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NOTICES

✓ "Discovering Your Family History"

Seminar—A five-part Family History Seminar organized to assist in learning the best methods of researching your family history will be held Saturday, 22 February 1992 at the New York Family History Center, 2 Lincoln Square (125 Columbus Avenue) at 65th West and Columbus (across from Lincoln Center) in New York City, with registration at the door (\$7 registration fee; \$4 for lunch) from 8 to 9 a.m., and sessions beginning at 9 a.m.

Topics covered include the "how-to" of researching various U.S. Government Sources, as well as classes on German, Irish-American, Italian, Polish and Eastern European, Afro-American, Ellis Island, New York Public Library, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, and beginning research, archival preservation, and computers.

For more information, call Henry Rock at 212-873-1690.

✓ NE Regional Branch of National

Archives—According to a recent issue of the Westchester Genealogical Society newsletter, the Northeast Regional Branch of the National Archives will move from its current location in Bayonne, NJ to the 12th floor of 201 Varick St. (corner of Varick and Houston Streets), Manhattan, in the spring of 1992. Apparently various records will be moved at different times, with the genealogical section being the last to move. Beginning with the early part of 1992, it will probably be wise to call first to make sure the particular records you wish to consult are available.

✓ Rockland County Wills Microfilmed—

According to an article in the *Rockland Journal-News* January 19, 1992, during the past two years some 2,400 wills dating between 1798 and 1931 have been microfilmed (before 1798 Rockland was part of Orange County and wills probated prior to that year will be found at the courthouse at Goshen). Many of the earliest wills were in crumbling condition and too fragile to be subjected to the handling requested by researchers; another concern was that the storage room was not fireproof. These wills are now microfilmed and so fire or flood can't wipe out thousands of pages of Rockland history. The two sets of microfilmed wills are kept at the

Surrogate's Court at New City and in an underground vault in upstate Ulster County. At present, however, the court has no microfilm reader, so currently the microfilmed wills are not usable by the public.

✓ 1876 Walker's Bergen County (NJ) Atlas Reprint

A. H. Walker's 1876 Atlas of Bergen County, New Jersey has been reprinted and is available for \$55 (NJ residents add 7% sales tax) plus \$5 shipping; order from Bergen Historic Books, P.O. Box 2094, Teaneck, NJ 07666-2094. This atlas contains detailed maps, showing houses (most with owner's names) and buildings, county and town history, listings of government and community leaders, and names of professionals and businesses. The atlas has been reduced in size to 13-1/2" by 11" and a personal name index has been added.

✓ Course on Genealogy by Computer

For people interested in genealogy who want to know how the computer can aid their research, or for computer enthusiasts with an interest in genealogy, a four week course taught by Ralph

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Upcoming Meetings and Events

Regular meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month (except July and August) at the Historical Society of Rockland County, 20 Zukor Road, New City, N.Y.

Meeting time is 7:45 p.m.

Feb. 25.....Regular Meeting

Mar. 24Regular Meeting

Apr. 28Regular Meeting

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The Newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County is published four times a year, in mid-month of September, December, February and May.

The deadline for submitting material for inclusion in the Newsletter is the 25th of the month preceding issue date. Send items and articles to Pat Wardell, GSRC Newsletter Editor, 78 Edgewood Rd., Allendale, NJ 07401.

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Blauvelt is being offered by Nanuet (Rockland Co., NY) Community Education. The course will survey the basics of computer genealogy, cover the resources available to the computer genealogist, and demonstrate some of the leading computer software programs for genealogy. The students will get a "hands on" tour of the programs and a printout of their family tree. Four Wednesday evenings in March beginning on the 4th, from 7-9 pm. For more information call Nanuet Community Education, 914-623-9343 or contact the instructor, Ralph Blauvelt, at 914-356-3081.

Found

in backing of old picture frame:
marriage certificate for Carl H. B. Trumbell and Lillian May Wannamaker, m. 7/14/1905, both of Spring Valley, New York. Will give to descendant.
Contact Ben Ten Eyck, 152 Carlton Ave., Piscataway, N.J. 08854.

OTHER LOCAL SOCIETIES

✓ **Westchester County Genealogical Society**—Meetings of the Westchester County Genealogical Society are held the second Saturday of each month, September to June, at Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church, North Central Avenue, Hartsdale, NY.

Programs begin at 10:00 am and are open to the public (a \$2 donation is requested of non-members). General membership in the Society is \$20 per year and includes a subscription to the monthly newsletter, among other benefits. (Westchester County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 518, White Plains, NY 10603.) Upcoming programs include:

- Mar 14, 1992—The 1920 Census: Preparing for a Grand Opening, by John Celardo, Assistant Director, National Archives Northeast Regional Branch.

- Apr 11, 1992—Genealogical Resources, Westchester County Historical Society Church Records, by Elizabeth Fuller, Research & Genealogical Librarian, Westchester County Historical Society.

- May 9, 1992—Compiling a Genealogy: Collecting, Organizing, Arranging, by Roger D. Joslyn, Past President, Association of Professional Genealogists.

- June 13, 1992—New York and New England, by Henry B. Hoff, Editor, The New York Genealogical & Biographical Society.

For further information, contact WCGS Vice President of Programs, Joseph Durnin, Sr. at 914-738-3356.

✓ **Orange County Genealogical Society**—The Orange County Genealogical Society, 101 Main St., Goshen NY 10924 holds meetings the first Saturday of the month at 9 a.m. at the 1841 Courthouse, 101 Main St., Goshen. Their research room, also at the 1841 Courthouse, is open to non-members and there is no fee to use it. The room is open the first Weds. of the month from 8:30 a.m. to 5 pm; the first Saturday of the month after the society's meeting (the room is not open during the meeting) from noon to 4:00 p.m.; and every Mon and Fri from 8:30 a.m. to noon.

✓ **Genealogical Society of Bergen County**—The Genealogical Society of Bergen County (NJ) holds meetings every fourth Monday of the month

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GSRC JOTTINGS

❖ **Notes from the Editor**—Many thanks to Marie Koestler, Joan Brooks, Ruth Fee, and Laura LeBarron for contributing information for this issue of the newsletter.

If you find something that might be of interest to our readers, please send it or a copy (with the name and date of the publication it appeared in, so that we can give proper credit) to: Pat Wardell, GSRC Newsletter Editor, 78 Edgewood Road, Allendale, NJ 07401.

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(except July and August) at 7:00 p.m. at the Midland Park, N.J. Library. Visitors are welcome. Upcoming programs include:

February 24, 1992: "Maps and Migration Trails" by Ken Franz.

March 23, 1992: "Genealogical Research in Historic Alpine" by Bill Maurer of the Palisades Interstate Park Commission.

April 27, 1992: "Computers in Genealogy" by Joe Boyle.

For more information, call 201-444-4319.

LETTERS

From Helen Nuessle, Hatboro, PA, December 16, 1991:

...We are Great-grandparents for the first time. A NEW generation for my history. Our eldest granddaughter Kimberly Ann Nuessle Weir and her husband Edward presented us with a little boy named Alexander George Weir on Sept. 16 of this year. He was premature, only weighed 4 lbs. 10 oz. He is now over 10 lbs. and is just 3 months old today.

Resumes of Past Programs at Meetings of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County

Old Dutch Burying Ground and Lent Family Research

Program presented by William Lent at the October 22, 1991 meeting of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County

Notes by Joan Brooks, Recording Secretary

Bill Lent is one of the "Friends of the Old Dutch Burying Ground" in Tarrytown, NY. He is a volunteer, who is restoring the Burying Ground, which is located adjacent to the Sleepy Hollow Cemetery. Bill has also done extensive research on the Lent family, even going to the town of Lent in the Netherlands.

Old Dutch Burying Ground

This cemetery possibly goes back to the year 1640. The Philipse family settled in that area about that time, and they certainly must have buried their people somewhere near where they lived.

The old church and burying ground have been kept up through quite a bit of effort. The first record of the burials there was in 1926, when the Historical Society of Tappan (located in Yonkers) published a small book giving a rough location of the burials. However, it indicated only a portion of the actual

burials there, as was discovered later on. Sometime later, Rockefeller hired a stone preservationist to work on the cemetery. Working with a Mr. Perry, stones were found antedating 1860—this was then published in book form.

It was only this year that a more complete list of the burials was found. When the First and Second Reformed Churches of Tarrytown decided to merge (this took about a year), all old papers from both churches were carefully scrutinized. The list was found—there were over 1600 graves! So, the Rockefeller book is incomplete.

Bill mentioned another less-used resource for cemetery burials. The WPA did a Veterans' survey. These surveys should be located somewhere in County records. The surveys consisted of marked-off graves in many cemeteries. Finding where the surveys are located in each county can be a problem.

Bill was able to get into the DuBois family vault and discovered 17 burials there, which they hadn't known before.

Lent Family in Westchester County

Westchester County Historical Society has a collection of material on the Lent family. Many people have written stories on this family, and there is other information located at the Society. If you figure mathematically from two brothers who started a land grant in Peekskill down through 16 generations, there is a massive accumulation of numbers of descendants.

This past summer, Bill actually visited the village of Lent in the Netherlands. It is located in the southeast corner of the country. Part of the written history that has been publicized infers that members of the Lent family were with William the Penniless in 1096 during the Crusades. Bill has accumulated some information on the Lent family, which he'll gladly share with anyone interested. He also directs people to both the Westchester County Historical Society and the Genealogical Society.

Bill made a big point of stating that mostly one hears about important men in a family, forgetting that many women should be given credit also.

Questions and Answers:

Q: What is the name of the woman who lives in Shrub Oak who was working on a Lent genealogy some time ago?

A: Bill couldn't recall her name, but said that part of her work was put into the Peekskill Public Library. He noted that there is a German book on the Lent family history, which he is trying to obtain. He also noted that everyone with the surname Lent is not necessarily related—it just means that they all originated from the village of Lent.

Q: Did the Rikers come from Lent and settle in

Staten Island?

A: No one really knows. There are many spelling variations (i.e., Riken in Peekskill; Riker on Riker's Island). They were all actually part of the same family.

Q: Where is the cemetery listing of 1,617 names located?

A: Bill has a xerox copy of the list (which we copied for our Society). There is also a copy in the Old Reformed Church at 242 North Broadway, Tarrytown (brown binder—indexed).

Q: Would your Historical or Genealogical Society consider publishing this list?

A: As far as he knows, this hasn't been considered. Bill noted that it was merely sheer accident these lists were found. They didn't even know they existed until the two churches were merging. The list consists of about 46 pages plus a map, giving grid location, stone number, and name. Ray Willsea took the map to a photographer, who then refined it. They now have a mylar master, which gives very clean markings and stone numbers.

Q: What is the earliest stone that has survived?

A: The earliest legible stone is an infant whose father was a French Huguenot from Mamaroneck and a mother who was Dutch. The child's name was Elizabeth Guion, who was born and died in 1755. The earliest dated stone is a fieldstone marker—part of which is illegible: 17 to 1750.

There is a group of volunteers who usually go out on Sundays about 2 p.m. to lead tours around the cemetery. They talk about approximately 35 stones.

Q: Do the records in the Westchester Historical Society contain Rockland County Lent family records?

A: As far as Bill knows, they are all Westchester people. It might help if one would write to the Library of Congress to see how many books have been written on the family of Lent.

Sally Dewey said there is a Lent sandstone house outside of Tappan, on the Flintkote grounds. There is word that it may be sold to a developer.

As a final note, Bill stated that he has gone through many books and materials on the Lent family and has come up with at least nine different spellings of the name (i.e., Lendt, Lentte, Lant, etc.).

Dictionary of Rockland County Place Names

Compiled by Pat Wardell

This started as a personal project for my own information and it is certainly far from complete. I hope that even in its incomplete form it might be helpful to others, and at least a start for a more complete listing. I hope that members will add to (and correct, if necessary) the information given in this alphabetized series. References are cited. If you find place names in deeds, records, and other documents, I would like to know so that I can add time frames and further information to these usages.

—Pat Wardell

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Bellegrove

Early name for the vicinity of present Mahwah, N.J., where Ramapo Road crosses Route 17. An early store and trading post was established here, supposedly by Robert Erskine (originally as a depot from which to supply the forge and mine workers of the Ringwood area).

- [1773], "Bellgrove"—shown on map, Tholl, Claire K., "Mahwah 1709-1876," compiled for the Mahwah Historical Society in affiliation with the Mahwah Bicentennial Commission, 1975.
- 1781, "Belle grove"—shown on map, "Carte d'une partie de la Province de Newyork et des Jerseys." (Reproduced in Leiby, Revolutionary War in the Hackensack Valley.)

Blauvelt

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y., near Piermont. A station on the New York, Lake Erie, and Western Railroad. Earlier known as Greenbush and Blauveltsville. Named in honor of the Blauvelt family, and of Judge Cornelius I. Blauvelt in particular.

- "Blauveltsville"—Cole, History of Rockland Co., p. 243.
- 1977, "Blauvelt"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen & Rockland Co.

Blauveltsville

(See Blauvelt)

Blue Hill

An area in the old Kakiat Patent section of Bergen County near or in present-day Montvale. Also known as Scheurclaw. Also written Blue Hills.

- 10 June 1808, "the Blue Hill"—LW&T of Isaac Perry.
- "Blue Hills"—Westervelt, History of Bergen Co., Vol. I, p. 382.
- "Scheurclaw (Blue Hill)"—Durie, The Kakiat Patent, 1970, p. 158.

Bon Air Heights

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y. near Suffern.

- 1977, "Bon Air Heights"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen & Rockland Co.

Calico Hook

A location near Rockland Lake in Rockland County, N.Y. Earlier called Kalk Hook.

- "Calico Hook"—Green, Frank B., The History of Rockland County. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co., 1886, p. 33.

Camp Hill

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y. in or near Pomona. Its name comes from the fact that American troops camped here during the Revolution.

- 1777, "Camp Hill"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen & Rockland Co.

Cassady's Corners

A locality east of Viola, in Rockland County, N.Y. Probably named for the Cassady family, who lived at this place. Also known as Ackerman's Corners, from the Ackermans who lived here.

- "Cassady's Corners"—Green, Frank B., The History of Rockland County, New York: A. S. Barnes & Co., 1886, p. 404.
- "Cassady's Corners"—Cole, History of Rockland County, p. 255, 283.

Cherry Lane

A locality near Tallman, in Rockland County, N.Y.

- 1841, "Cherry Lane"—Martha Ann Zabriskie Diary.
- "Cherry Lane"—Cole, History of Rockland County, p. 279.
- "Cherry Lane"—Green, Frank B., The History of Rockland County. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co., 1886, p. 408.

Clarkstown

A community in Rockland County, N.Y. (including present day Bardonia, Clarkstown, Germonds, Nanuet, and West Nyack) near Pearl River. Also known as Clarksville. The Clarkstown Reformed Dutch Church was established here in 1749. Originally Clarks Town and thought to have been named for the De Clark family. Established 18 March 1791, separated from Haverstraw. Included Verdrietig Hook. 1970 population: 61,653.

- "Clarkstown"—Cole, History of Rockland County, p. 112.
- "Clarkstown"—George O. Zabriskie, Zabriskie Genealogy, 1963.
- 1977, "Clarkstown"—1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen & Rockland Co.

Clarksville

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y. Also called Mount Moor and Nyack Turnpike. (see also Clarkstown)

- "Clarksville"—Cole, History of Rockland County, p. 121.
- 1977, "Clarksville"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen & Rockland Co.

Clausland

A locality in the Sparkill Valley in Rockland County, N.Y. Later called Greenbush, and now a part of Orangeburg and Blauvelt.

- "Clausland"—Bailey, Rosalie Fellows, Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Northern New Jersey and Southern New York. William Morrow & Company: 1936, p. 211.

Clove, the

A gap at the northern end of the Ramapo Valley, in Hillburn, Sloatsburg, Tuxedo, and Southfields in present Orange and Rockland Counties, N.Y.

- 1735, "the Cloof"—Hackensack Church Marriage Records; New Jersey Archives, Vol. XXII, Marriage Records, 1665-1800. Paterson: 1900, p. 473.
- 4 February 1831, "the Clove"—Martha Ann Zabriskie Diary.
- "the Clove"—George O. Zabriskie, The Zabriskie Genealogy, 1963.
- "the Clove"—Adrian C. Leiby and Frederick W. Bogert, "When Bergen Was Young" in *In Bergen's Attic*, a publication of the Bergen County Historical Society, Vol. I, No. 1, Early 1965.

Congers

A locality in Rockland County, N.Y.

- 1977, "Congers"—in 1977 Hagstrom's Atlas of Bergen & Rockland Co.

Dater's Works

Alternate name for Pleasant Valley, Rockland County, N.Y. Named for the iron works established here by Abram Dater about 1800.

- "Dater's Works"—Green, Frank B., The History of Rockland County. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co., 1886, p. 396.

Dobb's Ferry [West of the Hudson]

Name sometimes used indicating the landing at Palisades, Rockland County, N.Y., on the west side of the Hudson River, which was also called Sneden's Landing (or Snedens Landing—without the apostrophe). There was a blockhouse above Sneden's Landing during the Revolution. Dobb's Ferry now refers to the locality on the east side of the Hudson River, in Westchester County, N.Y. Its name comes from the Dobbs family, various members of whom ran a ferry across the Hudson here and who apparently at one time held the wharfage, and ferry rights, on both sides of the river.

- [29 July 1776], "Dobb's Ferry on the west side of Hudson River"—Order of Orange County Committee, quoted in Bailey, Rosalie Fellows, Pre-Revolutionary Dutch Houses and Families in Northern New Jersey and Southern New York. William Morrow & Company: 1936, p. 219.
- [12 October 1782], "Dobb's Ferry"—Tholl, Claire K., "A Guide to the Whereabouts of Washington During the War for Independence," in Bergen County History, the 1974 Annual of the Bergen County Historical Society, p.95.
- 30 December 1807, "Dobb's Ferry"—LW&T of Johannis Nagel "of Harington Twp.", quoted in New Jersey Archives, First Series, Vol. XLI, p. 272, "...part of my farm on East side of road that leads to and from Dobbs Ferry..."
- "Dobb's Ferry West of the Hudson"—Adrian C. Leiby and Frederick W. Bogert, "When Bergen Was Young" in *In Bergen's Attic*, a publication of the Bergen County Historical Society, Vol. I, No. 1, Early 1965.

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1855 NEW YORK STATE CENSUS, ROCKLAND COUNTY

Transcribed by Pat Wardell

Please see December 1990 issue (p. 6) for general information about this census and about this transcription.

Editor's Note: Last issue I told you that my entire transcribed file for these records disappeared from my hard disk and because I had returned the Xeroxed copies of this census months ago, I was back to struggling with reading just the microfilmed version for this transcription. The update is that thanks to Les Baisley's generosity in loaning me once again the Xeroxes, I am once again transcribing from both Xeroxed and microfilmed records, which makes the work much easier and the level of errors (it is our hope) much fewer. Many thanks, once again, Les!

TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, 2ND ELECTION DISTRICT (Continued from December 1991 issue)

Dwcl.	Fam.	Name of every person...1 June 1855	Age	Sex	Col	Relation to head of family	Where born	M/W	Yrs Res	Profession, Trade, Occupation	land owner
101	119	James R. Springsteed	39	M			Rockland	M	39	Blacksmith	
		Ruth Springsteed	33	F		Wife	Putnam	M	17	None	
		Wm. R. Springsteed	16	M		Son	Rockland		16	None	
		Ellen [Jane] Springsteed	15	F		Daughter	Rockland		15	None	
		Ralph [J.] Springsteed	13	M		Son	Rockland		13		
		Elisabeth Springsteed	5	F		Daughter	Rockland		5		
		John [Odle?]	40	M		Labourer	Rockland		40	None	
102	120	William Van Wart	60	M			New Jersey	M	45	Wheelwright	
		Phebe Van Wart	55	F		Wife	Orange	M	37	None	
		Adelade Van Wart	17	F		Daughter	Rockland		17	None	
103	121	Catharine Rose	64	F			Rockland	W	64		
		Elister Rose	23	F!		Son	Rockland		23	Carpenter	
		Alexander	12	M		Labourer	Con'c't		3	None	
104	122	Patrick [Kunan? Keenan?]	66	M			Ireland	M	1	None	
		[Maurgette?] [Kunan?]	60	F		Wife	Ireland	M	1	None	
		Elisabeth [Kunan?]	22	F		Daughter	Ireland		2?	None	
		John [Kunan?]	30	M		Son	Ireland		11	None	
105	123	Patrick Degan	35	M			Ireland	M	7	None	
		Mary Degan	30	F		Wife	Ireland	M	7	None	
		Maurgette Degan	12	F		Daughter	Con'ct		7		
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		Mary Ann Degan	10	F		Daughter	Con'ct		7		
		Catharine Degan	8	F		D ⁰	Con'ct		7		
		John Degan	7	M		Son	Con'ct		7		
		Elisabeth Degan	6	F		Daughter	Rockland		6		
		Mathias Degan	4	M		Son	Rockland		4		
		William Degan	2	M		Son	Rockland		2		
[124]		John Kennady	24	M			Ireland	M	4	None	
		Bridget Kennady	28	F		Wife	Ireland	M	4	None	
		Lawrence Kennady	2	M		Son	Rockland		2		
		Mary Ann Kennady	1	F		Daughter	Rockland		1		
		Lawrence Dulahaunt	30	M		Boarder	Ireland	M	5?	None	
		Rosa Dulahaunt	24	F		D ⁰	Ireland	M	5?	None	
		John Dulahaunt	6/12	M		D ⁰	Rockland		6/12		
[125]		George S. Allison	63	M			New York	M	39	Farmer	Owms
		Hannah B. Allison	60	F		Wife	Rockland	M	60	None	
		Eugenia McArdle	35	F		Daughter	Rockland	M	35	None	
		Brewster J. Allison	33	M		Son	Rockland		33	Brick Burner	Owms
		Mary M. Allison	30	F		Daughter	Rockland		30	None	
		Elisabeth Resan	30	F		Servant	Rockland		30	None	
		Edward Lane	17	M		D ⁰	Ireland		6	None	
[126]		Jeremiah F. [or W.?] Wilkins	35	M			Westchester	M	1	Farmer	
		Mary Jane Wilkins	30	F		Wife	Westchester	M	1	None	
		Emma Jane Wilkins	10	F		Daughter	Westchester		1		

Dwel.	Fam.	Name of every person...1 June 1855	Age	Sex	Col	Relation to head of family	Where born	M/W	Yrs Res	Profession, Trade, Occupation	land owner
		William K. Wilkins	6	M		Son	Westchester		1		
		Sarah A. Wilkins	4	F		Daughter	Westchester		1		
		Betsey Murphy	20	F		Servant	Ireland		6/12	None	
[127]		Samuel Thorn	28	M			Rockland	M	28	None	
		Hannah Thorn	25	F		Wife	Rockland	M	25	None	
		Charlotte Thorn	10/12	F		Daughter	Rockland		10/12		
[128]		William Rose	66	M			Rockland	M	66	None	Owms
		Rachel Rose	65	F		Wife	New York	M	57	None	
[129]		Julius C. Beebe	37	M			Con'ct	M	4	None	
		Mary Beebe	33	F		Wife	New York	M	?	None	
		[Alva?] Beebe	1	M		Son	Rockland		1		
		John Goodspeed	19	M		Brother in Law	New York		2	None	
		Frances Goodspeed	18	F		Sister in Law	New York		2	None	
[130]		Henry Beebe	55	M			Con'ct	M	?	Cabinet Maker	Owms
		Eliza Beebe	36	F		Wife	England	M	2?	None	
		Lucy Ann Beebe	4/12	F		Daughter	Rockland		4/12		
		[Name scribbled over on this line]									
		Horace M[illegible]	22?	M		Boarder	Mass		6/12	wood turner	
[131]		Charles M. Beebe	35	M			Con'ct	M	1	Blacksmith	
		Elmira [Elvira?] Beebe	22	F		Wife	Con'ct	M	1	None	
		Charles J. Beebe	4	M		Son	Con'ct		1		
(18)											
		Mary E. Beebe	3	F		Daughter	Con'ct		3		
		David A. Beebe	6/12	M		Son	Rockland		6/12		
		Ogden Beebe	46	M		Boarder	Con'ct	W	12	Blacksmith	

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Deaths for the Year Ending June 1, 1870

(From 1870 Mortality Schedule of Rockland County; LDS Film #1415135, stamped pp. 609-620)

Submitted by Laura J. LeBarron

Continued from the December 1991 issue.

Abbreviations Used:

- *St = Status (Married, Widowed)
- *F = Father Foreign Born (X = Yes)
- *M = Mother Foreign Born (X = Yes)

C = Clarkstown
H = Haverstraw
O = Orangetown
R = Ramapo
R*995 = Rockland County Alms House
in Ramapo
S = Stony Point
W = Warren Village
Numbers indicate the number of

the family as given in the 2nd column
of the regular population Schedule of
the 1870 Census.

Kp Bdg School = Kept Boarding School
Imp = Importer
R = Retired

Bre = Bremen
Ger = Germany
Ire = Ireland
Pol = Poland
Pot = Potsdam
Pru = Prussia

Swi = Switzerland

Ch = Chronic
Cngtn = Congestion of
Genl = General
Inflm = Inflammation of
Quincy Sore T = Quincy Sore Throat
Rem Fever = Remittant Fever
Stmch = Stomach

An explanation of the diseases
appears following the conclusion of this
mortality listing, on page 96+93-9+.

Name	Age	Sex	*St	Bpl	*F	*M	Died	Occupation	Cause of Death	Town
MESSENDER, Garret G.	39	M	M	NJ	-	-	Oct	Farmer	Heart Inflm	R366
MILLER, James	70	M	M	MA	-	-	Aug	R Shoe Dealer	Consumption	W141
MONTANYA, Jackson	78	M	W	NY	-	-	Feb	Blacksmith	Dropsey Heart	W224
MOORE, Edwin H.	06	M	-	NY	-	-	Nov	-	Scarlet Fever	O866
MURPHY, John M.	06	M	-	NY	-	X	Dec	-	Scarlet Fever	W491

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MURPHY, Michael	43	M	M	Ire	X	X	Feb	Laborer	Bowel Obstr	C949
NALEY, Patrick	01	M	-	NY	-	-	Nov	-	Scarlet Fever	S185
NASH, Charles	05	M	-	NJ	-	-	Dec	-	Inflm Brain	C582
NEELY, Ann	01	F	-	NY	-	-	Sept	-	Measles	W587
NEWMAN, Archie B.	2m	M	-	NY	-	-	Oct	-	Inflm Bowels	W401
NICKERSON, Anna	24	F	M	Ire	X	X	Dec	Keeping House	Child Birth	W467
ODELL, Amanda	10	F	-	NY	-	-	Aug	-	Scarlet Fever	S18
ODELL, Charles	01	M	-	NY	-	-	Sept	-	Bloody Dysentery	S18
ODELL, John	04	M	-	NY	-	-	Sept	-	Bloody Dysentery	S18
O'NEAL, Mary A.	02	F	-	NY	X	X	Oct	-	Scarlet Fever	W18
PARCELLS, Julianna	1m	F	-	NY	-	-	Mar	-	Cholera Infantum	O1067
PAULIN, William	55	M	M	Scot	X	X	Feb	Baptist Clergy	Sodtening Brain	C209
PENNY, Cornelia H.	10m	F	-	NY	-	-	July	-	Disease of Brain	W258
PENNY, Elbert	02	M	-	NY	-	-	Feb	-	Scarlet Fever	W129
PERRY, Caroline	25	F	M	NY	X	-	June	Keeping House	Child Birth	O1
PERRY, Caroline	3m	F	-	NY	-	-	Sept	-	Whp Cough	O1
PHILLIPS, Richard	30	M	M	NY	-	-	Sept	Laborer	Typhoid Fever	H441
POLHEMUS, Aaron	69	M	W?	NY	-	-	May	Farmer	Palsy	C422
POWERS, Bridget	09	F	-	NY	X	X	Nov	-	Scarlet Fever	W631
PURDY, Catharine	76	F	M	NY	-	-	Feb	Keeping House	Inflm Liver	H353
QUAKENBUSH, Ann E.	27	F	W	NY	-	-	May	-	Consumption	W167
QUINN, Bridget	09	F	-	Ire	X	X	July	-	Measles	H124
RAWSON, Chauncey	56	M	M	NY	-	-	May	Stage Line	Paralysis	O503
READIO?, George A.	01	M	-	NY	X	X	Aug	-	Teething	H255
REED, Catherine	92	F	W	NJ	X	X	Feb	-	Consumption	R892
RILEY, Mary	64	F	W	Ire	X	X	July	-	Chr. Dysentery	W548
RILEY, Rose	7m	F	-	NY	-	-	Aug	-	Dysentery	W589
ROSE, Richard	30	M	-	NY	-	-	Dec	Fisherman	Inflm Lungs	S537
ROSE, Thomas	01	M	-	NY	-	-	July	-	Scarlet Fever	S260
RUTHAFORD, Eliza	32	F	-	NY	X	-	Sept	-	Tumor	H210
RUTHERFORD, Christopher	57	M	M	Eng	X	X	May	Kp Bdg School	Brights Disease	O418
SCOTT, Evered	03	M	-	NY	-	-	May	-	Scarlet Fever	O517
SEARING, Mary	50	F	M	NJ	-	-	July	-	Consumption	S372
SECOR, John J.	47	M	M	NY	-	-	Jan	Store Keeper	Consumption	R248
SERVIN, Matilda	7m	F	-	NY	-	-	Mar	-	Diphtheria	R48
SHARP, Anna M.	01	F	-	NY	-	-	Aug	-	Cholera Infantum	H351
SLOAT, Dena	27	F	M	Pru	X	X	Mar	-	Child Birth	S349
SLOAT, Mary	01	F	-	NY	X	X	Jan	-	Marasmas	S349
SMITH, Cornelius J.	70	M	M	NY	-	-	Mar	Farmer	Softening Brain	O1324
SMITH, Henry (Bl)	10	M	-	NY	-	-	Mar	Inmate	Consumption	R*995
SMITH, Louisa	27	F	M	NY	-	-	Jan	-	Typhoid Fever	H3
SMITH, Sarah	01	F	-	NY	-	-	Mar	-	Whooping Cough	R67
SNEDIKER, Hattie	12	F	-	NY	-	-	Jan	-	Consumption	O144
SPRINGSTEAD, Rose	52	F	M	NY	-	-	Aug	-	Ch Dysentery	H423
SPRINGSTEEN, Cornelius	78	M	M	NY	-	-	Nov	Farmer	Pericarditis	R216
STAKE, John	79	M	W	Bre	X	X	Nar	R Seaman	Genl Debility	R247
STEPHENS, Julia	01	F	-	NY	X	X	Nov	-	Marasmas	S352
STEPHENS, Michael	31	M	M	Ire	X	X	Mar	Laborer	Heart Disease	O346
STEPHENS, Thomas	02	M	-	NY	X	X	July	-	Marasmas	S352
STORMS, Sarah S.	53	F	M	NJ	-	-	Feb	Keeping House	Mouth Disease	O225
STRAUT, No Name	1m	F	-	NY	-	-	May	-	Unknown	R277
TALLMAN, Albert	6m	M	-	NJ	-	-	July	-	Cholera Infantum	R679
TAYLOR, Clarence	01	M	-	NY	-	-	Sept	-	Dysentery	H286
TEN EYCK, Clara	28	F	M	NY	-	-	Mar	Keeping House	Miscarriage	O278
TERRY, Richard	10	M	-	NY	-	-	Oct	Inmate	Consumption	R*995
TOOHEY, George	51	M	-	Ire	X	X	Jan	Inmate	Consumption	R*995
TOUSENTY?, Mary	01	F	-	NY	X	X	Aug	-	Teething	W44
TUCKER, Julia M.	06	F	-	NJ	-	-	Dec	-	Brain Fever	O643
TURNER, Mary J.	01	F	-	NY	-	-	Mar	-	Whooping Cough	R92

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VAHEY, John	03	M	-	NY	X	X	Dec	-	Scarlet Fever	H64
VAHEY, John	8m	M	-	NY	X	X	Sept	-	Teething	H63
VAN HOUTEN, Garret	80?	M	M	NY	-	-	Mar	Farmer	Dropsey Heart	R433
VAN HOUTEN, Helen	21	F	M	NY	-	-	Dec	Keeping House	Child Birth	C444
VAN NESTE, Vienna	35	F	F	M	NH	-	Nov	Keeping House	Peritonitis	R137
VAN ORDEN, Chas. M.	18	M	-	NY	-	-	July	Fireman on Tug Boat	Drowning	O663
VAN RIPER, Frank	28	M	M	NY	-	-	Jan	Hotel Keeper	Dropsey Heart	
R717WALDRON, Catharine	87	F	W	NY	-	-	Nov	-	Debility	S172
WALDRON, Mariah	77	F	-	NY	-	-	Jan	-	Consumption	S588
WALHONESA, Wincebig?	24	M	-	Pol	X	X	Apr	Inmate	Suicide (Hanging)	R*995
WANAMAKER, Peter	47	M	M	NY	-	-	Feb	Farm Laborer	Consumption	R304
WAY, No Name	1m	M	-	NY	-	-	Sept	-	Unknown	R296
WELCH, Catharine	19	F	-	NY	X	X	Apr	-	Consumption	W479
WESSENGER, William	17	M	-	NY	X	X	Jan	-	Consumption	W398
WIFFIELD, Catherine	07	F	-	Ger	X	X	July	Inmate	Scarlet Fever	R*995
WIFFIELD, Elizabeth	03	F	-	Ger	X	X	July	Inmate	Scarlet Fever	R*995
WILKS, Hannah	47	F	M	NY	-	-	Nov	Keeping House	Heart Disease	R4
WINNE, James	09	M	-	Ire	X	X	May	-	Typhoid Fever	W46
WOOD, Catharine	22	F	M	NY	-	-	Aug	Keeping House	Typhoid Fever	W246
WOOD, Maryetta	02	F	-	NY	-	-	Sept	-	Unknown	H372
A Stranger	40	M	-	Ger	X	X	July	Inmate	Delirium Tremons	R*995

Explanation of the Diseases:

For a more complete explanation of these and other diseases see the article by Dr. James Carter, "Disease and Death in the Nineteenth Century: A Genealogical Perspective," pp. 289-301 in the Dec 1988 (V. 76 #4) issue of the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*. In this article Dr. Carter points out that many times the cause of death listed in the mortality schedules was simply symptoms of the disease and not a precise diagnosis of the actual disease causing the death. (Also see: *Genealogical Helper*, 42 (4) July-Aug 1988, p. 11, "Medical Terms for Genealogists" by Susan White.)

Apoplexy: Stroke

Bloody Piles: Hemorrhoids

Brain Fever: May have been Meningitis or Typhus. Both are characterized by symptoms of severe headaches and fever.

Bright's Disease: Kidney Disease

Bronchitis: Inflammation of air passages in the lungs

Cholera Infantum: A non-contagious diarrhea of young children occurring usually in summer, characterized by gastric pain, vomiting, and fever. Death often occurred within 3-5 days.

Cholera Morbus: Same as Cholera Infantum but in other than infants

Congestion: An Abnormal accumulation of blood or other fluid in body part

Consumption: A wasting away of the body; applied especially to Tuberculosis of the Lung

Croup: A condition in which the voice box or windpipe was obstructed resulting in coughing and difficulty in breathing

Delirium Tremens: A delirium due to alcohol (or alcohol withdrawal) accompanied by tremors

Diphtheria: An infectious disease causing development of membrane in nose and throat

Dropsey: Edema; abnormal accumulation of fluid in a large body cavity (e.g. chest, abdomen, heart, brain)

Dropsey of the Brain: Chronic Hydrocephalus; an abnormal increase of fluid in the brain

Dysentery: A group of disorders resulting from inflammation of the intestines (especially the colon)

General Debility: A descriptive term meaning abnormal weakness and loss of strength

Inflammation of a body part: This was purely a descriptive term and is not helpful in identifying the actual disease

Lock Jaw: Tetanus

Marasmus: Infantile debility; a condition wherein a child is unable to absorb nutrition from food, characterized by thinness, dry skin, poor muscle development and irritability

Palsy: Paralysis to a body part

Pericarditis: Inflammation of the membrane which surrounds the heart

Peritonitis: Inflammation of the peritoneum (the membrane lining the abdominal cavity)

Quincy Sore Throat: Quinsy; severe inflammation of the tonsils often leading to an abscess

Remittant Fever: Relapsing Fever; periods of fever alternate with periods of normal temperature

Scarlet Fever: A contagious disease characterized by chills, high fever, sore throat, and rash.

Softening of Brain: Encephalomalacia; degeneration of brain tissue

Typhoid Fever: An infectious disease usually occurring in the summer affecting the intestines and characterized by fever, delirium, skin rash, and abdominal pain.

Water on Brain: Hydrocephalus; accumulation of fluid in the brain

Whooping Cough: Pertussis; an infectious disease characterized by spasmodic coughing

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