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FALL NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

CCARC has been very busy with researchers from out of town. They are **amazed** at our collections and wealth of information. Thanks to generous people our collections keep growing. It's like Christmas all the time.

Hopefully you will find something interesting or a new place to research from this issue. How many times have you looked for a probate class and it is missing. All is not lost! Try Probate Journals on Family Search.

I'm excited that Columbiana Newspapers are now online and usable. Just another rabbit hole to go down in researching.

Our generation has nothing on going camping. How would you like to go camping in what we would consider dress clothes? Does anyone else have pictures of their family camping? Going through Chuck Koch's collection I recently found information about a founder of New Waterford with history of a family with pictures. The pictures are amazing (from Tintypes)!

We are always looking for proofs of parents. What better way than Church Records!

Remember: CCARC quarterly meeting is 31 Oct 2013 at 3:15

News from CCARC

Lorna Hahn's daughters, Maxine Redfoot & Elaine Bonar, donated ten Bible records to CCARC.

Lewis Glass Bible
Hiram H Hahn Bible
Dallas F Hahn Bible
Alexander T Moore Bible
William Sanor-Jacob Sanor Bible
William-Mabel Sanor Bible
Daniel Sanor Bible
George W Sanor Bible
David Shively Bible
Charles E Woolf Bible

Old Photos

In the early years of the twentieth century, Kodak offered a service of printing postcards from photos. These black and white postcards often show the family lined up in front of their homes, the young children, their new automobiles, businesses in towns and the list is endless of possibilities that can be found. Online, search for "real photo postcard" and the name of the community. Check the back of the postcard to see if it is divided in half with space for the address and a message. These divided-back postcards were not available until 1907, so this can help date the postcard. Have Fun Searching!

Probate Cases

Did you realize that Probate Cases were filed in three places! (Estate Records, Probate Journals and Probate Records) Familysearch.org has the microfilm online of Probate Journals Vol 1-2 (1852-1860) to Vol 12-13 (1882-1886), Probate Records Vol 1-3 1803-1819 to Vol 38 (1884-1886) and of course the Estate Records (1803-1900). CCARC has copies of the Probate Records Vol 1-3 and Vol 5 & 6.

Have you looked up a Probate Case on microfilm only to say the packet is missing? Now you have other places to research! One case #97, **Conrad Dotteries (Dotterers)**, had missing packet. I found the Probate Record Vol 1 pg 322 had the will. Reading the case tells you Conrad Dotterers had land in Columbiana County, Ohio but lived and died in Adams County, PA. This gives us another way of finding where your ancestor, who you knew had lived in Columbiana County, OH, but not where his family originated. What little clues we can find in court document!

Copy of Conrad Dotterers Will Probate Record Vol 1 pg 322

An Authenticated Copy of the last Will and Testament of Conrad Dotterer late of Adams County Pennsylvania deceased was this day exhibited in court with a request that the same might be admitted to Record whereupon it is ordered by the Court that the same be admitted to record accordingly, which will is in the words & figures following towit.-----

In the name of God, Amen I Conrad Dotterer of Canowago Township in the county of Adams and state of Pennsylvania, being weak in body and advanced in age but of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding blefsed be God, and considering the many accidents that attend and will at length end this mordial life. Do make and declare this my last Will and testament in manner and form following

Imprimise do will order and direct that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid of and discharged as soon as convenient after my decease by me executors herein after named, Item I do give and devise unto my son Conrad the sum of five shillings good and lawful money, which with what he has alredy received is to be in full of his shearr of my estate both real and personal Item I do give and devise unto my son John the sum of five shillings good and lawfull money which with he has alredy received is to be in full of his shearr of my estate both real and personal Item I do give and devise unto my son George the sum of five shillings good and and lawfull money which with he has alredy received ti to be in full of his sheair of my Estate both Real and personall Item I do give and devise unto the children of my two Eldest daughters named Elizabeth and Margaret a certain cexon and tract of land lying in Lisbon & columbiana county numbered number four with the appurtenances and premises to hold to them and their afsigns forever the said Elizabeths & Margaret's children the said Elizabeth & Margaret being deceased Item I do give and devise unto my son Michael the full have of a certain Cextion and tract of land with what he alredy has a Deed for part thereof & with that said part is made over to him he the said mchall that have of the other part of said section of ground to make aupto him the full have of said section of land to him lying in Lisbon & columbiana county numbered, number fourteenth to have and to hold to him & to his heirs & afsigns forever Item I do give and devise unto my daughter Annaery Rutson the remainder and full have of section of land which my siad son Michael git's the other have lying in lisbon & columbiana County & numbered fourteen to have and hold to her or to her heirs and afsigns forever Item I do give & Devise unto one of my other daughters Julian Sponseller the full have of a certain section or lot of land which Frederick Sponseller & his wife my Daughter Juliana has alredy got a Deed for part therof the are yet to have so much more to what the have alred have a deet for to make up the full have part of said section to have and to hold to them and to their heirs and afsigns forever the said lot and section lying in lisbon & columbiana county numbered number twenty six Item I do give and devise unto my son Frederick the other full and have part of the remender of section & gound & tract of land which said Frederick Sponseller and my daughter has and gits Lying in Lisbon & Columbinaa county numbered number twenty Six to have and to hold to them & to their heirs and afsigns forever the said Fredereick Sponseller and and my son Michael is hereby bound to take of said made

over part of said Section along there lines and not fight to take pick & Joise Item I do give & bequeath all the residue of my personal Estate and a nother certain peace of a section of land bying in Lisbon & Columbiana county in Mill Kreek settlement to be equily devided to and between the children of my deceased daughter Elizabeth and also the children of my deceased daughters Margarets and my son Fredericks and also my son Micheal and my daughter Julianna and her husband Fredcerick Sponseller and also one of my other daughters Anna meria and her husband Jonathan Routson of my childrenshearr and shearr alike And Lastly I do nominate and appoint my two sons John Dotterr and George Dotterr executors of this my last Will and testament hereby revoking and making null and Void all other former wills or Wills declearing this only to be and continue my last Will and Testament In Witnefs whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed, my seal the twenty sixth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand wight hundred and eight. Signed, sealed, published and decleared by the said Testator as and for his last Will and Testament.

Conrad Dotterer

Witnefs present. Philip Rahn, John Weikert.

Adams County fs Before James Duncan Esquire Register for the Probate of Wills and granting Letters of Administration in and for the county of Adams in the State of Pennsylvania. Personally came Philip Rahn and John Weikart the subscribing Witnefses to the foregoing instrument of Writing and on their Solomon oaths do severally say that they were personally present and saw and heard the above named Conrad Dotterer sign his name unto and seal and publish the foregoing instrument of writing as and for his last Will and Testament and at the time of doing thereof he the said Conrad Dotterer was of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding to the best of their knowledge and belief and that they subscribe their names thereto as Witnefses in the presence of the said Testator and at his request, and also in the presence of each other at the same time.

Sworn and Subscribed me at Gettysburgh
the 16th day of Feb 1808. James Duncan

Philip Rahn
John Weikart

Adams County in the State of Pennsylvania I James Duncan Esqr Register for the Probate of Wills and grantings letters of Administration in ad for the said county of Adams Do Certify the foregoing to be a true copy, taken from and compared with the original remainings in the Registers Office at Gettysburgh In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of siad office at Gettysburgh the twenty first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eleven.

James Duncan Reg
Reasin Beall Clk

Recorded the fecond day of July Anno Domini 1811



What Happened to the Children when the Father died without an Estate? Look for guardianships for children. If missing in Estates look at the **Probate Record Books**. The following was found in Probate Record Book No 8 pg 149 Image 82.

Special Court January 25th 1834

At @ Special Court of Common Pleas Convened at the Court House in New Lisbon in said County of Columbiana, Ohio, on Saturday the 25th day of January 1834 present John J Bowman & George Endly & George McCook Esquires Special Judges of the Court aforesaid for said county

Hannah Filson, daughter of **John Filson**, aged 13 years 4th April 1834, comes & chooses Matthew Adams her guardian, and the court appoint him guardian for **Mary Filson**, aged ten years & Six months. Bond in \$100. G B Daily is accepted as Security.

C D Coffin Clk

Extra! Extra! Read all about it!

Columbiana Newspapers are now online! The generosity of the Columbiana Community Foundation has made it possible for the Columbiana Public Library and the Historical Society of Columbiana and Fairfield Twp to partner with Advantage Archives to bring the history of Columbiana online with a searchable newspaper database. Also in this newspaper collection is Fairfield Twp Records 1805, New Waterford Magnet 1903-1912, and Civil War Collection of General Holloway.

<https://columbianaoh.historyarchives.online>

Find out what was going on in the township! Did your ancestor build a new bridge or plat a new road?

NOTICE

To whom it may concern:

Notice is hereby given on the 19th day of June, 1897, at 9 o'clock A. M., near Dilworth's mills on the Groft farm in Fairfield Township Columbiana county, Ohio, there will be let to lowest responsible bidder the following work, towit: The removal of the old bridge and construction of a new bridge over the branch of Elkrum creek near Dilworth's mill on the Groft farm.

Specifications will be given on day of sale.

The trustees of Fairfield Township reserve the right to reject any and all bids, and require bond for faithful performance thereof.

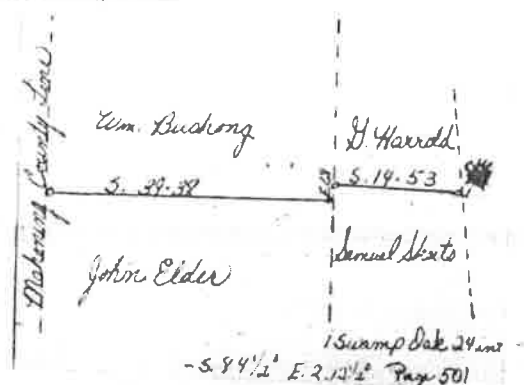
By order of Trustees.

Geo. A. Shingler

Clerk of Fairfield Township

June 5, 1897

William Bushong and others Plat of Road, petitioned for by William A. Bushong and others, in sec. 2 Fairfield Township running from County line South to Petersburg Road.



I certify the above survey to be correct releases and receipts for damages assessed.

W. T. Ashton, Surveyor

Whereas, William Bushong and others have petitioned the Board of Trustees of Fairfield Township, to establish a Township Road along the following described route, to wit: Commencing at a post in the road between Columbiana and Mahoning Counties at the corner of William Bushong's and John Elders lands, and running South between and on said farms and also through lands of Samuel Sheets, and terminating in the Petersburg Road, and said road having been duly received on the 26th day of April 1871 and damages

Columbiana Ledger had published "Mystery Farm" in the Columbiana area. The next week they published the correct answer with interesting facts about the farm. Maybe your ancestor's farm was one of them! This answer was found in issue 22 Mar 1956.

'Mystery Farm' Has Number of Clues



Here is another "Mystery Farm" in the series The Ledger is presenting once each month as a means of getting acquainted with the surrounding countryside.

Several distinguishing marks pop out—the square, many-windowed house, the white-domed silo, the weeping willow in the background

If you know who lives here, you can win a three-month subscription to The Ledger by calling IV 2-3023 and giving us your guess. The second correct guess wins a two-month subscription, and the third correct guess wins a one-month subscription.

Next week, in the advertisement

of The Union Banking Co. which is cooperating in this "get acquainted" series, we'll tell who lives on the farm, and also give a brief history of its establishment and its principal products.

First of all, however, we have to know who lives there. So call it you think you recognize it.

'Mystery Farm' Has Roots in History

The "Mystery Farm" which appeared in last week's Ledger turns out to be more than a farm—it's an interesting link with history.

The square, many-windowed house is of the earliest vintage, and served once upon a time as an inn on the Pittsburgh-Alliance stage coach line. It was built by Jacob Gilbert, who died about 1832.

Today it is the home of Herman Swope, and is located on what is called Sand Bank Rd., a township road running between Route 164 on the south and Route 14 on the north. Other residents are Mrs. Swope and her brother, Homer Detrow, widely-known carpenter who has built many of the homes in this area.

The 140 acres are farmed by Swope and his son, Wilmer Swope, who lives on the next farm down the road. They do general farming, and keep 18 dairy cows and 600 chickens, retailing the milk and eggs in Youngstown.

The place is steeped in history. The Esterly Cemetery once was part of the tract, until deeded to the Friends Meeting in Salem. The house, when first put up by Gilbert, who may have been a soldier in the Revolution, extended only as far back as the middle chimney in this picture. The

addition between the middle chimney and back chimney was built around 1862 by Isaac Nichols.

All of the trademarks of the pioneer home are in the house—big, wide oak flooring, window sills and baseboards of poplar, cut stone basement, and huge log-burning fireplaces at both ends of house. It contains 16 rooms.

After Jacob died, the Gilbert heirs sold the place to a Frederick family, and it was from the Fredericks that Isaac Nichols of Virginia obtained it. It was Nichols who built the main barn. He wanted something impressive, and he built it in the middle of the road, so no one could miss seeing it. The road, of course, developed a detour around the barn. Its course was moved 40 feet to accommodate Nichols.

Herman Swope obtained the place in 1936 after a succession of owners, one of whom, John Yoder, built the straw shed in front of the main barn.

Winners of free subscriptions to The Ledger for correctly identifying the farm are: Mrs. Les Zarnosky, RD 2, Columbiana, a three-month subscription; Crawford Detwiler, 7th St., a two-month subscription, and Fred Zellers, W. Salem, a one-month subscription.

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Roller Collection

Thad Lora was a early genealogist of Columbiana County history in our CCOGS group. We recently were given some of his collection. This picture and history were part of it. Can you imagine camping like they did. Most of them looked happy!

Samuel J Roller

Samuel J. Roller, a respected citizen of Hanover township, was born in Mahoning County, October 15, 1837. The son of Jacob B. and Margaret (Gilbert) Roller. At the age of eleven years Mr. Roller began working at the miller's trade with his father and on attaining his majority went to New Lisbon, Ohio - at which place he operated a saw mill until 1862. In that year he ran a flouring mill for a short time in West Fork, and in August enlisted in Company G One Hundred and Fourth Ohio Volunteer Infantry as a musician with which he served until the close of the war.

The nineteenth day of August 1864, he was taken prisoner near Atlanta, Georgia by the Texas Rangers, and stripped of everything but shirt and pants. Shortly afterward he became an inmate of the infamous prison pen of Andersonville, where for eight months and eight days he suffered untold tortures, the like of which caused the death of many of his unfortunate comrades. He went into prison weighing 175 pounds and when he came out his weight had diminished to about eighty pounds. While a prisoner he was changed around considerably after the fall of Atlanta. He, with a number of others, was loaded into box cars and transported to Milan where in the prison stockade, he experienced his greatest suffering from the intense cold and exposure.

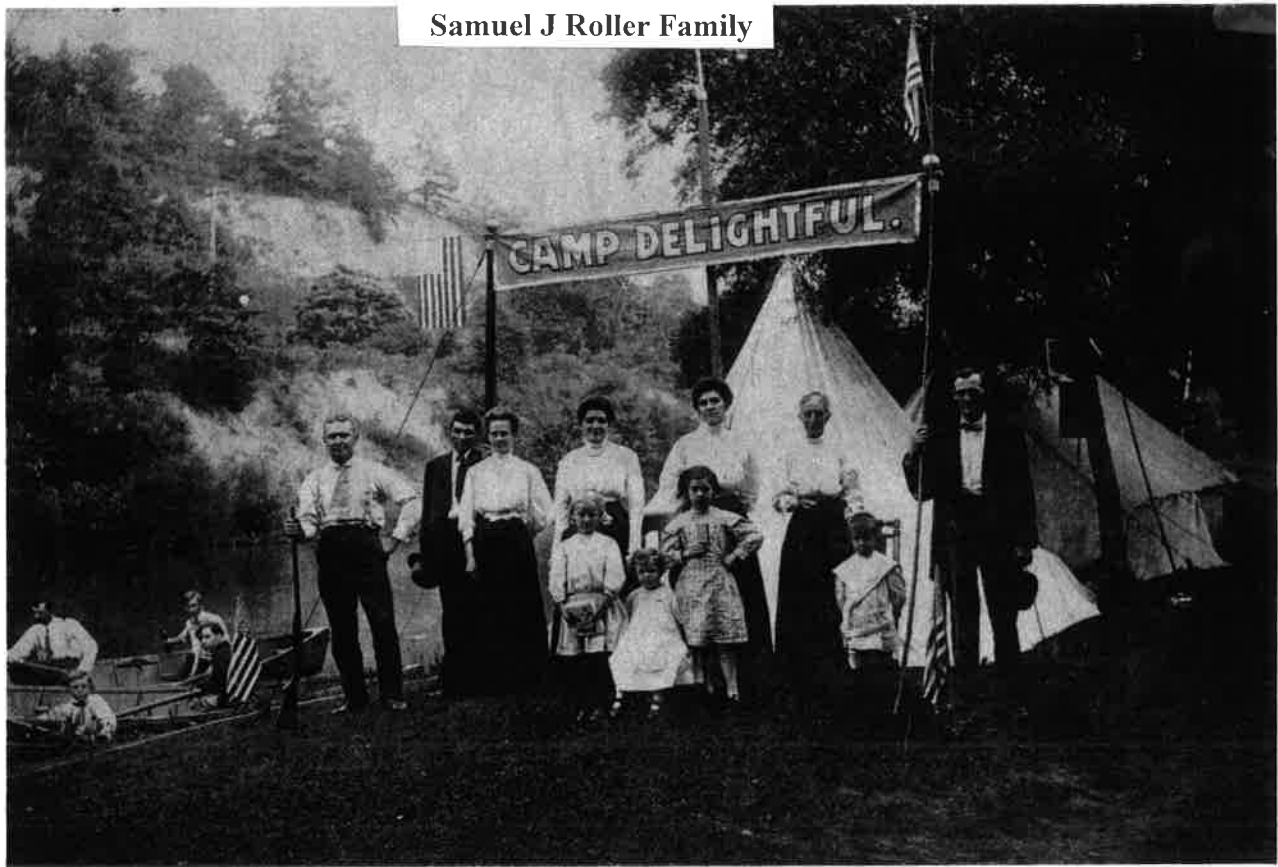
He was transferred from Milan to Savannah thence to Blackshier, where the prisoners were put in an open field surrounded by a deep trench, which was carefully watched by cruel guards. They were sent to Savannah for exchange, but the transports not arriving, he was taken back to Blackshier, thence to Thomasville, and on to the Florida line, and in a short time to Albany - where they were obliged to march on foot, through the swamps and water, which caused great suffering. The time being the week of Christmas and the weather was cold and disagreeable.

He was returned to Andersonville, where he remained until April after which with others he was compelled to make various changes before his parole on the 28th day of April, 1865 at Lake City, Florida. After his parole he was sent under guard to Baldwin, at which place he breathed the air of liberty after his long incarceration. He then went to Jacksonville where he received an outfit of new clothing. After which he went on a river steamer to Fernandina for Annapolis where he arrived on the 14th day of May, 1865. After remaining in that city a short time and drawing \$61.75 commutation money, he was sent to Columbia where on the following June 16th, he received his discharge, afterward he returned to Salem, Ohio. Mr. Roller had in his possession, a pocket book - and a skillet - (small one) which he got in Andersonville and carried while in prison. The skillet he looks upon as a valuable article as it served him during the trying days of his prison experience.

Mr. Roller was married September 12, 1861 to Miss Caroline Heaton, who was born on December 30, 1840. To this union were born six children, all whom survive except the eldest son. Their names are Ada R. Reeder, Charles Emmer, Walter G., Homer H., Edith C. and Jessie (died May, 1867). Mr. Roller

is a member of the Grand Army of the Republic post of New Lisbon and with his wife is a member of the Trinity Reformed Church. May 3rd Mr. Roller was nominated by the Republican primary election for infirmary director, receiving a handsome majority over all competitors, March 1877 he purchased a piece of land and a mill in Hanover township and since that time has been in business here. He is an ardent supporter of the Republican party, and a man universally respected by the community in which he resides.

From History of the Upper Ohio Valley 1891
Columbiana County



Descendants of Samuel J. & Caroline (Heaton) Roller camping at Willow Grove Park, Lisbon, Ohio in 1909.

Man seated in row boat:

Walter Gilbert Roller s/o Samuel & Caroline Roller.

Boy in front of him:

Everett Russell Roller s/o Walter G. & Bertha Roller.

Boy to back of picture in boat:

Lester H. Roller s/o Walter G. & Bertha Roller.

Boy in boat, next to flag:

Harry S. Roller s/o Charles E. & Minnie Roller.

Children L/R:

Helen Roller d/o Walter G. & Bertha Roller.

m. 1st Henry Wagner; m. 2nd Southerland.

Cora Belle Chandler d/o Adelbert & Edith Chandler.

m. William H. Cracknell.

Esther Lorraine Chandler d/o Adelbert & Edith Chandler.

m. Robert R. Vick.

Everett Roller Chandler s/o Adelbert & Edith Chandler.

m. 1st Helen Lewis; m. 2nd Elizabeth DeGarmo.

Adults Standing, L/R:

Charles Emerson Roller s/o Samuel J. & Caroline Roller.

Ross Roller s/o Charles E. & Minnie Roller.

Mrs. Walter G. (Bertha I. Marietta) Roller.

Mrs. Charles E. (Minnie Crosser) Roller.

Mrs. Adelbert S. (Edith) Chandler d/o Samuel J. & Caroline Roller.

Mrs. Joseph L. (Mary) Gruber d/o Jacob Balser & Margaret Roller.

Adelbert Scott Chandler s/o Charles & Arigail (Fleming) Chandler.

Who has looked at pictures of the New Waterford former business district. The businesses are on Silliman Street. In material from Charles Koch family a letter was found with the Silliman family history with early pictures. (The Silliman Family -- Pennsylvania and South Carolina Branches by Robert B Silliman) This can be found online.

John Silliman, oldest child of Samuel and Elizabeth Silliman, was born in Lancaster County, Pa, on 28 Jan 1813. When twelve yrs old, his parents left Lancaster County. In 1842 he was married to Nancy S Stevenson, who was born in Pittsburgh in March 1821. They lived in Pittsburgh until 1851 when John and his brother Robert moved to Columbiana County, Ohio, to an area known as Bull Creek. These two brothers laid out the town of New Waterford. They were instrumental in establishing the first Presbyterian Church in the area. John also was the owner of the first store in the town. In time he became quite a successful merchant.

In 1869 he moved to Blairstown, Iowa, where he again became engaged in the mercantile business. He was an active member of the Blairstown Presbyterian Church of which he was a deacon and trustee at the time of his death on 19 Aug 1879. His wife, Nancy died in Cleveland on 20 May 1900. Both Nancy and John are buried in the Allegheny Cemetery in Pittsburgh. John and Nancy had two sons, Samuel P and William S and two daughters, Elizabeth and Anna Mary. Below are pictures of Nancy, John and Anna Mary.

Robert Silliman, second son of Samuel and Elizabeth Silliman, was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania in 1815 and was 10 yrs old when his parents moved to western Pennsylvania where he grew up in Ross Twp, Allegheny County. He is listed in an 1839 Pittsburgh Directory as Robert Silliman, carpenter. In 1851 he and his wife Mary Ann, together with his brother John and his family, moved to Columbiana County, Ohio. Later he moved to Texas where he was living in 1859 at the time of his father's death. (His father died in New Waterford, Ohio at the home of his son, John on 24 May 1859.) Robert continued to live in Texas until his own death in 1891. His wife moved back to Pittsburgh, Pa by 1893 Directory.



Nancy Stevenson Silliman and daughter Anna Mary
Photographed about 1859 in or near New Waterford Ohio



John Silliman and daughter Anna Mary
Photographed about 1859 in or near New Waterford Ohio

**Hanoverton Presbyterian Church
Hanoverton, Columbiana County, Ohio
List of Baptized Children 1850-1855**

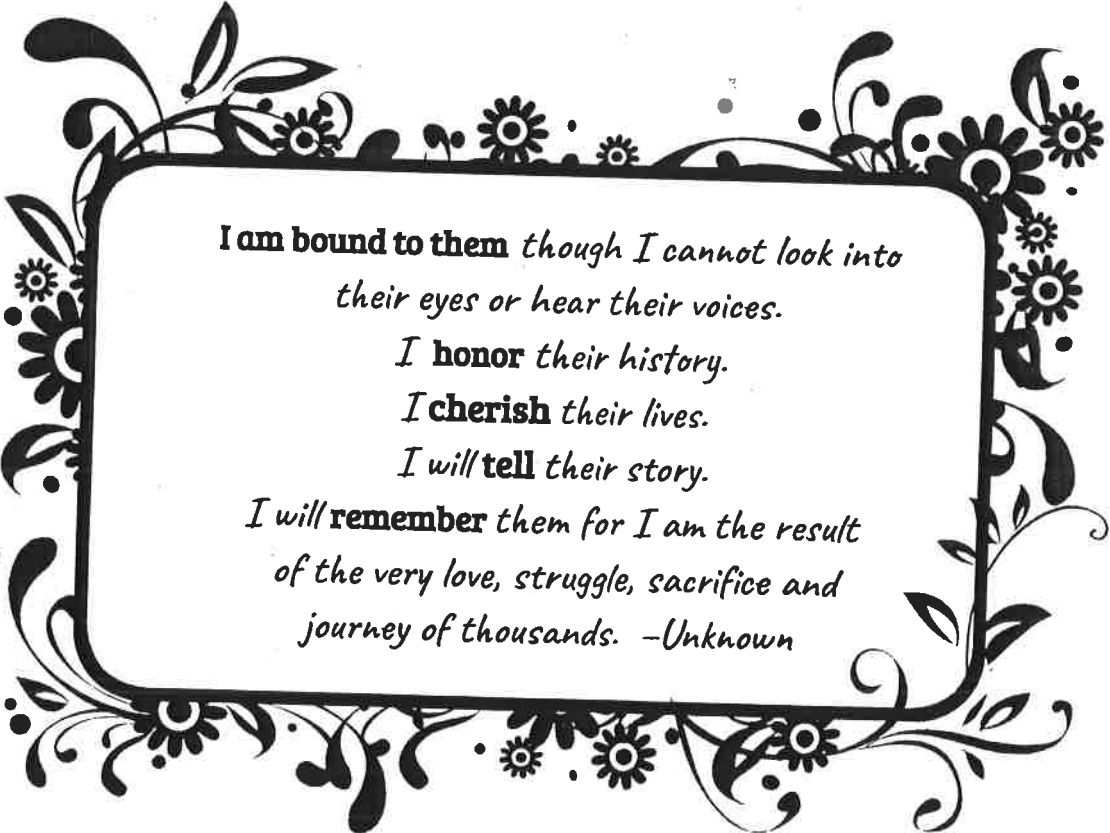
Elizabeth	3 Nov 1850	Daughter of James McIntyre & Lilly McIntyre
John Allen	25 Dec 1850	Son of John Endley & Rebecca Endley
George William	25 Dec 1850	Son of John Endley & Rebecca Endley
Robert Nernel	April 1851	Son of James Keys :& Margaret Keys
Aurelia Aravesta	April 1851	Daughter of G W & Matilda Swearengen
Emma Elizabeth	April 1851	Daughter of Albert Arter & Mary Arter
Alonzo	April 1851	Son of Albert Arter & Mary Arter
Catharine Jane	April 1851	Daughter of Rev'd Robert Dickson & Jane Dickson
Margaret Frances	Sep 1851	Daughter of Robert Pilmer and Agnes Pilmer
Elizabeth Jane	Sep 1851	Daughter of Robert McIntyre & Margaret McIntyre
Margaret Josephene	Sept 1851	Daughter of Robert McIntyre & Margaret McIntyre
Margaret Pilmer	19 Apr 1852	Daughter of Alexander Liddell & Allison Liddell
James Robertson	19 Apr 1852	Son of J M Kuhn and Catharine R Kuhn
Catharine Mary	19 Apr 1852	Daughter of Wm Witherow & Elizabeth Witherow
George	22 Nov 1852	Son of James Pilmer & Jesse Pilmer
Alexander Allen	22 Nov 1852	Son of William Ramsey & Elizabeth Ramsey
Sarah Elisabeth	1 Jun 1853	Daughter of G W & Matilda Swearengen
James Adam	1 Jun 1853	Son of Rev Robert Dickson & Jane Dickson
Thomas Harden	1 Jun 1853	Son of Alexander Anderson & Jane Anderson
Francis Wright	1 Jun 1853	Son of Jonathan Andrews & Anne Andrews
Elisabeth Ritchie	1 Jun 1853	Daughter of Jonathan Andrews & Anne Andrews
Mary Jane	1 Jun 1853	Daughter of Jonathan Andrews & Anne Andrews
Jannet Davidson	12 Dec 1853	Daughter of Robert Pilmer and Agnes Pilmer
James William	12 Dec 1853	Son of Alexander Liddel & Allison Liddel
John Kuhn	12 Dec 1853	Son of S P Vanatta & Mary Vanatta
Elisabeth Ann	12 Dec 1853	Daughter of John Wilson & Ann Wilson
Alice	12 Dec 1853	Daughter of Philip Pilmer & Alice Pilmer
Jane	12 Jun 1854	Daughter of Robert Dyer & _____ Dyer
Norman Archibald	12 Jun 1854	Son of J M Kuhn & C R Kuhn
Blank	12 Jun 1854	Daughter of Wm Thompson & Susana Thompson
Walter	2 Oct 1854	Son of Amos Schooly & Mary Anne Schooly
Elisabeth Ellen	2 Oct 1854	Daughter of Amos Schooly & Mary Anne Schooly
Margaret Jane	2 Oct 1854	Daughter of Robert C Hutchison & _____ Hutchison
Margaretta Sloan	4 Oct 1854	Daughter of John Robertson & Margaret Robertson
George	25 Nov 1855	Son of Thomas pilmer & Mary Pilmer
Flora Robertson	3 Dec 1855	Daughter of Rev R Dickson & Jane Dickson
Mary Arvesta	18 Jun 1855	Daughter of G W & Matilda Swearengen
Agnis Jane	18 Jun 1855	Daughter of James Pilmer & Jesse Pilmer
Servard	18 Jun 1855	Son of Wm Ramsey & Elisabeth Ramsey

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I am bound to them though I cannot look into
their eyes or hear their voices.

I honor their history.

I cherish their lives.

I will tell their story.

I will remember them for I am the result
of the very love, struggle, sacrifice and
journey of thousands. -Unknown