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A Chronological History of Three Wild Irishmen, written by Dan D. Kinney from snatches of what his father told him when he was a little boy about his father and his two uncles, George and Richard, who were all born in Ireland; also some things about his mother, my grandmother, and some of her relatives who were born in the state of New York.

by Dan D. Kinney, age 79
October 25, 1951; Lansing, MI

Sometime between the 1795 and 1805, three Irish lads were born in or near Cavon in the province of Ulster, county of Monaghan, Ireland. Their names were **Richard, George, and William Kinney**. As they grew to manhood they foresaw that their chances of getting very far ahead in worldly goods in the land of their birth were slim, so they decided to migrate to that great land of the free, the United States of America.



and they did! >

Now, they are in America after an adventurous trip of 90 days in a sailing vessel on the broad Atlantic.

My father told me that his father told him how the ship would become becalmed for days at a time; then again how they would come into a storm of strong wind, blowing in the wrong direction, and would be blown miles off their course. This would require them to tack back and forth until they struck their correct course again, not having gained a mile with all this extra sailing. Eventually, they landed in New York City, somewhat battered, but still in the ring and full of the stuff it takes to make a successful pioneer—vim and determination, of which they had a plenty.

My records fail to state in just what year they migrated from the “old sod,” but we do know that they were in Michigan in the early 1830’s from the fact that we found where they purchased real estate in Olive Twp., Clinton Co., Michigan, about the time that Michigan became a state in 1837.

Upon reaching New York, they proceeded to drift westward, and when we next hear of them they are in Buffalo. From there Richard and George drifted into Canada until they came to the village of Orangeville where they made a temporary halt. William, who was equipped with a trade, that of a shoemaker or cobbler, found employment and remained in Buffalo.

Evidently, he found a sweetheart, a girl whom he married in Maple Rapids, Michigan, in 1839 at the farm home of her sister, Mrs. Margaret Minor. Her maiden name was Eliza Nestell. She was born about 1815 at Sugar Camp, on the Mohawk River in Herkimer Co.,

New York. This romance lasted forty years until his death in 1876.

There are no records to guide me in saying how long they remained at Maple Rapids, but in the early 1840’s we find this couple in Wacousta, Michigan, a small pioneer village on the Looking Glass River in Watertown Twp., Clinton Co. Here they procured a house and lot and he established himself in business, that of a shoemaker and cobbler. His customers were the pioneers and the Indians who were very plentiful at the time.

They remained in Wacousta until 1851 when they traded whatever property they had with one of the Daniels brothers for a “wild 80” acres of land in the southeast corner of Watertown. Here they moved with their children, Harriet, Eliza, and Benjamin. William was born in 1858, one year after they settled in the woods.

My father, Benjamin, has told me many times that he was four years old when they moved onto that farm, a solid forest or wilderness. There were no roads and no section lines surveyed out to guide them in finding the boundaries of their new property. It took them nearly two days to make the trip of eight miles, winding through the wilderness and fording the Looking Glass three times. They traveled with two yoke of oxen hitched to wagons bearing the family, their furniture, and other worldly possessions. They arrived late in the afternoon on a hill somewhere near or on what they thought was their land. Later, when the surveys were made, they found that they were nearly in the center of the farm from north to south and only a few rods from the west boundary line. As I have said, it was late in the afternoon and there was not a sign of shelter for the children, so they cleared a small spot

and erected a shanty before the neighbors who had helped them move returned to their homes in Wacousta. On that farm some of the Kinneys lived for more than fifty years.

After the surveys were made, grandfather built them a substantial two-story log house. It was in a maple grove of beautiful trees where the road was established on the section line. The maple trees were the pride of the family for years and were protected and cherished as long as a Kinney owned it. Sad to tell, this property eventually fell into the hands of a foreigner, and he made short work of them for lumber and firewood.

As a further description of the house: It was built from some of the longest and choicest beech and maple logs that could be found in the forests surrounding it. The bark was peeled off and one side was hewed flat. The flat side was laid on the inside of the house. This made a smooth surface on which he later nailed matched flooring, up and down. They papered on this with newspapers or wallpaper if they could get it. The floor was made of 6" white ash, dressed and matched. The lean-to was built of beech or maple 2x8 joists and 2x4 studs and sided with good quality basswood. The roof covering was of white oak shave (shingles). They were 2' long, dressed to a width of 8" and laid about 16" to the weather. Such a roof was good for half a century. The house sat lengthwise to the road and was about 28'-30'. In the east end a partition was built about 10' out, and this was divided in the middle making two bedrooms. In the southwest corner of the main room a stairway was built to the upper story which was divided into three bedrooms; also, in the west end, was a huge fireplace about 5' wide,

made of handmade red clay bricks. In the fireplace were two or three pot hooks besides the two andirons on which the 4' wood was laid. The kitchen had a buttery or pantry partitioned off in one corner. The balance was used for the cooking and dining room.

Soon after the erection of this mansion, grandfather had a well dug not far from the kitchen door. This improvement, needless to say, relieved grandmother of a hell of a chore, that of carrying water in two wooden buckets with a neck yoke on her shoulders from a spring a mile and a half away.

He also had a small frame barn built not far from the house for the shelter of his pair of horses, a yoke of oxen, and a cow or two. At the beginning feed for these animals in the winter was hard to procure and one of the chief sources of hay was a course grass called cut-grass that grew abundantly in the swamps and swales. It had to be mowed with a scythe, tied into bundles, and then hauled in on a stone boat with the oxen wiggling and twisting among the trees and brush. Its food value was not very high and no animal in his right mind would eat it in the summer when it was green, but in the winter time it was either eat it or pick the buds from the limbs of trees they were chopping down to clear the land to get in a crop.

In the front yard and around the house grandmother had such flowers as bleeding hearts, corn lilies, sunflowers, sweet Mary, phlox, sage, smilax, and other flowers common to the day. Looking back through this narrative, we find this man and his family who were located on this "wild eighty" also had such trees as white ash, black ash, blue beech, white beech, hard or sugar maple, soft maple, red oak, white oak, swamp

oak, ironwood, pepperidge, wild cherry, tamarack, boxwood, sycamore, poplar, dogwood, rock elm, red elm, water elm, black walnut, butternut, sweet hickory, bitterhicker [bitternut], basswood, sassafras, and some others. He also planted and grew an orchard of choice fruit. His plan seemed to be to plant three types of each variety as follows: plums, apples, cherries, pears, and quinces. Of the apples I have found the following varieties: Northern spy, Rhode Island greening, belle flower, russets of several varieties, steel reds, sweet bow, rambow, sour bow, strawberry, wine apple, tallman sweet, snow apple, wagner, and several others. These were delicious fruits and many of them are a standby to this day. In fact, there was not a lemon in the entire selection, so the old gent must have had at least fair judgement.

Grandfather and grandmother moved on to this wilderness in 1851. Grandfather died in 1876. They came with practically nothing but their hands, a large family, and a few household goods, a shoemaker's kit of tools, and a shoe bench. Yet, in a period of 24 years they accomplished all that I have mentioned and more. He gave his children all the education that could be acquired in that location. From what I have learned from my father, grandfather did not personally do a great deal of the clearing of the land. He set up his shoe bench in the house and kept the neighbors and the Indians' feet shod. The white people paid for their cobbling by helping his two boys clear and work the farm. From the Indians, for making and repairing their moccasins, he received smoke-tanned deer skins, fish, jerked venison, wild berries, and anything he could use that they had to

barter. Is it any wonder that some of the Kinneys are good traders?

A few years before grandfather's death he deeded the east twenty acres of his eighty to his two daughters, and his son, Benjamin. Later he deeded the remaining sixty acres to his son, William, and took a life lease for him and grandmother. In 1879 Benjamin purchased this sixty acres from William. This sixty and the foregoing twenty acres remained in Benjamin's possession for nearly fifty years. During his years of ownership, he proved himself to be a master farmer by the removal of the hundreds of stumps that the vast forest left behind by burning, digging, or blasting them out. He also removed all the stones (from the size of a fist up to the great, "hard head" boulders) from the fields by drilling with a hand drill and blasting them with dynamite. Many of these stones are now under dwellings and factories in Lansing. He also dug ditches or trenches and laid a drain tile into every "cat hole" and swell on the farm. When this was all accomplished he had converted the wilderness into a veritable Garden of Eden. To do all this took sweat and muscle and maybe some blood and tears.

I mentioned the two brothers, George and Richard, who made the trip on the bonnie blue ocean with my grandfather, William Kinney. My knowledge of them is very limited. However, at the office of the Registrar of Deeds in St. Johns, I found the record of their purchase of real estate in Olive Twp. sometime after Michigan became a state. Records show that they sold out their holdings in 1851. My recollection is that my father told me that they went back to Orangeville, Ontario, some years before the Civil War broke out in the United States and no word of any nature

has been received from that time on. It is highly probable that there are many Kinneys living in this little, old, Canadian town who are kin to the Kinney clan of Michigan.

My grandmother Kinney's sisters and brothers were all born at Sugar Camp and seem to have migrated

Hiram m Clarissa

Children: John, Charles, Loren, Alice, Fred, William, Albert, Edward

Lucy m James Soule

Children: Horace, Joseph B., Harriet E., James, David, Mary, Lucy.

Margaret m Loren Minor

Moses m Debortha Ann Coates 25 June 1885

Child: Mary

John

Some of this I am writing from hearsay, but a goodly part of it I am writing from personal knowledge, from actual contact with the people. During my early boyhood my father used to take my grandmother about twice a year to visit her brothers and sisters at their homes near St. Johns and Maple Rapids. To make these trips he would hitch a span of horses on a surrey which he owned (no autos then), load Grandmother and me in, and away we would go for a few days. It usually took a day's driving each way. While we were there Grandmother and Father would visit with the older people while I played and frolicked with the younger generation. Thus, I became acquainted with nearly all of them.

This seems to about cover my grandmother Kinney's immediate family. I will say for them that I have checked quite thoroughly and they seem to be a law-abiding, hard-working, thrifty set of people. I found no evidence of any of them ever being in jail and none of them have any record of being drunkards.

to Michigan in the late 1830's or early 1840's, making a landing in the vicinity of St. Johns and Maple Rapids where they acquired land, established farms, and became excellent, frugal, and successful farmers. I shall endeavor to list them:

I will now endeavor to say a few kind words relative to the grandchildren of William and Eliza (Nestel) Kinney. Harriet's children, Edith Helen, William, and Dora passed away in their youth. Theodore is still living, a successful, retired businessman. He graduated from Ypsilanti State Normal and was county school commissioner for nineteen years. He resigned this position to become City Commissioner of St. Johns. After many years he resigned owing to advanced age and ill health. However, he is still doing jobs as a civil engineer, an art he acquired while working with the city.

Eliza's children, Frank and Orange, have gone to their reward. Jasper, now in his 80's, and Grace are both living in Salem, OR. Jasper is a retired farmer and businessman. Grace, a widow, is the owner of an apartment house, sharing it with her daughter.

Benjamin's children, Daniel, Harriet, Bertha, Clyde, and Inez all reside in Lansing, MI. As soon as he had finished a business college education, Daniel chose the profession of accounting and followed it for nearly

sixty years. The girls, each one after finishing college courses, became teachers. As time went on the marriage bug bit them one by one, and each turned to family life and took up housekeeping as their occupation. Clyde, after finishing school, took a course in stenography and accounting. He accepted a position in the office at a lumber company in Lansing.

William's children, Edward and Ida are farmers near Aline, OK. Frederick is a restaurant man in Okarche, OK. Ben is in Marlow, OK-- a

mason contractor, I believe. James is in Antioche, CA. Hugh is a farmer near Marlow, OK. Robert is an ordained minister with a church at Greenville, IL.

See Kinney family charts on next page.

The editors are grateful to **Debra Hood** of Aline, OK, for this narrative. It has been abridged for this newsletter, but the original version is on file at the archives.

NO. EAGLE CEMETERY

from *The Grand Ledge Independent*, 13 June 1999, by Nancy Block.

North Eagle Cemetery Society is celebrating its 100th anniversary this month. According to early records, the Rev. **David Simmons** came to Eagle Twp. from Canada in the 1830's and bought the property along Grange Road where North Eagle Cemetery is located from Hiram Briggs.

In 1899 the North Eagle Cemetery Society was formed for the purpose of cleaning up the grounds. The first meeting was held at the home of **Mr. and Mrs. Luther Eddy**. The group had 12 charter members whose dues were 5 cents a month. The first care-taker was **Walter Ray**.

Now the society holds four dinners a year, proceeds from which are used to maintain the cemetery. The big anniversary dinner is planned for June 24 at the Eagle Twp. Hall.

(For another article on this cemetery, see *Clinton Co. Trails*, Vol. 13, No. 3, "Simmons Cemetery.")

Three cheers for restoration of

CLINTON COUNTY CEMETERY

KINNEY FAMILY

Born

Died/Buried

William G. & Eliza (Nestel) Kinney Family

William G.	1800 Cavon, Ireland	1876 Hurd Cemetery
Eliza	1810 Herkimer Co., NY	1893 Augusta, OK
Harriett (dau)	1842 Wacousta, MI	1873 Hurd Cemetery
Eliza (dau)	1844 Wacousta, MI	1921 Grand Forks, ND
Lydia (dau)	Wacousta, MI	Wacousta Cemetery
-?- (dau)	Wacousta, MI	-?-
Benjamin F. (son)	1847 Wacousta, MI	1927 Mt. Hope Cem., Lansing, MI
William G. (son)	1852 on farm Clinton Co.	1938 Marlow, OK

Harvey & Harriett (Kinney) Phillips Family

Harvey	1836 Randolph, V.	1893
Harriett	1842 Wacousta, MI	1893 Hurd Cemetery
Edith Helen (dau)	1869 Clinton Co.	1918 Ann Arbor, MI
Theodore H. (son)	1870 Clinton Co.	living St. Johns, MI
William (son)	1871 Clinton Co.	1876 Hurd Cemetery
Dora (dau)	1873 Clinton Co.	1885 Wacousta Cemetery

Elisha & Eliza (Kinney) Hill Family

Elisha	1831 Wooster, MA	1900 Crystal, MI
Eliza	1844 Wacousta, MI	1921 Grand Forks, ND
Jasper (son)	1868 MI	Living Salem, OR
Frank (son)	1872 MI	1903 Meadows, ID
Orange (son)	1878 MI	1947 Grand Forks, ND
Twin (son)	1878 MI	1878 Crystal, MI
Grace (dau)	1881 MI	Living Salem, OR

Benjamin F. & Jessie S. (Forbes) Kinney Family

Benjamin F.	1847 Wacousta, MI	1927 Mt. Hope Cem., Lansing, MI
Jessie S.	1850 Moscow, NY	1917 Mt. Hope Cem., Lansing, MI
Daniel E. (son)	1872 Clinton Co., MI	Living Lansing, MI
Harriett M. (dau)	1874 Clinton Co., MI	Living Lansing, MI
Bertha I. (dau)	1876 Clinton Co., MI	Living Lansing, MI
J. Clyde (son)	1879 Clinton Co., MI	Living Lansing, MI
Inez M. (dau)	1884 Clinton Co., MI	Living Lansing, MI

William G. and Mary (Dillingham) Kinney Family

William G.	1852 Clinton Co.	1938, Marlow, OK
Mary	1854 Westphalia, MI	1903, Augusta, OK
Edward (son)	1878 Clinton Co.	Living Augusta OK
Frederick (son)	1879 Westphalia, MI	Living at Okarche, OK
Infant (dau)	18— Lansing, MI	
Benjamin (son)	1883 Jackson, MI	Living at Marlow, OK
James (son)	1885 Kansas	Living at Antioche, CA
Ida (dau)	1889 Kansas	Living at Aline, OK
Robert (son)	1910 Marlow, OK	Living at Greenville, IL
Hugh (son)	1912 Marlow, OK	Living at Marlow, OK

ROWELL SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Clinton Republican - Feb. 2, 1882

William Cook, Teacher

Bailey, Alice
Bailey, Lena
Birmingham, Dora
Brown, Jessie
Brown, Nellie
Burman, Eva
Burman, Milton
Burmington, Ida
Cleveland, Frank
Cleveland, Grant
Cleveland, Harry

Cleveland, Harley
Cleveland, Silas
Ferdon, Wesley
Holbrook, Lemmie
Holbrook, Louis
Holbrook, Roy
House, Carrie
House, Frank
Martin, Charlie
Martin, Henry
Martin, Reka

Pearl, Stephen
Rowell, Louis
Smith, Lemmie
Thompson, Francis
Thompson, Robert
Tucker, George
Tucker, James
Walker, Eddie
Walker, Tommie
Wilcox, Fred
Wilcox, Maude

The Rowell School (District #1 Frl.) was located at the corner of Hall and Chandler Roads in section 31 of Duplain Township. A picture of a group of students (year unknown) appears on page 661 of *The History of Clinton Co., Michigan*, published by the Historical Society in 1980.



PRESERVING PHOTOS

The durability of photo images was discussed in a *Detroit Free Press* article on 17 Jan 1999. Using con-temporary products and storage in cool, dark, dry conditions you should expect an image's lifetime to be:

Kodachrome slides – 200 years
Black & white prints – 100 years
Color prints – 200 years
Negatives – 100 years
Ink-jet prints – fade quickly
Videotape – 20-40 years
Digital images - 'til technology changes

At present, the article concluded, "The best insurance of having an image in 100 years is to keep what we call a human-readable record, something you can see." The eventuality of

"photographic prints with the stability of car finishes" was predicted.

For more details contact:
Wilhelm Imaging Research Inc.
www.wilhelm-research.com

or

Henry Ford Museum
www.hfm.org/histories/cis/photo.html

MICHIGAN DEATH INDEX

The Genealogical Death Indexing System (GENDIS) of Michigan death records 1867-1882, is available on the internet.
www.mdch.state.mi.us/gendis/index.htm

The information available is a complete recording of all facts from the death ledgers maintained by the Michigan Dept. of Community Health, which records can include the name of decedent; date, place, and cause of death; information on the decedent's occupation; parents' names; and places of birth for the decedent and each parent. GENDIS has the capability to search on a range of years or varied spellings of names.

Volunteer genealogists from across the state, with the support of the Michigan Genealogical Council and the

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Ancestor Chart

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. _____ on chart No. _____.

Chart No. _____

Address _____

City, State 616 832-9525

Date dbrandall@jackpine.com

4 TOMPKINS, Raymond R.
 (Father of No. 2)
 b. 19 Dec 1879
 p.b. Duplain Twp. Clinton Co.
 m. 4 Mar 1903
 d. 1 Jul 1957
 p.d. St. Johns, MI

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death

2 TOMPKINS, Richard S.
 (Father of No. 1)
 b. 4 Sept 1904
 p.b. Greenbush Twp. Clinton Co. MI
 m. 12 Sept 1931, Irving MI
 d. 4 Mar 1952
 p.d. Big Rapids MI

5 SILVERNAIL, Edah May
 (Mother of No. 2)
 b. 12 Jun 1881
 p.b. Greenbush Twp. Clinton Co.
 d. 9 Mar 1930
 p.d. Greenbush Twp.

1 TOMPKINS, Betsy Jane
 b. 17 Sept 1936
 p.b. Kalamazoo MI
 m. 17 Aug 1959, Big Rapids MI
 d.
 p.d.

6 PERRY, John Melford
 (Father of No. 3)
 b. 24 May 1882
 p.b. Duplain Twp. Clinton Co.
 m. 1 Mar 1906
 d. 21 Dec 1961
 p.d. Big Rapids MI

3 PERRY, Avis Clee
 (Mother of No. 1)
 b. 31 May 1907
 p.b. Thornapple Twp. Barry Co. MI
 d.
 p.d.

7 KIDNEY, Bessie
 (Mother of No. 3)
 b. 18 Aug 1884
 p.b. Leighton Twp., Allegan Co.
 d. 19 Jul 1974
 p.d. Reed City MI

RANDALL, David Earl
 (Spouse of No. 1)

b. 7 Oct 1935 d.
 Reed City MI p.d.

8 TOMPKINS, Richard
 (Father of No. 4)
 b. 12 July 1832
 p.b. Great Milton, Oxon.
 m. 9 Apr 1864
 d. 13 May 1909
 p.d. Duplain Twp. Clinton Co.

9 SULLIVAN, Margaret
 (Mother of No. 4)
 b. 25 Dec 1834
 p.b. Ireland
 d. 12 Jan 1891
 p.d. Ovid, MI

10 SILVERNAIL, Lafayette
 (Father of No. 5)
 b. 25 Jul 1857
 p.b. Leslie Twp. Ingham Co.
 m. 17 Dec 1879
 d. 20 Jul 1933
 p.d. Greenbush Twp. Clinton Co.

11 CROOKS, Dora May
 (Mother of No. 5)
 b. 11 Jan 1861
 p.b. Tiffin, Ohio
 d. 17 May 1943
 p.d. Greenbush Twp. Clinton Co.

12 PERRY, Henry Franklin
 (Father of No. 6)
 b. 21 Aug 1855
 p.b. Lebanon Twp., Clinton Co.
 m. 27 Jul 1878
 d. 26 Oct 1930
 p.d. Greenbush Twp. Clinton Co.

13 GOTT, Jessie Sarah
 (Mother of No. 6)
 b. 21 Aug 1858
 p.b. Jackson Co. MI
 d. 15 Oct 1934
 p.d. St. Johns MI

14 KIDNEY, Charlie H
 (Father of No. 7)
 b. 23 June 1856
 p.b. Negaunee MI
 m. 11 Apr 1883
 d. 31 Mar 1924
 p.d. Irving, Barry Co. MI

15 HEYDENBERK, Lydia Jane
 (Mother of No. 7)
 b. 6 Oct 1854
 p.b. Wayland, Allegan Co. MI
 d. 26 Aug 1931
 Irving, Barry Co. MI

16 TOMPKINS, Edmund
 (Father of No. 8,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 2 Mar 1783
 m. 2 Jul 1807
 d. after 1851

17 COPPOCK, Mary
 (Mother of No. 8,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 19 Jun 1791
 d. before 1851

18 SULLIVAN, Jeremiah
 (Father of No. 9,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 24 Oct 1802
 m.
 d. 18 Aug 1872

19 BRESNAHAN, Johanna
 (Mother of No. 9,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 7 Feb 1819
 d. 8 Sep 1881

20 SILVERNAIL, Andrew
 (Father of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 9 Jul 1833
 m. 27 Mar 1856
 d. 9 Jan 1910

21 SITTS, Mary Helen
 (Mother of No. 10,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. Feb 1835
 d. 19 Mar 1908

22 CROOKS, George
 (Father of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 19 Sept 1835
 m. 6/13 Apr 1858
 d. 6 Jun 1912

23 GREER, Sarah Jane
 (Mother of No. 11,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 4 Sept 1838
 d. 19 Mar 1908

24 PERRY, Abram
 (Father of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. "
 m. "
 d. 14 Mar 1858 (28-6-0)

25 GUYER, Emily (Emma)
 (Mother of No. 12,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. Mar 1838
 d. 1917

26 GOTT, John
 (Father of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 27 Jul 1833
 m. 9 Apr 1857
 d. 25 Jan 1917

27 HALIFAX, Mary Ann
 (Mother of No. 13,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 25 Nov 1840
 d. 6 Jun 1917

28 KIDNEY, Edgar
 (Father of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 1817
 m. 7 Jun 1844
 d. May 1891

29 THOMPSON, Eliza Jane
 (Mother of No. 14,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 8 Jul 1828
 d. 20 Nov 1894

30 HEYDENBERK, William
 (Father of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 11 Dec 1828
 m. 29 Aug 1853
 d. 27 May 1905

31 CHAMBERS, Amanda Jana
 (Mother of No. 15,
 Cont. on chart No. _____)

b. 8 Dec 1831
 d. 26 Jun 1901

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Abrams Foundation started the project in 1987. When completed the database will contain 481,000 death records from 1867 through 1897.

QUERIES

- Submitted by **Virginia (Kosht) Starks**, 73 Stoneridge Rd., Ponca City, OK 74604 (e-mail cimarron@poncacity.net) : Looking for parents of **Guy C. McIntyre**, father of **Nellie (McIntyre) McIntosh**. He was b 4 Jul 1820 in Montreal, Quebec, Can.; m **Elizabeth Goodrich** in DeWitt, MI, 28 Jan 1848; served in Civil War in Michigan Cavalry; d 6 Mar 1898 in Vilas SD. Elizabeth lived in Shepardsville until her death in 1912.
- Submitted by **Florence Varekamp**, 2221 SW 1st Ave., No. 821, Portland, OR 97201. Looking for death record and/or news of -?- **Barnes**, d ca Nov. 1857 near Gratiot-Clinton line. May have been victim of foul play.
- Submitted by **Winifred Flock**, 210 S. Howard, R#1, Morrill, NE 69358-9801. Looking for info on **Samuel Smith**, b Killingsworth, CN, m Priscilla, resided in Bath in 1850's-60's, adopted **Josephine Coyle** after her parents died in house fire ca 1853. What were the Coyle's given names? Father was a lawyer.

CHARTS

On page 20 see the pedigree of **Betsy Jane (Tompkins) Randall**, Maple Hill Farm, 10462 Reed City, MI 49677.
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RECENT ACQUISITIONS AT THE ARCHIVES

- **Huggett & Related Families** genealogical records on 16 disks; gedcom files.
- **Cramer** family papers.
- 1910 Census, Eaton & Emmet Counties.
- 1870 Census, Delta, Eaton & Emmet Counties.
- Photo of 1920 DeWitt High School 10th grade graduates.
- Photo of 1921 DeWitt High School 10th grade graduates.

SORTING & CLIPPING

Awhile ago the archives was gratified to receive a huge stash of old Clinton Co. newspapers from Joan Bancroft. However, work space was reduced to an uncomfortable degree and archives staff was overwhelmed. Fortunately, several volunteers came to the rescue to help organize and clip the papers. The archives staff is extremely thankful to these people who came to their rescue: Wilma Sowle, Sandra Post, Carole Henry, Gary Conklin, and Judy Thelen.

Now Jacqueline Lankford, and Janet Dunn are knocking themselves out to get all the clippings filed.

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETINGS

August 2

6:30 - **Potluck** - Van Epps home, 9731 Riverside, Grand Ledge (Wacousta). Please bring dish to pass.

September 13

7:30 - Community First Bank, St. Johns.

SURNAMES

Members may submit five surnames to be published in this newsletter, as space permits, when they pay their membership dues. See form on last page of this issue. Non-members may submit five names for a \$2 fee. Addresses below are in Michigan unless otherwise stated.

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