

PIONEER RECORD



THE FAIR

As I write this September Pioneer Record, it is still August and the Midland County Fair is in progress. Among the many recent notes Nancy Lackie has given me of our Midland Pioneers is one of the County Fair of 1890. I think this is a fitting beginning of a new volume of the Pioneer Record. Thank You Nancy.

THE FAIR (1890)

Midland Sun - September 25, 1890. The Fourteenth annual fair of the Midland County Agricultural Society is a thing of the past, but there still remains with us the fact that it was the most successful ever held as to display, crowd, number of entries and last but not least, financially.

Some of the departments were not as well filled as in former years, but this was more than made up by the superior display in other departments.

FLORAL HALL

Gordon & McCann had a fine display of men's, boy's and children's clothing, hats, caps, gents furnishings, underwear, trunks and valises.

Berryman, as usual was to the front with an elegant display of crayon portraits, cabinets, views, frames, etc. Mr. Berryman has a fine collection of views taken at Petoskey, where he spends his summers, and among the groups we noticed several familiar faces of Midland people.

A.S. Cody had a large and elegant display of plush goods, 50 varieties of dolls, chamber sets, rugs, mats, glassware, toys, etc., in all a very pleasing feature.

Jos. A. Jay exhibited a case of ladies' and children's fine shoes.

Anderson Bros., displayed a collection of perfumes, toilet articles, and patent medicines.

Wm. E. Wilcox, agent for Nugent & Hess of Saginaw, exhibited three Clough & Warren organs, one W.W. Kimball organ and an upright McFall Piano. The pleasure of visiting Floral Hall was greatly enhanced by the excellent music from these instruments.

Geo. W. Abbey drew the attention of the visitors be a display of Domestic sewing machines, a combination sewing machine, sewing table and writing desk being much admired.

Last but not least, comes the domestic manufacturers, fancy work, etc. This department was under the supervision of and contributed to by the ladies, therefore was a pronounced success both as regards quality and quantity of exhibits.

A rag carpet made by Mrs. A.L. Rooker, 86 years of age was much admired, as were also the rag carpets of Mrs. A. Wellman and Mrs. Wm. Mixer.

Mrs. Wm. Barbour exhibited a silk embroidered panel in frame, tinting on chamois skin, cuff and collar bag of black satin lining of old gold, rope stand with plush top, muslin drape embroidered with daisies, linen stand cover etched in rope silk, linen drape drawn work, chamois button bag, serim drape embroidered.

Dolley Reed, 13 years old, exhibited two doilies.

Mrs. Wm. C. Plumer, one knot handkerchief and two of drawn work. Mrs. Plumer also exhibited two canes carved by her uncle, A.P. Dean of Oswego, N.Y. One of these canes was a wonderful piece

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COMING MEETINGS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Midland Genealogical Society will kick off its 94-95 season with its meeting on September 21st. Now that my arm is getting back in its socket after so much twisting we are ready for an interesting series of meetings. Many of you have had a fruitful summer, meeting new friends and collecting data. We would like to hear about your experiences.

Our September meeting will give us an opportunity to visit the new Genealogy Room at the Grace A. Dow Library and locate all of the resource material. I believe that Jo Brines, Diana Butcher, and others will aid us in this tour.

You are reminded the **FIRST FAMILIES OF MIDLAND** project will come to an end on Jan. 1, 1995. Any interested persons should contact Maxine McCullen at 832-8749.

You should also be reminded that our meetings this year will again be at the Lounge of the Grace A. Dow Library on the third Wednesday at 7:00 o'clock P.M.

The hostess for our meetings, Mary Lou Pease, has served us well but would like to be replaced. Thank you Mary Lou for your fine effort to keep us happy. We need a volunteer - Anyone?

Our "new" Library will have an open house on Sunday, Sept. 25th from 2 to 5 P.M. We will need some volunteers to show off our Genealogy Room. Check your schedule.

Did you see the excellent article in the Grace A. Dow Library's **READER'S REVIEW** on **GENEALOGY**? This gave much needed recognition to the ladies that volunteer to help patrons of the library who are researching their family. As many of you know these ladies include our own Maxine McCullen, Jo Brines, Nancy Lackie, and Florence Wise, plus Linda Petrak on Fridays. Thank you "girls". We need someone to look after our interests.

I think we should also recognize the people from our Society that help at the LDS Library. These include Diana Butcher, Merilyn McGinnis, Ruth Ann Casadonte, Mary Lou Pease, Terry Keeley and Gale Hock. So don't hesitate to use this library also. You may see someone that you know.

I would like to extend a welcome to new members. The above named persons and others will gladly help you get started.

Jack Dickert, President, Midland Genealogical Society.

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SEPTEMBER 21. See the newly renovated library and the added **MICHIGAN ROOM**. Also be prepared to update or start your Ancestor Charts in our files. See details elsewhere in this newsletter.

OCTOBER 19. To Be announced.

NOVEMBER 16. To be announced.

DECEMBER. No Meeting.

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of skill as it was carved entirely with a pocket knife. The family record was cut on it; a verse from Revelations 21 Chapter 7 verse, illustrated with curved figures, numerous mottoes, maxims, etc. an eagle, lion and alligator.

Rena Hosner had a fine collection of wild grasses.

Several pieces of home made linen and flannel were much admired.

Mrs. M.H. Standford had an exhibit of silk work on linen, embroidered splashed, table center, scarf; stand cover, sofa pillow, dec sham.

Mrs. L.L. Eastman, muslin hanging basket filled with paper flowers, muslin hemstitched drape.

Mrs. Hittell, green plush photograph holder, embroidered handkerchief case, drape of scrim, catch-all, hair-pin case, and an appedo head of pounded brass in frame.

Mrs. Byron Birch exhibited a plush and felt hair cushion embroidered in chenille, two plush covered toilet bottles embroidered in chenille, and a hemstitched baby dress.

Lewis Burch had a collection of insects, including a tarantula and its nest that was much admired.

Johnny Madill's large wax doll was conspicuous in the display.

Mrs. Fred Reed displayed a fine piece of work in a skirt trimmed with hand knot lace.

Mrs. G.W. Carpenter, mull drape.

Mrs. Eastman's hand made yarn rug was much admired.

Mrs. F.J. Beach, worsted cutter robe crochet work.

Mrs, O.L. Mosher of North Bradley exhibited a rag and yarn rug.

Mrs. Wm. Barbour, linen sofa pillow.

Two bouquets of cut flowers by Miss Janes were very beautiful.

There were also several crazy quilts, very fine work; the names of the exhibitors we were unable to learn.

AGRICULTURAL HALL

John Manhood of Geneva prize pumpkins raised from one seed that weighed 239 pounds, native sunflower, early red onions, golden manigolds, half bushel golden cross wheat.

Dell Knoll, from the Dorr farm, Warren, three flat dutch cabbages, turnips, beets, purple top baggas, scarlet carrots.

August Rome, Geneva, half bushel peas, short horn carrots.

Warner Bros., Geneva, early Vermont and white rose potatoes, Tom Thumb popcorn, Prince Albert corn, yellow danvers onions.

Henry Hecox, Warren, purple top turnips.

T. Jones, Warren, long green cucumbers.

Chas. Haley, Warren, had a mammoth native sunflower with a stalk 11 feet high and head that was two inches larger than a bushel basket.

A.L. Mosher, war club cucumber, Essex pumpkin, mammoth sunflower.

Babcock Bros., North Bradley, had a fine display of honey.

J. Pierce, Warren, plate of hyssop crabs, transcendent crabs, standard and egg plums, fine variety of apples and plate grapes.

Russell Gage, Warren, cushay pumpkins.

D.B. Menery, of the Coleman Independent, exhibited evergreen sweet corn, blue blade corn, early rose potatoes, early red onions, hubbard, Boston improved and summer squashes, citrons, California pie apple, long green and white cucumbers, peppers, improved blood beets, purple top turnips. Mr. Menery also exhibited a coop of part-ridge couchon chicks, a cockerel and two pullets that score from 93 to 96 pounds. They were only three months old and averaged seven pounds each. Mr. Menery had charge of the exhibit from his section and spared neither time nor effort to explain to visitors. If he makes as much of a success of gardening on a large scale as he does on a small one he will not give his subscribers who so desire much of an opportunity to pay subscriptions with garden truck.

O.B. Hosner, Hope, had an exhibit of 100 varieties of fruit, 95 being of apples, and seven varieties of potatoes. His exhibit of fruit was larger than all others combined.

M.J. Johnson exhibited potatoes, hubbard squash, six samples of fruit. A plant called endive

similar to lettuce used as a vegetable or for greens, is the only sample in the county.

E.P. Rice took 17 first premiums on grapes, and 23 first premiums out of 24 exhibits. Mr. Rice acknowledges gardening as his hobby, and from the samples of grapes, corn, etc., exhibited by him, it is a successful one. He raises more different varieties of grapes than all others in the county.

Potatoes were the finest exhibit in this department, and judging from the different varieties are made a particular study among farmers.

Thos. McCulloch exhibited a fine sample of Pride of the Valley potatoes grown under straw with no earth covering.

Register of Deeds Main exhibited some mammoth pumpkins, one weighing 101 pounds.

We were sorry we were unable to get the names of other exhibitors in this department as they were well worthy of special mention.

N.K. Dean exhibited seven varieties of apples on which he got seven first premiums; also first on one variety of potatoes.

The horse exhibit was good. One of the features in this department was a colt exhibited by Mr. Unger. It was six weeks old and a beauty. When foaled it only weighed 45 pounds and was 23 inches high. A special premium was awarded it.

True Hart was on hand as usual with a fine display of light single harness, lap, wolf, goat and bear robes, blankets, etc. He also had a fine cutter on exhibition.

Hart & Chamberlain had a large and varied display of agricultural implements, buggies, carriages, wagons, road carts, road scraper, hay fork, etc.

THE RACES

Much of the increased attendance and interest in the fair was due to the improvement made in this department. The premiums were sufficient to warrant good horses coming here and each race was hotly contested. The free for all race Thursday resulted as follows:

St. Patrick	3	1	1	1
Mollie B.	1	2	2	2
Charlie Silver	2	3	3	3
Time:	2:48,	2:44,	2:44,	2:41

The 2-year bid race was given to Fly, Billy M. being drawn after the first heat on account of lameness.

The half mile running race resulted in favor of Texas Boy, Link second John Wesley and Bold Cruiser divided third money.

Five heats were necessary to settle the 2.40 trot which was won by Billy Kitchen.

The running race was again won by Texas Boy in three straight heats, Link 2nd, John Wesley 3rd, Bold Cruiser 4th.

We give below a list of premiums, the figure after each article designating whether first or second premium was awarded.

DRAUGHT HORSES

Thos. McCulloch, 5-yr. old stallion, 1.
Wm. Doherty, 2-yr. old Stallion, 2.

HORSES FOR ALL WORK

Park Barrett, 2-yr. old mare, 1.
Jas. A. Wells, 6-yr. old stallion, 1.
O.B. Hosner, 4-yr. old stallion, 2.
" 4-yr. old mare, 1.
Wm. Doherty, yearling, 2.
G.H. & E.F. Stowits, 2-yr. old, 2.
M. Unger, weanling,, special Premium.
Chas. Steere, yearling, 1.
" 4-mo. weanling, 2.
T. McCulloch, span brood mares, 2.
:" weanling, 2
" " 1.
Geo. Hutchins, weanling, 2.

ROADSTERS

Fred. S. Anderson, brood mare, 2.
C.F. Smith, yearling filly, 2.
Geo. O. Rockwell, 5-yr old mare, 1.
Lewis Swartout, 3-yr " , 2.
" , 6-yr " ,2.
Fred Laissure, 4-yr old stallion, 1.
" 3-yr. " ,1.
" 2-yr. " ,2.
" 3-yr old gelding, 1.

Chas. Martindale, weanling, 1.

CATTLE-SHORTHORNS

O.B. Hosner, 4-yr. old bull, 1.
" 2-yr " , 1.
" 5-mo. " , 1.
" 4-mo. " , 2.
" 6-yr. old heifer, 2.
" 3-yr. " , 2.
" 2-yr. " , 1.
" 1-yr. " , 1.
" Herd, 1.

DEVONS

Wm. Doherty, 3-yr. old bull, 1.
" 4-yr. old cow, 1.
" 3-yr. " , 1.

JERSEYS

Wm. Mixer, 3-yr. old cow, 2.
" 2-yr. " , 2
" heifer calf, 1.
" bull calf, 1.
Anderson Bros. 2-yr. old bull, 1.

" calf, 2.
" 4-yr. old cow, 1.
" 2 yrling. hfrs, 2.
' herd, 1.

HOLSTEINS

Stoel E. Dean, 2-yr. old cow, 2.
" 5-yr " , 1.
" 2 heifer calves, 1&2.
" Yearling bull calf, 1.
H.A. Sias, 3-yr. old bull, 1.
Mose Unger, 4-mo. old calf, 1.
Garner Aldrich, yearling, 1.

GRADES

Wm. Mixer, 3-yr old cow, 2.
O.B. Hosner, 4-yr. " , 1.
" calf, 1.

SHEEP-MIDDLE WOOL, SOUTH DOWNS

F. Olmstead, 2-yr. old buck, 1.
" two lambs, 1.

LONG WOOL, LEICESTER, COTSWOLD

Richard Ashley, yearling. cotswold, 1.
" lamb, 1.
" 2 cotswold ewes, 1.
" 2 " lambs, 2.

SWINE-BERKSHIRES

F. Olmstead, 2-yr old boar, 1.
" 2-yr old sow, 1.
Ed Coon, 6-mo. Jersey sow, 1.

POULTRY

F. Olmstead, pair brahmas, 1.
D. Menery, coop partridge cochin chicks, 1.
D.B. Menery, coop partridge, cochin chicks, 2.
Willie Burch, 3 pairs doves, 2.
Albert Pomranka, 1 pair doves, 1.
Sylvanus Burch, cage canaries, 1.

GRAIN AND SEEDS

N.K. Dean, red blaze corn, 1.
Tom McIntosh, yellow dent corn, 1.
Chas. Steers, redtop popcorn, 1.
" black bearded centennial wheat, 1.
M.J. Johnson, rye, 1.
" canarybird millet, 1.
D.B. Menery, golden cross wheat, 1; slossen wheat, 1; fire weed peas, 1; blk barley, 1; tom thumb popcorn, 3; prince albert corn, 1; 8 rowed yellow corn, 2; blue black corn, 1.
B.P. Magoon, tom thumb popcorn, 1.
John E. Sous(?), white field beans, 2.
F.H. Olmstead, white field peas, 1 & 2.
E.P. Rice, rice popcorn, 1; marblehead mammoth sugar corn, 2; Stowell's evergreen sweet corn, 1; concord sweet corn, 1.

G.H. & H.F. Stowits, white winter wheat, 1, white oats, 1; black oats, 1; red cloverseed, 1.

H.A. Sias, rice popcorn, 2; 8-rowed yellow field corn, 1; smidinosy(?) corn, 1; early dent corn, 1; late sweet corn, 1; white winter wheat, 2; winter rye, 2; white barley, 2.

Richard Ashley, white barley, 2.

Garner Aldrich, King Phillip corn, 1.

M. Keenon, milo maize corn, 1; kaffir corn, 1.

S. Burch, white Florida beans, 1.

R. Steers, sample dent cornstalk, 1.

Stella Janes, Stowell's evergreen corn, 2; Quaker corn, 1.

VEGETABLES

Wm. Mixer, cucumber, 2.

N.K. Dean, Vick's early gem potatoes, 1.

V. Allvord, yellow English multiplier onions, 1.

Thos. McCulloch, pride of the valley potatoes, 1,

Richard Ashley, 3 hubbard squash, 1; 3 summer radishes, 1; 3 mammoth squash 2.

Chas. Steers, 3 round Florida pumpkins, 1; 3 long pumpkins, 1; white victor potatoes, 1.

M. Keenon, turnip beets, 1; long orange carrots, 1; early red onions, 1.

M.J. Johnson, Vick's early Chicago market potatoes, 1; palloris early potatoes, 1; white elephant potatoes, 2; parsnips, 2; sweet potatoes pumpkin, 1; endive, 1; black grant sunflower, 1.

August Hintz, oxheart carrots, 1; early blood turnip beets, 1.

D.B. Menery, citrons, 1; early red onions, 2; mammoth prize pumpkin, 2; yellow leviathan mangolds, 1; native sunflowers, 1; light green cucumbers, 1; Russian sunflower. waterloo(?) cucumber, 1; early rose(?) potatoes, 2; early Vermont potatoes, 1; white rose potatoes, 1; white rock potatoes, 1; yellow danvers onions, 2; short horn(?) carrots, 2.

H.P. Mangoon, salem narrow squash, 2; Jonesville, squash, 1; victor tomato, 1; 6-weeks market potatoes, 1; early Puritan potatoes, 1; red star potatoes, 1; green mountain potatoes 1.

D.B. Menery, purple top baga, 1; long imported blood bee, 1; flat dutch cabbage, 1; hubbard squash, 1; white Spanish cucumber, 1.

John E. Sayre, early sunrise potatoes, 1; Chicago market star Potatoes, 1; early evert, 1; early cabbage, 1; red cabbage, 1; cauliflower, 2; rutabaga, 1; orange charro, 1; white carrot, 1; turnip beet, 2; winter radish, 1; miknold tomatoes, 1; acme tomatoes, 1; paragon tomatoes, 1; cucumber toma-

toes, 1; peppers, 2; yellow onions 2; white onions, 1; sweet potato pumpkin, 1; rhubarb, 1; celery, 1.

F.H. Olmstead, sugar beets, 1; parsnips, 1; peppers, 1; hubbard squash, 1; turban squash, 1; crook neck squash, 1; round pumpkin, 1; Turner's high bred tomato, 1; late celery, 1; early beauty, late white Elephant and empire state potatoes, 1 each; early cabbage, 2; late cabbage, 1; red cabbage, 2; cauliflower, 1; white carrots, 2; short horn carrots, 2.

E.P. Rice, rural N.Y. potatoes, 1.

G.H. & E.F. Stoich, mammoth squash, 1; yellow hubbard squash, 1; sweet pumpkin, 1; snake cucumber, 1; yellow onions, 1.

Mrs. Pangborn, pumpkins, 1.

T.B. Bain, Pumpkins, 1.

Henry Camp, long field pumpkins, 1.

A. Pomranky, long green cucumber, 1.

O.B. Hosner, Bay View muskmelons, 1; nutmeg muskmelon, 1; blue flesh colored potatoes, 1; seedling early rose, 1; Canada red, 1; pride of the west, 1.

Garner Aldrich, early rose potatoes, 1, late rose, 1.

M. Kenyon, yellow danvers onions, 1.

M.J. Johnson, hubbard squash, 1.

Byron Burch, flat turnip, 1.

D.B. Menery, Essex Pumpkin, 1, purple top turnip, 1.

Sylvenus Burch, calico late potatoes, 1; yellow california squash, 1; turban squash, 1; yellow marblehead squash, 1.

F.H. Olmstead, rhubarb, 1; rutabaga, 1.

D.B. Menery, castoria pumpkin, 1.

Claude Crissey, summer squash, 2; double and triple simmer squash, 2.

Stella James, peach tomatoes, 1; ruby kink peppers, 1.

Leslie Madill, Russian cauliflower, 1.

DAIRY PRODUCTS

Mrs. N.K. Dean, loaf bread, 2; cake, 1; pie, 2.

John E. Sayer, 5 lb. butter, 1.

Ethel McReavy, loaf, 1; plate, biscuit, 1/

Ethel Sias, chocolate cake, 1.

Mary Dorr, " " , 1.

Mrs. F.T. Reed, loaf brown bread, 1.

Mary Marsh cake, 1.

Mrs. Wm. Mixer, sample Jersey butter, 2.

Mrs. F.T. Reed, apple pie, 1; pumpkin pie, 1, cranberry pie, 1; plate baking powder biscuit, 1.

Mrs. N.K. Dean, gal. maple, syrup, 1.

FRUIT

O.B. Hosner, collection green fruit, 1.

- 1. Maggie Cunningham, late crawford peaches,
- D.B. Menery, lombard plums, 1.
- David Brown, Russian egg plum, 1; Washington plum, 1.
- Harry McReavy, plate plums, 1; egg plums,
- 1. Mrs. J.B. Lownsbury, late, peaches, 1.
- Mrs. F.J. Braley, can cucumber pickles, 1.
- Thos. McCulloch, hyslop, crabs, 2.
- M.J. Johnson, transcendent crabs, 1; hyslop,
- 1; mountain beauty, 1.
- O.B. Hosner, hyslop crabs, 2.
- D.B. Menery, branch hyslop crabs, 2; Hyslop,
- 2; red astracan, 2.
- Clem McDermott, hyslop crabs, 2; alberiam,
- 1. E.P. Rice, lombard, plums, 2.
- Herbert Hardy, plate crabs, 2.
- Edith Sias, alberian crabs, 2.
- David, Brown, hyslop crabs, 2; Van Wick's
- sweet crabs, 1.
- E.P. Rice, first each on plate of perkins,
- worden, agawam, vergennes, concord, delaware,
- mary, salem, diana, brighton, martha, cottage,
- lindley, telegraph, massasoit, duchess and eurvelan
- grapes.
- Harry McReavy, Iowa grapes, 1.
- Edith Sias, cinnamon grapes, 1.
- Stella Janes, gothe grapes, 1; Janes seedling
- grapes, 1.
- Mrs. T.J. Barley, can plums, 1.
- Mrs. Byron Burch, can plums, 2; can cher-
- ries, 1; can peaches 2 years old, 1; can pears 2 years
- old, 2; can huckleberries, 2.
- Mrs. A. Wellman, can peaches 20 years old,
- special premium.
- Mrs. F.T. Reed, first each on can of pears, peaches,
- blackberries, huckleberries, glass current jelly,
- glass, crabapple jelly, 2.
- Hazel Anderson, crabapple jelly, 1.

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ANCESTOR CHARTS

In keeping with one of the recommendations of the long-range planning committee of the Society, a concentrated effort will be made this year to reactivate and update the ancestor chart and surname files located in our genealogy room. Diana Butcher, chairman of this project will discuss and demonstrate the use of the 5-generation ancestor and family group charts at our **Wednesday, September 21, meeting, 7:30 P.M. in the lounge.**

Use of these two charts is essential to well-organized genealogical research. They can be a wonderful boost to others researching your same surname. If you need to learn about these charts, come to the September meeting. If you have not submitted your ancestor charts for the files, bring your family names and dates; we will supply a sample sheet, and you can fill it out at the meeting. (Please also bring something sturdy to put on your lap to write on, as we don't have enough clipboards.) If you are one of the members who already has your charts on file, you can assist other that evening!

In addition to Diana's instruction, we will be having a mini-tour of the new Midland Room, as it is officially called. Also Maxine McCullen will be awarding more certificates to First Families of Midland County applicants. All in all, it will be somewhat less formal than some of our meetings, but it will be great to see people we haven't seen in four months and share in summer experiences.

Any questions about the charts in advance of the meeting? Call Diana at 835-4528 or Jo Brines at 832-8312.

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DID YOU KNOW that over 400 persons visited and used the Midland Room in the four month period after the Library reopened in early March? Most comments have been very favorable.

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NATIONAL SOCIETY S.A.R

Would you like to contact the National Society of the Sons of the Revolution for information on an Ancestor? You can obtain order forms for applications from local chapters. For Michigan write to:

Larry L. Blackett
7567 S. Riverbend Rd.
Branch, MI 49402

For Massachusetts write:
Robert W. Proctor
333 Old Comers rd.
Chatham, MA 02633

For Canada write:
Robert Cruikshank
77 St. Clair Ave. E. # 1703
Toronto, CN M4T 1M5

(From a letter from the S.A.R. To Diana Butcher.)

SHELFSIDE - NEW GENEALOGICAL BOOKS AT G.A. DOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY

- 929.37743 Mt. Olivat Cemetery tombstone transcriptions, St. Joseph Parish, Howell MI, Livingston Co.
- 929.37743 United Brethren Cemetery & Benjamin Cemetery Conway Twp., Livingston Co., MI
- 929.37743 Index of Probate Records, Livingston Co., MI.
- 929.37743 Transcription - Howell or Fleming Cemetery, Livingston Co., MI.
- 299.50977 Greenwood & Mount Olivet Cemeteries, Fowlerville, MI - Transcribed by M. Charboneau
- 929.373 Passenger & Immigration Lists Index. 1994 By. P.W. Philby.
- 929.1 Guide to Genealogy Software. by D. Przicha
- 929.3774 Detroit River Connections. by Judy Jacobson.
- 929.1 Daughters - Vol. 1 - 2 - 3. D.A.R. Patriot Index. Centennial Edition.
- 929.1 Applied Genealogy. by E.A. Stratton.
- 929.3434 Wuerttemberg Emigration Index. Vol. 6.
- 929.3 German Immigrants 1863 to 1871. 2 Vol.
- 929.1 My Family Tree Workshop. Genealogy for Beginners. by R.A. Charzempa.
- 929.1 My Family Tree Workbook. Genealogy for Beginners.
- Microfiche. 1 Page - Illinois Marriages, Early to 1825. (In memory of Ed Birkheimer).
- RG325.71 The Trail of the Black Walnut - Migration of early settlers from Pennsylvania to Upper Canada.
- 929.1 Tracing your Scottish Ancestry. by K.B. Cory.
- 929.3 The Complete Book of Emigrants 1700-1776. by Coldham. 2 Vol.
- 929.3 A New Jersey Biographical Index. by D.A. Sinclair.
- 974.822 A Frontier Village. by A.D. Chidsey, Jr.
- 929.3747 Early Settlers of N.Y. State 2 Vol. by J.W. Foley.
- 929.1 Updated and Enlarged American Passenger Arrival Records. by. M. Tepper.
- 929.1 Applied Genealogy. by E.A. Stratton.
- 929.3 Virginia Soldiers of 1776. Vol. I - II - III.
- 929.37744 Lapeer Co. Cemetery Records by Township. 2 Vol.
- 929.373 Index to Volunteer Soldiers in Indian Wars and Disturbances. 1815-1858. 2 Vol.
- 808.066 Writing the Family Narrative. by L.P. Gouldrup.
- 791.43 Video family history.
- 921.341 Electoral Registers since 1832.
- 929.341 Poll Books c. 1696-1872.
- 929.341 Militia Lists and Musters 1759-1876.
- 929.341 The Hearth Tax.
- 929.341 Local Census Listings.
- 929.1 The Danish Genealogical Helper.
- 912.481 Genealogical Guidebook & Atlas of Norway
- 929.1 Cradles in Sweden
- Microfiche - Searching in Illinois - A reference guide to Public & private records.
- Microfiche - Illinois Marriages early to 1825.
- 929.3 The Pension Roll of 1835.
- 929.3 The Complete Book of Immigrants 1700-1750, by Coldham
- 929.3 The Complete Book of Immigrants 1751-1776, by Coldham
- 929.3 A New Jersey Biographical Index, by Sinclair
- 929.3747 New Netherland Roots, by Epperson
- 929.3 German Immigrants, Vol III, Vol. IV, by Zimmerman
- 929.3747 Early Settlers of New York State (2 vol. set), by Foley.
- 929.341 Bishops transcripts and Marriage License
- 929.1 Probate Jurisdictions
- 929.341 Census Returns 1841-1881
- 929.341 Unpublished Personal Name Indexes.
- 929.341 Marriage, Census & other Indexes in Great Britain
- 929.341 Quarter Sessions Records in Eng. & Wales.
- 929.1 Record offices in England & Wales.
- 929.341 Local Newspapers, 1750-1920.
- 929.272 Index to Volunteer Soldiers in Indian Wars & Disturbances 1815-1858, by Virgil White.
- 929.3 Virginia Soldiers of 1776 Compiled from Documents in the Virginia Land Office, by Burgess.
- 929.3434 The Wuerttemberg Emigration Index Vol VI, by Schenk

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CIVIL WAR SOLDIERS PROJECT

After the talk on the Civil War Soldiers System at our May meeting our speaker, Nadine Messner-Loebs asked if anyone would like to help by doing some of the data input for the project. Six people volunteered: Ora Flaningam, Shirley Baker, Walt Ruprecht, Ruth Robel, Alice Lund, and

Rose Mary Laur. Walt's wife Joanne and Donalee Flaningam also "volunteered." Thank you all. Over the summer these volunteers input and verified 22 packets of Civil War Soldiers data, each packet being 200 Michigan soldiers. That's a lot of typing and it wasn't always easy, since many of the records were faded or difficult to 'decipher.'

The Civil War Soldiers system is a project of the Federation of Genealogical Societies in cooperation with the National Park service to convert historical data pertaining to Civil War participants to machine readable form through a data entry program. The record which is being converted is the General Index to both the Union and Confederate Compiled Military records.

The general card index gives the name of a soldier, his rank, the unit in which he served, and often a statement concerning the origin or background of that unit. In addition, there are cross-references to names that appear in the records under different spellings.

When this project is completed, the National Park service will have automated records to use at their historical Civil War sites and genealogists will have records which are more accessible and easier to use.

The genealogical Society of Utah supplied the data entry program, copies of the records and will be doing a final verification of the data.

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SALT LAKE CITY TRIP

Eighteen of our members will be going on a 'fun vacation' to Salt Lake City from November 1st to 9th. Six others are still undecided. Since we had a couple of airline fare 'sales' and special rates at the Howard Johnson Hotel on Temple Square next to the Genealogical Library this is a (relatively) cheap way to do a LOT of genealogical research in a short period of time. Ralph Hillman, our organizer needs to have final decisions and prepayments by Sept. 10, so that may be complete by the time you read this.

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BOOK PROJECTS

The Midland County Obituary Index has been selling steadily all summer. We've now sold about 40 copies. We have lots more left. See the FOR SALE note at the end of this newsletter to order yours.

The MIDLAND PIONEERS book is shaping up nicely. It consists of all the interesting historical and genealogical stories and notes from Volumes I through XIV of the Pioneer record. It has now been proofread once (by an unbiased third party - Thank you Merilyn), and rearranged into something approaching an logical order. A corrected copy has been printed and the indexing is in progress. It will be 219 pages plus the index.

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NEW PROGRAM GIVES YOU TWIGS FOR BUILDING A FAMILY TREE

by Joel Smith

DETROIT NEWS - August 1, 1994. A new computer program, Family Tree Maker Deluxe CD-ROM Edition by Banner Blue Software, gives the genealogy buff a good start in mapping a family history.

Through the wonders of CD-ROM and its huge storage capacity, the program includes 150 million names of individuals taken from census data between 1790-1880, marriage records from the 1600s to the 1900s, some state land records, and social security death records.

The easy-to-use program is menu driven allowing the user to begin creating a family history almost a once. You can start with any member of the family.

For example, I put my name, birth date, birth place, data of marriage and place of marriage in the appropriate boxes. I followed by putting the same information about my wife and two sons.

In each case, the program allows you to include additional information about any individual. You could add the persons date of high school or college graduation, the day they got their first kiss or anything else.

The program allows the user to go forward or backward from the data in a particular individual. By going backward in my wife's case, it asked for similar information about her father, mother, and brothers. It goes on and on, allowing up to 1 million relatives (now that's a big family) per family file.

But the most fascinating part of the program is its capability to search for ancestors from 100 or 200 years ago.

I've heard of genealogists spending months going through old dusty records looking for links to their family history. With the Family Finder index

feature in this program, the searching can sometimes be narrowed down to just a few minutes.

While the index of 150 million names on the CD-ROM disc doesn't give the user the vital information like birth date and birthplace, it tells the user the individual exists and where to find more information about the person.

It might tell you the individual appears on Michigan marriage records from 1728-1850.

You have several choices on how to obtain the information from the marriage record. Banner Blue sells the particular records on CD discs. In this case they sell all the marriage records from Michigan and seven other states between those years for \$18.99.

Your other option is to take the computer printout and go to a local public or genealogy library.

Census data indexes are available from Banner Blue on CD discs for the same price. Social Security Death Benefit Records from 1937-1992 are available for \$33. Automated family pedigrees on CD from 1500-1900 are sold for \$70.

Another nice function of the Tree Maker program is the various ways you can print out the information. You can print out ancestor or descendant trees in 10 different styles.

The Family tree Maker Deluxe CD Edition requires a 386 or higher IBM compatible computer, 4 megabytes of RAM, Windows, a hard drive with 3 megabytes of space, a CD-ROM drive, VGA or better monitor and a mouse.

The program sells for \$60 in most software retail stores or by calling Banner Blue Software at (510) 794-6850.

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FIRST FAMILIES OF MIDLAND COUNTY

Our "first families" project will be coming to an end on December 31, 1994. We started the project in May 1991, and during that time, we have issued 960 certificates.

If you interested in recognizing your Midland County ancestors in this manner you still have time to take part in this worthwhile project.

Pioneer certificates have been issued to those descendants whose ancestors were living in Midland County between 1850 and 1874 and **Settler** certificates have been issued to descendants whose ancestors were living there between 1875 and 1894.

Ask Maxine McCullen, FFMC Registrar, for an application or send a long self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to her at 1755 Smith's Crossing Rd., Midland, MI 48640. She will send you the application and instructions. If you already have an application but have not filled it out, you can get volunteer help at the Grace A. Dow Library, in the Genealogy room, Monday through Friday afternoons.

Remember, the time is growing short for you to take part in this program ... don't wait.

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MIDLAND COUNTY DEEDS

The Midland Genealogical Society has been given a box of several hundred ORIGINAL legal papers, mostly deeds, but also a few wills or mortgages. The deeds are to land transactions in the county or by county residents. The time period covered is from 1857 to the 1930's. A number are completely hand written and some are original land grants. Many of the papers are of more than passing interest. Here and in future newsletters we will summarize some of them. The following are from the 1870's.

1) Warranty deed from T.E. Boman and his wife Julia E. to Julietta Erway. For \$400. The N 1/2 of the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Sec. 12 Town 16N R1W containing 40 acres. Dated 19th January, 1870.

2) Warranty deed from William Holmes and Julia Ann of Jerome to Chas. S. Pelton of Jerome for \$100, the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 and the SE 1/4 of Sec. 36 Town 16 N R1E. Dated

3) Mortgage Discharge from Avery Whitacre to Hiram W. Robinson, recorded Liber B of Mortgages pp. 589-90, 2nd January 1869. Recorded 9th May 1871.

4) Warranty deed from Ellen M. McGill and L.H. McGill, her husband, to the First Presbyterian Society of Midland. \$850 for Lot 5 in block 51 of the City of Midland. Dated 28th July, 1871.

5) Assignment of Mortgage from T.B. Martin of Bay City to J.H. Wardwell & Theon Ford as the firm of Wardwell & Ford. \$75 for a mortgage made by John W. Dexter and Rosetta Dexter his wife. Mortgage recorded in Liber D of Mortgages on pp. 14. Assignment dated 9th February, 1871.

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OBITUARIES FROM THE MIDLAND SUN 1890 THROUGH 1920

Last Name	First Name	Birth	Mon/D	Death	Mon/D	Paper	Year	Mo/Day/Pg	Comments
Sheldon	Asa A			1894	Jul/??	Sun	1894	07/13/07	D. in Detroit
Sheldon	Mrs			1901	Oct/03	Sun	1901	10/11/08	
Sheldon	Mrs Charles			1901		Sun	1901	10/11/05	
Sheldon	Sarah			1893	Sep/??	Sun	1893	09/15/05	Wife of Asa
Sheller	James	1920		1920	Aug/30	Sun	1920	09/02/04	Father: Albert
Shepard	(infant)			1910	Jan/20	Sun	1910	01/21/01	Child of Daniel
Shepard	Agnes Parker			1902	Feb/14	Sun	1902	02/21/04	
Shepard	Rolly (male)			1914		Sun	1914	12/03/01	D. in Bay City
Shepard	Wilbur			1901		Sun	1901	10/25/08	
Shepard	Wilbur P	1853	May/12	1901		Sun	1901	11/01/01	
Shephard	Frank			1920	Dec/12	Sun	1920	12/16/04	
Shepherd	Glenn			1892	Feb/??	Sun	1892	02/25/01	Age 18 mo son of J.
Shepherd	Walter B			1908	May/07	Sun	1908	05/15/05	Age 54 years
Sheridan	Mrs Thomas			1897		Sun	1897	03/12/05	
Sheridan	Mrs Thomas			1897	Mar/10	Sun	1897	03/19/08	
Sheridan	Mrs Thomas			1893	Apr/??	Sun	1893	04/21/10	Mother of Thomas
Sherrock	Elizabeth			1915		Sun	1915	06/10/05	Sis/o G Reichert
Shersey	(infant)			1902		Sun	1902	01/31/08	Child of Victor
Shipp	Mr			1918		Sun	1918	12/05/05	Br/o Guy L
Shoalts	Jacob			1905		Sun	1905	01/27/08	
Shoalts	Jacob			1905		Sun	1905	01/27/01	Died Warren Twp
Sholtize	(infant)			1904		Sun	1904	08/19/08	Res: Mr Haley
Sholtz				1890	Oct/14	Sun	1890	10/16	Father of Frank
Shook	Walter			1919	Mar/12	Sun	1919	03/13/03	
Shook	Walter			1919		Sun	1919	03/20/01	
Short	Adam			1895		Sun	1895	05/03/05	Fat of W.H.
Short	Edmund W			1903		Sun	1903	07/31/04	Died in Gr Rapids
Short	Joseph			1893	Nov/??	Sun	1893	12/01/05	
Short	Martin			1911	Nov/28	Sun	1911	12/14/01	D. Hillsdale
Short	Mrs M L			1912	Aug/24	Sun	1912	08/28/01	Bro: Bert Van Horn
Short	Rose			1914		Sun	1914	12/24/01	Mot/o W H
Shorts	(infant)			1899		Sun	1899	11/17/08	Father Gus
Shoup	Abraham			1907		Sun	1907	09/13/01	
Shrader	Mrs			1919		Sun	1919	03/13/02	
Shreeve	(baby)			1896		Sun	1896	07/24/08	
Shultz	Mrs William			1899		Sun	1899	03/17/01	
Sian	(child)			1917		Sun	1917	08/16/01	Age 10 mos s/o Georg
Sian	Amelia			1918	Apr/11	Sun	1918	04/18/01	
Sian	Ettie			1915		Sun	1915	01/28/01	Infant dau/o Wm
Sias	(male)			1892	Dec/13	Sun	1892	12/05/05	Son of John
Sias	Andrew			1915	Apr/31	Sun	1915	05/06/01	D. in Lansing
Sias	Blanche Elizabe			1910	Feb/15	Sun	1910	02/18/01	
Sias	Catherine E			1914	Aug/26	Sun	1914	09/03/01	Funeral notice
Sias	Catherine Eliz	1837	Jan/25	1914		Sun	1914	08/27/01	Nee: Maddox
Sias	Ethyln Alyce C	1886	Nov/18	1916	Mar/21	Sun	1916	03/23/01	
Sias	Ida Clare	1883	Aug/03	1912	Apr/??	Sun	1912	04/11/01	Father: J Winslow
Sias	Jeff			1902		Sun	1902	09/12/04	Son/o Andy
Sias	Jefferson			1902	Sep/08	Sun	1902	09/12/05	Age 78
Sias	Mary E			1905		Sun	1905	11/10/08	D. in Au Sable
Sias	Mary Emory	1865	Aug/20	1897		Sun	1897	05/14/05	Long obit
Sias	Mrs Brint			1898		Sun	1898	01/28/05	Kn as Mrs J Brown
Sias	Mrs John B			1895	Oct/10	Sun	1895	10/18/01	D. in Jasper
Sias	Mrs Leroy			1912		Sun	1912	04/11/08	
Sias	Nellie			1909	May/17	Sun	1909	05/21/01	
Sias	Nora Sinclair	1872	Aug/24	1914	Jan/07	Sun	1914	01/15/08	
Sias	Nora Sinclair			1914		Sun	1914	01/08/01	
Sias	Ray			1895		Sun	1895	11/29/01	Age 18 yrs
Sias	Rose			1905	Apr/02	Sun	1905	04/14/01	
Sias	Ruth Ethelyn	1916	Mar/20	1916	Mar/22	Sun	1916	03/23/01	Dau of Murl
Sias	Samuel	1822	Jul/04	1897		Sun	1897	11/05/05	Long obit
Sias	Warren L			1907		Sun	1907	02/08/01	Long obit
Sidebotham	Rev Richard			1908		Sun	1908	12/11/01	D. Lapeer
Sidelinker	(infant)			1904		Sun	1904	08/26/05	Father: Albert
Silcox	Daniel			1917	Dec/16	Sun	1917	12/20/01	
Silver	(infant)			1899		Sun	1899	05/19/08	Child of A
Silvers	William			1916		Sun	1916	11/30/03	Fr: Mrs A Griswold
Simmons	(infant)			1899		Sun	1899	09/15/05	Dau of Albert
Simmons	(infant)			1901		Sun	1901	05/17/01	Father: Samuel
Simmons	Barry			1903		Sun	1903	02/06/08	Age 15 years
Simmons	Grace			1918	Oct/24	Sun	1918	10/31/05	
Simmons	Iva			1907	May/16	Sun	1907	05/24/08	Age 1 yr d/o Albert
Simmons	Jeannette			1916	Apr/05	Sun	1916	04/06/01	
Simons				1890	Dec/??	Sun	1891	01/01/04	Child of J.D.
Simons	(child)			1894	Aug/??	Sun	1894	08/31/05	Son of David
Simons	Edward	1920		1920	Sep/23	Sun	1920	09/30/01	
Simons	Frank			1899	Jan/19	Sun	1899	01/27/07	Age 17 yr s/o T B
Simons	T B			1910		Sun	1910	10/21/01	
Simpson	James			1893	Oct/20	Sun	1893	10/27/01	Fat of Mrs Allen
Sinclair	C W	1843	Mar/31	1917	May/03	Sun	1917	05/10/01	
Sinclair	C W			1917	May/03	Sun	1917	05/03/01	
Sinclair	Harriett Bartle	1818	May/10	1895	May/17	Sun	1895	06/07/04	Mot of Mrs J.Dorr
Sinclair	Josephine	1844	Oct/01	1908	Jan/30	Sun	1908	02/07/05	Nee: Keith

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Sinclair	Will K			1912	Sep/17	Sun	1912	09/12/01	
Siree	Louisa			1903		Sun	1903	09/11/08	Mot: Mrs J Haley
Sirrine	Norma			1911	Sep/22	Sun	1911	10/05/01	Father Edgar
Sirrine	Thomas			1905		Sun	1905	03/03/08	Bur N Bloomfld OH
Sjolander	(infant girl)			1909		Sun	1909	10/15/01	Dau/o Dr Gustav
Sjolander	Margaret	1875	Dec/06	1909	Oct/15	Sun	1909	10/22/01	Nee: Massey
Sjolander	Margaret			1909	Oct/15	Sun	1909	10/15/01	Wife/o Dr Gustave
Skalnican	(child)			1914	Feb/07	Sun	1914	02/12/08	Age 6 mo s/o George
Skelton	Charlotte	1908		1909	Feb/09	Sun	1909	02/12/05	Father: Glen
Skillman	Maragaret	1905		1905		Sun	1905	10/20/05	Father: Warren
Skinner	C Henry	1836	Mar/03	1902	Jul/28	Sun	1902	08/08/04	Son: Charles
Skinner	Sadie			1893	Dec/31	Sun	1894	01/19/05	Age 96 yrs
Skinner	Weltha			1908		Sun	1908	03/06/05	D. Syracuse NY
Skutt	Peter L	1841	Dec/12	1914	Jun/10	Sun	1914	06/18/01	
Skym	Peter	1836	Jun/27	1913	Nov/24	Sun	1913	11/27/01	
Slabaugh	Donald Doan			1918		Sun	1918	01/24/04	
Slabaugh	Duward Dow			1918	Jan/14	Sun	1918	01/17/01	
Slain	Mr			1920		Sun	1920	01/08/06	
Slater	(infant)			1908		Sun	1908	05/01/08	Father: Frank
Slater	Mrs Frank			1918	Nov/27	Sun	1918	12/05/01	
Slingerland	Mr			1898		Sun	1898	07/19/08	
Slough	Benjamin			1917		Sun	1917	06/21/06	
Sly	Mary			1913		Sun	1913	08/21/01	
Sly	Mrs William			1905		Sun	1905	11/17/08	Mother: Sarah Town
Small	Frank			1905		Sun	1905	09/15/05	Bur Coleman
Smith	(boy)			1903		Sun	1903	10/23/08	Father: Clinton
Smith	(infant)			1910		Sun	1910	01/28/01	Dau of Guy
Smith	Beatrice	1896	Feb/18	1913		Sun	1913	05/29/04	Father: Pawley
Smith	Blanche Ruth			1919	Apr/11	Sun	1919	04/17/01	Age 3 wks d/o John
Smith	Caleb	1829	Nov/22	1914		Sun	1914	01/22/01	Fat/o Inman Smith
Smith	Charles			1918	Feb/11	Sun	1918	02/14/01	
Smith	Charles R			1910	Dec/18	Sun	1910	12/23/08	Son/o Ira B
Smith	Clarence	1891	Mar/19	1920		Sun	1920	03/04/01	
Smith	Dennis			1900		Sun	1900	12/07/05	Buried Homer
Smith	Dudley			1899		Sun	1899	06/09/08	Died in Saginaw
Smith	Edwin	1844	Aug/16	1916		Sun	1916	01/31/01	
Smith	Eleanor			1904	Mar/04	Sun	1904	03/11/04	Dau: Mrs J Brown
Smith	Ellen Shephard			1915	Jul/26	Sun	1915	07/29/01	

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FOR SALE

MIDLAND COUNTY OBITUARY INDEX - The book consists of abstractions from the *Midland Times* (1872-1875), the *Midland Sun* (1892-1924) and the *Midland Republican* (1881-1927). From the 55 years covered, we have about 16,000 records of deaths from those publications. The book is 8 1/2 by 11 inches, softbound, and is 238 pages in length.

The Price is \$20.00 plus \$3.00 postage & handling. To ORDER YOUR COPY write:

Midland Genealogical Society INDEX
 G.A. Dow Memorial Library
 1710 W. St. Andrews Dr.
 Midland, MI 48640

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MEMBERSHIP DUES - 1994-1995

Collection of membership dues for 1994-95 began at the April and May meetings and will conclude at the September meeting. If your dues are not paid by the end of September this will be the last Pioneer Record you will receive. Dues may be paid by mail to: Membership Chairman, Midland Genealogical Society, Grace A. Dow Memorial Library, 1710 W. St. Andrews Dr., Midland, MI 48640.

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