. (3)	18	IL
06 Apr 1901	Isabel K. Kavanney	Bradley, IL	Bradley H.S. N.D. Sem.	19	IL
06 Apr 1901	Olive Lesage	St. George, IL	Valparaiso Normal	25	IL
06 Apr 1901	Frank L. Carloss	Manteno, IL	Valparaiso Normal	21	IL
09 Apr 1901	Kate Calaghan	Essex, IL	Essex	22	IL
13 Apr 1901	Gertrude Holmes	Momence, IL	Momence & Valpo.	27	IL
20 Apr 1901	Clara Tobey	Herscher, IL	Cert. Normal	24	IL
23 Apr 1901	Hattie M. Gibson	Momence, IL	Momence H.S. Valpo.	22	IL
24 Apr 1901	Mabel Beardsley	Buckingham, IL	Valparaiso	24	IL
29 Apr 1901	Anna Wiltse	Momence, IL	Valparaiso	22	IL
28 Apr 1901	Maggie Relley	Manteno, IL	Valparaiso	31	IL
13 Apr 1901	Maud Nichols	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	30	IL
02 May 1901	Mabel Good	Bonfield, IL	Onarga	19	
02 May 1901	Ella Smith	Essex, IL	Chicago	28	
06 May 1901	Amy Greenwalt	Momence, IL	Valparaiso	23	
08 May 1901	Mae Scroggins	Essex, IL	Valparaiso & Essex	25	
08 May 1901	Isabel Bouchard	St. Anne, IL	St. Anne, Valpo.	22	
08 May 1901	John Bouchard	St. Anne, IL		23	
08 May 1901	Ida Bouchard	St. Anne, IL	"	17	
08 May 1901	Petronilla Knittel	Chebanse, IL	Chebanse H.S.	18	
08 May 1901	De Etta Beck	Chebanse, IL		19	
08 May 1901	Bertha Gilkerson	Peotone, IL	Valparaiso	18	
08 May 1901	Mary E. Joyce	Braidwood, IL	Cent. Normal H.S.	20	
08 May 1901	Harry Benjamin	St. Anne, IL	St. A. Village S.	18	

Date	Name	Address	Where Educated	Age	Nativity
08 May 1901	Elsie Jackson	Peotone, IL	Manteno & Onarga	18	
08 May 1901	Maria Kennedy	Symerton, IL	Joliet H.S.	28	
08 May 1901	Rose Cruse	Kankakee, IL		19	
10 May 1901	Geo. C. Guthrie	Hopkins Park, IL	Valpo. O.	25	
11 May 1901	Nellie Peterson	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee H.S.	?	IL
18 May 1901	Fred Mann	?		?	
18 May 1901	May Calkins	Deselm, IL	Valpo. & Deselm	21?	
25 May 1901	Anna Davis	St. Anne, IL	Valpo. & St. Anne	20	IL
25 May 1901	Sister Francis	St. George, IL	Canada	40	Canada
25 May 1901	Gertrude Devine	Irwin, IL	St. J. Academy	18	IL
25 May 1901	Minnie Cota	St. Anne, IL	St. Anne P.S.	20	IL
01 Jun 1901	Elsie Beauregard	Manteno, IL	Manteno H.S.	18	IL
01 Jun 1901	Mayme Hammond	Chebanse, IL	Chebanse H.S.	17	IL
01 Jun 1901	Linnie A. Brown	Manteno, IL	Manteno H.S.	17	IL
01 Jun 1901	Bertha A. Anderson	Herschler, IL	Herschler H.S.	18	IL
01 Jun 1901	Ethel A. Blaney	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee H.S.	19	IL
01 Jun 1901	Florence V. Tanner	Custer Park, IL	Custer C.S.	18	IL
01 Jun 1901	Alma E. Deslauriers	St. George, IL	St. Joseph A.	17	IL
07 Jun 1901	Johanna Horau	Chebanse, IL	H.S. Cvheb. & City	21	IL
07 Jun 1901	Ida Barrie	Kankakee, IL	Ind. Normal	28	IL
08 Jun 1901	Tillie Baechler	Momence, IL		21	IL
08 Jun 1901	Tyler Cox	Bradley, IL	Cent. Normal	28	IL
09 Jun 1901	Mabel Gibbs	Manteno, IL	H.S. City	24	IL
09 Jun 1901	Katie O'Malley	Manteno, IL		34	IL
15 Jun 1901	Mabel Franckeo	Wichert, IL		20	IL
15 Jun 1901	Ada Joyce	Essex, IL	Dist. School	18	IL
15 Jun 1901	Addie Hunter	Chebanse, IL		29	IL
20 Jun 1901	Phyllis Cox	Bradley, IL	Cent. Normal	25	IL
20 Jun 1901	Mayme Biggs	Clifton, IL		19	IL
20 Jun 1901	Nellie Parsons	Buckingham, IL		21	IL
22 Jun 1901	Ida Babin	City	Ind. Normal & Academy	39	IL
22 Jun 1901	John R. McKinney	Herschler, IL	Cent. Normal	25	IL
22 Jun 1901	Junia? M. Johnson	Crete, IL		20	IL
24 Jun 1901	Rosa Riley	City, IL		34	IL
27 Jun 1901	Carrie Rantz	Bourbonnais, IL		24	IL
27 Jun 1901	May Simonds	Momence, IL	H.S. Momence	25	IL
27 Jun 1901	Bertha Jorgenson	Peotone, IL	Ind. Normal	24	IL
01 Jul 1901	John Bouchard	St. Anne, IL	St. A. & Ind. Normal	23	IL
01 Jul 1901	Lena Tinwall	City, IL	H.S. City	19	IL
06 Jul 1901	Anna D. Voigt	City, IL	H.S. City/Dupage	19	IL
06 Jul 1901	Amelia M. Schmid	City, IL	H.S. City	18	Missouri
06 Jul 1901	Margaret Cregau	City, IL	H.S. City	19	IL
06 Jul 1901	Lilly A. Harup	City, IL		20	IL
06 Jul 1901	Amanda Brenker	Beecher, IL	N. Ind. Normal	26	IL
06 Jul 1901	Bossie May Legg	Cilty, IL	H.S. City	18	IL
06 Jul 1901	Martin E. Evans	Chebanse, IL	H.S. Chebanse	18	IL
06 Jul 1901	Maud Dunkleberg	Herschler, IL	H.S. Galva & I.G. Ioa.	19	Iowa
06 Jul 1901	May B. Craine	City, IL	H.S. City	18	IL
06 Jul 1901	Mae Bell	Peotone, IL	H.S. Peotone	18	Iowa

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06 Jul 1901	O. Mary Burchard	Grant Park, IL	H.S. Momence	17 IL
06 Jul 1901	Josie V. Dwyer	Momence, IL	H.S. Momence	17 IN
06 Jul 1901	L. Ethel Weaver	Momence, IL	H.S. Momence	19 IN
06 Jul 1901	Alma O. Drayer	Momence, IL	H.S. Momence	17 IL
06 Jul 1901	Geo. N. Porter	Momence, IL		20 IL
10 Jul 1901	Laura Clouatre	Manteno, IL	H.S. Manteno	21 IL
10 Jul 1901	Lillie Havens	City, IL	H.S. City	27 IL
15 Jul 1901	Lulu Buhrmester	City, IL	H.S. City	19 IL
06 Jul 1901	Edith Delay	City, IL	Kankakee H.S.	22 IL
17 Jul 1901	Bessie Tanner	Wilmington, IL	Wilmington	23 IL
20 Jul 1901	Ruth Barnett	Chebanse, IL	Chebanse H.S.	19 IL
20 Jul 1901	Lottie Bartow	Buckingham, IL	Gardner H.S.	20 IL
20 Jul 1901	Winifred Snyder	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee H.S.	21 IL
23 Jul 1901	Abbie Van Wert	Kankakee, IL		20 IL
23 Jul 1901	Mae I. VanKuren	Kankakee, IL		20 IL
26 Jul 1901	May Lansport	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	20 IL
26 Jul 1901	Leona Garrett	Momence, IL		19 IL
26 Jul 1901	Alice Cyrier	Bourbonnais, IL	Normal H.S.	31 IL
26 Jul 1901	Anna Peck	Kankakee, IL	Kankakee H.S.	32 IL
29 Jul 1901	Lora E. Taylor	Kankakee, IL		18 IL
24 Jul 1901	Eva Holmes	Momence, IL	Momence H.S.	25 IL

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HOW WILD WAS THE OLD WEST

Taken from the TV Guide with information by Louis L'Amour.

Between 1865 and 1892, the U.S. Army fought 823 battles with hostile Indians and 149 battles in one year - 1867. This says nothing about the many skirmishes fought by Indians and civilians.

Judge Isaac Parker, the so-called Hanging Judge, who was appointed to clean up the outlaws in the Indian Territory, had at one time or another 200 marshals serving his court. In the period from 1865 to 1891, 65 of those marshals were killed in the line of duty. Considering the fact that these marshals were selected because of their skill at tracking as well as with guns, that is an extremely high casualty rate.

Historian Peter Hertzog listed 539 known desperadoes operating in New Mexico in the years 1865 to 1890. This was an incomplete list and of course these desperadoes did not confine themselves to New Mexico. Many of them were also known in Texas and Arizona.

Passengers traveling west from St. Louis in the earliest days of stage travel paid \$200 for the trip to California, a 24-day journey, and were advised to provide themselves with a Sharps rifle and 100 rounds of ammunition.

Author Neill Wilson reports that in one stretch of 14 years there were 347 robberies or attempted robberies of Wells Fargo stages, and two guards were killed as well as four drivers. Sixteen robbers were killed and seven more hanged by citizens in favor of immediate justice. To add to the general

unhappiness of the outlaws, 240 of them were convicted and sent to prison.

The pioneers brought civilization with them, and although a saloon or a store was usually built first, a church and a school were not far behind. In the wild mining boom camps of Tombstone and Deadwood there were also sewing circles, box socials, camp meetings, theaters and dances. The shootings usually took place in the so-called red-light district among the brothels and saloons. The men and women who came West were usually strong individualists, perfectly capable of handling their own affairs. It was not the custom to ask for help, although the spirit of cooperation was everywhere. There was no telephone with which to call the law or warn of an Indian attack. The settler had to handle such things himself and on the spot.

Guns were an accepted way of settling disputes. This was held over from the old Code Duello, which grew out of trial by combat and the belief that if two men fought to settle a problem, God would ensure a victory for the right man. It is often said the weapons of the time were not accurate. I could list a lot of dead men who wish that had been true. Great accuracy was possible, as demonstrated by such men as Maj. Frank North, leader of the Pawnee Battalion Indian scouts and one of the finest pistol shots in the West.

There were range wars in a dozen states, for the men who settle a wild country are inclined to administer justice over the sights of a Winchester. John Slaughter was a cattleman, Doc Holliday a dentist, Temple Houston a lawyer; and Wild Bill Hickok's family had once been tenant farmers for William Shakespeare.

Yes the West was wild, wilder than most are able to believe, but those who came first opened a wide land for those who would follow, and over the grasslands where the buffalo roamed there are universities now and hospitals and jet trails in the sky.

KVGS MEETINGS & NEWS

Upcoming Meetings:

May 10, 2003	Video "How to Research Your Family History"
June 14, 2003	Cemetery Walk - Elmwood Cemetery in Manteno
August 9, 2003	Picnic/Restaurant - possible cemetery recheck
Sep.13, 2003	"Naming Patterns" by Marcia Stang
Oct. 11, 2003	"Are Your Ancestors on the Internet" by Brother Joseph Martin
Nov. 8, 2003	"Move over, Harry Potter: A Child 1893 September" by Sandra Luebking
Dec. 13, 2003	Christmas Lunch

You may notice that the May and June programs have been switched. This is due to the fact that we need to make a decision at the May meeting whether we will move our collection to the Kankakee Public Library at the time they move into the Executive Center. Needless to say there are advantages and disadvantages so we hope to see as many members as possible at this meeting. The time schedule for this move is October, 2003, with the facility opening in November.

The society extends a big thanks to Norma Meier for donating a copy of the *St. Peter Catholic Church, Clifton, Illinois, Births and Marriages 1869-1919* which she just finished compiling. Thanks also to Harold Milling, who donated copies of *The Palatine Immigrant 1993-97*, *American/Schleswig-Holstein Heritage Society Newsletter 1993-97*, and *Palatines to America 1994-97*. Thanks also to Eilene Tallman who donated conference brochures, KVGS, state and national quarterlies. The following books were donated to the society by Robert Orville Barney *The Ancestry & 1,865 Descendants of Louis Bernier* and *244 Descendants of Peter Johnson*.

The society has purchased *The Cemeteries of Will County, Illinois, No. 7 - St. Dennis & Calvary Cemeteries, Lockport, Illinois* (book), St. Mary's Catholic Church of Beaverville Records (CD), 1923 & 1924 Kankakee High School Annuals, and 1952, 1961, 1962 and 1963 St. Patrick's High School Annuals.

Mary Price Aubertin has translated the French genealogy book "La Genealogie de la Famille Savoie (Origine Acadienne)" by Caroline Hamelin, published in Montreal, Quebec, in 1912. She has generously donated a copy of her translation to our collection. Anyone interested in a copy of the book (cost is \$10 including postage) should write to her at 103 S. Dixon Ave., Carbondale, IL 62901.

Received an e-mail via Dorothy Riegel with the following information that appeared in the 24 Sep 1910 Stevens Point Journal, Stevens Point, Wisconsin. "Mr. & Mrs. G. Blevins and daughter arrived from Kankakee, Ill., Tuesday. They will remain during the winter at the home of Mr. & Mrs. G. Hoffman, parents of Mrs. Blevins."

The following was submitted by member Marguerite "Peg" Paschke (mpaschke21@yahoo.com) to her friends at KVGS: "They say it takes a minute to find a special person, an hour to appreciate them, a day to love them, but then an entire life to forget them."

"Send this phrase to the people you'll never forget and remember to send it also to the person who sent it to you. It's a short message to let them know that you'll never forget them. If you don't send it to anyone, it means you're in a hurry and that you've forgotten your friends. Take the time to live. Distance and time may separate us but friendship and memories won't."

The following was submitted by member Nelda Ravens. I applaud her for the ambitiousness of this list and I congratulate her on the fact that she's already accomplished several of these resolutions.

My Genealogical New Year's Resolutions

I firmly resolve in 2003 to do my best (but not necessarily in this order):

1. To visit one of the local genealogical libraries at least once a week - look over new acquisitions.
2. To read at least two helpful source magazines or quarterlies per month. One of my favorites is the French-American Quarterly out of Rhode Island (lots of French-Canadian histories).

3. To read the quarterlies from at least two of our neighboring counties (you would be very surprised by what you learn).
4. Visit the Probate Division at the local courthouse. Start copying the index to the early files. (Let our President know so she can coordinate schedules in case anyone else wants to help.)
5. To finish indexing our members' files and to enter those indices into the cross-reference database I previously started.
6. Get another list started as to which member's ancestor charts need to be published in our next Ancestor Book (#5).
7. Contact another old church about copying and preserving their records.
8. Many of the Family Histories we have in our library are not indexed. Try to index at least one.
9. Make time to go through more of the Family Tree Maker disks.
10. Make plans to attend at least one seminar this year. Even if I can't make it, I can hope for next year. I always learn at least one thing and the sources that are available are fantastic.
11. Research and plan trip to a family's ancestral home. (If still there, get pictures.)
12. Go back over my records - make sure EVERYTHING IS DOCUMENTED!
13. Start research on another line or two.
14. Answer all my correspondence in a faster amount of time (No more excuses - this new year has to be better than last year.)
15. Learn more about this computer. (I still feel s00000 DUMB!!!)
16. Pay my dues to my local society. They exchange quarterlies with over fifty other societies for my (and your) benefit and keep up with all the latest disks from Family Tree Maker.
17. GET ORGANIZED. (If I don't follow through on any of the above, I really will try to do at least this one.)

Art Bertrand has donated a quilt made by his grandmother, Mrs. William (Mary Ellen Ball) Blessing. Mrs. Blessing made the quilt during the late years of her retirement around 1965. She died in 1970 at the age of 78 in San Diego, CA, where she was living with her daughter, Art's mother. Mrs. Blessing was born in 1892 in West Virginia and traveled with her family by covered wagon to Bloomington, Illinois, where she eventually met her husband who had traveled from Tennessee where he was born and raised. They moved to Chicago and then to Kankakee where they both worked at the Joliet Penitentiary. The society will be selling raffle tickets on this quilt and the winning ticket will be drawn at the Christmas lunch on December 13. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5.00 and we'll ship the quilt free to any out-of-town member who purchases the winning ticket.

October 7, 1905. The grief occasioned by this unexpected event was by no means confined to the parish of St. Patrick's, Kankakee, of which Rev. Aylward had been pastor for two years, ten months and six days. It was felt by all classes throughout the city, for his great heart and exceptional intellect knew no boundaries, either of creed or country.

During his comparatively brief occupancy of the Kankakee pastorate, Rev. Aylward added to a reputation already established for great and disinterested usefulness. He had won national renown as a pulpit orator, his sermons being couched in language which charmed the ear while it appealed to the highest reason of his listeners. His originality of thought and deep research upon many subjects of imperishable interest to the human race, created a wide demand for his services as lecturer and speaker. He would have adorned and dignified any pastorate, just as he lent authority and power to every occasion in which he participated. His education and life preparation were excellent. Born in bleak Nova Scotia, at Halifax, September 14, 1865, he was by nature and inclination a son of the church, and of such brilliant promise that his training was entrusted to the Jesuit Fathers, the most scholarly and powerful of the great church orders at the Grand Seminary of St. Sulpice, Montreal. Ordained to the priesthood in 1890, he served three years as assistant pastor of the church of the Nativity, Thirty-seventh street and Union avenue, Chicago, after which he was assigned to St. Bernard's church, Stewart avenue and Sixty-sixth street, Englewood, Illinois. At St. Bernard's the ability of Father Aylward was brought into full and conspicuous action, his fine personality and wealth of kindness and sympathy giving him a place in the hearts of all in his congregation. He strengthened the finances of the church, established renewed interest in its societies and outlets for good, and raised the standard of the parish.

When Rev. Aylward was promoted to the larger field of activity in Kankakee. January 1903, the congregation of St. Bernard's voiced a unanimous and profound regret. During a comparatively short span of years his leadership had become supreme, his people's faith in his good judgment and good faith unquestioned. The Daily Sun said in its columns: "He leaves St. Bernard's parish with the best

wishes of the entire congregation, and his untiring energy and zealous endeavor are sure to make him loved by his new flock." Father Aylward lived to see the society of St. Patrick's increased to one hundred and fifty families. He brought to its up building a remarkable zeal and disinterestedness. The floating debt was entirely lifted, and the loan largely reduced. St. Patrick's now ranks as one of the finest ecclesiastical edifices in the state, its altars and statuary having been Improved and beautified, and electrical lighting installed. One of the noble churchman's most ambitious dreams was a parochial school, which, under another's leadership, will in the future doubtless be realized. The plans have been drawn by one of the foremost architects of Chicago, and when the building is completed, will supply one of the most- modern, convenient, beautiful and well-equipped schools of the kind in the state.

Other than as the passing of this truly noble man laid the heaviness of loss upon human hearts, his death should not be regretted. Each day witnessed the completion, as far as lay in his power, of the tasks assigned him. He did all things well, and in perfect order. Thus in its quality his life work was completed. A Power higher than he measured the extent of his sojourn. His silvery, poetic eloquence voiced eternal truths, and pointed the way to practical, useful citizenship. He had the heart of the ages, the smile of a little child, and the purpose of one inspired to do his Master's work. To all whom he met upon the great highway of life he imparted something of strength and gentleness and tenderness which uplifted his own existence into luminous and imperishable outline.

BABST, LAWRENCE; dealer in hardware and vice-president of the City National Bank, of Kankakee, is one of the leading merchants of the city. He is the oldest representative in his line of business, having been ever thirty-five years engaged in the sale of hardware in one location, and has the largest trade in that branch of business in Kankakee. He has, by industry and sterling integrity, placed himself in a comfortable position, financially, and is

counted among the best of the mercantile houses here.

Mr. Babst is a native of DuPage county, Ill., born Feb. 8, 1849. His parents, Alois and Elizabeth (Henry) Babst came to America from Alsace-Lorraine, France, where they were born in 1848, and settled at Naperville, in the above county. The father was a cabinet maker by trade and engaged in the furniture business, making all the goods he sold by hand. In 1857 the family removed to Kankakee and the father carried on the same business here, until his death, which took place December 20, 1884, when he was about sixty-five years old; his wife died April 24, 1873.

Lawrence Babst received his education in the schools of Naperville and Kankakee, supplementing it by a course at the Woodruff Academy. At the age of fifteen he commenced to learn the trade of tinner and served an apprenticeship in that business.

He followed this for some years, but in 1869 entered upon the hardware trade, which he has followed ever since in the same location. He has other business interests in the city, chief among which is his connection with the City National Bank, of which he is a director and vice-president.

The marriage of Mr. Babst occurred October 24, 1871, on which occasion Miss Josephine Bott became his wife. She is the daughter of Joseph and Barbara (Weber) Bott, and was born in the city of Kankakee. They have two children: Laura, wife of Frank O. Savoie, of Kankakee, a graduate of St. Joseph Seminary, Kankakee; and William C. The latter is a native of Kankakee and was educated in the schools of his native city, at Bourbonnais, and at St. Mary's. Kansas, and is associated with his father in business.

Mr. Babst is a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters and Knights of Columbus, and in political faith a democrat. He has served nine years in the city council, and two terms on the Board of Education, and has taken a deep interest in all public affairs. He was prominent in the laying out of Bradley, and in the manufacturing interests installed there, and has been an important factor in all that tends to the upbuilding of the city. His life has typified the spirit of the age, the spirit of American progress and advancement. Success came to him as the natural consequence of industry and application, and his splendid pros-

perity bears testimony to his rare judgment in business affairs.

BAECHLER, ANDREW—During his six years of residence in Momence township, Andrew Baechler has demonstrated the possession of useful capabilities as a farmer and excellent qualities as a citizen. Inheriting the adaptive and resourceful traits of both German and French ancestry, he was born in the then disputed province of Alsace, August 29, 1828, a son of Andrew and Anna (Rupp) Baechler, the former of whom was born in Lorraine, France, in 1798, and the latter in 1800. The parents were married about 1821, and forthwith set up independent housekeeping in Lorraine, which now, added to Alsace, comprises a part of the German empire. Coming to the United States in 1854, the family settled in Tazewell county, Illinois, and after three years of soil cultivation, sold the farm and the parents thenceforth made their home with their children. They were not long separated in death, for the mother died in 1870, and the father in 1874, having reared a family of eight children, of whom Christian, Magdelene, Anna, Joseph and Lizzie are deceased. Mary, the wife of John Rupp, lives in Bloomington, Illinois; and Simon lives in Fairbury, Livingston county, this state.

The fourth oldest in his father's family, Andrew Baechler was reared on the farm in Alsace, and was educated in both the French and German schools. Of a venturesome and enquiring mind, he was glad when he attained his maturity and was thus enabled by law to follow the bent of his ambition, which led far from the drudgery of farming life. Proceeding to London, England, he set sail for the gold fields of Australia, arriving at his destination after a voyage of ninety-four days, and remaining there for about eight years. He saw much of the country set like a jewel in the south seas, and with a larger share of wealth than he had ever before known, resolved to try his fortunes in yet another gold country, attracting the attention of fortune-hunters. Another long journey of ninety-three days brought him to the port of San Francisco, and he thereafter spent a year in the camps of the

Pacific state, then visited Idaho, British Columbia, and Montana, remaining in all eight years in the mining districts of the northwest.

From Montana Mr. Baechler came to Livingston county, Illinois, purchased a farm, and in McLean county, January 6, 1869, married Mary Habecker, who was born in Bavaria, Germany, May 9, 1842, a daughter of John and Magdalena (Klein) Habecker, both natives of Bavaria, and born in 1787 and 1800 respectively. The Habecker family came to the United States in 1851, settling first in Tazewell county, and later in McLean county, where the father died in 1871, and the mother in 1887. They were the parents of seven children: Daniel; Catherine, deceased; Peter, deceased; John; David; Andrew; and Mary. By a previous marriage to Barbara Holly, Mr. Habecker had two sons, Jacob and Christian. Mr. Baechler continued to live in Livingston county several years, removing then to McLean county, where he remained until the spring of 1899. He then settled on a farm in Kankakee county, which he still owns, and which is located on Section 2, Momence township. At the present time he has two hundred and ten acres of valuable and well improved land, which he devotes to general produce and stock, and which is equipped with a comfortable house, large barns, modern implements, and neat fences. Mr. and Mrs. Baechler have the following children: Andrew E., born January 2, 1870, is a dentist residing in Chicago; Oliver J., born November 9, 1873; Oscar E., born November 12, 1875; Alvin E., born November 8, 1877; Mathilda M., born June 11, 1879; Clarence A., born February 12, 1882; and Martha E., born January 13, 1884. Three children died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Baechler are members of the Memnonite church. Mr. Baechler is a republican in politics, but has never sought distinction as an office-holder. He is an upright and honorable man, a credit to the community in which he lives, and an example of industry and well-directed effort to the rising generation.

BAILEY, SOLON; was born August 23, 1827, at Bloomington, Ind. He was the son of Chesley D. and Mary (Orric) Bailey, both being natives of Virginia; the former was born May 11, 1795, and the latter October 31, 1803. On leaving the South they located in

Bloomington, Indiana. It was in that city that the death of his mother occurred in 1836. Some years later in 1854 Chesley D. Bailey came to Kankakee county to make his home with his son, and here his death occurred September 14, 1882. The family of Chesley D. and Mary Bailey comprised six children as follows: Eliza, Paris D., Solon, Homer H., Chesley D. and James, all deceased but Homer H., who resides in Dallas, Texas.

Solon Bailey came to Kankakee county as early as 1846, and for a number of years was engaged as a stock dealer. Five years after locating here, December 14, 1851, he was united in marriage with Jane Hurley, who was born in Piqua, Miami county, Ohio, October 14, 1828. She was a daughter of James and Mary (Sprouls) Hurley, also natives of Ohio, the former -born in 1796 and the latter about 1799. Their marriage was celebrated in their native state, and soon afterward they left scenes with which they had been familiar from their birth and located first in Vermilion county, Ill., and later in Wabash county, Ind., where the mother died about 1832. Some time after the death of his first wife Mr. Bailey married Mrs. Louisa Smiley, and in 1843 removed to Kankakee county, Ill., and ten years later located in Iowa, his death occurring in Allamakee county about 1857. Six children were born of Mr. Bailey's marriage with Mary Sprouls, as follows: Sarah, Elizabeth, Cornelius, Jane (Mrs. Solon Bailey), John L., and James, all of whom are deceased but Mrs. Bailey.

After his marriage Mr. Bailey made his home in Momence township for about one year, from there removing to a farm in Section 23, Yellowhead township, which he had purchased the year previous. After making his home there for about one year, in the spring of 1854 he took up his abode on the farm which his widow now occupies, and where his death occurred October 7, 1900. His death was mourned by many who were endeared to him for his many excellent qualities, his long residence in this locality giving him a large circle of friends and acquaintances. His political sympathies were given to the Republican cause. He was postmaster of Yellowhead, also serving as commissioner of highways in Yellowhead township for four years.

and as school trustee. Four children were born to himself and wife as follows: Ella J., who was born September 12, 1852, and now makes her home with her mother; James C., born October 29, 1854, a resident of Chicago, and a detective in the employ of that city; Willard S., born February 7, 1857, traveling salesman for the firm of P. H. Mallen & Co., of which he is a member and vice-president; and Frank H., who was born November 26, 1864.

Mrs. Bailey is a valued member of the Methodist Episcopal church at Grant Park, in the work of which she gives both of her time and means.

BAKER, HENRY FREMONT, farmer, Kankakee, is a native of the county in which he lives, and was born November 13, 1857, on the place where he is still residing, and has always been engaged in agricultural pursuits. He was educated in the common schools of the county, and assisted in carrying on the home farm. He is the son of Austin B. and Aurelia (Fairbanks) Baker. His father was a native of Ripley county, Ind., and a farmer by occupation. The latter was married August 8, 1849, and later moved to Kankakee county, settling about two and a half miles east of the county seat. He was an excellent business man, and accumulated some thousand acres of land which is now in the possession of the family. He was peculiar in his views; never would hold office, however trivial, and although he had business transactions with thousands of men, never was sued or had any lawsuit. He remained upon the farm until 1900, when he retired and March 30, 1904, departed to the "pale realms of the shades of death." He was the son of Abiel and Maria (Osgood) Baker. The former, a farmer of Dearborn county, Ind., died when Austin H. was about seven years old. His wife was of a prominent family, after whom the town of Osgood, Ind., was named. They had a family of eight children of whom Austin was the last survivor, although he has a half brother, Robert, and a half sister, Helen Danforth, still living. Mrs. Aurelia Baker, the mother of the subject of this sketch, is a native of Dearborn county, Ind., and the daughter of Almond and Paulina (Jacobs) Fairbanks. Her father, a farmer and river man, was a native of Greenfield, Mass., born September 30, 1810, and died April

11, 1843, aged forty-two years, six months and eleven days. He was a deacon in the Free Will Baptist church, and a consistent Christian. His wife was born near Lake Champlain, N. Y., July 4, 1811, and died at Kankakee, October 4, 1894, when she had reached the venerable age of eighty-three years and three months. She was a member of the Missionary Baptist church. Of their union there were born four children, two sons and two daughters, of whom Mrs. Aurelia Baker, the honored mother of Henry F. Baker, is the only survivor.

Henry F. Baker is one of eight children born to his parents. The eldest is Ann Elizabeth, Mrs. Nathan Uran, of Bourbonnais, and the mother of seven children; Arthur H., Edna Belle, Frank B., Lucinda A., Charles R., Bonnie F., and Ray N. The second is Charles Almond. Next is Henry Fremont, of whom this sketch is written. Fourth, Frank Stansbury who married Miss Anna Styer and has two children, viz:—Edna B. and Frank A. The fifth is Monroe Swift. The sixth is Myron Fairbanks, whose sketch is given elsewhere in this volume. The seventh is Joseph Arnold, who married Miss Maud Shores, who died in 1895, leaving two children, Genevieve M. and Russell. And the eighth, Ethel Lynn, Mrs. E. S. Wheeler, is the mother of two children, Mary E. and Ralph B.

Henry F. Baker was united in marriage November 10 1883, with Miss Lillie B. Andrews, the daughter of Ira B. and Sarah Andrews. Her parents were among the pioneers of Chicago before and after the great fire in that city. In the later eighties, after his wife died, Mr. Andrews moved to Dakota and later to Canada, where he died. Mr. and Mrs. Baker were the parents of seven children: Howard F., Austin B., Ethel Belle, Cyrus Fairbanks, William Roy, Lillie Pearl and Mabel Blanche. Mrs. Baker, who was born August 25, 1866, was called away to the "Better Land," March 13, 1903, sincerely mourned by her family and all who knew her and appreciated her high character. She was a consistent and devout member of the Presbyterian church.

All his life Mr. Baker has devoted his entire attention to the work of tilling the soil and in stock raising, and has proved it to be a profit-

able business to those who bring to it, as he did, knowledge, tact, industry and ambition. Of a noble character and amiable disposition, he has endeared himself to a large circle of friends. In the community in which he lives he is looked up to as an upright man and a model citizen. He takes little interest in politics, except as to his invaluable right of franchise, preferring the pleasures of the domestic hearth to the turmoil of the caucus and the onerous duties of public life.

BAKER, J. FLEMING; horseman, owner of the well known hitch barn at Kankakee, and a successful owner and driver of trotting horses, was born in Skaneateles, Onondaga county, N. Y., July 1, 1863. He is the son of John S. and Caroline (Fleming) Baker, who were also natives of the Empire State. In the schools of his native county Mr. Baker received his education and grew to manhood beneath the parental roof. Following Horace Greeley's advice to go West, in 1883 he turned his steps towards the Great Northwest and in Falk county, S. D., entered upon the business of farming and raising stock, particularly horses. Having been quite successful, in 1890 he returned to his old home in New York and was for a time engaged in farming and carrying on a livery stable. In September, 1894, he came to Kankakee. He was the first man here to carry out the idea of a hitching barn, and built a small structure for that purpose in 1894, but in 1901 he put up the present stone structure he now occupies. This is 100x145 feet in dimensions, and is one of the finest in this section of the state. Dlr. Baker gives a large part of his time and attention to fine horses and owns quite a string of valuable animals. He is his own driver and trainer and is well known on all the tracks of the Eastern Illinois Circuit, and has met with a merited success.

Mr. Baker was united in marriage in 1888, with Miss Alice M. Gauthier, a daughter of Joseph Gauthier. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are the parents of one (daughter: Eda May.

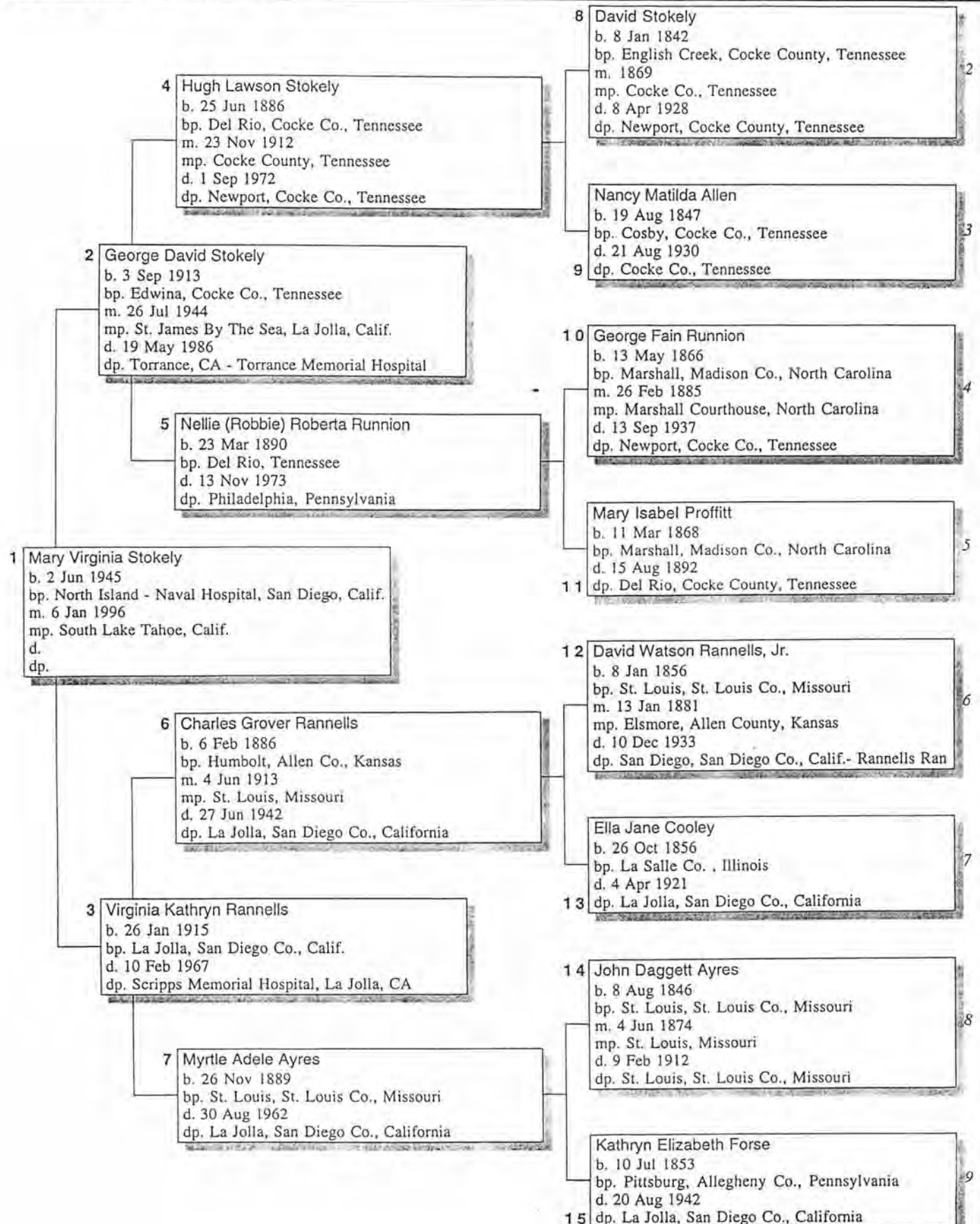
In political faith Mr. Baker is a staunch adherent to republican principles but in local affairs he uses his judgment as to whom he votes, as he feels that in home matters the man is above political affiliations. He is wellknown and widely appreciated for his true worth.

He has taken an advanced station in all business affairs of the city and county, and can always be found upon the side of progress, right and justice. He has identified himself closely with all matters that are for the growth and upbuilding of the city and county wherein he lives, and he and his wife enjoy the esteem and respect of a large circle of acquaintances and friends.

BAKER, MYRON F., former proprietor of one of the largest livery barns in Kankakee, is a native of this county. Among the prominent business men of the county seat, who have won for themselves enviable positions and reputations as honorable and highly-respected citizens, none is better deserving of representation in a volume of this nature than Myron Baker.

Mr. Baker, who is the son of Austin and Aurelia (Fairbanks) Baker, was born in Aroma township, Kankakee county, October 2, 1864. His parents were natives of Indiana, but were among the pioneers who broke the way for civilization into these pristine wilds in the long ago. All was as left by the hand of nature when they came, except here and there a few scattered cabins of those who, like themselves, had sought new homes here. They settled in Aroma, and commenced to develop a farm which, with the succeeding years, grew larger in acreage as well as in productiveness, until they had a splendid property of eight or nine hundred acres of finely tilled land. They had a family of nine children, six sons and three daughters. The record of them is as follows: Charles A. is the eldest; Henry F. married Miss Lillian Andrews and lives in Kankakee; Frank S., also of Kankakee, married Miss Anna Stire; Monroe S. is next in order of birth; Myron F., of whom this brief memoir is written; Joseph A. married Miss Maud Shores; Elizabeth married Nathaniel Fran; Ida May died in infancy and Ethel M. was the youngest of the flock. Mr. Austin Baker died at Kankakee, March 30, 1904, respected by all with whom he came in contact. His wife survives him and resides in Kankakee.

Myron F. Baker was reared upon the farm, imbibed his earlier education in the district

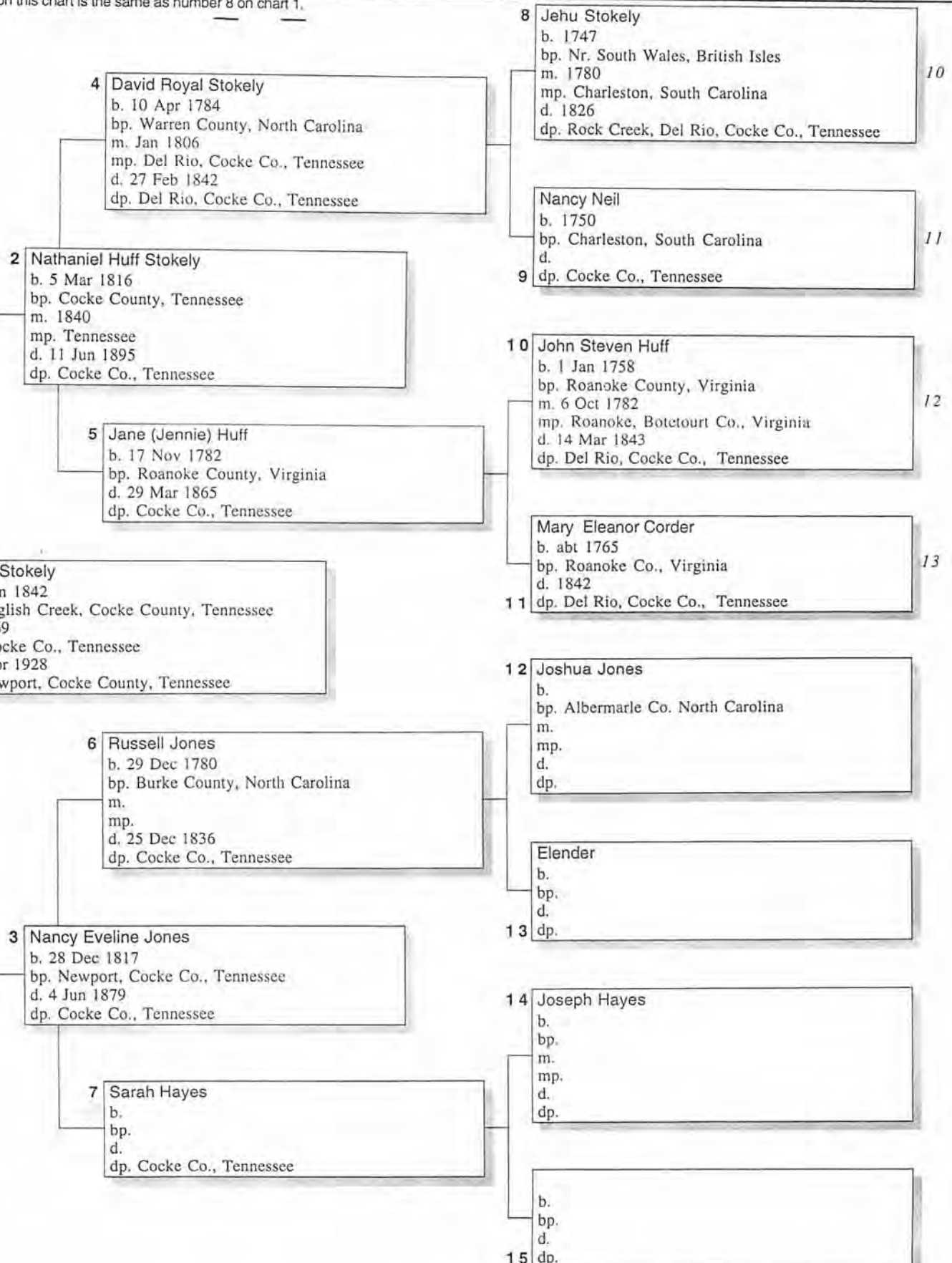


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INTERESTING FACTS

Although George Washington fought the British Army in the Revolutionary War, his home, Mt. Vernon, was named after a British military officer, Edward Vernon, who was a friend of Washington's family.

The oldest board game in the world is backgammon, first played in about 2,000 B.C. and virtually unchanged since then.

Wedding rings are worn on the third finger of the left hand because of an ancient belief that a nerve runs directly from that finger to the heart.

Did you know that two U.S. Presidents were arrested while in office? Both the 14th President, Franklin Pierce, and the 18th President, Ulysses Grant, were arrested for speeding on horses. Both were released after being booked, but Grant was fined \$20.

One man in American history was U.S. President, U.S. Senator and a member of the U.S. House of Representatives all at the same time. The day James Garfield was elected President, he was also a member of the House and had been named by the Ohio legislature to fill an unexpired U.S. senate seat.

Which U.S. President has the most children? John Tyler, who had 15.

A man once bought a whole nation and named it after himself. In 1712, Johann von Liechtenstein bought an area in Europe and created the country of Liechtenstein, which still exists today. It's an independent nation located between Austria and Switzerland.

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