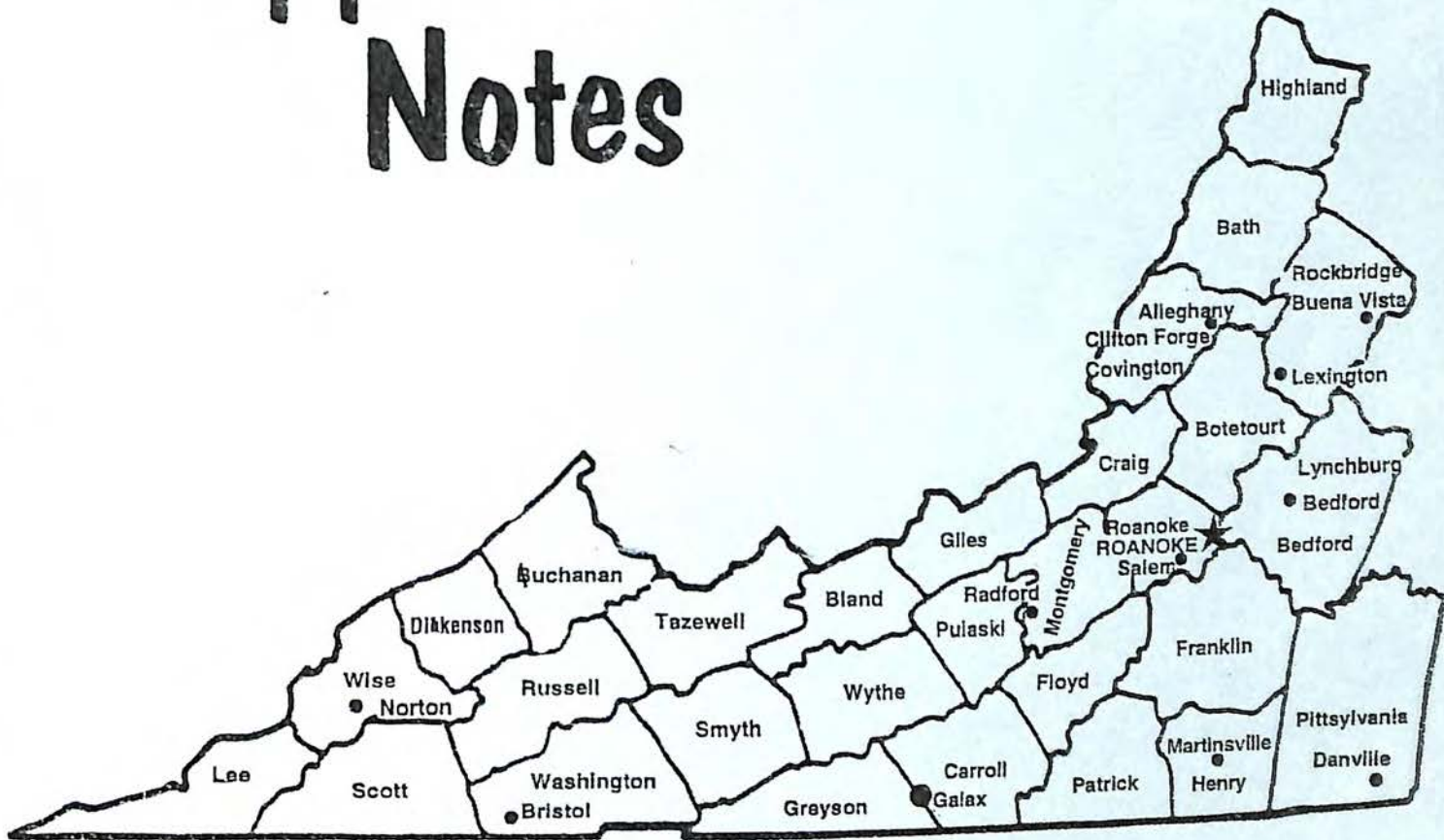


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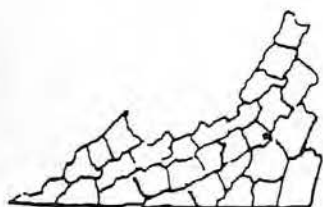
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Introductory Note

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Dear Fellow Members,

With this issue of the VAN we complete the issues for 2000. With the help of several Society members we were able to catch up and finish only a month or so behind schedule. Without their help this never would have happened. I hate to sound like a "broken record" but we need more involvement by members. The board of directors can't do it alone. If you could just give a little time it would be a great help. We have two offices that are vacant at present, First Vice-President/Program Chairperson and Recording Secretary. Can you fill one of these positions? We also are looking for an editor for The VAN. Attendance at the monthly meetings is way down. Think how a speaker must feel looking out on an audience of just a few people. Coming to the meetings would be a big plus for us. Ok, Ok, I promise not to dwell on this topic. Please give some thought to what I've said. The Society can't continue without member's help.

The field trip for this year will take place in April rather than May. We have been invited to visit the library at James Madison University. Two of our members met one of the librarians at a workshop and were surprised to learn how extensive their collection is. There is a great deal of material related to the Shenandoah Valley that I suspect is under used. A listing of their genealogy related material can be found in the Virginia Room at the Roanoke Main Public Library. Details about the field trip will be discussed at a future meeting.

Happy Hunting,

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x Hugh Frashure	Rury West
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x Nancy Lancaster	Sarah Mc Dermiel
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Jonesville, VA 24263

Lee County Public Library
406 Joslyn Ave.
Pennington Gap, VA 24277

[This is a small library but it has a lot of published and unpublished material pertaining to Lee Co.]

The Lee County Court House is located in Jonesville, Virginia 24263. This is a friendly and helpful place to research.

IRISH RESEARCH

15 November 2000

Dear Mrs. Fowler,

I have just received the latest "North Irish Roots" and noticed your question about John Perry's education.

When I was over in Dublin earlier this year working in the records I called in at Trinity to look up some ancestral connections and saw "Alumni Dublinenses" - a register of the students, graduates, professors and provosts of Trinity College Dublin edited by G D Burchaell and T U Sadleir, in an edition published in 1935 by Alexander Thom and Co of 2 Crow Street, Dublin. If your J Perry *was* there, you should find his father's name and quality.

In the eighteenth century, Trinity was Ireland's only university. There were, of course, Oxford and Cambridge but no others in England. Their published central records start rather later - though the individual colleges may well have lists of earlier undergraduates. You would have to know which college, though. Presbyterian ministers had to be graduates and usually went to one of the Scottish universities: St. Andrews, Glasgow, Edinburgh and Aberdeen were, I think, the only ones in Scotland in the eighteenth century.

It is quite likely that you will find it hard to consult a copy of the Burchaell and Sadleir book in the US. However I found the TCD Registry staff very helpful and, if you write to them nicely - particularly if you send an international postal coupon (which should be obtainable from any post office) -, I am sure they will look for you. Or you could give them your e-mail address if you have one. Mind you, if you have access to the Library of Congress in Washington, you may find the book there.

Mind you, handwriting before this century did tend to be very regular and standardized - among clerks even more than among graduates - and your J Perry may well *not* have been a university man. For example, if he was a lawyer and practised in Ireland, he will have to have attended one of the Inns of Court in London and should also figure in a work called "King's Inns Admission Papers 1607 - 1867" edited by E. Keene, Phair and Sadleir and published by the Irish Manuscripts Commission in 1982.

I hope this will be some help.

**VIRGINIA HISTORICAL INDEX
or the SWEM INDEX,**

Small libraries probably won't have this; but most large libraries will. Do locate one in your area and take advantage of an excellent aide to research.

The abbreviations are on the bottom of each page for easy reference.

C = <i>Calendar of Virginia State Papers</i> ; covering	1652-1781	in	11	volumes
H = <i>Hening's Statutes</i> ;	1619-1792	"	13	"
N = <i>Lower Norfolk County Antiquary</i> ;	1895-1904	"	2	"
R = <i>Virginia Historical Register</i> ;	1848-1853	"	3	"
T = <i>Tyler's Quarterly</i> ;	1919-1929	"	33	"
V = <i>Virginia Magazine of History</i> ;	to 1930	"	107	"
W (1) = <i>William and Mary Quarterly</i> , 1 st series;	to 1919	"	27	"
W (2) = <i>William and Mary Quarterly</i> , 2 nd series,	to 1930	"	23	"

The index is of great importance because all the above Series are indexed in one four volume set. Military, law, locality, battle, every name, and just about any category you can think of is indexed.

To illustrate, 8C242 is found in the *Calendar of Virginia State Papers*, vol. 8 page 242.
13H556, 557 will be in *Henings Statutes*, vol. 13, pages 556 and 557.
3R248 is in the *Virginia Historical Register*, vol. 3, page 248.

The *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd series is now printing vol. 57. *Ulrich's Periodical Directory* for history should be consulted to locate indices.

The Laws of Virginia, 1700-1750, is a supplement to *Hening's Statutes compiled* by Waverly K. Winfree. *The Statutes At Large of Virginia*, a three volume set is a continuation of *Hening's Statutes* compiled by Samuel Shepherd.

Genealogical Research in Virginia by Eric Grundset, (library director of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution) is in the *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, vol 83 number 3, pages 179 - 206. Virginia Room Librarian, Elaine Powers, has suggested this guide written in 1994.

Happy Hunting!

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*Due to incomplete information in the text, some of the references in this group may relate to the identified William Lee preceding.
 †Probably William Lee (diplomatist).

WRITING AND PUBLISHING A BOOK

- I. Getting started
 - A. Purpose and Title
 - B. Strong interest
 - C. Organization (vital); decision—format—chronological with interwoven themes—historical non-fiction

- II. Research
 - A. Begin reading and seeking out all sources of information. READ EVERYTHING!
 1. Primary sources
 - a. Records in the courthouse—deeds, marriage bonds, wills, tax records, surveyors records, court order books (suits), inventory sales and appraisal books, road books, chancery, supervisors' minutes, death records
 - b. Maps—Roanoke and Botetourt County maps—historical society and some books have some renderings
 - c. Town or city minutes; Roanoke Co. Admin. Bldg records—Comprehensive Plan, etc.
 - d. Interviews and reminiscences (recorded)
 - e. Roanoke County school records; Virginia School Reports
 - f. Letters, personal files, business records, diaries, historical society files, etc.
 - g. Newspaper ads
 - h. Photos
 - i. Legal petitions—state archives
 - j. Acts of the Assembly
 2. Secondary sources
 - a. Books—genealogy, histories of city and county, ethnic histories
 - b. Newspaper articles (can be primary sources)
 - c. Journals, magazines, and booklets
 - 1) Church directories
 - 2) Church histories
 - 3) Journals from the historical society
 - d. City directories
 - e. Vertical files—Virginia Room, Roanoke City Library
 - 1) "Cigarette Machine" write-up
 - 2) "Wedding Trip" details—1816—write-up
 - B. Do all reading, talking to people, and writing letters before doing anything else. Do not write until you have spent time doing all the research you can possibly do. It is important to try to put together the whole picture.
 - C. Make an outline—crucial (chronological—chapter)
 - D. Collect pictures, sketches of appropriate items of rele
 - E. vancy

- III. Writing
 - A. Write rough draft by chapter
 - B. Type rough copy
 - C. Re-correct or revise
 - D. Type another copy (computer is great for cutting and pasting)
 - E. Have someone else proofread besides you
 - F. Be sure to give credit for information gained from other sources
 - G. Make an appendix or appendixes (if necessary)
 - H. Bibliography or sources consulted
 - I. Index—a,b,c listing (difficult to do before software indexing programs for the computer)
- IV. Publishing
 - A. Take zeroxed manuscript to several printers in order to seek the best price (may take from computer printing)—hard or soft cover, type size, cover design, offset, typesetting, desktop publishing
 - B. Decide on best printer. Double actual printing price for cost to consumer.
 - C. Get pre-subscribers and as much media coverage as possible.
 - D. Distribute to pre-subscribers and then advertise to gain other sales.
 - E. Leave in local bookstores or places of business.
- V. Kinds of Proofs
 - A. Galley
 - B. Page
 - C. Blue Line

CEMETERY LINKS

Several years ago, while I was hiking in the mountains of Wythe County, Virginia, I came across two gravestones that had fallen over and were covered with leaves and branches. I recorded the names and dates (even made chalk images from the stones).

Valentine HART
Born Sep 3, 1760
Died Sep 21, 1859

Mary HART, wife of Valentine HART
Born Oct 7, 1775
Died Apr 29, 1862

As far as I could tell, there were no other graves in the area. It appears as if the graves were adjacent to an old building because there was some indication of a foundation. This was probably their home on the edge of the mountains. If anyone is interested, I will send additional information, as well as the actual stone images.

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RootsWeb: <http://www.rootsweb.com/>

LINK CEMETERY
Diamond Knob Road near Simpsons, Virginia
Floyd County

From Simpsons, VA on road 653 Shawsville Pike, turn left on Diamond Knob Road and travel about 1.3 miles. This is a gravel road. The cemetery is in a field about two hundred yards to the left off the road. This is a beautiful and well-maintained cemetery. Information added in parentheses to show relationships.

David Link (son of Henry Link 1790-1864)
born Mar. 11, 1818, died Feb. 19, 1900
(m. Adeline Smith; parents of David Wesley Link)

Adeline (Smith) Link
born Oct. 12, 1822, died Sept. 26, 1883
(wife of David Link, dau. of Jabez Smith & Elizabeth Light)
(Jabez son of Humphrey Smith 1760-1845)
(Elizabeth dau. of James Light, Sr. of New York)

Malinda E. Link
born July 31, 1848, died Dec. 19, 1870
(of Typhoid Fever, dau. of David Link & Adeline Smith)

C(yrus) Milton Link
Born Oct. 29, 1850, Died Nov. 20, 1904
(son of David Link & Adeline Smith; married Susan Winfrey)

John Lemons Link
Feb. 22, 1852, June 12, 1932
(Middle name may be Lemon, tombstone shows Lemons)
(son of David Link & Adeline Smith; m. Sarah Elizabeth Willis)

Sarah Elizabeth ("Sallie B" Willis) Link
Mar. 10, 1872, Nov. 14, 1939
(dau. of Robert L. Willis & Sarah Catherine Helms)

David Wilton Link (single)
May 8, 1897, Oct. 14, 1980
(son of John Lemon Link & Sarah Elizabeth Willis)

W(illiam) H. Link (stone almost unreadable and broken)
Born Sept. 29, 1859, died Feb. 15, 1863
(son of David Link & Adeline Smith)
(Above dates verified by David Shank, stone shows different dates)

D(avid) W(esley) Link
 Mar. 28, 1864, Aug. 5, 1943
 (son of David Link & Adeline Smith; m. Lucy Mary Conner, Dec. 15, 1885)

Lucy M(ary Conner) Link
 May 18, 1867, Mar. 22, 1938
 (dau. of Nathan Conner & Elizabeth Light)

W(illiam) Nathan Conner
 Feb. 2, 1837, Oct. 9, 1911
 (m. Elizabeth Light Dec. 22, 1859)
 (son of Jacob P. Conner & Addena Furrow)

Elizabeth (Light) Conner
 Nov. 6, 1841, Sept. 3, 1910
 (dau. of John L. Light & Mary "Polly" Conner)

Pearlie M. Conner
 Daughter of J(ohn) H(aden) & J(Isabell Link) E. Conner
 Died Feb. 16, 1885
 5 yrs 8 mos 3 days
 (J carved in stone instead of I for Isabell, she a daughter of David Link & Adeline Smith)

Ada (Akers), wife of Coy Link (his 1st wife)
 b. Sept. 23, 1891, d. Nov. 5, 1918
 (dau. of Ballard P. Akers & Emma Poff)
 (Coy bur. In Restvale Cemetery with 2nd wife, Essie Bell)
 (Coy was the son of David Wesley Link & Lucy Conner)

William Shelton Link
 Infant son of Alvin & Minnie (Turner) Link
 Apr. 29, 1941, May 6, 1941
 (Alvin, son of Coy Link & Ada Akers)
 (Minnie Turner Link d. June 25, 1999 in Roanoke, VA)

Violet L(ink) Forbes
 January 12, 1916 -
 (dau. of Coy Link; m. Lawrie E. "Jack" Forbes)

Lawrie E(ldridge) Forbes "Jack"
 Aug. 31, 1919, May 22, 1988
 US Navy WW II

Ballard P. Akers
 Apr. 16, 1861, Sept. 25, 1939
 (husband of Emma J. Poff Akers)

Emma J(ane Poff) Akers
 Wife of B. P. Akers
 May 7, 1856, June 25, 1929
 (dau. of Samuel Poff & Matilda DeWeese)

Guy Link
 Apr. 18, 1891, Apr. 5, 1972
 (son of David Wesley Link & Lucy Conner; m. Allie Akers)

Allie Akers Link
 Feb. 6, 1895, Apr. 4, 1975
 (dau. of Ballard P. Akers & Emma Poff)

Leo Van Link
 Aug. 10, 1914, Mar. 4, 1915
 Daughter of Guy & Allie Link

Geneva (Fern) Link Beierlein
 Dec. 21, 1931, Feb. 11, 1991
 (dau. of Guy Link & Allie Akers; m. Harry G. Beierlein, Sr.)

Harry G. Beierlein, Sr.
 Jan. 12, 1919, Oct. 7, 1984
 Capt. US Air Force WW II

Dock E. Link
 Feb. 10, 1894, Feb. 11, 1933 (of injuries from an automobile accident)
 (son of David Wesley Link and Lucy Conner, m. Alpha Boone)

Alpha (May) Boone Link
 Wife of Dock Link
 Oct. 18, 1897, June 20, 1986
 (dau. of Charles Emmett Boone and Mary Odessa Aldridge)
 (Charles E. son of Andrew William Boone & Margaret Clementine Mason)
 (Mary Odessa dau. of John Taylor Aldridge & Mary Adeline Walters)

Wesley E(dward) Link
 January 6, 1914, Jan. 17, 1914
 (twin son of Dock and Alpha Link)

Charlie E(verett) Link
 Jan. 6, 1914, Jan. 18, 1914
 (twin son of Dock and Alpha Link)

Mary Adeline Link
 Infant dau. of Dock & Alpha Link
 Oct. 23, 1917, Nov. 17, 1917

Hubert Link
 May 1, 1895, Oct. 20, 1986
 US Army WW I
 (son of David Wesley Link & Lucy Conner; m. Flora Shank, Sept. 14, 1919)

Flora J. (Shank) Link
 Mar. 13, 1901, May 13, 1992
 (dau. of John W. Shank & Sarah Dickerson)

Infant son of
 Hubert and Flora Link
 June 14, 1921

Infant dau. of
 Hubert and Flora Link
 Sept. 2, 1926, Sept. 3, 1926

Infant dau. of
 Nelson L. and Irene (Link) Janney
 Feb. 16, 1942
 (Irene dau. of Hubert Link & Flora Shank)

Cola Link
 Mar. 20, 1897, Mar. 16, 1898
 (child of David Wesley Link & Lucy Conner)

Henry Link
 Feb. 28, 1903, Nov. 18, 1980
 (son of David Wesley Link & Lucy Conner; m. Mamie Vest)

Mamie V(est) Link
 Apr. 18, 1905, Aug. 13, 1998
 (dau. of Jessie David Vest & Etta Vest)

Henry Clay Link
 Sept. 10, 1937, July 16, 1997
 US Navy
 (son of Henry Link & Mamie Vest; m. Shelby Jean Aldridge, July 28, 1956)

Shelby Jean (Aldridge) Link
 Dec. 7, 1937 -
 (dau. of Harry Aldridge & Iris Fay Poff)

Waskey Burrell Link
 Nov. 1, 1930, Sept. 11, 1931
 (son of Henry Link & Mamie Vest)

Job Smith Link
 Aug. 29, 1861, July 7, 1930
 (son of David Link & Adeline Smith; m. Liona Jane Conner)

Thaddaeus D. Link
 Sept. 27, 1889, Dec. 22, 1936
 (son of Job Smith Link & Liona Jane Conner; m. Nora Phillips)

Samuel J(ackson) Light
 Born Nov. 1, 1828, Died June 22, 1888
 (son of Samuel Light & Sarah "Sally" ?; m. Salina E. Link)

Salina E(lizabeth Link) Light
 Wife of Samuel J. Light
 Born June 2, 1841, Died Mar. 6, 1915
 (dau. of David Link & Adeline Smith)

Scipio Light
 June 15, 1864, Jan. 16, 1934
 (son of Samuel J. Light & Salina E. Link)

Aurora Light
 Daughter of S(amuel) J. & Salina E. Light
 Born Oct. 31, 1866, Died Nov. 28, 1876

William L. Light
 6-14-1874, 1-12-1885
 Died Age 10Y 6M 28D (of diptheria)
 (son of John Ballard Light & Rebecca Ann Link, m. 1873 by Andrew W. Boone)
 (Rebecca dau. of David Link & Adeline Smith)
 (John Ballard Light son of John L. Light & Mary "Polly" Conner)

Fredrick J. Light
 4-26-1878, 2-24-1885
 Died 6Y 9M 28D
 (son of John Ballard Light & Rebecca Ann Link)

John G. Light
 11-29-1884, 1-18-1885
 Died 1M 19D
 (son of John Ballard Light & Rebecca Ann Link)

William B. Hunt
 Son of J(ames) A. & M(artha) A(deline) Hunt
 Born May 28, 1896. Died Sept. 3, 1916
 (grandson of Mary F. Link, dau. of David Link & Adeline Smith. Mary F. married
 James T. Clower in 1871 by Andrew W. Boone)

Martha A. (Clower) wife of J(ames) A. Hunt
 Born July 21, 1873. Died Jan. 26, 1906
 (dau. of Mary F. Link & James T. Clower)
 (Stone broken, only bits readable; information from David Shank)

David D(aniel "Danny") Link
 May 16, 1944 - (m. (2) Laura Hurley)
 (son of Joe Link & Rheba Light)
 (Joe, son of David Wesley Link & Lucy Conner)

Laura D(arlene Hurley) Link
 Dec. 25, 1948. June 17, 2000
 (dau. of Milton Hurley & Everleen Hopkins Angle)

Visited cemetery on September 30, 2000.
 By Mary Frances Conner Williams (dau. of Oliver Noel Conner & Hazel Boone and
 granddaughter of Charles E. & Mary Odessa Aldridge Boone)
 Additional information and corrections by David Shank (son of Tonsa Shank
 and Evelyn Light, great-grandson of Samuel Jackson Light)

BOOK REVIEWS

DILLON/DILLION & ALLIED FAMILIES, Vol. I, Vol. II and Vol. III by Mae Dillon Moore, acid free paper, Smyth-sewn, 2806 pages. Published Fall 2000, Progress Press, Inc., Roanoke, Virginia. The every name Index for Vol. I is 66 pages 3 columns to a page. Vol. II is 78 pages and Vol. III is 70 pages of 4 columns to a page.

The opening page of this remarkable book provides a clue to what will follow. It is a little difficult to read because it is a photographic copy of an 18th century document, an Indenture dated 21 May 1734 with Ashford Hughes selling 400 acres to William Dillon.

Many, many more such copies of original documents follow, along with pictures tombstones, homes and of persons born in the early 1800's. Mrs. Moore always gives the source of data, including family charts. Among the names of allied families are Blankenship, Farley, Greer, Pasley, Ross, Belcher, and Plybon.

Over 25 years of research is involved in this family history as follows movements to Franklin, Henry and Giles, Virginia counties into West Virginia and other states.

This is a **limited, one time printing; sold only in sets.** \$179.99 per set, plus \$10.00 Shipping and Handling. Virginia and North Carolina enclose sales tax. Order from Mary F. Karnes, 218 Cobblestone Dr., Chapel Hill, NC 27516-8738

The Society will place the review copy in the Virginia Room.
by gene swartzell

OUR FAMILY, Blanton, Fortune and Kidd by Niceta Milner

The families covered in this book were long time residents of the Roanoke area. The author also includes the WALKER and WOOD families. The BLANTONS and WALKERS intermarried extensively. The first section contains two narratives written by BLANTON family members, one dating from 1946. Also included are good quality copies of family photos and photos of family homes. The rest of the book contains modified register format reports for the various families. Each report includes a list of sources and an index.

The book is very well documented and easy to use. The print quality is excellent. Ms. Milner's work will be a welcome addition to The Virginia Room at the Roanoke City Library. She can be reached at: 26459 Lorenz, Madison Heights, MI 48071-3755 e-mail: niceta@123.net

Review by Karen Kappesser

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"JUMPSTART YOUR RESEARCH," by Juliana Smith

I have a confession. I was in a genealogical rut. It happens to all of us at one time or another. When we pull out our files, we just stare blindly at them, wondering where to begin. Sure, we are still collecting clues (we're not dead, just in a rut!). We monitor the lists, saving any messages that may hold a clue as to the whereabouts of our elusive ancestors. We bookmark articles to reference later. When a database is posted for our area of interest, we do some searches and print out the results to be filed later (a truly dangerous habit). But where are those great, late-night, head-banging, brickwall-shattering, research sessions that get our creative genealogical juices flowing? How do we revive the passion that makes us stay up half the night surrounded by research binders, our noses pressed to a computer screen, buried in the mists of time? Here are some things that have helped me dig my way out of some ruts.

NARROW YOUR SIGHTS

You'll have much better luck if you pull out just one or two related lines, rather than pulling out your entire project, which can easily be overwhelming. By focusing your search, it will be much more clear where to begin.

GET OUT, OR PLAN TO GET OUT

Get out to a library, courthouse, archive, or cemetery and do some on-site research. Whenever possible, this is a sure-fire way to rekindle the fire. Sometimes, though, it is just not immediately possible to get out. As the mother of an almost five-year-old daughter who works full-time from home, this is a problem I often face! In these cases, just planning a research trip can be a huge lift. The tasks of reviewing your files, forming a detailed game plan, and checking availability of resources can all be done from home, and in the process, you may find things you have previously overlooked.

If it is just not possible for you to get away to the repository that contains the records you need, these same steps will prepare you to retain a professional, volunteer, or organization to follow up for you.

CHRONICLE AN ANCESTOR'S LIFE

As family historians, our purpose is to research and preserve the history of our families. One way to preserve the stories of those before us is to create a biographical profile of the individuals in our family tree. By chronicling their lives in narrative form, using the records and information we have found (remembering to footnote where we got our facts), we can bring them to life, and as

we write, we may gain new insight into their lives that can further our research. This can be done on the computer directly into our files, or maybe on paper in a more relaxed setting--on a porch or sprawled out on some pillows on the floor with your research spread about. These are the life stories that first enticed many of us to pursue our ancestors, and they can easily revive our interest. [Look for more on writing your ancestors' biographies in Michael John Neill's article, "Your Ancestor's Biography."]

TACKLE A NEW RESOURCE

If you feel you've exhausted all of the records you are familiar with, explore some new ones. The Internet has made it incredibly easy to explore new resources from the comfort of your home and to learn whether the information they contain will help your search; you can also learn where these sources are and how to obtain them. A good starting place is the Ancestry.com Library, where you will find more than 2,700 articles from the "Ancestry Daily News," "Ancestry" Magazine, "Genealogical Computing," and Ancestry.com's regular columnists--Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens, Drew Smith, Kip Sperry, George Morgan, Dick Eastman, and me. The articles can be browsed or searched by keyword for free at: <http://www.ancestry.com/library/archive.asp> Or visit the site of the agency that created the records or of repositories that may hold them. The main archival repositories for many countries, and the states or provinces within, have posted helpful record guides to the collections they maintain, as do many libraries and organizations. The Internet is bringing millions of resources to our fingertips. We just need to do a little searching.

READ A BOOK

Reading about the places where and times when your ancestors lived is a great way to regain your passion for the past. Curl up with a local history, or skim over historical chronology of the times in which your ancestors lived, keeping your notebook open with names and dates easy to see and a notepad handy, so that when you find something interesting, you can easily see what effect it may have had on your ancestors and make a note of it. By delving into the factors influencing our ancestors' lives, we open ourselves to insight into the decisions they made and envelop ourselves once again in the lives and times that inspire us to search further.

REORGANIZE, REFORMAT, AND REVIEW

Sometimes the very act of filing, re-filing, or reorganizing what we have been collecting can be a very enlightening experience. What may seem a very mundane or boring task that is much overdue can bring to light treasures that have been buried or that take on new significance in the light of newer discoveries. Whether you are the most organized researcher on the planet or someone who is desperately looking for solutions for an ever-increasing filing problem (guilty here), a little reorganization project with some cheap folders and/or file boxes can send you on a journey down the memory lane of your research and bring to the surface resources that have been waiting to be rediscovered in your own personal archives.

GET A NEW TOY

Maybe it's time to treat yourself. You have been working hard to preserve your family's history, and you deserve a new toy. If the budget doesn't currently allow it, it's not too soon to start making your Christmas wish list! A new genealogical software program or reference book, a subscription to your favorite Web site, or a shiny new CD might be just the ticket to spur another burst of genealogical energy. Santa would probably love to get a few hints from you. (My list was started sometime in January 2000!)

MAKE CONTACT

Contact other family members, and share what you have found. If you present your family saga in an interesting way--written or oral--you may encourage others to do a little digging of their own to make a contribution. Interview or re-interview older family members, prodding their memories with any new information. And last but not least, if you notice your family's eyes glazing over as you present your theories about Great-Great-Grandma Betty's origins, give them a break and try talking to your pets or yourself (you might want to close the blinds before you try this exercise). My pets are a wonderful support system and sounding board. My cats nod sagely as I present my theories or explore new possibilities, and my golden retriever will always wag her tail as I share my newest family tree discoveries with her, even if it is in the wee hours of the morning.

Juliana Smith is the editor of the "Ancestry Daily News" and author of "The Ancestry Family Historian's Address Book." She has written for "Ancestry" Magazine and "Genealogical Computing."

Research Tip

ADJUSTING LIGHT AND DARK

A stranger sitting next to me at an archive photocopier gave me this tip. If you are attempting to make a photocopy and the microfilm is very light, you are probably inclined to move the copier setting to "darker," thinking this will improve the quality of your copy. The likely result is that the copy is not any better. The trick is to move the copier setting farther down to "lighter," which actually lightens the background of the microfilm and makes the print appear darker. I tried it. It worked marvelously. I recommend it to others.

Joseph Martin

Standards For Sound Genealogical Research

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Remembering always that they are engaged in a quest for truth, family history researchers consistently-

- ◆ record the source for each item of information they collect.
- ◆ test every hypothesis or theory against credible evidence, and reject those that are not supported by the evidence.
- ◆ seek original records, or reproduced images of them when there is reasonable assurance they have not been altered, as the basis for their research conclusions.
- ◆ use compilations, communications and published works, whether paper or electronic, primarily for their value as guides to locating the original records.
- ◆ state something as a fact only when it is supported by convincing evidence, and identify the evidence when communicating the fact to others.
- ◆ limit with words like "probable" or "possible" any statement that is based on less than convincing evidence, and state the reasons for concluding that it is probable or possible.
- ◆ avoid misleading other researchers by either intentionally or carelessly distributing or publishing inaccurate information.
- ◆ state carefully and honestly the results of their own research, and acknowledge all use of other researchers' work.
- ◆ recognize the collegial nature of genealogical research by making their work available to others through publication, or by placing copies in appropriate libraries or repositories, and by welcoming critical comment.
- ◆ consider with open minds new evidence or the comments of others on their work and the conclusions they have reached.

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- ◆ respect the restrictions on sharing information that arise from the rights of another as an author, originator or compiler; as a living private person; or as a party to a mutual agreement.
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- ◆ identify the sources for all ideas, information and data from others, and the form in which they were received, recognizing that the unattributed use of another's intellectual work is plagiarism.
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- ◆ recognize that legal rights of privacy may limit the extent to which information from publicly available sources may be further used, disseminated or published.
- ◆ communicate no information to others that is known to be false, or without making reasonable efforts to determine its truth, particularly information that may be derogatory.
- ◆ are sensitive to the hurt that revelations of criminal, immoral, bizarre or irresponsible behavior may bring to family members.

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- ◆ display a footer at the bottom of each web page which contains the web site title, page title, author's name, author's contact information, date of last revision and a copyright statement.
- ◆ provide complete contact information, including at a minimum a name and e-mail address, and preferably some means for long-term contact, like a postal address.
- ◆ assist visitors by providing on each page navigational links that lead visitors to other important pages on the web site, or return them to the home page.
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- ◆ dress appropriately, converse with others in a low voice, and supervise children appropriately.
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- ◆ use only procedures prescribed by the repository for noting corrections to any errors or omissions found in published works, never marking the work itself.
- ◆ keep note-taking paper or other objects from covering records or books, and avoid placing any pressure upon them, particularly with a pencil or pen.
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- ◆ learn the capabilities and limits of their equipment and software, and use them only when they are the most appropriate tools for a purpose.
- ◆ refuse to let computer software automatically embellish their work.
- ◆ treat compiled information from on-line sources or digital data bases like that from other published sources, useful primarily as a guide to locating original records, but not as evidence for a conclusion or assertion.
- ◆ accept digital images or enhancements of an original record as a satisfactory substitute for the original only when there is reasonable assurance that the image accurately reproduces the unaltered original.
- ◆ cite sources for data obtained on-line or from digital media with the same care that is appropriate for sources on paper and other traditional media, and enter data into a digital database only when its source can remain associated with it.
- ◆ always cite the sources for information or data posted on-line or sent to others, naming the author of a digital file as its immediate source, while crediting original sources cited within the file.
- ◆ preserve the integrity of their own data bases by evaluating the reliability of downloaded data before incorporating it into their own files.
- ◆ provide, whenever they alter data received in digital form, a description of the change that will accompany the altered data whenever it is shared with others.
- ◆ actively oppose the proliferation of error, rumor and fraud by personally verifying or correcting information, or noting it as unverified, before passing it on to others.
- ◆ treat people on-line as courteously and civilly as they would treat them face-to-face, not separated by networks and anonymity.
- ◆ accept that technology has not changed the principles of genealogical research, only some of the procedures.

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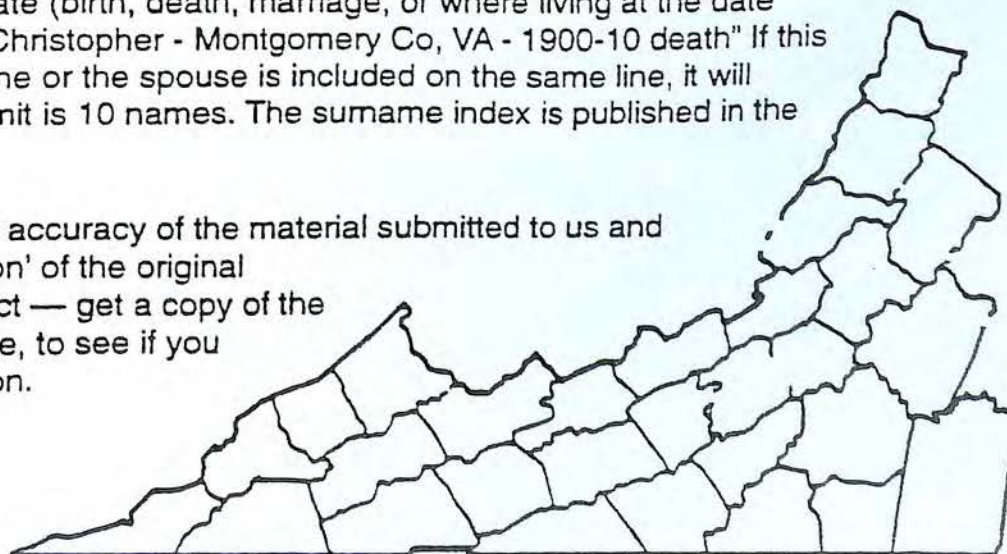
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