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"Otsego In The Beginning 1852 to 1880" was first printed in 1996.

We wish to acknowledge the extraordinary efforts of Elaine M. Norin (2 Sept 1917 – 25 May 2003) who researched, wrote and typed this book. She lived in Otsego at the site of the Norin Century Farm on Kadler Avenue NE for many years. Norin's Landing is the current neighborhood which is on her former land. She was an original member of the "Otsego's Vision" which was dedicated to activities that would enhance the public awareness of Otsego. When we find an historical reference Norin has made, we are confident that it is thoroughly researched and accurate and we salute her for the immense contribution she made to the heritage of the City of Otsego. Hers is a gift beyond measure.

As a Commission we have been able to see the quality and accuracy of Elaine Norin's work which was and is invaluable in preserving Otsego's history. Elaine Norin left an enduring legacy in her work on research and compilation of Otsego's storied past as well as genealogical records. We are deeply indebted to her.

The Otsego Heritage Preservation Commission has rebound this book through the generous efforts of and gift of time by Lisa Fahey, one of our past Commissioners and professional book binder. Efforts have been made to locate original prints because of the poor quality of many of the pictures in this book by the OHPC. Those pictures we were able to find have been reprinted in a special addition to this book and are of a higher quality than were available at the first publication. We located and replaced 21 pictures and added eight more labelled pictures from Otsego's history. The photo layout has also been completed by Lisa. Our consulting graphic designer, Kim Welter, redesigned the cover with appealing pictures, adding resource information on the back cover.

Current Otsego Heritage Preservation Commissioners are: Gail Anderson, Zonja Matushenko, Toni Seroshek and Chris Wilson. City Council Representative is Mayor Jessica Stockamp.

OHPC invites and welcomes community input and involvement.



IN THE BEGINNING



1852 TO 1880

THE OTSEGO HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Prior to November 15, 1990, when Otsego township became a city, a group of interested citizens known as "Otsego's Vision" were dedicated to activities that would enhance the public awareness of Otsego. Several sub-groups were formed including a Historical Committee. Members were Arlene Holen, Alice Larson, Frieda Lobeck, Elaine Norin and Joy Swenson. This committee continued to meet nearly every month beginning in August 1990. They collected maps, pictures, books, oral histories and miscellaneous documents. Since October 1990 many articles have been written for the column "Historical Highlights" in the Otsego bi-monthly newsletter. A display of about 40 pictures and a brochure titled "Historical Highlights" were part of the Otsego's Vision celebration October 27, 1990 at the old City Hall. This group collected information about the city cemetery which dates back to about 1854 and they encouraged the formation of an official "Heritage Preservation Commission".

A City Ordinance authorized the seven member HPC June 27, 1994. Members are appointed by the City Council for three year terms. To provide continuity of membership, the initial appointments made in March, 1995 were for staggered terms of one, two or three years:

Janet BRidgland	3 years
Arlene Holen	2 years
Frieda Lobeck	1 year
Joan Nichols	3 years
Elaine Norin	2 years
Norman Schwanbeck	1 year
Joy Swenson	3 years

All the original members are still active; the one year terms were renewed in 1996.

One of the purposes of the Commission as stated in the Ordinance is to "foster civic pride in the beauty and notable accomplishments of the past." One of the duties is "to work for the continuing education of the citizens of Otsego with respect to the historic and architectural heritage of the City." This book is offered as an educational tool, including a short history of the area and a means to recognize the accomplishments of the people who originally settled here. Elaine Norin researched, wrote and typed this material.



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Dear Citizens of City of Otsego:

Congratulations to all citizens, past, present and future as we celebrate over 140 years of history in our community.

We were incorporated in 1990. The Township and City has survived and grown through the years by the hard work of all our people working together.

We can look back with pride and a sense of accomplishment at what our City has done, but remember, we must also move forward to new visions and challenges.

Sincerely,

City of Otsego,

Mayor Norman F Freske

OTSEGO - IN THE BEGINNING 1852 to 1880

PREFACE

The primary purpose of this book is to identify the pioneers who first settled in the area now known as the city of Otsego. The history of Wright County, including Otsego, is well documented in a number of other books. A very brief summary is included here. The bulk of information presented concerns the 334 families who were here from 1852 to 1880.

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So many have helped and encouraged this effort; it is not possible to list them all. The following people have furnished oral and written family histories and legends, pictures and other documents.

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DEDICATION

This book is dedicated to the memory of those pioneers who had the courage and vision to explore new horizons and discover the beauty of this area.

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Chapter 1. OTSEGO TODAY

Along the Mississippi river, north and west of the outlet of the Crow river, is the city of Otsego. Otsego's "main street" (County Road 39) is part of the Great River Road and connects to Highways 101, 169, 10 and I-94; about forty minutes from the Twin Cities. The city covers an area over seven miles long and about four miles wide. In spite of a population of over 6,000, Otsego has a country atmosphere with large residential lots, farms occupying much of the land, open spaces, wildlife habitat and the scenic Mississippi river bordering the east and north.

Lack of available land and increasing prices pushed housing development out beyond the seven-county Minneapolis-St. Paul Metropolitan area into Otsego. The rapidly increasing population became too heavy a burden for Wright county, geared to serving rural townships. Planning, zoning, road-building and controlling urban development services were needed. On November 15, 1990 the township of Otsego in Wright county, Minnesota was incorporated as a city; the first new city in the state since 1975. In most cases, township land is annexed to adjacent cities when they require space for expansion. In the case of Otsego this was impractical. The largest adjacent city, Elk River, is located in Sherburne county, is separated by the Mississippi river and has annexed large parts of the bordering Elk River township. The city of Albertville and Frankfort township to the south are adjacent to a primarily agricultural section of Otsego. Monticello township separates the western portion of Otsego from the city of Monticello; about five miles away.

Otsego is a unique city. It is served by three school districts; Elk River, Monticello and St. Michael-Albertville. Since Otsego does not have its own post office, six different zip codes are used within the city; Monticello, Elk River, Albertville, St. Michael, Rogers and Dayton. Fire protection is contracted for with Elk River, Albertville and Monticello. Police protection is contracted for with the Wright County Sheriff's Department. Three different telephone companies provide local service.

A number of successful businesses, including two banks, the Midwest Equestrian Training Center and MN/Road Research Center (both known world-wide) exist in Otsego; the largest is the well-known Riverwood Inn and Conference Center. As a "bedroom community", a majority of employed residents work outside of Otsego; many commute via the excellent highways to the Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area.

Some points of interest in the city are a new, attractive and well-equipped City Hall/Community Center and adjacent park area, the recently restored historic cemetery, a new church, Otsego County Park, and several historic sites and buildings. There are active 4H, Lions and Jaycees clubs. A number of talented artists and craftspeople make their homes here. The city has a seven-member Parks and Recreation Commission and a Heritage Preservation Commission of seven members whose mission is to preserve sites, structures and archival records of historic value.

A newsletter, the OTSEGO VIEW, is published bi-monthly and delivered to residents without charge. Sturdy plastic bins for recycling are furnished by the City and costs are paid from the General Fund. The program has been a success. An annual "Clean-Up Day" where large appliances, tires and unwanted junk are collected for a minimal charge has contributed to keeping unsightly waste from accumulating.

Chapter 2. BEFORE THE PIONEERS

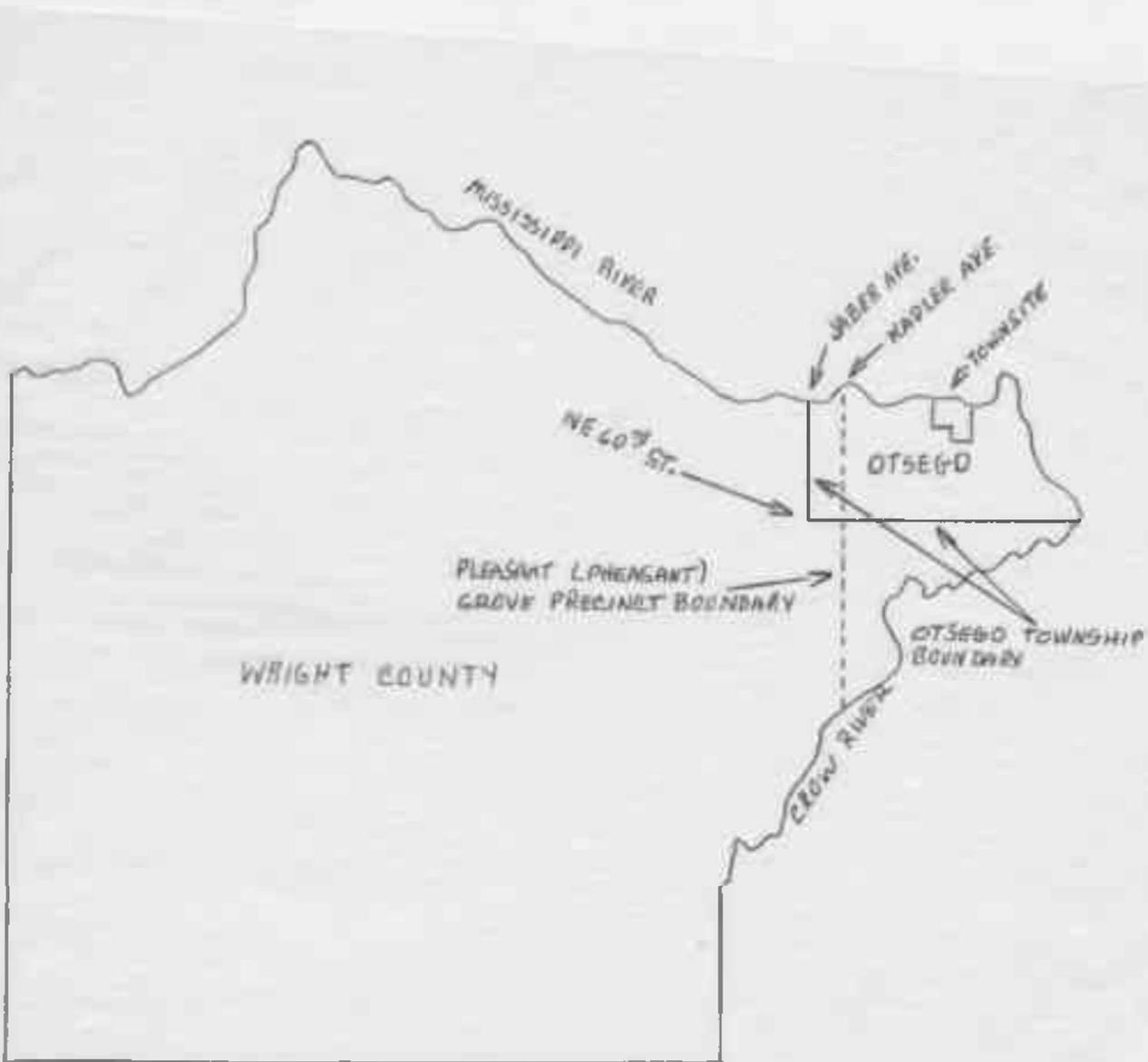
After the glaciers receded, Otsego was part of the forest region known as the "big Woods", a forty mile wide band of deciduous trees ranging from about one hundred miles northwest of the Twin Cities south to the vicinity of Mankato. This region was interspersed with numerous lakes, gently rolling prairies, rivers and ponds. In this environment, plentiful animal life flourished. An ancient beast, the mammoth, was followed by buffalo, and later by smaller game; bears, deer and elk. Ducks, geese and numerous species of fowl were abundant.

Some historians state that the earliest human inhabitants of this region were closely related to the Eskimo and that they followed the receding glaciers to the arctic area about 11,000 years ago. Next came the "mound builders", believed to be ancestors of the Sioux Indians. Although no mounds are known to exist within Otsego, they are found around nearby lakes and rivers.

Otsego is in the area that separated the warring tribes of the Sioux and Chippewa Indians. There is no evidence that permanent villages existed. Hunting and fishing provided most of their sustenance and their homes were simply constructed, temporary shelters. Relics such as tomahawks, spear heads, arrow heads and stone clubs confirm their lives as hunters and warriors. Some Sioux (Winnebagos) camped in the Otsego area at the time our first pioneers arrived.

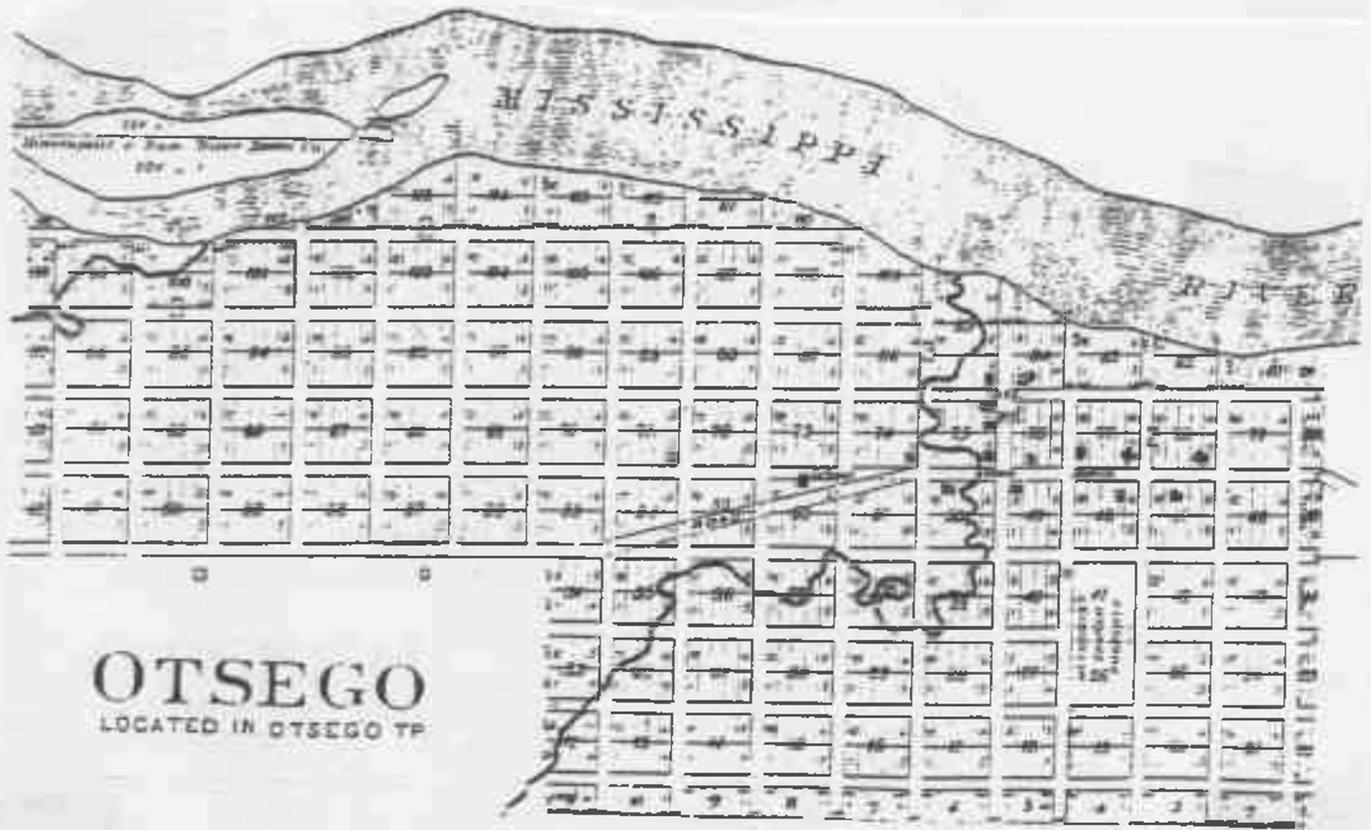
Chapter 3. GOVERNMENTAL DEVELOPMENT

When the first permanent settlers arrived at Otsego in 1852, Minnesota had not yet attained statehood; this occurred May 11, 1858. In Wright county, Pleasant Grove precinct was established April 9, 1855 under the territorial government. The name Pleasant Grove is used in several history books, but the name appears as Pheasant Grove on the 1855 census and in some county records. The township was established April 5, 1858, re-named "Otsego" and the boundaries were adjusted as shown below.



The Otsego townsite of about 400 acres was surveyed and platted in 1857. There was a school, town hall, post office, store, ferry, sawmill, blacksmith shop, church, parsonage, tabernacle, camp grounds, and hotel as well as a number of homes. A few original structures still stand.

Several other townsites were established within the township during 1856 and 1857; Northwood on the Mississippi river about a mile north of the mouth of the Crow river, Waterville (also known as Aydt's Town) and Portland, both south of Northwood, and Lily Pond (also called Bedford) near the present intersection of County Road 39 and Kadler Avenue. Following the financial crisis of 1857, the sale of lots almost ceased and many businesses failed. Stores closed and buildings decayed. The towns failed to develop.





LILY POND SCHOOL and STUDENTS - 1912

After this building burned, classes were held in the church until the new school was built.

Photo courtesy of Elaine Norin



LILY POND CHURCH and SCHOOL

The first services were held in the church September 2, 1906. The church was torn down in the middle 1930s. Land for the District 11 school was dedicated in 1870. The original frame building burned in 1913. The building pictured was built in 1914. After extensive remodeling, the building is now a family residence.

Photo courtesy of Eleanor Cooley Rue

Chapter 4. PIONEER LIFE

Many of Otsego's early settlers came from Maine and other New England states. They had made their living in the fur trade, lumbering and agriculture. Most forests in New England had been cut down, destroying the habitat for fur-bearing animals. The thin, rocky soil made farming difficult and unprofitable. News of cheap, available land in the west attracted many to this area.

Acquiring land was accomplished under the Pre-emption Law of 1841 which allowed a land buyer to settle on and improve up to 160 acres before making an actual claim and paying the government \$1.25 per acre. In 1855 the U. S. Government granted a military bounty of 160 acres of land to certain military veterans. It was a common practice to sell these military warrants to settlers who did not qualify for their own warrants. The Homestead Law took effect in 1862. The government issued a land patent after a person had lived on the land at least 14 months and made certain improvements.

Settling in the "Big Woods" presented a real challenge. The thick growth of large hardwood trees and undergrowth of bushes and grasses had to be cleared for crop land. The settlers chopped and felled trees, using oxen to haul the logs. Old fallen and rotting timber and undergrowth was burned. To prepare the land for planting crops, a man walked beside the oxen pulling the plow, using a stick or whip to guide them while another man steered the plow through the hard soil, grasses and roots. A team of oxen could till 1 1/2 to 2 acres a day.

The trees that were cut down provided shelter and household furnishings. Log cabins were usually 12 by 20 feet. Floors were dirt, bark or wood. The cabinets, shelves, beds, tables and chairs were sometimes home-made. Mattresses were often filled with grass or corn husks and supported by ropes.

Deer, elk, grouse, partridges, prairie chickens, quail and fish were abundantly available for food, supplemented by vegetable gardens and wild berries.

Social life centered around the church and school.

Chapter 5. COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

The earliest commerce was a trading post operated by Samuel Carrick across the Mississippi from Elk River from 1850 to 1854. His customers were the Winnebago Indians who camped in the area. He also established a ferry at the same location in 1854 and the area became known as "Carrick's Prairie".

Charles LaPlant and his family arrived in Otsego in 1854 from Vermont. He was an experienced lumberman, hunter and trapper and used these skills to make a living when they first arrived. Skunk, muskrat, rabbit, bear, wolf and deer pelts were sold or bartered for food and ammunition. Rabbits brought two cents each and a bearskin, five dollars. Potatoes were three dollars a bushel and a rooster and five chickens were five dollars. One day when Charles was not satisfied with the price offered at the nearby trading post at Dayton, he returned home. Early the next morning he started on foot with his pack of pelts for St. Paul. There he found prices had dropped below the Dayton prices. He returned at a dog-trot back to Dayton where he circled and entered town from the direction of his home, as though he had just come from there. He then sold the pelts at the original price. He had covered almost 80 miles on foot in one day. Every cent was that precious. <From an unpublished book THE MEASURE by Ruth LaPlant Reid. Published with permission of Paul LaPlant, brother of Ruth and grandson of Charles LaPlant>

David Ingersoll came to Otsego from Maine in 1854. He established a brick factory on his farm on the Mississippi river just west of the Otsego townsite. The bricks were made from local clay. A few houses built with these bricks still exist in Otsego. Bricks were also shipped to Elk River and Anoka. From many entries in the Holt diary, it appears that the factory continued to operate up to at least 1890 and employed quite a few local men.

The "business district" of Otsego was the originally platted townsite of about 400 acres on the Mississippi river in sections 17 and 18. John McDonald operated a store and established a ferry across the river in 1855. The first post-office was located in the store in 1856; McDonald served as postmaster. In 1857 a large steam sawmill was built at the mouth of the creek by Cooper and Crary. It was not successful and the machinery was moved to Elk River in 1860. John McDonald then purchased the building and operated a small sawmill which burned in 1878. A blacksmith shop was also located in the village.

In 1856 the town of Northwood was established by Oliver H. and Charles Kelley in the southeastern corner of Otsego township, across from Dayton. A large hotel, a store and a good schoolhouse were built and a postoffice established. Excelsior Metal Polish was manufactured from clay dug at the river bank. It gave promise of coming into general use, but by 1859 the store and school buildings were moved to Dayton, the hotel was soon in ruins and later burned. The town ceased to exist and the metal polish plant was discontinued.

Ginseng is an herb with a thick root. It was originally used as medicine by the Chinese. In 1858 persons who had moved from Virginia, where the ginseng trade was carried on with China, advised friends at home that ginseng was plentiful here. The roots were becoming scarce in Virginia and ginseng traders came here to buy roots for cash. Settler's crops had been poor and prices for farm products were very low; it was becoming difficult to support a family in the Big Woods. Men, women and children turned to digging the roots. They were able to pay up old debts, clear up mortgages, pay for their land, and enjoy relative prosperity. Up to about 1863 ginseng digging existed as a valuable industry. Many of the early settlers would have abandoned their claims and farms if this source of funds had not existed.

In addition to the Carrick and McDonald ferries, Charles Aydt ran a ferry at Waterville (also called Aydt's Town) near the mouth of the Crow river from 1854 to 1856 and Caleb Fulton Baker operated a popular ferry at his farm in section 11, Lily Pond.

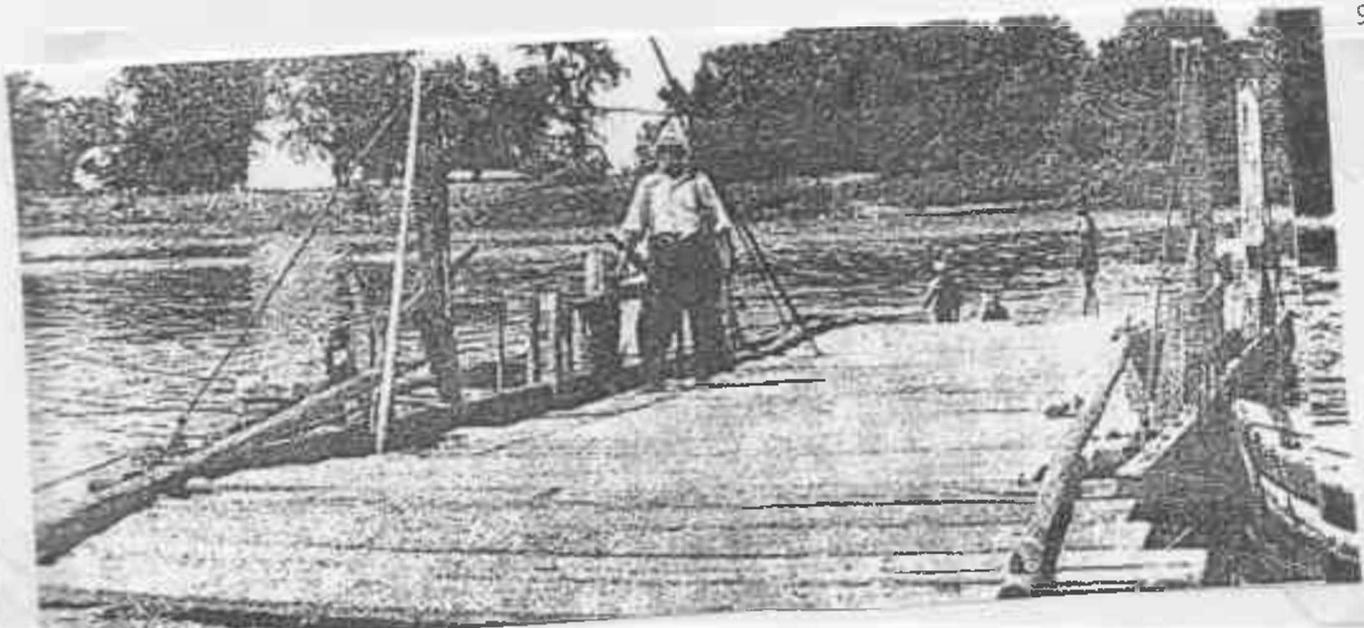
Otsego has never had its own newspaper. Because Elk River is so close, news and obituaries have appeared in the Elk River paper. Microfilm copies of these papers at the Sherburne County Historical Society provide much information about events in Otsego. For many years, the "STAR NEWS" printed separate columns for news under the headings of "Otsego" and "Lily Pond".

Information included in early census records confirms that agriculture was the predominant means of making a living in Early Otsego.

Lumbering provided employment for many Otsego men. Logs were cut in the northern forests and floated down the Mississippi to the sawmills. The Will Holt Diary contains many references to himself and others working "in the woods". This continued into the early 1900's. A letter from Ralph Holt states:

"I was a River Pig in the summers of 1914-15-16. We were located across the river from Fridley, Minn. in three or more wannagans. Lincoln Davis was our Boss. Joe Goodin was the cook and his son and Earl Davis were cookies . . . "

Transportation from the New England states in the early 1850's was often accomplished by railroad to Illinois, then steamboat to St. Anthony. From there it was a choice between ox cart, small steamer or stage. The final step was crossing the Mississippi by ferry. Small steamers traveled up the Mississippi as far as Aitkin until about 1874, when railroads became competitive.



FERRY

This ferry, located near the mouth of the Crow river, was established in 1854 by Charles Aydt. On the 1879 and 1894 maps it is identified as "Slater's Ferry". It was probably run by George Slauyter (Slater) who came to Dayton in 1856 and moved to Otsego where he is listed on the 1870 census. Oliver Perrault ran the ferry until 1902 when he sold it to Adolph "Duffy" Martin. Duffy discontinued the ferry service in 1937.

Photo courtesy of Ellen Bouley



METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The first services were held by Rev. White of Orono in 1854. In 1856 Rev. O. P. Light became the minister and the congregation was organized in May 1857. Services were held in John McDonald's new barn until a log building was erected. The church pictured here was built in 1871.

Photo courtesy of Wright County Historical Society



STORE

The original small store was built in 1857 by C. B. Jordan. It was subsequently run by Leon Snow who traded it for a farm in Canada. It was finally run by Martin Spencer. It burned and was never re-built.

Photo courtesy of Wright County Historical Society

OTSEGO "FIRSTS"

John McDonald was the FIRST permanent settler in Wright county, arriving July 31, 1852. He served as the chairman of the FIRST board of county commissioners and was the FIRST postmaster in Otsego. The FIRST school in Wright county was held by Margaret (Mrs. Alvah) Cooley in their home until a school was built in 1855. The FIRST child born to early settlers in Wright county was Norman McPherson, April 18, 1853. The FIRST marriages were: Charles Lambert and Matilda (Duel) Cooley, November 26, 1856 and soon after that Lewis McDonald and Climena Spencer, December 25, 1856. The FIRST church services were held in 1854 by the Rev. Mr. White, a Methodist. Most early settlers were Methodists; those of the Catholic faith affiliated with the churches in Dayton or St. Michael. On July 2, 1855 a petition was granted for the FIRST Wright county road from the mouth of the Crow river, along the Mississippi to Monticello. The FIRST ferry was established in 1854 by Samuel Carrick, opposite the village of Elk River.

Photo - Copied from 1874 Andreas Atlas

THE NAME "OTSEGO"

After Minnesota became a state in 1858, the county commissioners divided the county into townships. The first town meeting was held at the home of John McDonald and the question of naming the township was submitted to the voters. According to D. R. Farnham's HISTORY OF WRIGHT COUNTY, "A large number were in favor of the old precinct name, Pleasant <or Pheasant> Grove, but the New Yorkers were in a majority and Otsego was the winning name, from Otsego in the state of New York." Otsego Township, New York was part of Montgomery county until it was divided and Otsego county was formed. The settlement at the foot of Otsego Lake was incorporated as Otsego. The name was changed later to Cooperstown in honor of James Fenimore Cooper, the famous author who lived in Otsego Hall by Otsego Lake.

In his book THE PIONEERS, Cooper states, "Otsego is said to be a word compounded of Ot, a place of meeting, and sego or sago, the ordinary term of salutation used by the Indians of this region." Otsego is a Mohawk word. The Mohawks were a tribe of the Iroquois nation which inhabited central New York. One translation is "Rock Place" because of a large rock at the outlet of the lake; another is "Place of Rendezvous" since this was where Indians held meetings; still another is "Welcome Water". There are other places named Otsego. Otsego, Michigan, was established by Horace H. Comstock, who was related by marriage to Cooper. Otsego Lake, Michigan, bordering on Otsego Lake and the Otsego in Ohio and in Wisconsin were all named after the Otsego in New York.

BREAD-MAKING AND INDIAN VISITORS

(From a family legend written by Eleanor (Cooley) Rue, great-granddaughter of Alvah and Margaret Cooley. Published with permission of the author.)

"In the pioneer community of Otsego in late 1854, Margaret Faulkner Cooley had punched down sponge for her weekly bread supply, placed it in a large bowl-like pan, covered with a white cloth, and set it on a chair in a warm spot near the fire . . . Little Ada, hearing sounds, ran to the window . . . 'it's company, Mom' . . . approaching were four friendly Winnebago neighbors, coming to visit. Margaret went to the door to welcome them and motioned for them to remove their wraps and be seated. One of the Indians spied the chair cozily close to the fire and selected that for his seat before Margaret could whisk away the cloth-covered pan of bread dough. There seemed no way to ask the newly seated man to rise so she could extract the soft-cushioned seat without appearing rude. The children, seeing the dilemma, threatened to burst into titters but a warning glance from Margaret silenced them . . . glad acceptance of a gift of nuts and berries brought by the visitors . . . serving of hot apple cider . . . soda raisin cakes, and soon the guests departure. Later, they all had a good laugh. And when Alvah arrived home, he too enjoyed the amusing tale. . . Their descendants continue to enjoy it to this day."

HARD TIMES AND GRASSHOPPERS

(From an autobiography by Edson Dean Washburn. Published with permission of Kathryn Abrahamson, great-great-granddaughter of John and Mahitable Washburn.)

"In 1855, my father caught the western fever and thought it offered a better chance for a poor man and a family that were nearing manhood to expand . . . he sold the little farm of 70 acres <in New York> for \$600 and started for Kansas . . . owing to the disturbed condition in Kansas because of the extension of slavery and the border warfare, he was persuaded to try Minnesota and took a claim in the town of Otsego, Wright county, Minnesota. In September 1856, the family started for Minnesota . . . our new log house was not yet built when we arrived; father was living in a shanty with a bark roof. Our goods were delayed on the way and we did not get them until July 1857. That fall of 1856, vast hordes of grasshoppers settled down on the little patches of potatoes and corn leaving the settlers with little to live on. They also jumped into all the water holes and when we got water for house use, we also got legs, wings and other parts . . . we had never heard of germs or microbes, consequently they did us no harm . . . In the fall of 1857, the settlers got together and built a little log school-house in District 11, Wright county <Lily Pond>. . . man taught for \$15.00 a month and boarded. The settlers paid him . . . From the time I was 14 to 20, I worked faithfully on the farm . . . we had to make our own social enjoyment . . . thought nothing of going five miles with oxen for an evening's social or entertainment . . . From 1856 to 1860 the slavery question was all absorbing . . . In April 1861 Civil War was upon us . . . my oldest brother, Orson, enlisted . . . in less than two years, he, so active and strong, would be laid to rest in a soldier's grave . . . August, 1862, I started for Fort Snelling . . . just about the time the great Sioux Massacre occurred and the Indian War broke out along the frontier of Minnesota . . . home again after three years of soldiering . . . began to look for a farm and a home of my own . . . bought a pair of oxen and on May 13, 1866, I was married to Amelia Wells . . . we commenced living in a log house on a farm <about 2 miles east of the Lily Pond school>."

WOMAN IN THE WILDERNESS

(Following are some brief excerpts from a poetic history of the early days in Otsego which was written by Myra Snow, daughter of Charles Thomas and Ada Marie (Cooley) Snow and granddaughter of Alvah and Margaret (Faulkner) Cooley. The author was born in Otsego, February 23, 1882 and died April 28, 1969 at Marysville, WA. WOMAN IN THE WILDERNESS was written while Myra was teaching at a Mission school in Tientsen, China in the 1930's. Her dedication reads:

"In memory of my grandmother, who lived the stories, and of my mother, who told them to me. To all of Margaret's descendants, with my love."

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"When Alvah first took Margaret to see the site for their new home
It was a gold October day.
The sun was gold; the woods were full of golden light;
On the high bank above the river all the trees were gold,
With here and there a splotch of oaken bronze or crimson maple.
Alvah beached the boat, the sturdy skiff that his own hands had made
Just where a little stream that trickled down the hill
Told of a sweet spring on the bank above.
They clambered up the steep ravine
Where yet no killing frost had withered maiden hairs
Nor feather ferns and yellow dragon flowers
Which lined the sheltered hollow of the brook."

"And this is the story of Margaret's garden:
Larkspur and lily, zinnias and phlox,
Monkshood and rosemary, pinks and hollihocks,
Sweetbriar and marigolds, yellow rose and broom,
Every name a poem - a dream in every bloom."

"Dreams of youth and lovetime, with all the world in tune,
Sweetbriar and yellow roses, essence of immortal June.
Hope and love and promises, promises and dreams,
A garden in the wilderness is more than what it seems."

"And this is the song of the Winnebagoes:
Winnebagoes, friendly neighbors,
Margaret's Minnesota neighbors,
Early came with gifts of friendship
To the house above the river,
On the bluff above the river."

"Now I sing of old Horora,
Friend of Alvah, old Horora.
Straight and tall and very handsome,
Straight as fir trees in the forest.
Tall and strong and very handsome.
Oft he came to Alvah's workshop,
To the workshop by the lone house,
By the lone house in the forest
On the bluff above the river."

WOMAN IN THE WILDERNESS (continued)

"And this is the song of the meeting-house:
 Margaret, her life long, paid her grateful tribute to heroic men
 Who rode the circuit, fought the frontier devils, brought God within human ken.
 In the meeting-house, the neighbors from their lonely homes, so far apart,
 Met to clasp a friendly hand, to share the troubles of a burdened heart.
 Margaret found sanctuary in that woodland church where faith burned clear;
 Not spoken word so much upheld her as the Presence, year by year."

**EIGHTH GRADE CLASS - OTSEGO DISTRICT 10**

This picture was probably taken about 1895. Back row: Blanch Voigt, Jessie Pippin, Myra Snow (author of *WOMAN IN THE WILDERNESS*), Lizzie Brown, Bessie Davis. Front row: Clarence Montgomery, Laura Davis, Maime Montgomery, Ellen Hamlet, Ed King.

Photo courtesy Wright County Historical Society

THE OTSEGO TURKEY MAN

(From an unpublished book, *THE MEASURE* by Ruth LaPlant Reid. Published with permission from Paul LaPlant, brother of Ruth and grandson of Charles LaPlant.)

" . . . the LaPlants and Pepins started for Minnesota in time to reach St. Anthony in November of 1854 . . . As the train approached Galena . . . they were promised a chance to eat the first hot meal since they had been on the train . . . behind the depot a large man ringing a hand-bell was shouting 'Right this way, a nice hot dinner' . . . The boardinghouse keeper collected his money at once. One dollar apiece . . . The dining room door was thrown open and everyone hurried in. A huge, brown turkey graced the center of the long, general table. No sooner had the proprietor and his wife gone into the kitchen, presumably to get the rest of the meal, the train's whistle was sounded and the conductor shouted, 'All aboard'. Everyone grabbed up their purses, along with the wailing, hungry children and stampeded for the train. All of their belongings were on that train, with the possibility of missing connections with the boat on the Mississippi, hence the haste. Charles, disgusted and indignant, was not to be done out of the dollar apiece of hard-earned money which he had paid . . . He reached out and grasped the big turkey, then out he ran . . . Safely aboard, Charles and the others laughed and feasted on the bird. More than twenty-five years later, Charles was dining one day at a restaurant when a man who had been watching him for some time came up and said, smiling, 'I believe that you must be the "turkey man".' The man had been one who had shared in eating the bird and the two had a good laugh."

A LINK WITH THE PAST

Willard Holt was the author of a diary kept from 1877 to 1890 while farming in Otsego. Entries include daily weather and wind direction and notation of weddings, births, deaths and other events. The diary was given to the Otsego Historic Preservation Commission by Robert Holt and Helen Parker Engstrom, members of the Holt family. Willard A. Holt, the author, was born January 26, 1860 in Otsego to William Henry Holt and Julia Frances Ingersoll Holt on the farm at 8982 Mason Avenue NE where he grew up. He later purchased adjacent land and built a house and barn at 12731 NE 95th Street. He married Lizzie Parker and had three sons. His son Ralph had possession of the diary until his death in 1989. It was then given to Will's niece, Helen Parker Engstrom, who later gave it to Robert Holt. Robert's grandfather was a brother of the author. The author used many different styles of penmanship in the diary. It is displayed in the Heritage Room at Otsego City Hall.

WILLARD and LIZZIE HOLT



Photo courtesy Robert Holt and Helen Engstrom

A. B. MILES WHITCOMB and DAUGHTER MILDRED



Photo courtesy of Arnold Whitcomb

AN EARLY POET

A. B. Miles Whitcomb was born in Otsego September 29, 1884 to David Daniel Whitcomb and Lydia Louisa Holt Whitcomb. David and Lydia were married December 4, 1870 at Buffalo, Minnesota. David was born April 10, 1845 in Goldborough, Pennsylvania. Lydia was a daughter of Lucius and Louisa Thorpe Holt who came to Otsego from Connecticut and Wisconsin about 1868.

A. B. Miles Whitcomb wrote a book of poetry DAWN TO DUSK POEMS published in 1958 in Montana. Our copy, signed by the author, was given to the Heritage Preservation Commission by Arnold Whitcomb of Princeton, Minnesota. Arnold's grandfather, Joseph Clinton Whitcomb, was a brother of the poet. The following is selected from his book:

O T S E G O

You were a peaceful little center
On the Mississippi's bank,
Where a cable ferry crossed it
To our nearest railway tank.

Oftimes the trip was perilous
In the day time or at night,
By anchor ice in Spring and Fall
And saw logs in Summer flight.

Which were cut in forests North
And in Spring were floated down
To great saw mills farther South
Many to our nearest town.

I recall your blacksmith shop
All built of logs and sod,
Where many a plow was sharpened
And as many horses shod.

The old wood stove and oil lamps
In the center of that store,
Proved to be the main attraction
For all people by the score.

If that old stove could only speak
Of all the stories it had heard,
Some of course they could repeat
Others without a truthful word.

It was there the Civil War was
Refought time and time again,
Though the strategy was changed
It always came out the same.

Near by stood your school house
Well built and painted red,
Where children came from miles around
To hear what a man teacher said.

But the place that stood out most
In every one's heart and mind,
Was the Church we all could boast
As the best place one could find.

With hitching posts and wagon sheds
To accommodate it's many guests,
While that Church inside provided
Perfect solitude and rest.

Years have passed, things have changed
Most land marks are now gone,
Still in fond memories I rearrange
That district where I was born.

THE EDUCATION OF A COUNTRY BOY

(From John L. Pepin's almost 200 page book, "The Education of a Country Boy". Published with permission from the author. Mr. Pepin now lives in California in the winter and in Massachusetts during the summer. The book is available for reference at the Otsego City Hall and the Elk River public library.)

"I was born on April 6, 1911 on an eighty acre farm in Otsego township . . . Otsego at that time consisted of a town hall, a country store, a Methodist church, a ferry across the Mississippi and a blacksmith shop operated by Orrin Peavy. We had dairy cattle, pigs and chickens. Our principal cash crop was potatoes . . . a vivid recollection of riding on a horse drawn wagon load of potatoes to Elk River with my Dad . . . how discouraged he was when he couldn't find a buyer at any price . . . most of the water for the house was pumped by hand and carried to the house in pails. A reservoir on the side of the wood fired cook stove provided the hot water. A pail dropped into the well by rope provided the only refrigeration. The washing machine consisted of a hand pumped agitator and hand cranked wringer . . . clothes were hung out to dry. A wash tub became the family bath tub located as close to the kitchen stove as possible. The out-house located some distance from the house didn't encourage anyone to tarry in the middle of winter. An old Montgomery Ward catalogue provided the toilet paper . . . mother was an excellent seamstress and made most of the clothes for the family . . . always had a large vegetable garden but found time to grow flowers . . . no electricity . . . we used kerosine lamps . . . Mother did all her own baking . . . canned all her own <vegetables and fruit> . . . we were certainly poor by today's standards, but I never knew it. In addition to household duties she shared farm duties such as caring for the poultry, milking cows and picking potatoes..

April 9, 1917, just three days after my sixth birthday, I enrolled in District No. 9 of the Wright County Public Schools . . . one room schoolhouse about a mile from my home . . . First and second grade . . . Writing, Orthography, Reading, Arithmetic . . . by eighth grade, Reading, Grammar, Spelling, Arithmetic, History, Elementary Citizenship, Penmanship, Physiology and Current Events . . . this one teacher taught me nine subjects in one year while at the same time teaching four to seven subjects to seven other grades . . . with great dedication and competence. I cannot help but contrast the responsibilities that these ladies carried with the quibbling over work loads that we see demonstrated so frequently today. Graduation from the Eighth Grade in 1924 was considered quite an event for not many were expected to go on to High School. . . graduation exercise was held at the county seat, Buffalo for all graduates in the County. In later years I was complemented on my ability to concentrate in a busy room. I learned this in country grade school."

(Mr. Pepin completed High School in Elk River and later graduated from Hamline University. After that he completed his graduate work at Clark University.)

Chapter 7. THE PIONEERS

The following pages include over 300 family names found in the Otsego census and land records from 1855 through 1880. By that time, nearly all the land had been claimed. These are the pioneers who were here "IN THE BEGINNING". In addition to census and land records, material from many history books and information furnished by descendants of these families is included. Material from these sources is identified in this manner:

Farnham's page 123

"Quoted material . . . in abbreviated form . . . "

Holt Diary

Jan. 1, 18xx John Doe and Mary Roe married

Following are the books from which material is quoted. They are available for reference at the Otsego City Hall.

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| <u>Volume I</u> | History of Wright County by Franklyn Curtiss-Wedge |
| <u>Volume II</u> | H. C. Cooper Jr. & Co. Chicago 1915 |
| <u>Farnham's</u> | D. R. Farnham's History of Wright County (from a series of articles in the Wright County Eagle and the Delano Eagle 1880 to 1883) Wright County Historical Society 1976 |
| <u>Condensed History</u> | Condensed History of Wright County 1851-1935 by C. A. French Eagle Printing Co. Delano, MN 1935 |
| <u>101 Best Stories</u> | 101 Best Stories of Wright County by Mouraine Baker Myers
First printing 1976 Second printing 1982
Wright County Historical Society |
| <u>History of the Upper Mississippi Valley</u> | History of Wright County (reprinted from the History of the Upper Mississippi Valley)
Minnesota Historical Company 1881 |
| <u>Between Two Rivers</u> | Between Two Rivers - A Centennial Narrative of Saint Andrew's Parish by Vincent A. Yzermans
Church of St. Andrew Elk River, Mn 1991 |
| <u>Holt Diary</u> | By Willard Holt August 21, 1877 through December 4, 1890 |
| <u>History and Business Directory</u> | A small pamphlet designed to lure settlers to this area |

Not all census records contain the same amount of information. The 1855 census displays only the name of the head of household, the number of males, females and total:

John Doe 2-3-5

Other census records may show ages of individuals, place of birth, occupation and relationship:

John Doe	age 72	Farmer	born Maine
Mary "	68	Wife	N. Y.
Joseph "	32	Son	Minn.
Jane "	10	Granddaughter	"

Names are spelled in different ways. They are shown here as they appear on the records. Since early records are hand-written, it is sometimes difficult to read the names. In such cases these are shown:

Cross? Frederick

Jones W ?

Photocopies of these census records are available for reference at the Otsego City Hall. Microfilms of same, at the Wright County Historical Society.

For some families, brief "family trees" are shown. Abbreviations used are:
b. - born, d. - died, m. - married

Entries under the heading "Register of Deaths" are from old Otsego township record books dated 1871 through 1914.

1879 and 1894 maps are on display at the Otsego City Hall.

Entries under Cemetery are names of known graves. Because the cemetery dates back to about 1854, it is possible some graves are not identified due to deterioration of markers.

This book does not pretend to furnish complete genealogical information. It is hoped that it will provide a help to those who wish to seek more details.

Following is a complete list of family names plus a second list which shows relationships between these families.

Wm. Sp.

1850 1722 Precinct then known as Pheasant Grove Precinct continues

Wm. Sp. Schedule

names of the District	County	Number of Inhabitants	Date of Birth	Comments	Wards of Inhabitants	Male	Female	Total
Wm. Sp. and Co. located in the East by the River on the north by the North Fork of New River the West by the West Fork of the River the South by the State of Mississippi	Wright County	Missouri	June	1850	Colt Chase	3	1	4
				1850	J. G. Smith	3	3	6
					Wm. Sp.	4	1	5
					W. W. McCoy	2	2	4
					Wm. W. Smith	1	1	2
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Note 1.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1870, and ends May 31, 1880.
 Note 2.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.
 Note 3.—Persons who are out of the United States for more than 12 months of age.

FILE 1.—Inhabitants in Olney Township in the County of Olney State of Minnesota
 enumerated by me on the 10 day of June, 1880

A page from the 1880 census

Name	Sex	Age	Color	Profession	Married	Single	Widow	Divorced
101	Stull John W	34	W	Farmer				
"	Diabel H	31	W	Farmer				
102	Smith John	30	W	Farmer				
"	Olivera W F	27	W	Farmer				
"	Apple W M	11	W	School				
103	Smith John	28	W	Farmer				
104	Smith John	27	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
105	Smith John	26	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
106	Smith John	25	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
107	Smith John	24	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
108	Smith John	23	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
109	Smith John	22	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
110	Smith John	21	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
111	Smith John	20	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
112	Smith John	19	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
113	Smith John	18	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
114	Smith John	17	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
115	Smith John	16	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
116	Smith John	15	W	Farmer				
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117	Smith John	14	W	Farmer				
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118	Smith John	13	W	Farmer				
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119	Smith John	12	W	Farmer				
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120	Smith John	11	W	Farmer				
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121	Smith John	10	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
122	Smith John	9	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
123	Smith John	8	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
124	Smith John	7	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
125	Smith John	6	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				
126	Smith John	5	W	Farmer				
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127	Smith John	4	W	Farmer				
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128	Smith John	3	W	Farmer				
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129	Smith John	2	W	Farmer				
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130	Smith John	1	W	Farmer				
"	Lewis W M	1	W	School				

Commenced Folio
 of Olney

Geo W. Corbin

WRITE PLAINLY WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD.

PLACE OF DEATH		STATE OF MINNESOTA			
County of <u>Wright</u>		DIVISION OF VITAL STATISTICS			
Township of <u>Osage</u>		CERTIFICATE OF DEATH			
or Village of _____		Registered No. <u>9</u>			
at City of _____ (No. _____ St.; _____ Ward)		(If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution, give its NAME instead of street and number. If away from usual residence, give "Special Information" below.)			
FULL NAME <u>John L. Pepin</u>					
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS			MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH		
SEX <u>Male</u>	COLOR <u>White</u>		DATE OF DEATH (Month) <u>October</u>	(Day) <u>27</u>	(Year) <u>1904</u>
DATE OF BIRTH (Month) <u>July</u>	(Day) <u>3</u>	(Year) <u>1879</u>	I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from <u>Sept 17</u> 1904, to <u>Oct 27</u> 1904 that I last saw him alive on <u>Oct 26</u> 1904 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at <u>2 AM</u> The CAUSE OF DEATH was as follows: <u>Cerebral Hemorrhage</u> (DURATION) <u>1 day</u> Contributory <u>Pneumonia (Lobar)</u> (DURATION) <u>21</u> DAYS (Signed) <u>S. C. Parsons</u> M. D. <u>Oct 27 1904</u> (Address) <u>Elk River Minn</u>		
AGE <u>65</u> years, <u>4</u> months, <u>24</u> days	SINGLE MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED <u>Married</u>				
AGE AT MARRIAGE, NUMBER OF CHILDREN	If married, age at (first) marriage _____ years Parent of _____ children, of whom _____ are living				
BIRTHPLACE (State or country) <u>New York State</u>	NAME OF FATHER <u>John L. Pepin</u>				
BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER (State or country) <u>unknown</u>	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER <u>Oyer</u>		SPECIAL INFORMATION only for Hospitals, Institutions, Transients or Recent Residents: Former or usual residence _____ How long at place of death? _____ Days		
BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) <u>unknown</u>	OCCUPATION <u>Farmer</u>		PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Osage</u>		DATE OF BURIAL <u>10-28</u> 1904
THE ABOVE STATED PERSONAL PARTICULARS ARE TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF			UNDERTAKER <u>R. L. Lane</u>		ADDRESS <u>Elk River</u>
(Informant) <u>Ron. Pepin</u>			Filed <u>Nov 2 1904</u>		<u>T. H. Brown</u> Registrar
(Address) <u>Elk River</u>			(over)		

An early type of death record

Abbott	Colbath	Grides
Adams	Colet	Groteau
Allen	Colter	Guitt?
Ames	Columbus	Hagen
Arnold	Combs	Haley
Aydt	Cooley	Hall
Babcock	Copp	Hallet
Bagley	Corban (Corbin)	Ham
Bailing	Corey	Hamlet
Baker	Corole	Hamlin
Barber (Barbur)	Corteau	Hammond (Hammons)
Barden (Bardon)	Craft	Hand (Hurd)
Barnard	Cross	Harden
Barnes	Davis	Haretty?
Barnhart	Dean	Harper
Bartlett	Dechane (Deschaine)	Harrington
Bergonin	DeGroote	Harris
Berguea?	Dehn (Dehen)	Haskell
Bessell	Demars	Haskner
Bicknell	Demler	Hayward
Bliss	Dimnick (Demick)	Haywood
Boblitt (see Hoblitt)	Dolheismer?	Heap
Borthwick (Bosthwick)	Doney	Heasley
Bouchet (Bouchy)	Dougherty	Heath
Bouley	Douglas	Heaton
Boyden	Downie	Heinen
Bradley	Easter	Heuring
Brandt	Edger	Heyland
Braun	Edwards	Hicks
Bream	Elkins	Hoblitt
Brisette	Ellis	Holland
Brooks	Everitt	Holly (Hawley)
Brown	Fenderson (Fenlason)	Holt (Maine)
Buel	Field	Holt (Connecticut)
Burgoine (Burgoyne)	Fisette (Frisette)	Hoyt
Burlin	Fleming	Hubbard
Bush (Buck)	Foster	Humal
Butler	Gallis	Humphrey (see Umphrey)
Calderwood	Gamache	Hurd (see Hand)
Calkins (Conklin, Caulkins)	Gardner	Hurlburt (Hurlbut)
Campbell	Gaskill	Hyds
Caney	Gerrish	Ingebretson
Canigon	Gerry	Ingersoll
Carpenter	Gibbs	Inscho
Carrick (Carrack)	Gibson	Jacobs
Carrol	Gillman	Jenks
Carron (Corron, Car ^{on})	Gittis (Gillis)	Jile
Carsley	Godfrey	Johnson
Case	Goodman	Jordan
Chadson?	Goodrich	Joyer
Chamberlin (Chamberlain)	Goodwin	Keater
Chapman	Gorham	Kelley
Chaponca?	Gould	King
Chase	Graham	Kiser
Chemant?	Grandville	Knight
Choate	Gray (Grey)	Knurr
Chouinard	Grebler	Lachance?
Christiansen	Green	Lambert
Clark	Greenhoe	Landon?

Lane (Laue?)	Patterson	Stamps
LaPlant	Paul	Stearns
LaSarte	Peale?	Steinberg
Lascho	Peavey	Stengbein
Latouche	Peck	Stevens
Lavasse	Peirson	Stinson
Leach	Pepin (Pippin, Papa)	Stratton (Stanton)
Lenke	Perrault	Superiora
Leonard	Perry	Sweet
Leyerly	Philipps	Thomas
Light	Phnisillin	Thompson
Lindenfelser	Pierce	Thorpe
Locke	Pleasant	Thrall
Lopes	Poalson	Trouch (Trauch)
Lovejoy	Porter	True
Loyd	Pratt	Tubbs
Lunt	Praught	Umphrey (Humphrey)
Mabie	Record	Uran
Malcomb	Reems	Vadnaw?
Malette	Retzel?	Vail (Veail)
Mann	Rice	Violet
Marsh	Richardson	Voolbrugkt
Martin (Martineau)	Ricker	Voonea
Matterson	Ridley	Washburn
Matthews	Rivet	Waterbury
May (Mayo)	Riviere	Watkins
Mayier	Roastein	Watrons
McDermid	Roback (Rhobeck)	Weaver
McDonald	Robichan (Robichaw)	Weigle (Weizel)
McDougall	Rockief	Welch (Welsh)
McGovern	Roden (Rhodan)	Whitcomb
McIntyre	Rugg	White
McKiser	Sanders	Williams
McKosh (McCosh)	Sangansomine	Wilmont
McLeod	Savage	Wind
McNeil	Scatney	Wood
McPherson	Schafner?	Woodard
Miller	Schatiler	Wolf
Millhouse	Schirling	Worcester
Mitchell	Schnider	Wry
Morrill	Schooler	Youson?
Morris	Schumacher (Shoemaker)	Yonker?
Morrison	Schwanbeck	Zackman
Mosman	Scott	Zisular
Moulton	Shalifoo (Charlefoi)	
Newman	Sherburne	
Ney (Nye)	Shrute	
Nickerson	Shumway	
Norton	Simmons	
Olan	Slater	
Oliver	Smith	
Ordway (Oddway)	Smullen	
Osborne	Snopaus	
Ostrom	Snow	
Osier (Ozier)	Sohler	
Page	Soper	
Parker	Southard	
Patten	Spencer	

ADAMS	Harrington
BAKER	Hamlet, Heath, LaPlant, Vail
BLISS	Washburn
BORTHWICK	Cooley, Fleming, Hamlet, Hicks, Holt, Humphrey
BROWN	Holt, Parker
CARRICK	Gould, Lovejoy, Thorpe
CHASE	Rugg
COLBATH	Davis
COOLEY	Borthwick, DeGroot, Lambert, Peavey, Pemberton, Pepin, Snow
DAVIS	Colbath, Hamlet, Ingersoll, Millhouse, Ordway, Peavey, Pepin, Perry, Schwanbeck, Spencer
DEGROOTE	Cooley
DIMMICK	Ingersoll?, Uran
FLEMMING	Borthwick, Wood
GERRISH	Heath
GODFREY	Snow
GOODWIN	Gould
GOULD	Carrick, Goodwin
HAMLET	Baker, Borthwick, Davis, Harper, Heath, Perry, Snow, Spencer, Washburn
HARPER	Hamlet, Heath
HARRINGTON	Adams, Hayward
HAYWARD	Harrington
HEATH	Baker, Gerrish, Hamlet, Harper, Snow
HICKS	Borthwick
HOBLITT	Washburn
HOLT (MA)	Borthwick, Brown, Ingersoll, LaPlant, Mosman, Parker, Pepin, Ricker
HOLT (CT)	Whitcomb
INGERSOLL	Davis, Dimmick?, Holt, Parker, Thorpe, Vail
KING	Washburn
LAMBERT	Cooley
LAPLANT	Baker, Holt, Osier
LOVEJOY	Carrick
MARSH	McDonald, Spencer
MCDONALD	Marsh, Peavey, Spencer, Wood
MCLEOD	Washburn
MILLHOUSE	Davis
MORRILL	Thorpe, Vail
MOSMAN	Holt
ORDWAY	Davis
OSIER	LaPlant, Pepin, Shallifoo
PARKER	Brown, Holt, Ingersoll, Pepin, Smith
PEAVEY	Cooley, Davis, Marsh, McDonald
PEPIN	Cooley, Davis, Holt, Osier, Parker, Wood
PERRY	Davis, Hamlet
RICHARDSON	Slater, Spencer
RUGG	Chase
SCHWANBECK	Davis, Marsh, Spencer
SHALIFOO	Osier
SLATER	Richardson, Spencer
SMITH	Parker
SNOW	Cooley, Godfrey, Hamlet, Heath
SPENCER	Davis, Hamlet, McDonald, Richardson, Slater, Vail
THORPE	Carrick, Ingersoll, Morrill
URAN	Dimmick
VAIL	Baker, Ingersoll, Morrill, Spencer
WASHBURN	Bliss, Hamlet, Hoblitt, King, McLeod
WHITCOMB	Holt
WOOD	Flemming, McDonald, Pepin

1860 Census

Abial H. Abbott	age 30	Meth. E. Clergy	born Maine
Mary	" 20		Penn.
Mary	" 11/12		Minn.

Elk River United Methodist Church Centennial page 1

"Rev. Abiel H. Abbott was appointed to Otsego in 1859 and 1860. At the close of his ministry, Otsego had built the first parsonage on the Monticello District. valued at \$140.00. The Sunday School had 37 members and a library of 50 volumes."

1857 Census #1

Samuel Adams	age 36	born Maine
Lydia E.	" 30	"
Albert	" 4	Mass.
Ida M.	" 1	Maine

1860 Census #492

Samuel Adams	age 35?	born Maine
Lydia E.	" 33	Mass.
Albert R.	" 7	"
Ida M.	" 4	Maine
Otis C.	" 2	Minn.
George E.	" 11/12	"

1865 Census #55

Samuel Adams
Lyddia E. "
Albert B. "
Otis C. "
Jerry F. "
George E. "

1870 Census #23

Sam'l Adams	age 53	Farmer	born Maine
Lydia E.	" 43		Mass.
Albert	" 16		"
Otis C.	" 12		Minn.
George E.	" 10		"
Jessie F.	" 7		"
Justin R.	" 4		"
Oscar C.	" 3		"
Elizabeth	" 1		"

ADAMS
(continued)1875 Census #25

Samuel Adams	age 55	born Me.
Lydia E.	" 48	"
Otis C.	" 17	Minn.
Geo.	" 15	"
Jessie T.	" 12	"
Justine	" 9	"
Oscar	" 7	"
Lizzie	" 5	"
May	" 3	"

1875 Census #29

Louisa Ostrom	age 48	born Canada
Moses M.	" 29	"
E. B.	" 25	"
Chas. M.	" 21	Wis.
Mary	" 10	"
Hattie	" 8	Minn.
Albert Adams	21	Mass.
Emma	" 19	Wis.

1880 Census #37

Samuel Adams	age 59	Farmer	born Me.
Lydia	" 53	Wife	"
Albert	" 26	Son Laborer	Mass.
Otis C.	" 22	" "	Minn.
Geo. E.	" 20	" "	"
Jessie F.	" 17	Daughter	"
Justin R.	" 15	Son Works on farm	"
Oscar D.	" 13	" " " "	"
Elizabeth	" 11	Daughter	"
Ida May	" 7	"	"

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Samuel Adams Range 23 section 18 and 19 Nov. 20, 1860

1879 Map

Range 23 section 18	61.15 acres	L. E. Adams
" " " " 80	"	Samuel "
" " " " 19 ?	"	" "

1894 Map

Range	23	section	18	61.15	acres	Lydia E. Adams
"	"	"	"	80	"	Samuel "
"	24	"	13	20.29	"	Oscar B. "
"	"	"	"	80	"	" " "
"	"	"	"	25.20	"	Otis C. "
"	"	"	"	40	"	" " "
"	"	"	"	1	"	" " "
"	"	"	"	25.80	"	Justin R. "
"	"	"	"	40	"	" " "
"	"	"	"	1	"	" " "
"	"	"	27	7	"	S. E. "

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"Since 1870 the commissioners have been: Samuel Adams, January 1, 1870, . . ."

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" A double murder and suicide took place in Otsego township, January 15, 1906. William E. Brandt killed his wife, Mary E. Brandt and Justin H. Adams, then made way with himself."

History and Business Directory page 25

<List of voters in township of Otsego> " . . . Adams, Samuel . . . "

Cemetery

Adams

Justin L. Sept. 13, 1865-Jan. 15, 1906
 Samuel died Feb. 25, 1899 age 72 years 10 months
 Lydia E. died November 6, 1904 age 77 years 6 months
 Ida M. died Apr. 24, 1865 age 9 years 6 months Daughter
 Dott? H. died Apr. 12, 1863 age 2 years 3 months 7 days Son

Holt Diary

"June 27, 1881 Jessie Adams married"
 "Aug. 21, 1881 M. Adams had a boy"
 "Oct. 30, 1888 Justin Adams and Capitolia Harrington were married"

Wright County Times - January 18, 1906

"Adams . . . a divorced man, his wife having obtained a divorce several years ago. The result of that union was two boys, Gordon and Roy who were given to the mother."

Register of Deaths

Jan. 15, 1906 Justin R. Adams, born Sep. 12, 1865 in Minnesota. Father: Samuel Adams born Maine Mother: Lyde Adams born Maine Shot and killed by W. E. Brandt.

ALLEN

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<Land Office Records - claims>
Range 24 section 24 L. D. Allen July 20, 1857

Register of Deaths

Aug. 29, 1872 John Allen age 70 years born Maine Paralysis

AMES

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"Ezra D. Ames was the pioneer merchant at Northwood. The store building and schoolhouse were removed to Dayton in 1859. The large hotel was soon in ruins and was afterward burned."

Farnham's page 357

"Ezra B. Ames was the pioneer merchant at Northwood. The store building and school house were finally burned."

1879 Map

Range 24 section 24 E. B. Ames
" " " 27 J. S. & J. Ames

ARNOLD

1857 Census #9

J. A. Arnold age 25 born Maine
Amanda " 29 "
Clinda O. " 5 Canada
C. " " "

1860 Census #500

John Arnold age 30? Physician born Maine
Lorinda " 34 New Brunswick
Celinda O. " 8 C. West
Clarinda " 5 " "
Florinda " 2 Minn.
Chas. H. " 3/12 "

1855 Census

Zoskey Aydt 1-0-1

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Range 23 section 36 John K. Ayd May 1, 1857

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"Waterville was laid out in the spring of 1854, by John K. Aydt and Charles Aydt, who purchased the right to a claim on section 36, at the mouth of the Crow river, and built a house and established a ferry. Charles Aydt resided there nearly two years and operated the ferry. The town though laid out was not surveyed or platted and was not entered at the land office as a townsite. In 1856 a part of the townsite was sold to Robinson & Baxter, who laid out the town of Portland largely in Hennepin county, but on both sides of the river."

Farnham's page 217

"The next settler or explorer was John K. Aydt, who with his son Leonhard looked over the town in 1854, and made a long journey up the north fork of Crow river, where they came very near starving on account of their small stock of provisions giving out, and the scarcity of game; they only had one duck in three days. He selected claims for each of his sons, and one for his brother Edward Aydt in section 24 township 120 range 34 in September 1854, building shanties and fulfilling the requirements of the claim or pre-emption laws. He also purchased a claim at the mouth of the Crow river, opposite the village of Dayton, for which he paid \$1,000. He and others laid out a town called Aydt's Town, built two or three houses and established a ferry which was run by Chas. Aydt several years. The town was a suburb of the great city of Northwood, and when O. H. Kelly's city fell, Aydt's Town went with it. The title to the land went into litigation and John K. Aydt lost his \$1,000."

Farnham's page 356

"In the spring of 1854, Mr. John K. Aydt and Charles Aydt purchased the right to a claim on section 36 at the mouth of the Crow river and built a house and established a ferry, and laid out a town, in Otsego, and named the new town Waterville. Charles Aydt resided there nearly two years and ran the ferry, but the village did not flourish. He sold a part of the townsite in 1856, to Robinson & Baxter, and they laid out the town of Portland, mostly in Hennepin county, but on both sides of the Crow river, and as Waterville had not been surveyed or platted, nor entered as a townsite, it died and was known no more."

BABCOCK

1860 Census #489

Franklin B. Moulton	age 25	Free W. Bap. Clerg	born N. Y.
Mary A.	" 26		Conn.
Mary J.	" 7		"
Georgianna	" 8		Minn.
Hannah O.	" 1		"
Lorenzo Babcock	40	Laborer	Kentucky

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Range 23 section 35 L. D. Babcock July 24, 1856

BAGLEY

1880 Census #136

C. H. Spencer	age 38	Laborer	born Me.
Mary E.	" 34	Wife	N. Y.
Cora A.	" 13	Daughter	Minn.
William	" 10	Son	"
Belinda	" 8	Daughter	"
George	" 5	Son	"
Roy	" 8/12	"	"
A. L. Davis	18	Boarder	"
James Bouchy	20	"	"
H. Johnson	19	"	Ireland
Edw. E. Gray	16	"	Indiana
A. M. Heath	26	"	Me.
F. L. Bagley	26	"	Iowa
Sylvina Davis	25	Servant	Minn.
Chas. W. Goodman	22	Boarder	England

BAILING

1855 Census

F. Bailing 2-0-2



CALEB and EMELINE BAKER

Caleb Fulton Baker, born in New York in 1820, married Emeline Stevens in 1849. They came to Otsego in 1867 with their children, William Harvey, Newell, Nettie, Nathan and Della. They settled in the Lily Pond community on the banks of the Mississippi where Caleb established a ferry and farmed about 130 acres. They are pictured here in front of their farmhouse.

Photo courtesy of Wright County Historical Society

1860 Census #465

Moses Rickor	age 51	Farmer	born Maine
Mrs. "	54		"
Sarah "	18		"
Augusta "	20		"
Carolyn "	17		"
Albert F. Baker	33	Farmer	"

1865 Census #73

A. F. Baker
Thomas Ricker
Charles J. Carrick

1865 Census #74

John? Baker
Sarah? "

1870 Census #12

Harvey Baker	age 25	Farmer	born N. Y.
Ida "	21	" "	" "
Leo H. "	5?		Iowa
Rhoda "	3		N. Y.

1870 Census #13

Caleb F. Baker	age 47	Farmer	born N. Y.
Emeline "	46	" "	" "
Newell "	20	" "	" "
Nettie "	16	" "	" "
Nathan "	8	" "	" "
Dell "	4		Iowa

1870 Census #64

Warner? Leach	age 37?	Farmer	born Maine
Laura A. "	26	" "	" "
James "	3	" "	" "
Infant "	1/12		Minn.
Albert F. Baker	43	Carpenter & joiner	born Maine

1875 Census #12

Hovey Baker	age 30	born N. Y.
Ida "	26	" "
Scott "	9	Iowa
Rhoda "	8	N. Y.
Wm. C. "	0	Minn.

1875 Census #64

A. F. Baker age 48 born Me.

1875 Census #5

C. L. Baker	age 54	born N.Y.
Emma	" 50	"
Newell	" 24	"
Nettie	" 20	"
Nathan	" 14	"
Della	" 8	Iowa
Eva	" 18	Ohio
Nellie	" 1	Minn.
Wm. C. Bergan	25	LA?

1880 Census #13

Wm. H. Baker	age 33	Laborer	born N.Y.
Ida	" 31	Wife	"
Scott	" 14	Son	Iowa
Rhoda	" 13	Dtr.	N.Y.
Willie	" 5	Son	Minn.

1880 Census #12

Newell Baker	age 29	Laborer	born N.Y.
Eva	" 22	Wife	Ohio
Nellie	" 6	Dtr.	Minn.
Saml.	" 3	Son	"
Edna	" 5/12	Dtr.	"
Caleb	" 59	Farmer	N.Y.
Emeline	" 55	Wife	"
Nathan	" 18	Son	"
Della	" 13	Dtr.	Iowa

1900 Census #55

Nathan Baker	age 38	born N.Y.
Olive	" 31	Minn.
Lee G.	" 10	
Ernest N.	" 8	
Lester O.	" 5	
Caleb	" 79	N.Y.
Emeline	" 76	"

1920 Census #53

Lee H. Baker	age 30	born Minn.
Blanche	" 30	"
Merle	" 8	"
Olive	" 7	"
Doris	" 5	"
Ronald	" 4/12	"

1920 Census #44

Lester O. Baker	age 25	born Minn.
Cecille	" 21	"
Lester Jr.	" 1 10/12	"

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Range 23 section 34 John Baker May 16, 1857
 " " " 33 Albert F. Baker Nov. 16, 1860

1879 Map

A. F. Baker	Range 23	section 28	80 acres
C. F. "	" 24	" "	11 76.92 "
" " "	" "	" "	14 62 "

1894 Map

C. F. Baker	Range 24	section 11	77 acres
" " "	" "	" "	14 152? "
W. H. "	" "	" "	15 60 "

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"<William D. Hamlet> It is interesting to note that Tilston Snow, grandfather of William D. Hamlet, was one of the first settlers to cross the Mississippi river into Wright county. He came in 1858 from Maine and settled in Otsego township. Mr. Hamlet was married August 30, 1884, to Della Baker, a native of Iowa, daughter of Caleb Fulton and Emeline (Stevens) Baker, who brought her to Wright county when she was one year of age, and settled in Otsego township, where Baker's Ferry is named for them. In the Baker family there were six children: William Hovey, of Washington, Newell (deceased), Nettie, wife of Frank Heath, of Beach, ND, Nathan, of Otsego township, Della, wife of William D. Hamlet."

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"Baker's ferry in section 11, in the west part of the town has been well patronized and is doing a good business."

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"Caleb Fulton Baker was born in Steuben county, New York, on the 18th of December, 1820. He lived in his native state till 1860, when he moved to Iowa, and in a short time, returned to New York, where he lived until 1867, when he came to Minnesota, and located on a farm in this township where he still resides. He keeps a ferry which is known as Baker's Ferry. He was joined in marriage with Miss Emeline Stevens in the year 1849. Mrs. Baker is a native of New York, and they have five children; three boys and two girls."

Condensed History page 31

"Baker's ferry in section 11 was a popular ferry and Elk River became a marketing and trading center for the towns of Otsego, Monticello, Frankfort and other Wright county settlements."

Andreas Atlas - 1874

A. F. Baker, Farmer, Range 24 section 28, born Penobscot Co. Maine, came to Minnesota 1855

Register of Deaths

Jan. 14, 1905 ? Baker born Dec. 18, 1820 age 84 born N. Y. Father: Jeremiah Baker born N. Y. Mother : Eunice Powers born N. Y. Dippused? Bronchitis

May 6, 1909 Emeline Baker born May 27, 1824 in N. Y. age 84 yrs 11 mo 10 da
Father: Ezra Stephen Mother: Emeline both born Germany Erysipelas

Caleb Fulton Baker 1820
Emeline Stevens 1824

William Harvey 1845
Ida 1849

Leo H.? Scott? 1866
Rhoda 1867
William C. 1874

Newell 1851
Eva 1858

Nellie 1874
Samuel 1877
Edna 1879

Nettie 1855 married Frank Heath

Nathan 1861
Olive 1869

Lee 1889
Blanche Vail 1890

Merle 1912
Olive 1913
Doris 1915
Ronald 1919

Ernest N. 1891
Dorothy LaPlant

Lester O. 1894
Cecile Vail

Lester Jr. 1918

Della 1867 married William D. Hamlet

BARBER
(BARBUR)

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"Otsego village was surveyed and platted in May, 1857, for J. G. Smith, Z. M. Brown, J. N. Barber and John McDonald, Sr."

Farnham's page 357

"In May 1857, J. G. Smith, Z. M. Brown, J. N. Barbur and John McDonald Sen. had surveyed and platted about 400 acres in sections 17 and 18, township 121, range 23, on the bank of the Mississippi river, as the village of Otsego, nearly all prairie with oak openings and fine groves."

BARDEN
(BARDON)

1865 Census #34

Aaron Bardon
Willis "
Emma G. "
William "

1870 Census #46

William Corey	age	44	Farm laborer	born	Maine
Mary	"	43		"	"
Fred	"	14		"	Minnesota
Myrtle	"	10		"	"
Elanor	"	8		"	"
Ernest	"	4		"	"
Infant	"	4/12		"	"
Emma Cross	"	20	Domestic servant"		Maine
Wallace Barden	"	18	Farm laborer	"	New York
Betsey Chase	"	25		"	Maine
Claudia "	"	3		"	Minnesota

Cemetery

Cornelia Barden died Apr. 26, 1866 age 36 Wife of A.

1855 Census

William Barnard 1-0-1

1857 Census #5

Wm. Barnard	age 55	born Mass.
Sarah "	" 24	" "
Mary "	" 18	" "
Fredrick "	" 14?	" "

1860 Census #467

William F. Barnard	age 48	Farmer	born Maine
Sarah J.	" 22		" New Hamp.
Mary A.	" 16		" "
Frederick W.	" 16		" "
Sophia G.	" 24	School teacher	" Maine
Hiram? A.	" 16	Farmer	" "

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<Land Office Records - original claims> William F. Barnard Range 23 section 21 June 4, 1857

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"Otsego was given its present boundaries by the county commissioners April 6, 1858 . . . The first officers elected were . . . treasurer, William Barnard."

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"Methodist Episcopal Church of Otsego . . . the members were . . . William Barnard and wife . . ."

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"FIRST GRAND JURY LIST . . . William Barnard . . ."

Farnham's page 361

"The Methodist Episcopal church was organized in May 1857. The members were . . . Wm. Barnard and wife . . ."

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" . . . the first jury list for Wright county . . . William Barnard . . ."

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"Otsego had its Methodist congregation . . . the trustees . . . W. T. Barnard"

Condensed History page 31

"The organization of the town was completed May 11, 1858 when the following officers were chosen . . . treasurer, William Barnard . . ."

1855 Census

Barnes 1-0-1

1865 Census #50

L. H. Barnes
 Sarah A. "
 Perry "

1870 Census #8

Lorenzo H. Barnes	age 38	Farmer	born New York
Susan A.	" 39	"	" "
Olive E.	" 7	"	" Minn.
Harry E.	" 4	"	" "
Hiram	" 13	"	" Mich.

1870 Census #11

George C. Chase	age 35	Farmer	born Ohio
Janette	" 25	"	" "
Ethelbut	" 5	"	" Minn.
Margaret Barnes	" 65	"	" New York

1870 Census #15

Benj. Barnes	age 22	Farmer	born Ohio
Frances "	" 19	"	" "
Alladdis?	" 6/12	"	" Minn.

1875 Census #22

Geo. Chase	age 39	born Ohio
Gennet "	" 28	" "
Ethelbert "	" 10	" Minn.
Wm. A. "	" 3	" "
Margaret Barnes	" 70	" Vt.

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<Land Office Records - original claims> Range 24 section 13 George W. Barnes
 June 14, 1856 Range 24 section 24 George W. Barnes June 14, 1856

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"FIRST GRAND JURY LIST . . . G. Barnes . . ."

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" . . . first Grand Jury list . . . G. Barnes . . ."

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"FIRST WRIGHT COUNTY JURY . . . G. Barnes . . ."

1870 Census #35

Jeremiah Barnhart	age	37	Farmer	born	New York
Adeline	"	30		"	"
Josephine	"	11		"	Illinois
Henry F.	"	9		"	"
William	"	1		"	Michigan

1875 Census #330

Jeremiah Barnhart	age	42	born	N.Y.
Adeline	"	35	"	"
Josephine	"	16	"	Ill.
Henrietta	"	14	"	"
Wm.	"	6	"	Mich.

1855 Census

A. Bartlett 4-1-5

1860 Census #444

A. Bartlett	age	52	Farmer	born	N. Y.
Catherine	"	48		Canada	West
W. W.	"	25	Farmer	"	"
Ransom	"	22	"	"	"
George	"	19		Mich.	

1860 Census #445

Benjamin Bartlett	age	28	Farmer	born	Canada West
Jenette	"	20			Mich.
Georgianna	"	1			Minn.

1865 Census #12

Argules? Bartlett
 Catharine "
 Ransom "
 George W. "
 Charles? "

1865 Census #13

Benjamin Bartlett
 Auzisnas? "
 Georgianna "
 Marietta "
 Olive M. "

1870 Census #55

Argalum Bartlet	age 62	Farmer	born N. Y.
Catharin "	58		Canada
George "	29	Farmer	Michigan
Eliza J. "	18		Connecticut
Catharin "	2		Minnesota
Laura A. "	1		"
William Savage	11		"

1870 Census #57

Benjamin Bartlet	age 38	Farmer	born Canada
Auzinette "	30		Michigan
Georgiann "	11		Minnesota
Maryett "	9		"
Olivia "	8		"
Oscar "	2/12		"

1875 Census #93

Geo. W. Bartlett	age 34	born Mich.
Eliza J. "	22	Canada
Louisa A. "	6	Minn.
Rosa R. "	4	"
Wm. R. "	1	"
Wm. Brooks?	34	South America
Catharine Bartlett	63	Canada

1875 Census #107

Harvey Hicks	age 53	born Vt.
Sally J. "	57	N. Y.
Harvey J. "	21	Ill.
Alex B. "	19	Minn.
Nancy J. "	17	"
Eliza M. "	15	"
Myron Bartlett	8	"

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Range 23 section 26	Argules Bartlett	May 4, 1857
" " " 27	" "	" " "
" " " "	Benjamin "	March 21, 1857

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"Northwood precinct was created June 9, 1856 . . . John Baxter, Walter Butler and A. Bartlett were appointed judges of election."

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"First Grand Jury List . . . A. Bartlett . . ."

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"First Wright County Jury . . . A. Bartlett . . . "

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" . . . first Grand Jury list: . . . A. Bartlett . . . "

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"List of voters . . . Bartlett, G. M. . . . Bartlett, R. A. . . . Bartlett, Argos . . . "

CemeteryBartlett

Jenny M. died Aug. 1, 1868 Wife of R. A. Age 19

Myron W. died Dec. 17, 1862

Register of Deaths

Oct. 3, 1871 Catherine J. Bartlett born Otsego age 4 years 2 months 14 days
Chronic Croup Parents: Geo. W. & Eliza Jane born Michigan

Jan. 6, 1873 Olive Bartlett born Otsego age 10 years 6 months 24 days
Scarlet Fever?

Mar. 14, 1873 Georgianna Bartlett age 13 years 9 months 20 days Scarlet Fever
Parents: Benjamin Bartlett born Mich.

Sep. 15, 1873 Argaes Bartlett age 64 born N. Y. Canser

Oct. 1, 1877 Eliza J. Bartlett age 25 years 11 months 26 days born Conn.
Came to Minnesota Oct. 1863 Consumption Parents: William & Leonara born N.
Y. and Conn.

BERGONIN

1875 Census #94

David Bergonin	age	40	born	N. B.
Sophia	"	38	"	"
Paul	"	17	"	"
Julia	"	12	"	"
Flavia	"	10	"	"
Edith	"	9	"	"
Mathew	"	6	"	"
Mary	"	3	"	"
Frank	"	0	"	"

BERGUEA?

1875 Census #87

Mitchel Berguea	age 26	born Me.
Flavilla "	28	"
Frank "	10	"
Ogela "	9	"
Olive "	7	"
Joseph "	6	"
Sophia "	4	"
Lea "	2	"

BESSELL

1870 Census #76

Adam J. Wood	age 54	Farmer	born Canada
Catherine "	51		"
William "	20		"
Adam "	18		"
James? "	15		"
Charles "	13		Minnesota
Alfred "	10		"
Edwin "	8		"
Jenny Clark?	15	Domestic servant	"
Emily Bessell	33	"	Illinois

BICKNELL

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 Range 24 section 23 C. C. Bicknell March 21, 1857

BLISS

1875 Census #108

Daniel Boblitt	age 26	born Ill.
Amelia "	26	"
Alvin B. "	8?	Minn.
Alma Bliss	16	Mich. <married (1) Charles Washburn (2) Elmer Hamlet>

BOBLITT
 (see HOBLITT)

1865 Census #25

Harvey Hicks
 Sarah J. "
 Mary J. Borthwick
 Robert C. "
 Jane M. Hicks
 Harvey " Jr.
 Alexander B. Hicks
 Nancy J. "
 Eliza M. "
 Harvey J. Borthwick

1870 Census #78

Robt. G. Bosthwick	age 37	Farmer	born P. E. Island
Mary J.	25		New York
Harry J.	6		Minnesota
Cora J.	4		"
Lydia	2		"

1870 Census #79

Alexander Bosthwick	age 39	Farmer	born P. E. Island
Lydia M.	23		Illinois
Mary C.	6		Minnesota
James W.	4		"
Alfred C.	3		"
Clara M.	1		"

1875 Census #53

Alex Borthwick	age 44	born P. E. Island
Lydia M.	28	Illinois
Mary C.	11	Minn.
James	9	"
Alfred	7	"
Clara	5	"

1875 Census #54

R. C. Borthwick	age 41	born P. E. Island
Mary J.	39	N.Y.
Harvey	10	Minn.
Cora J.	8	"
Lydia	6	"
Wm. R.	4	"

1880 Census #56

Alex Borthwick	age 49	Farmer	born Canada
Lydia	33	Wife	Illinois
Mary	16	Daughter	Minn.
James	14	Son	"
Alfred	12	Son	"
Laura	10	Daughter	"
Charles	4	Son	"

BORTHWICK
(continued)1880 Census #58

Robert C. Borthwick	age 47	Farmer	born Prince Edw. Is.
Mary	"	35	Wife N. Y.
Harvey	"	16	Son Minn.
Cora	"	14	Daughter "
Jane	"	13	Daughter "
William	"	10	Son "
Nellie	"	5	Daughter "
Anna	"	3	Daughter "
Kate	"	10/12	Daughter "

CemeteryBorthwick

Clela Jan. 5, 1878 - Jan. 20, 1880
 Father Sep. 14, 1830 - Jan. 15, 1887
 James Nov. 22, 1865 - Nov. 10, 1880
 Mother Oct. 7, 1840 - Apr. 20, 1881
 Samuel C. died Oct. 9, 1871 age 1 year 2 months 3 days
 L. Jane Sep. 5, 1867 - Mar. 5, 1888
 Nellie S. July 5, 1875 - June 17, 1888

1879 Map

Range 23 section 30 & 31

1894 Map

Range 23 section 30

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"Alfred E. Borthwick, farmer, Otsego township, was born in the township where he still lives, June 13, 1867, son of Aleck and Lydia (Hicks) Borthwick, the former a native of Prince Edward Island, and the latter a native of Illinois. The father came to America as a young man, and located in Hennepin county, near Dayton. In 1867 he settled in section 30, Otsego township, where he secured 100 acres. The father and mother are both dead. In the family there were eight children: Mary (deceased), James (deceased), Alfred, Clara (deceased), an unnamed infant who died the day of its birth, Charles, Electa (deceased), and Lucy. Alfred E. received his education in the district schools and was reared to agricultural pursuits. He received the home place by deed from his father. In 1892 he went to Idaho and remained two years, in the meantime renting his farm. He returned in 1894 and since then has successfully carried on general farming. Mr. Borthwick was married January 25, 1897 to Estella Humphrey, daughter of John and Addie (Regester) Humphrey, and to this union has been born one son, Harry Alfred, who was born January 8, 1898."

Holt Diary

Apr. 22, 1881 Mrs. Borthwick buried
 Nov. 13, 1880 Jim Borthwick buried
 Mar. 5, 1888 Jane Borthwick died
 June 18, 1888 Miss Nellie Borthwick was buried
 Dec. 3, 1888 Sydney Holt and Clara Borthwick were married
 Apr. 22, 1889 Will Fleming and May Borthwick were married

Register of Deaths

Nov. 9, 1874 Samuel C. Borthwick age 1 year 3 months 3 days born Otsego
Summer Complaint Parents: R. C. & Mary Borthwick born Prince Edward Island
and New York

Jan. 19, 1880 Eleclia Borthwick age 1 year 7 months 12 days born Minn.
Gastric Fever Parents: Alx and Lydia M. born Provence? and Illinois

Nov. 10, 1880 James Borthwick age 14 years 11 months 18 days born Minn.
Gastric Fever Parents: Alex & Lydia born Provence & ?

Apr. 20, 1881 Lydia M. Borthwick age 34 years 6 months 13 days born Illinois
Came to Minn. Oct. 2, 1864? Confl? of Blood Parents: Harvey & Sally born
Illinois

Jan. 15, 1887 Alexander Borthwick Brights Disease

Mar. 5, 1888 Lydia Jane Borthsick 20 years 6 months born Minn Typhoid
Pneumonia Parents: Robert & Mary J. born P E I & NY

June 17, 1888 Nellie S. Borthwick 12 years 11 months 12 days born Otsego
Consumption Parents: Robert C. & Mary Jane born P. E. & N. Y.

Alexander Borthwick Sep. 14, 1830-Jan. 15, 1887

Lydia M. Hicks Oct. 7, 1847-Apr. 20, 1881

Mary C. Borthwick 1863-died before 1881

James W. Borthwick Nov. 22, 1865-Nov. 10, 1880

Alfred C. Borthwick 1867

Estella Humphrey-daughter of John and Addie Register Humphrey m. Jan. 25, 1897

Harry Alfred Borthwick Jan. 8, 1898

Clara M. (Laura?) Borthwick 1869 m. Sidney A. Holt

Charles Borthwick 1875

Minnie Hamlet 1879

Clela (Electa?) Borthwick Jan. 5, 1878-Jan. 19, 1880

Lucy Lydia Borthwick Dec. 27, 1880 m. Herbert West Cooley

Mamie (May?) Borthwick m. William Fleming

Robert C. Borthwick 1833

Mary J. Hicks 1845

Harvey J. Borthwick 1864

Cora J. Borthwick 1866

Lydia Jane Borthwick Sep. 5, 1867-Mar. 5, 1888

William R. Borthwick 1870

Samuel C. Borthwick 1872-Nov. 9, 1874

Nellie S. Borthwick July 5, 1875-June 18, 1888

Anna Borthwick 1877

Kate Borthwick 1879

BOUCHET
(BOUCHY)1880 Census #46

Eustache Bouchet	age 50	Farmer	born Canada
Winifred	" 35	Wife	Ireland
James	" 20	Son/Laborer	Minn.
John	" 18	" "	"
Mary	" 16	Daughter	"
Lucy	" 7	"	"
Jannie	" 5	"	"
Rosa	" 1	"	"

1880 Census #136

C. H. Spencer	age 38	Laborer	born Me.
Mary E.	" 34	Wife	N. Y.
Cora A.	" 13	Daughter	Minn.
William	" 10	Son	"
Belinda	" 8	Daughter	"
George	" 5	Son	"
Roy	" 8/12	"	"
A. L. Davis	18	Boarder/Laborer	born Minn.
James Bouchy	20	" "	"
H. Johnson	19	" "	Ireland
Edw. E. Gray	16	" "	Indiana
A. M. Heath	26	" "	Me.
F. L. Bagley	26	" "	Iowa
Sylvina Davis	25	Servant	Minn.
Chas. S. Goodman	22	Boarder/Laborer	England

BOULEY

1880 Census #99

Frank Bouley	age 30	Farmer	born Mich.
Mary	" 32	Wife	Canada
Jerry	" 9	Son	Minn.
Laura	" 8	Daughter	"
Clara	" 6	"	"
Peter	" 8/12	Son	"
Octave Chemant	28	Boarder/Laborer	born Canada

1894 Map

Range 23 section 25 Jerry Bouley

Register of Deaths

Aug. 9, 1878 Edward Bouley age 4 months born Minn. Bowel Complaint
Parents: Tales and Mary born Michigan and Canada

Aug. 15, 1878 George Bouley age 4 months born Minn. Bowel Complaint
Parents: Tales and Mary born Michigan and Canada

May 2, 1910 Clementine Bouley born Apr. 24, 1848 Canada 68 years 8 days
Father: Rosseau Corron Mother: Flora Guimont both born Canada Pneumonia

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"Jerry Bouley, farmer, Otsego township, was born in Hennepin county June 14, 1870, son of Tales and Clementine Bouley, the former a native of Michigan and the latter of Quebec, Canada. In 1876 they came to Wright county and located in Otsego township. The mother died in May, 1910. The father is on a claim at Wilston, N. D. In the family there were eleven children: Jerry; Laura (deceased); Clara (deceased); George and Edward (twins) who died in infancy; Peter of Dayton; Vina, wife of C. Haley of Dayton; Leo, of Virginia, Minn., and a girl who died in infancy. Jerry Bouley was reared to agricultural pursuits. Even as a small boy he did a man's work on the farm and rafted logs on the river. At the age of sixteen he started work for a boom company on the river, and was thus employed for thirteen seasons. Later he purchased ten acres of land. At various times he has added tracts of twenty-five, eighty and forty acres, all in section 36, Otsego township, and he now has a well-improved farm with a sightly home and good barns. He successfully carries on general farming and occupies an enviable place in the community. He is a Democrat in politics, and is now serving the township as supervisor. The family faith is that of the Catholic church. By his first wife Mr. Bouley had five children; J. A., of International Falls, Minn.; Olive of Dayton; Clara, wife of Victor Blanchett, of Otsego; and Frank and Albert, at home. For his second wife, Mr. Bouley married Mary Rabsheand, and they have one child, Obeline. A daughter, unnamed and Elmer, Leona and Arnold died in infancy."

1855 Census

Philip Boyden 1-0-1

1857 Census #8

Philip Boyden	age 34	Hotel Keeper	born Maine
Rachel	"	32	"
C. G.	"	8	"
Gillot?	"	7	"
Almeda A.	"	4	"
Zeba? Graham	20		"

1860 Census #507

Philipp Boyden	age 38	Farmer	born Maine
Rachael	"	35	"
Clarisa	"	10	"
Gilbert	"	8	"
Almada	"	7	"

1865 Census #64

Phillip Boyden
 Rachael "
 Clara C. J. "
 Gilbert W. "
 Almida "

1870 Census #82

Phillipp Boyden	age 48	Farmer	born Maine
Racheal	"	46	"
George Colbath	9		"
Geo. W. Scott	28	Farmer	"
Almeda	"	18	"
Hattie	1		Minnesota
Gilbert Boyden	20		Maine

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Range 23 sections 20 and 29 Phillip Boyden June 10, 1857

1879 Map

Range 23 sections 20 and 29

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LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Boyden, Philip . . .

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" . . . meeting of the county commissioners was held at Monticello July 2, 1855. . . . A petition was received for a county road from Waterville at the mouth of the Crow river to Monticello. The petition was granted and Philip Boyden, D. L. Ingersoll and the county surveyor were appointed viewers to meet at the house of John McDonald on July 15, 1855, to lay out the road . . . A petition was received from Henry Heap, Henry Bradley, Philip Boyden and others for a road from McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river near Bigelow's, later the location of the townsite of Hassan. The petition was granted . . . "

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" . . . Other early settlers were Charles Laplant, Caleb Chase, Alvah Cooley, D. L. Ingersoll, Archie Downie, Otis T. True, Dudley P. Chase, EZra Tubbs, Josiah B. Locke, Henry Heap, Philip Boyden and A. J. Wood."

"Otsego was given its present boundaries by the county commissioners April 6, 1858 . . . The first officers elected were: Supervisors, Thomas Ham (chairman), Philip Boyden and T. P. Record; . . . constables, Luther Tubbs and Philip Boyden."

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"The organization of the town was completed May 11, 1858 when the following officers were chosen: Supervisors, Thomas Ham (chairman), Philip Boyden . . . constables Luther Tubbs and Philip Boyden."

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" . . . meeting of the board of county commissioners was held at Monticello, July 2, 1855. A petition was received for a county road from Waterville, at the mouth of the Crow river, to Monticello. The petition was granted, and Philip Boyden, D. E. Ingersoll and the county surveyor were appointed a committee to . . . lay out said road . . . A petition was received from Henry Heap, Henry Bradley, Philip Boyden and others for a road from John McDonald's landing, across the county to Crow river, to near Bigelows . . . "

Farnham's page 352-355

"The first white permanent settlers in Otsego and the first in Wright county were John McDonald Sen. and David McPherson; they came into the town about the same date, the 31st day of July, 1852 . . . next came Henry Heap, Phillip Boyden and A. J. Wood."

" . . . meeting of the board of county commissioners held July 2, 1855, a petition was received for a county road from Waterville . . . to Monticello; this was the first county road. The petition was granted and Phillip Boyden, D. L. Ingersoll and the county surveyor were appointed to . . . lay out the road. At the same meeting a petition was received for a county road from John McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river . . . signed by Henry Bradley, Henry Heap, Phillip Boyden and others . . . "

"On the 6th of April, '58 . . . Otsego was given its present boundaries . . . the following were elected town officers: Supervisors - Thos. Ham, chairman, Phillip Boyden, T. P. Record . . . Constables - Luther Tubbs, Phillip Boyden."

1855 Census

Henry Bradley 1-2-3

1860 Census #505

Henry Bradley	age 3 ?	Farmer	born England
Martha "	38		"
Martha H. "	13		"
Edmund H. "	3		Minn.
George W. "	9/12		"

1875 Census #70

Austin Nye	age 63	born N.Y.
Catherine "	56	"
Amy "	22	Mich.
H. H. Bradley	16	Conn.

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Range 23 section 29 Henry Bradley Nov. 23, 1860

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" . . . meeting of the county commissioners . . . July 2, 1855 . . . petition from Henry Heap, Henry Bradley . . . for a road from McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river . . . Henry Heap, Henry Bradley and the county surveyor were appointed to survey and lay out the road."

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"At a meeting of the board of county commissioners held July 2, 1855 . . . a petition was received for a county road from John McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river . . . was signed by Henry Bradley, Henry Heap, Philip Boyden and others . . . Henry Bradley and the county surveyor were appointed a committee to lay out the road."

Farnham's page 26-27 and 354

" . . . meeting of the board of county commissioners was held at Monticello, July 2, 1855 . . . another petition granted by the board . . . received from Henry Heap, Henry Bradley . . . for a road from John McDonald's landing, across the county to Crow river . . . Henry Bradley and the county surveyor were appointed . . . to survey and lay out said road."

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"A double murder and suicide took place in Otsego township, January 15, 1906. William E. Brandt killed his wife, Mary E. Brandt and Justin R. Adams, and then made way with himself."

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"On January 6, 1906, Otsego was again to be the scene of another tragedy, when Willard E. Brandt murdered his young and beautiful wife and her alleged paramour, sometime during the night, and then killed himself. The evidence before the coroner's jury showed that Mrs. Brandt was a good housekeeper and provided for the home as her means allowed. County Attorney Cutting appeared for the county before the jury. Coroner Moffet appointed Leon E. Snow, A. J. Wood, F. M. Brown, S. A. Pepin, Joseph E. McDonald and O. L. Davis as jurymen. C. A. French was appointed clerk to take the testimony and his report is on file in the vaults of the court house. It was a tragedy which had its appeal to the Heart, for the murdered left a little son, Marvin, who appeared to be very fond of his papa and mamma, and repeatedly asked for them. He was taken care of by relatives in Iowa. The general verdict at that time was 'that the wages of sin is death.'"

Register of Deaths

Jan. 15, 1906 Willard E. Brandt age not listed born Nov.3, 1880 in Iowa Father:: Samuel E. Brandt born N. Y. Mother: Orpha Evans born Illinois Suicide by shooting with revolver.

Jan. 15, 1906 May E. Brandt born 1882 in Iowa Shot and killed by W. E. Brandt

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"John O. Braun, stock raiser and farmer, Otsego township, was born in Germany, February 8, 1857, son of John A. and Margareta (Neu) Braun, natives of Germany, who came to America in 1879, and located in Glencoe, Minn., where the father died and where the mother still makes her home. In the family there were eight children; Mary, wife of Peter Rech of Glencoe; John O.; Matthew (deceased); Margaret (deceased); Michael (deceased); Jacob of Glencoe; Elizabeth, wife of Michael Seifert of Glencoe; and Peter, also of Glencoe. John O. Braun remained with his parents until he was twenty-six years of age. After his marriage, he was assisted by his father in buying eighty acres. After operating this farm eighteen years he purchased 222 acres in section 32, Otsego township, and section 5, Frankfort township. He has a fine farm, an excellent line of improvements, and a full equipment of tools and machinery. His specialty is the raising of pure-blooded stock of the Holstein breed. Mr. Braun has been treasurer of the school board of his district for ten years. He belongs to the German Catholic Benevolent Society and the family faith is that of the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Braun married Mary Agnes Donnay, born in Holland, October 24, 1861, daughter of Henry and Cecelia (Kolen) Donnay. Mr. and Mrs. Braun have had ten children: John A. of Frankfort township, this county; Margaret (deceased); Henry (at home); William, of Anoka county; Michael (deceased); Peter (deceased); Matilda, wife of Homer Gimau of Anoka county; Cecelia, Catherine and Fritz, at home."

1855 Census

S. Bream 7-4-11

BRISSETTE

1880 Census #134

Ambrose Brisette	age 31	Laborer	born Minn.
Mary L.	" 20	Wife	Canada
Henry	" 4	Son	Minn.
Benj.	" 3	"	"
Mary	" 2	Daughter	"

Register of Deaths

Mar. 20, 1883 unnamed female Brisette age 1 day Parents: Amborse and Lucy
born Minn. and Canada

BROOKS

1870 Census #65

Charles Brooks	age 38	Carpenter & joiner	born Canada
Alvira?	" 34		"
Olive?	" 14		Minn.
Victoria	" 12		"
Mary	" 11		"
Addie	" 9		Illinois
Charles	" 7		"
Lousia?	" 4		"
Josephine	" 1		"

1875 Census #75

Chas. Brooks	age 40	born Canada
Elvira	" 38	"
Olive	" 19	Minn.
Victoria	" 17	"
Addie	" 14	Illinois
Chas.	" 12	"
Louisa	" 8	"
Josephine	" 6	"
Joseph	" 3	Minn.
Moses	" a	"

1875 Census #93

Geo. W. Bartlett	age 34	born Mich.
Eliza J.	" 22	Canada
Louisa A.	" 6	Minn.
Rosa R.	" 4	"
Wm. R.	" 1	"
Wm. Brooks?	34	South America
Catharine Bartlett	63	Canada

1880 Census #33

Oscar A. Brown age 28 Farmer born N. H.
 Addie " 20 Wife California
 L. D. " 5/12 Son Minn.

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Range 24 section 26 Julius J. Brown Oct. 9, 1857
 " 23 " 31 William Brown Oct. 10, 1856

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"Otsego village was surveyed and platted in May, 1857, for J. G. Smith, Z. M. Brown, J. N. Barber and John McDonald, Sr. . . ."

Farnham's page 357

"In May 1857, J. G. Smith, Z. M. Brown, J. N. Barbur and John McDonald Sen. had surveyed and platted about 400 acres in sections 17 and 18, township 121, range 23, on the bank of the Mississippi river, as the village of Otsego, nearly all prairie with oak openings and fine groves . . ."

Holt Diary

July 29, 1882 Frank Brown and Letty Parker were married
 Sep. 20, 1886 Carry Brown had a boy at night
 June 26, 1888 Frank Brown has arrested Joe McDonald about the ferry.

Register of Deaths

May 21, 1883 Unnamed male Brown Stillborn Parents: Frank and Nettie born Minnesota and Maine

Jan. 18, 1887 Athea? Brown age 3 months 26 days Bronchial Pneumonia Parents: Frank and Carrie born Wis. and Minn.

Apr. 29, 1908 Daphine Brown born Mar. 15, 1888 age 20 years 1 month 14 days
 Father: Robert F. Brown born Otsego Mother: Elvi Annette Parker born Minnesota Measles

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Range 24 section 13 Caroline E. Buel July 16, 1856

BUEL

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Range 24 section 13 Caroline E. Buel July 16, 1856

BURGOINE
(BURGOYNE)1880 Census #62

Michael Burgoine	age 36	Farmer	born Me.
Lizzie	" 34	Wife	"
Frank	" 14	Son	"
Odelaw	" 13	"	"
Lizzie	" 11	Daughter	"
Sophia	" 10	"	"
Joseph	" 8	Son	"
Maggie	" 6	Daughter	"
John	" 5	Son	"
Emma	" 2	Daughter	Minn.
Solomon	" 4/12	Son	"

1920 Census #31

Joseph Burgoyne	age 39	born Minn.
Ida	Wife 40	"
Dorothy	Daughter 11	"
Anton	Son 8	"
Vernet	" 6	"

BURLIN

1865 Census #60

T. N. Burlin
 Jane M. "
 Lona J. "
 Jerry W. "
 George E. "
 T. N. " Jr.
 Julia? "
 Davey? B. "

BUSH
(BUCK)1860 Census #470

J. W. Thomas	age 27	Farmer	born Maine
Jonas D.	" 25	"	"
Louisia Bush?	25		N. Y.
A. C. Thrall	12		Wisc.
Pelina a Bush?	13		Minn.

1855 Census

William Butler 1-0-1

1860 Census #474

Ansel Butler	age 36	Farmer	born New York
Mrs. "	34	"	"
Mary "	6	"	"
Wm. Patterson	27	"	"
Mary Watrons	20	"	"
John "	25	"	"

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"Northwood precinct was created June 9, 1856 . . . Polls were established at the home of John Baxter. John Baxter, Walter Butler and A. Bartlett were appointed judges of election."

1855 Census? Calderwood 1-0-11870 Census #30

John McDonald	age 64	Mill Wright	born Maine
Zilpah "	66	"	"
Jane Marsh	85	"	"
Henry Calkins	14		Norway
Chas. Siminson	19		Ohio

1875 Census #32

John McDonald	age 68	born Me.
Gilpah "	70	"
Henry Conklin?	19	Norway

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"Herbert W. McCrory was the first sheriff of Wright county. Since then the sheriffs have been: . . . D. S. Calkins (appointed), February 12, 1863 . . . "

Holt Diary

Aug. 22, 1883 Lois Caulkins gave birth to a young girl

1880 Census #132

Henry Caulkins	age 34	Ferryman	born Norway
Louise "	19	Wife	Minn.

CALKINS
(continued)

Register of Deaths

July 26, 1879 Unnamed female Caulkins age 1 day Parents: Henry & Louisa
born Norway and Minn.

De. 14, 1897 Olive Ada Colkins 6 years 28 days Membranous Croup Parents:
Joseph H. & Lois born Norway and Minn.

Dec. 3, 1897 Flora Esther Colkins 3 years 3 months 28 days Membranous Croup
Parents: Joseph and Lois born Norway and Minn.

CAMPBELL

1865 Census #68

Annes Campbell
Margaret "
James McKosh
Mary "
James M."
Catherine McDougall

1870 Census #31

Dan'l. Campbell	age 35	Farmer	born	New Brunswick
Augnes "	35			Scotland
Margarett "	95			Prince Ed. Island
James McRosth?	71			New Brunswick
Mary "	35			" "
Margaret "	36			Minnesota
Joseph "	4			"

1875 Census #55

Margaret Campbell	age 73	born	P. E. Island
Margaret McCosh	9		Minnesota
Joseph "	6		"

1880 Census #63

Joseph Campbell	age 42	Farmer	born	New Brunswick
Victoria "	30	Wife		Wisconsin
Christina "	5	Daughter		Minnesota
Joseph "	3	Son		"
Angus "	10/12	"		"
David Thompson	33	Boarder		New Brunswick

Register of Deaths

Dec. 14, 1873 Angus Campbell age 78 born Scotland Old Age

July 8, 1892 Christine Campbell 17 years 3 months 26 days born Minn.
Consumption Parents: Joseph and Victoria born Canada and Minn.

1860 Census #481

Thomas J. Caney	age 28	Farmer	born New Hampshire
Julie A.	" 24	"	" "
Fred N.	" 3	"	" "
Frank S.	" 1		Minnesota

CANIGON

1855 Census

E. Canigon 1-0-1

CARPENTER

1855 Census

D. W. Carpenter 1-0-1
L. T. Carpenter 1-0-1

1857 Census #4

Marshall Carpenter	age 38	born Maine
Olivett?	" 37	"
Walter	" 1	"
Dina?	" ?	"
Lincoln	" ?	Minnesota

1860 Census #466

G. W. Carpenter	age 28	Farmer	born Maine
Abba	" 25		Nova Scotia
Arthur W.	" 3/12		Minn.

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"Until January 1, 1850, the offices of auditor, registrar of deeds and clerk of the board of county commissioners were combined. After the offices were separated . . . registrar of deeds . . . George W. Carpenter was appointed January 2, 1867."

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"In the early days, the judges of probate had but little work to do, the people for the most part were young, and there were few estates to settle. Isreal Record took office April 9, 1855, followed by . . . George W. Carpenter, January 1, 1868."

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<Land Office Records - claims>
Range 23 section 21 Dennis W. Carpenter, June 12, 1856

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"On July 23, 1855, the first jury list for Wright county was selected by the commissioners . . . L. S. Carpenter . . ."

CARRICK
(CARRACK)1855 CensusJ. Carrick 3-3-6
L. Carrick 5-3-81857 Census #6

Samuel Cerack?	age 55	born New Brunswick
Elizabeth "	55	Maine
Samuel "	27	"
James "	24	"
George "	23	"
Charles "	18	"
Mary E. "	14	"
Lucy A. Lovejoy	16	"
Lucy A. Lovejoy	36	"
G. W. Perkins?	18	"
W. T. Lovejoy	18	"

1860 Census #450

John Carrick	age 71	Farmer	born New Bruns.
Melinda "	60		Maine
Joseph "	21?	Farmer	"
Irwine? "	19	"	"

1860 Census #451

Lewelyn? Carrick	age 34	Farmer	born New Brusk.
Ruth "	33		Maine
Jerome Fenderson	11		"
Horace "	13		"

1860 Census #453

Samuel Carrick	age 62	Farmer	born New Brnsck.
Elizabeth "	58		Maine
Samuel "	30	Farmer	"
George "	24	"	"
Charles "	21	"	"
Elisebeth "	16		"
Lucy Lovejoy	17		"
Hannah "	15		"
William Lovejoy	20	Laborer	" died July 15, 1860
James Carrick	26	Lumberman	"

1865 Census #29

Joseph L. Carrick
Josephine "
Minnie? "
Baby "
Daniel Gray

1865 Census #30

George W. Carrick
 Mary A. "
 Angeline "

1865 Census #31

Samuel Carrick
 Elizabeth "
 Mary A. Perry
 John F. "
 Daniel Stratton?

1865 Census #73

A. F. Baker
 Thomas Ricker
 Charles J. Carrick

1870 Census #50

Geo. W. Carrick	age 34	Farmer	born Maine
Auzelien E. "	6		Minnesota
Samuel A. "	3		"
Margareth "	1		"
Newton Chamberlain	28	Carpenter & joiner	born Wisconsin
Eugenia "	17		" New York

1870 Census #51

Samuel Carrick	age 72	Farmer	born New Brunswick
Elizabeth "	68		Maine
William J. "	36	Farmer	"
Lucy A. "	28		"
Infant "	2/12		Minnesota
Charles J. "	31	Farm Laborer	born Maine
Jerome Cooley	23	" "	" New York

1870 Census #52

Jos. L. Carrick	age 32	Farmer	born Maine
Josephine "	33		"
Minnie "	8		Minnesota
Leonora "	5		"
Albert Guitt?	23	Farm laborer	Illinois

1875 Census #101

J. S. Carrick	age 36	born Me.
Josaphine "	37	"
Minnie "	13	Minn.
Leona "	10	"
Jessie "	0	"

CARRICK
(continued)1875 Census #102

James Carrick	age 40	born Me.
Lucy "	32	"
Georgia "	5	Minn.
Emma "	2	"
Lemuel "	77	Me.

1875 Census #103

Geo. W. Carrick	age 38	born Me.
Celia "	22	"
Evangeline "	11	Minn.
Mary E. "	6	"
Clinton "	2	"

1880 Census #89

Geo. W. Carrick	age 44	Farmer	born Me.
Celia "	27	Wife	"
Anna "	16	Dtr.	Minn.
Maryett "	10	"	"
Clinton "	7	Son	"
William "	5	"	"

1880 Census #92

Jas.? Carrick	age 45	Farmer	born Me.
Lucy "	38	Wife	"
George "	10	Son	Minn.
Emma "	11	Dtr.	"
Lemuel "	82	Father	N.B.
Leonard Williams	18	Servant	Wis.
Minnie Carrick	18	Cousin-teacher	born Minn.

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Range 23 section 34	George W. Carrack	Sep. 2, 1857
" " " 22 and 23	John Carrack	Sep. 5, 1856
" " " " " "	L. Carrack	July 18, 1856
" " " 15	S. Carrack	? 1857

1874 Map - Farnham's page 5

Range 23 section 22

1879 Map

Range 23 sections 15, 22, 23, 27, 14

Andreas Atlas 1874

L. L. Carrick Range 23 Section 22 Farmer & Lumberman born Washington Co., Maine came to Minnesota 1855

Cemetery

Carrick

Celia S.	1854-1932		
Clinton A.	died Apr. 20, 1893	age 20 yr 9 mo	
Elizabeth	" Jan. 13, 1875	Wife of Samuel	age 73 yr 7 mo
G. W.	" Feb. 25, 1891	age 54	
Mariett	" June 8, 1870	" 23	
Samuel W.	" Oct. 25, 1872	" 7 yr 22 mo	
Willie	" Aug. 1, 1880	" 5 yr	

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"From 1850 or 1851 to 1854 the Winnebago Indians had a settlement in Otsego township, and Samuel E. Carrick, a fur trader, was located here with them. The Winnebago reservation was north of the Watab river, but they had gradually wandered into Wright county and established themselves here. Carrick located here permanently late in 1852."

"The Civil war took many of Otsego's citizens from home just at the critical time when it seemed that prosperity was to be the fruit of the hard years of pioneer endeavor. Among those who enlisted from this place were: . . . Co. G. Fourth Minn. Vol. Inf. - Samuel E. Carrick . . ."

"A ferry was established in 1854 by Samuel Carrick at a point opposite what is now the village of Elk River. Mr. Carrick had a trading post here the previous year."

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"On the 31st day of that month <July> he <John McDonald> and his wife went up the river and took a claim in section 17, township 121, range 23 . . . No other settlers came for nearly a year; their visitors were the Winnebagoes, and they called very often during the first two years. The next settlers were . . . Samuel Carrick . . ."

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"OTSEGO IN THE WAR OF 1861 The following persons enlisted in the U. S. army during the great rebellion: . . . Samuel E. Carrick Co. C 4th Reg't."

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"FERRIES The first ferry established was by Samuel Carrick, at a point opposite what is now the village of Elk River, in 1854. Mr. Carrick had a trading post here in 1853, and the ferry is still running and has always been doing a good business."

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"Ferry connections were established by Samuel Carrick in 1854 connecting with the village of Elk River . . ."

CARRICK
(continued)

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"SAMUEL CARRICK On May 4, 1856, Samuel Carrick, a private in Company G of the 4th Minnesota Volunteer Infantry Regiment, died in the notorious Andersonville Prison, one of the countless victims of America's Civil War.

Carrick had been an Indian trader for many years. By 1850 he had established a trading post across the Mississippi River from the present town of Elk River. His customers were Winnebagoes who had a settlement not far away in Otsego Township.

In 1851 Carrick had taken a claim and started a farm, the first farm in Wright County. By 1854 he was operating Carrick's Ferry by his trading post and was so well known in the area that the open land just south of his claim was called Carrick's Prairie.

Two of his brothers, James and George, followed him to Otsego Township, took claims and raised their families. Samuel Carrick never married. When President Lincoln called for volunteers during the War Between The States, he responded. During the 4th Minnesota's advance on Atlanta he was captured. When he died in Andersonville in 1864, he was 31 years old. (George was Samuel's nephew, not his brother.)"

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"James William Carrick was born in Washington county, Maine, on the 25th of December, 1833. He came to Wisconsin, and soon after, to Minnesota, locating in Otsego, in 1853. His brother Samuel had come to this town some time before and located on Carrick's Prairie. Mr. Carrick has lived in this town since coming to the State, except eight years spent in Montana Territory. He was united in marriage with Miss Lucy Ann Lovejoy, on the 13th of June, 1862. Mrs. Carrick was born on the 23d of October, 1843, and came to Minnesota in 1855. She attended school in St. Anthony for about two years, then at St. Cloud for a number of years, after which she taught school for one term in Sherburne county. They have had three children; two of whom are living; Georgia and Emma."

George W. Carrick, a son of Lemuel Carrick, deceased, is one of the early settlers of this town. The subject of this sketch located on a part of Samuel Carrick's claim, which he finally purchased, and where he still resides. This was the first farm opened on Carrick Prairie. Samuel enlisted in the Fourth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry; was captured during the advance upon Atlanta; kept in the rebel prison at Belle Isle during the winter, and in the spring of 1864, removed to Andersonville, where he died in May of the same year. There were five brothers in this family. Eli was drowned in the west branch of the Rum river in 1852. Charles J. is a farmer in Dakota Territory, and James William is mentioned in a previous sketch. The mother of this family died in 1876, aged eighty-three years. George W. Carrick has been twice married; his first wife, Miss Maryett Thorpe, of Connecticut, chosen on the 17th of August, 1863; she died in June, 1870, leaving three children; Anna, Maryett, and William W. He married his present wife, Miss Celia Gould, of Otsego, on the 10th of September, 1872. They have had two children, one of whom is living; Clinton A."

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"TOWN OFFICERS - Justices of the Peace - Thos. McLeod, J. Carrick . . .
LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO - . . . Carrick G. W., Carrick Lemuel,
Carrick C. J., Carrick J. L. . . ."

Register of Deaths

Oct. 14, 1874 Lemuel (?Samuel) W. Carrick Age 7 yrs Diphtheria Parents:
George & Maryett? born Maine? & Connet.

Jan. 13, 1875? Elizabeth Carrick Age 73 yrs 1 mo 22 da born Maine - Came
to MN 1855 - Old Age - Parents: Samuel & Mary Lovejoy Carrick born Maine

July 11, 1880 Lemuel Carrick Age 83 yrs 2 mo 28 da born Provinces? -
Came to MN Apr. 4, 1854 - Paralysis of Heart - Parents: William & Elisabeth -
born Scotland & Maine

Aug. 1, 1880 Willie L. Carrick Age 4 yrs 11 mo 3 da born MN - Dropsy of
Heart - Parents: Geo. W. & Celia - born Maine

Feb. 25, 1891 George W. Carrick 53 yrs 11 mo 21 da born Maine - Valvular
Disease of Heart - Parents: Lemuel & Elizabeth born New Brunswick & Maine

[Samuel Carrick 1798

Elizabeth 1802 - Jan. 13, 1875

Eli (drowned in Rum river 1852)

Samuel E. 1830 - 1864 (died in service, Civil War)

[James Wm. Dec. 25, 1833

Lucy Ann Lovejoy Oct. 23, 1843 married June 13, 1862

Georgia 1870

Emma 1873

[George W. 1836 - Feb. 25, 1891

(1) Maryett Thorpe died June 8, 1870 married Aug. 17, 1863

Angeline 1864

Samuel W. 1867 - Oct. 25, 1872

Margareth 1869

(2) Celia Gould 1854 - 1933 married Sep. 10, 1872

Clinton A. 1873 - Apr. 20, 1893

William 1875 - Aug. 1, 1880

Charles J. 1839

[John Carrick 1789

Melinda 1800

[Joseph L. 1838

Josephine 1838

Minnie 1862

Leonora 1865

Jessie 1874

Irwine 1841

[Lewelyn Carrick 1826

Ruth " 1827

CARROL

1870 Census #25

Caleb Carroll	age 39	Lumberman	born New Brunswick
Kelphin "	33		Maine
Lissie "	10		"
Carrie P. "	8		"
Freddi? "	5		"
Mildred N. "	3		"
Abbie R. "	1		Minnesota

Register of Deaths

Apr. 14, 1897 Clara Carrol 23 years 4 months born Minn. Consumption
 Parents: Tallis and Mary Bouilly born Minn. and Canada

1870 Census #52CARRON
(CORRON, CARON)

Jos. L. Carron	age 32	Farmer	born Maine
Josephine "	33		"
Minnie Carrick	8		Minnesota
Leonora "	5		"
Albert Guitt	23		Illinois

1870 Census #60

Joseph K. Cerron	age 54	Farmer	born Canada
Flossie? "	56		"
Octoave "	20		"
Gasbn? "	18		"
Edward "	10		"
Eyene? "	5		"

1875 Census #35

Edward Carron	age 25	born Canada
Maggie "	17	Minn.
Adeline "	2	"
Victor "	1	"

1880 Census #44

Corron Edw. C.	age 31	Farmer	born Canada
" Emma	22	Wife	Minnesota
" Adeline	8	Daughter	"
" Victoria	6	"	"
" Emma	4	"	"
" Edward	4	Son	"
" Virginia	2	Daughter	"

1880 Census #102

Corron Joseph	age 62	Farmer	born Canada
" Flora	64	Wife	"
" Octove	30	Son	"
" Gasper	28	"	"
" Edward	21	"	"
" Eugene	16	"	"
" Serena	35	Daughter	"
Belanger Frankie	7	Niece	Minnesota

1879 Map

Range 23	section 35	J. Caron	30 acres
" "	" 36	O. Carron	40 "

1894 Map

Range 23	section 35	Joseph Carron	80 acres
" "	" 35	Eugene Carron	80 "
" "	" 36	Edward Carron	36 "
" "	" 14	Octave Carron	20 "
" "	" 19	Edward Carron	41.14"
" "	" 22	Octave Carron	40 "
" "	" 23	" "	38.18"
" "	" 30	Edward Carron	10 "
" "	" 32	Thos. Carron	40 "
" "	" 24	Edward Carron	121? "

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" . . . among the oldest settlers . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Carron . . . may be mentioned."

Register of Deaths

Aug. 29, 1885 Floy Corron age 69 years 9 months 16 days born Canada
Inflammation of Bowels

May 9, 1911 Octave Corron born Oct. 1, 1850 Canada age 61 years 6 months
Father: Joseph Corron born Canada Mother: Clara Guimont born Canada

Nov. 5, 1911 Alice Corron born Aug. 12, 1842 Canada age 69 years 3 months
Father: John Brown born Ireland Mother: Mary Kerland born Ireland Nephritis

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"Dare, Rose Corron born Nov. 5, 1890, Otsego Township; married Laurence A. Dare, born Mar. 22, 1884, Elk River, married Apr. 5, 1929, St. Andrew's. Children Mary Rose, born Mar. 7, 1934. Stepchildren, Alan, Charles, Donna.

Now in 1991 in Elk River Nursing Home at age 100. Rose probably attended mass in Dayton in early years and perhaps, began coming to St. Andrew's when the Mississippi River Bridge was completed in 1905. She is the daughter of Octave Corron (Caron) and Elise Bourgeois Corron. She was a faithful member of the parish for many years before going to the nursing home in the mid-1980's. Perhaps a highlight of her faith was her trip to Iowa to see Pope John Paul.

She was born in the house on Parrish Ave. diagonally across the intersection from the Tom Thumb store in Otsego and the farm property is still in the family. She married Laurence Dare after his first wife, Anna Fournier Dare, who grew up on the neighboring farm, died in 1926, leaving a six-month-old baby girl and two older boys."

1875 Census #105

Thomas Casey	age 31	born Me.
Eliza J. "	28	"
Ida R. "	7	Vt.
Franklin "	4	Minn.
Lillie M. "	2	"
Jonathan C."	1	"

1880 Census #35

Thomas Carslay	age 40	Laborer	born Me.
Eliza "	30	Wife	New Hampshire
Ida A. "	12	Daughter	Vermont
Francis "	10	Son	Minn.
Lillian "	8	Daughter	"
Jonathan "	6	Son	"
William "	3	"	"
Mary J. Harris	30	Sister	N. H.
John H. "	2	Nephew	Michigan

CemeteryCarslay

Frank U S Navy
Thomas died 1910

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Range 23 section 21 William D. Carsley March 6, 1857

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . William Carsly and Otis T. True were appointed constables . . ."

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"In Pleasant Grove Precinct . . . William Carsley . . . constable"

Register of Deaths

Aug. 16, 1879 Aaron D. Carseley age 1 year 4 months 27 days born Minn.
Caused by Teething Parents: Thoms and Eliza born Maine and New Hampshire

May 28, 1910 Frank Carslay born Feb. 29, 1840 Maine age 70 years 2 months
28 days Old Age

CASE

1870 Census #85

Leonard Snow	age 66	Farmer	born Maine
Hannah	" 70		"
Zenos Case	36	Farmer	New York
Lydia	" 30		Michigan
Chaucey?"	8		"

1875 Census #113

Z. L. Case	age 42	born N. Y.
Lydia M.	" 35	" "
Chancey	" 13	Mich.

1880 Census #59

Z. L. Case	age 47	Farmer	born N. Y.
Lydia	" 42	Wife	" "
Chauncy Greenhoe	18	Step-son	Michigan

1879 Map

Range 23 section 31 Z. I. Case 40 acres

CHADSON?

1875 Census #24

Wilbur Ingersoll	age 27	born Me.
Loretta	" 17	Indiana
Luther	" 25	Me.
Maggie Schafner?	14	Ind.
Sidney Chadson?	22	Ohio

CHAMBERLIN
(CHAMBERLAIN)1870 Census #50

Geo. W. Carrick	age 34	Farmer	born Maine
Angeline E.	" 6		Minnesota
Samuel A.	" 3		"
Margareth	" 1		"
Newton Chamberlin	28	Carpenter and Joiner	born Wisconsin
Eugenia	" 17		New York

1894 Map

Range 23 section 29 Israel Chamberlain 40 acres

1855 Census1 Chapman 1-0-1

CHAPONCA?

1880 Census #50

Chas. Chaponca? age 69 Farmer born Canada
Margaret " 58 "

1855 Census

Caleb Chase 3-1-4
D. P. Chase 3-5-8

1857 Census #3

D. P. Chase	age 39?	born Maine
Julia "	12	"
H. "	11	"
Rebecka? "	10	"
? "	8	"
Sylvester "	6	"
Cl ? "	5	"
Lincoln "	1	"

1857 Census #7

Caleb Chase	age 56	born Maine
Hannah "	42	"
Albion? "	19	"
John D. "	18	"
Caleb "	15	"
Betsy "	12	"
J. W. "	8	"
Abbey "	1	"

1860 Census #454

Caleb C. Chase	age 38	Farmer	born Maine
Sarah A. "	33		"
Edwin E. "	8		Mich.
Franklin E. "	3		Minn.
Thos. Rickor	25	Laborer	Maine

1860 Census #459

Caleb C. Chase	age 58	Farmer	born Maine
Hannah "	46		"
John B. "	20		"
Caleb J. "	17		"
Betsy C. "	15		"
Joseph W. "	10		"
Alba "	4		Minn.
Nancy M. "	3		"

1860 Census #504

Leonard Snow	age 53	Farmer	born Maine
Hannah "	60		"
Charles "	28		"
Leonard Jr. "	24		"
Orilla C. "	21		"
Sylvester Chase	8		"

1865 Census #16

A. N. Chase
 Charlotte "
 Oranda "
 John B. "

1865 Census #49

Daniel Chase
 Margaret "
 Byron L. "
 Edwin "
 Emma "
 Henrietta "

1865 Census #32

Caleb Chase
 Sarah A. "
 Edwin H. "
 Frank E. "
 William E. "

1865 Census #33

William E. Corey
 Mary H. "
 Frederick "
 Emma "
 Elnor "
 Hannah Chase
 Abbey "

1865 Census #54

Charles Chase
 Betsy "
 Francis "
 Lewis "
 Orin "
 Clara "

1870 Census #9

Dan'l. Chase	age 57	Farmer	born Maine
Margareth "	36		New York
Byran "	15		Ohio
Edwin "	13		"
Emma "	10		Minnesota
Hattie "	8		"
Alfred "	4		"

CHASE
(continued)1870 Census #10

Chas. W. Chase	age 38	Farmer	born Ohio
Betsy	" 32		"
Francis	" 17		Minnesota
Lewis	" 10		"
Orrin?	" 8		"
Clara	" 6		"
Viola	" 4		"
Mary	" 2		"

1870 Census #11

George Chase	age 35	Farmer	born Ohio
Janette	" 25		"
Ethelbut	" 5		Minnesota
Margaret Barnes	65		New York

1875 Census #6

Daniel Chase	age 55	born Ohio
Margaret	" 39	N. Y.
Byron L.	" 20	Ohio
Edwin S.	" 18	"
Emma	" 15	Minn.
Hattie	" 12	"
Melia A. Heath	19	Maine

1875 Census #7

C. W. Chase	age 43	born Ohio
Betsy	" 36	"
Frank H.	" 16	Minn.
Lewis	" 14	"
Oren C.	" 12	"
Clara A.	" 10	"
Viola L.	" 9	"
Mary A.	" 6	"

1875 Census #22

Geo. Chase	age 39	born Ohio
Gennet	" 28	"
Ethelburt	" 10	Minn.
Wm. A.	" 3	"
Margaret Barnes	70	Vt.

1875 Census #106

C. C. Chase	age 53	born Me.
Sarah A.	" 47	"
Edward E.	" 24	Mich.
Frank	" 18	Minn.
Wm. E.	" 13	"
Adlenta	" 3	"

1880 Census #10

Lorenzo Rugg	age 38	Laborer	born Wis.
Janette "	33	Wife	Ohio
Bertie Chase	15	Stepson	Minn.
Willie "	7	"	"

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Range 23 section 28	A. N. Chase	July 9, 1856
" " "	" Cabel Chase	June 2, 1856
" " "	7 & 15 Caleb C. Chase	Nov. 16, 1860
" " "	21 Caleb C. Chase	June 2, 1856
" " "	8 & 21 Dudley P. Chase	July 8, 1859
" " "	29 Mark G. Chase	July 10, 1856

1874 Map

Range 24 section 15	Geo. Chase
" 23 "	15 C. C. Chase

1879 Map

Range 23 section 15 & 10	C. C. Chase	80? acres
" " "	16 Jonathan Chase	160.39 "
" 24 "	14 D. Chase	50 acres

1894 Map

Range 24 section 15	Geo. C. Chase Est.	15? acres
" " "	24 A. M. Chase	? acres

Cemetery

Chase

Edwin L. died 1940
Etta died 1960

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Caleb Chase appointed judge of election . . . "

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"The commissioners of 1856 were: Dudley P. Chase, . . . "

Volume I page 121

"The commissioners for 1858 were Dudley P. Chase , , , "

Volume II page 552

"Three school districts were created . . . No. 1 was Pleasant Grove district, with Dudley P. Chase as agent."

Volume II page 781

"Other early settlers were . . . Dudley P. Chase . . . "

Volume II page 782

"The Civil war took many of Otsego's citizens . . . Co. H, Third Minn. Vol. Inf. . . . Caleb Chase . . . "

Farnham's page 25

"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Caleb Chase . . . appointed judge of election."

Farnham's page 26

"Each precinct had a school district. No 1, Pleasant Grove precinct, Dudley P. Chase school agent."

Farnham's page 27

"First Grand Jury List . . . Caleb Chase . . ."

Farnham's page 32

"The 5th of January 1857, the board of commissioners met at Monticello. Dudley P. Chase . . . were the commissioners."

Farnham's page 33

"The board of county commissioners met again at Monticello, January 4, 1858. The board consisted of Dudley P. Chase, . . . "

Farnham's page 352

"The first white permanent settlers in Otsego and the first in Wright county were John McDonald SEn. and David McPherson . . . The next settlers were . . . Dudley P. Chase . . ."

Farnham's page 354

"The first school district in the county was organized in Otsego, Pleasant Grove district No. 1, Dudley P. Chase, school agent."

Farnham's page 359

"OTSEGO IN THE WAR OF 1861 - The following persons enlisted in the U. S. Army during the great rebellion: . . . Caleb Chase Co. H 3rd Reg't."

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"On July 23, 1855, the first jury list for Wright County was selected by the Commissioners . . . Caleb Chase, County Commissioner . . . "

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Chase A. N. . . . "

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"In Pleasant Grove Precinct . . . Caleb Chase appointed Judge of Election . . . "

"Each precinct constituted a school district, with officers or agents, as follows: No. 1, Pleasant Grove Precinct, Dudley P. Chase . . . "

" . . . meeting of the board was at Monticello, July 2d, 1855 . . . Grand and petit jury lists were also selected . . . first Grand Jury list: . . . Caleb Chase . . . "

"The Commissioners of 1856 were: Dudley P. Chase, . . . "

" . . . County Commissioners chosen . . . at Monticello on the 5th day of April, 1858 . . . Dudley P. Chase . . . "

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" . . . board of commissioners held their first meeting on April 19, 1855 . . . appointed Dudley P. Chase, assessor . . . "

"The first school district in Wright County was organized in Otsego town and was named Pleasant Grove district no. 1. Dudley P. Chase was the school agent."

"Third Minnesota Infantry . . . organized in October, 1861 . . . Roster . . . Otsego . . . Caleb Chase, Jr. . . . "

Andreas Atlas 1874

"George Chase - Farmer - Range 24 Section 15 - born Cuyahoga Co., Ohio - came to Minnesota 1858"

"C. C. Chase - Farmer & Lumberman - Range 23 Section 15 - born Pisquiquis Co., Maine - came to Minnesota 1858

Register of Deaths

Apr. 28, 1873 Alfred Chase age 6 yrs 9 mo 22 da Measles Parents: Daniel & Margaret Chase born Ohio

Feb. 20, 1877 Geo. C. Chase age 40 born Ohio arrived in MN Oct. 1, 1855 Eleptic Fit Parents Daniel & Mary born N. Y. & Conn.

CHASE
(continued)

Caleb C. Chase	1801	(not listed 1865 census and beyond)
Hannah	1815	(listed with Wm. Corey family 1865)
* Albion	1838	
John D.	1839	
Caleb J.	1842	
Betsy C.	1845	(listed with Wm. Corey family 1865)
Joseph W.	1849	
Abbey	1856	(?Alba listed with Wm. Corey family 1865)
Nancy M.	1857	
Dudley P. Chase	1818	
Julia	1845	
H.	1846	
Rebecka	1847	
?	1849	
Sylvester	1851	(listed with Leonard Snow family 1860)
Cl ?	1852	
Lincoln	1856	
Caleb C. Chase	1822	(? Jr.)
Sarah A.	1827	(1870 census Ageline 1832)
Edwin E.	1852	(cemetery Edwin L. d. 1940)
Franklin E.	1857	
William E.	1861	
Adlenta?	1865	
* A. N. Chase	1838	(Albion age 19 on 1857 census?)
Charlotte		
Oranda?		
John B.		
Geo. Chase	1836-1877	
Gennet	1847	(Janette? on 1880 census listed with Lorenzo Rugg as wife and Ethelburt 1865 Bertie and Willie as stepsons)
Wm. A.	1872	
Charles W. Chase	1832	
Betsy	1839	
Francis	1859	
Lewis	1861	
Orin C.	1863	
Clara A.	1865	
Viola L.	1866	
Mary A.	1868	
Daniel Chase	1820	
Margareth	1836	
Byron L.	1855	
Edwin S.	1857	
Emma	1860	
Henrietta	1863	(cemetery Etta d. 1960)
Alfred	1866-1873	

1880 Census #99

Frank Bouley	age 30	Farmer	born Mich.
Mary	" 32	Wife	Canada
Jerry	" 9	Son	Minn.
Laura	" 8	Daughter	"
Clara	" 6	"	"
Peter	" 8/12	Son	"
Octave Chemant?	28	Boarder	Canada

CHOATE

1855 Census

Levi Choate 1-0-1

1879 Map

Range 24 section 22 L. Choate 160 acres

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Range 24 section 22 Leonard Choate Nov. 3, 1856

CHOUINARD

1875 Census #80

J. Chournard	age 55	born Canada
Mary	" 48?	"
Lea	" 15	"
Frank	" 13	"
Mary	" 9	"
Sophia	" 3	"

1875 Census #81

Joseph Cournard	age 58	born Canada
Mary	" 59	"
Octave	" 25	"
Jasper	" 24	"
Edward	" 16	"
Eugene	" 11	"
Mary	" 21	"
Francis Belanger	2	Minn.

1880 Census #104

Chouinard T.	age 52	Farmer	born Canada
"	Mary 52	Wife	"
"	Octava 23	Farmer/Son	"
"	Leah 20	Daughter	"
"	Frank 18	Laborer/Son	"
"	Mary 14	Daughter	"
"	Sophia 8	"	Minn.

CHRISTIANSON

1880 Census #112

J. W. Hurlbut	age 38	Clerk in store	born Vermont
Harriet	" 39		"
Mary	" 19	Daughter	"
Emerson	" 13	Son	Minn.
Ida	" 10	Daughter	"
Polly	" 74	Mother	Vermont
Chas. Christiansen	23	Boarder/Clerk in store	Norway

CLARK

1870 Census #76

Adam J. Wood	age 54	Farmer	born Canada
Catharine	" 51		"
William	" 20		"
Adam	" 18		"
James?	" 15		"
Charles	" 13		Minnesota
Alfred	" 10		"
Edwin	" 8		"
Jenny Clark?	15	Domestic Servant	"
Emily Bessell	33	"	" Illinois

1880 Census #68

Thos. I Ricker	age 47	Farmer	born Maine
Anna D.	" 34	Wife	"
Chas.	" 8	Son	Minn.
Richard	" 7	"	"
Geo. E.	" 5	"	"
May	" 9/12	Daughter	"
Mattie	" 9/12	"	"
John Clark	27	Boarder/laborer	New York

1870 Census #82

Phillipp Boyden	age 48	Farmer	born Maine
Rachell "	46		"
George Colbath	9		"
Geo. W. Scott	28	Farmer	"
Almeda "	18		"
Hattie "	1		Minn.
Gilbert Boyden	20		Maine

1880 Census #38

John Morrell	age 60	Farmer	born New Brunswick
Mary "	65	Wife	Nova Scotia
Lillie "	12	Daughter	Wis.
George Colbath	20	Boarder/laborer	Maine
Wm. Shirling	21	"	Sweden

Holt Diary

June 19, 1882 George Colbath married

Davis Family Records

Hannah Lee Davis born 1866 died 1888 married George Colbath

Register of Deaths

Sep. 28, 1888 Hannah Colbath Acute Uramic Poisoning caused by and following pregnancy Parents: Joseph and Emeline born Maine

Oct. 7, 1888 Melissa Colbath 17 days Blood poisoning Parents: George and Hannah born Maine and Minn.

June 15, 1899 Clara Colbath 14 years 3 months 13 days born Minn Heart Disease Parents: George and Hannah born Maine and Minn.

COLET

1875 Census #84

Octave Collet	age 27	born Canada
Cloe	" 25	"
Octave	" 5	Minn.
Addie	" 3	"
Allot	" 1	Mich.

1875 Census #85

Dennis Collet	age 44	born Canada
Matilda	" 52	"
Phillip	" 25	"
Archie	" 23	"
David	" 19	"
Ogell	" 15	"
Emma	" 14	"
Fred	" 12	"
Joseph	" 10	Minn.
Wm.	" 6	"

1880 Census #106

Dennis Colet	age 58	Farmer	born Canada
Matilda	" 56	Wife	"
Emma	" 14	Dtr.	"
Alfred	" 11?	Son	"
Joseph	" 14	"	Minn.
Willie	" 11	"	"

COLTER

1880 Census #116

Dennis Rivet	age 45	Brick maker	born Canada
Matilda	" 30	Wife	"
Annie	" 12	Dtr.	Minn.
Joseph	" 10	Son	"
Sarah	" 8	Dtr.	"
Mary	" 6	"	"
Archie	" 5	Son	"
Eliza	" 3	Dtr.	"
Victoria	" 2/12	"	"
Lewis Colter	36	Boarder Works in brickyard	born Canada

1860 Census #486

A. J. Philipps	age 26	Farmer	born Indiana
Pierre Columbus	24	Farmer	C. East

1870 Census #20

Peter Columbus	age 40	Farmer	born Canada
Emma	22		Wisconsin
Mary	4		Minnesota
Sophia	2		"
Catherine	1		"

1875 Census #23

Peter Columbus	age 38	born Canada
Emma	22	Wisconsin
Mary	8	Minnesota
Sopha	6	"
Catharine	4	"

1880 Census #27

Peter Columbus	age 45	Farmer	born Canada
Emma	38	Wife	Wisconsin
Mary	14	Daughter	Minnesota
Sophia	13	Daughter	"
Catatine?	12	Daughter	"

1879 Map

Range 24 section 34 Peter Columbus 80 acres

1894 Map

Range 24 Section 34 Peter Columbus 80 acres

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Range 24 Section 34 Peter Columbus Nov. 14, 1871

Register of Deaths

Oct. 6, 1880 Katie Columbus age 10 yrs 1 mo 18 da born MN Diphtheria Parents:
Peter and Emma born Canada and Illinois

COMBS

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Range 24 Section 24 John A. Combs June 13, 1857

1855 Census

Alvah Cooley 2-3-5
L. Cooley 5-2-7

1857 Census #1

A. L. Cooley	age 39	born New York
Margret "	39	" "
Berton S."	14	" "
Ellen W. "	12	" "
Addie M. "	9	" "

1857 Census #2

Loman N. Cooley	age 49	born New York
Matilda "	47	" "
Alive T.? "	17	" "
Benjamin F."	14?	" "
Jerome "	12	" "

1860 Census #461

Luman Cooley	age 52	Farmer	born N.Y.
Matilda "	48		"
Abba L.? "	20		"
Benjamin F."	16	Farmer	"
Jerome "	14		"
Berrett "	12		"
Olivia "	1		Minn.

1860 Census #468

Alva F. Cooley	age 42	Farmer	born N.Y.
Margaret "	42		"
Burton S. "	17		"
Ellen F. "	15		"
Adda N. "	13		"
Chas. B. "	2		Minn.

1865 Census #5

Alva L. Cooley
Margaret "
Bardon "
Ellen "
Adda "

1865 Census #23

Luman Cooley
Alvah L. "
Jerome "
J. F. "
Barnet "
Elizabeth Thorpe

1870 Census #36

Alvah Cooley age 52 Farmer born N.Y.
 Margaret " 52 "
 Ellen " 24 School Teacher born N.Y.
 Jeanette Douglass "18 Seamstress Wisconsin

1870 Census #40

Luman Coolie age 61 Farmer born N.Y.
 Hannah M. " 45 "
 Oliver Brooks 14 Domestic Servant born Illinois

1870 Census #51

Lemuel Carrick age 72 Farmer born New Brunswick
 Elizabeth " 68 Maine
 William J. " 36 Farmer "
 Lucy A. " 28 "
 Infant " 2/12 Minnesota
 Charles? J. " 31 Farm Laborer born Maine
 Jerome Cooley 23 " " " N.Y.

1875 Census #41

A. L. Cooley age 58 born N.Y.
 Margaret " 58 "
 Ellen " 28 "

1880 Census #126

Alvah L. Cooley age 62 Farmer born New York
 Margaret " 62 Wife " "
 Ellen V. " 32 Dtr. School Teacher born New York
 Margaret " 3 Grand-dtr. born Iowa

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Range 23 section 16 Alva Cooley Jul.17, 1857
 " " " " Luman " " " "

1879 Map

Range 23 section 16 E. V. Cooley 98.14 acres

1894 Map

Range 23 section 16 Ellen V. Cooley Lot 2 40 acres
 " " " " A. L. " 58 "
 " " " 21 B. S. " 80 "

COOLEY
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"In 1853 George W. and James A. Carrick settled on Carrick's Prairie in Otsego township. Alva L. Cooley also settled in the same locality."

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"Charles W. Lambert and Matilda Cooley, married at the home of Luman Cooley, in Pleasant Grove precinct, November 26, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, a justice of the peace."

Volume II page 781

"Other early settlers were . . . Alvah Cooley . . . "

Volume II page 782

"The Civil war took many of Otsego's citizens . . . Among those who enlisted from this place were" . . . Co. A, Second Minn. Vol. Inf. B. F. Cooley . . . "

Volume II page 820

"Methodist Episcopal Church of Otsego. The church was regularly organized in May, 1857. The members were L. Cooley and wife . . . "

Farnham's page 49

"THE WRIGHT COUNTY WAR . . . The jury were as follows: . . . Alvah Cooley . . ."

Farnham's page 353

"On the 31st day of that month <July 1852> he <John McDonald> . . . took a claim . . . No other settlers came for nearly a year; . . . The next settlers were . . . Alvan Cooley . . . "

Farnham's page 354

"The first school house was built in October 1855, Margaret Cooley, teacher."

Farnham's page 359

"OTSEGO IN THE WAR OF 1861 . . . The following persons enlisted in the U. S. Army during the great rebellion: . . . B. F. Cooley Co. A 2nd Reg't. . . . James Cooley Co. B. H. B. "

Farnham's page 361

"The Methodist Episcopal church was organized in May, 1857. The members were L. Cooley and wife . . . "

Farnham's page 5 1874 Map

Range 23 section 16 A. L. Cooley

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" . . . George W. and James W. Carrick came in 1853, and settled on Carrick's prairie, near their brother Samuel. Alva L. Cooley also arrived that year."

History and Business Directory page 24

"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . COOLEY B., Cooley B. F., Cooley L. "

Condensed History page 31

"A school house was built in October 1855 and Margaret Cooley was the first teacher."

Condensed History page 79

"The Ninth regiment was organized in August, 1862 . . . roster . . . Benjamin F. Cooley . . . "

CemeteryCooley

Alvah 1813-1895

Charles B. died Feb. 9, 1861 age 3 years 3 months

Emma F. died Jan. 31, 1861 age 2 years 5 months 12 days

Margaret 1818-1890

Sidney E. 1875-1948

Benjamin Ferris 1844-Oct. 15, 1903 Co. A 9 Minn. Inf.

Herbert W. 1871-1934

Lucy Lydia 1881-1941

Between Two Rivers

"Cooley, Herbert Eugene born Feb. 21, 1915, Wright County. Married Dorothy DeGroote, born May 30, 1921, Cresco, IA. Married Nov. 14, 1942. Children Nancy Kaymierowski, born Oct. 12, 1945; Diane Collins, born Jan. 30, 1947; Agnes Hoff, born Apr. 21, 1952; Michael Cooley born Dec. 8, 1953. Husband's father Herbert West Cooley, Mother Lucy Barthwick, married in Otsego, paternal grandfather Burton Cooley. Wife's father George DeGroote, mother Kathrine Jan. Herbert and Dorothy joined the parish in 1945." <Herbert Eugene died Oct. 3, 1995>

Holt Diary

Dec. 30, 1882 Arthur Cooley died

July 10, 1888 Eva Cooley and Will Pepin were married.

Oct. 5, 1890 Old Mrs. Cooley was buried.

Unpublished Poem

"Woman In The Wilderness" is a poetic story of Margaret and Alva Cooley by their granddaughter Myra Snow.

Minnesota Genealogical Journal #8 page 764

"Book 3 page 83 Cooley, Luman of Wright Co. married on 30 Nov. 1865, Minneapolis by John Quigley, MOG. Harris Hannah M. of Hennepin Co. Wit. H. B. Wilson; I. S. Wilson."

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"Alvah L. Cooley, Farmer, Range 23 Section 16, born Genesee Co., N. Y. came to Minnesota 1853"

Register of Deaths

Dec. 29, 1882 Arthur B. Cooley age 13 yrs 10 mo 7 da born MN
Inflamation of Bowels Parents: Berton S. and Flora J. born N. Y and Maine

Oct. 4, 1890 Margaret Cooley 72 yrs 7 mo 28 da born N. Y. Came to MN 1853
Spinal Complaint Parents John and Hannah born N. Y.

Mar. 29, 1895 Alva L. Cooley 77 yrs born N. Y. Came to MN 1853 Consumption
Occupation Millwright

May 23, 1909 Baby Cooley born May 23, 1909 Father: Herbert Cooley
Mother: Lucy Borthwick

- Gideon Cooley d. Sep. 15, 1819 m. Dec. 8, 1805
 Desire Landers d. 1818
 Alvah Landers Cooley Mar. 29, 1818-Mar. 29, 1895 m. Mar. 8, 1842
 Margaret Faulkner 1818-Oct. 4, 1892
 Burton Sidney Cooley Feb. 17, 1843-Sep. 1925 m. June 10, 1866
 Florinda Jane Bryant Oct. 23, 1845-Oct. 12, 1921
 Clara Evelyn Cooley May 26, 1867-Sep. 7, 1961 m. William Lowell Pepin
 Arthur Cooley Feb. 22, 1869-Dec. 29, 1882
 Herbert West Cooley Jan. 25, 1871-Feb. 1934 m. June 1908
 Lucy Lydia Borthwick d. 1941
 Unnamed daughter b. and d. May 23, 1909
 Doris Muriel Cooley May 9, 1910 m. T. Ralph Wise June 7, 1952
 Arthur Borthwick Cooley Dec. 26, 1911 m. July 3, 1942
 Lillian Anderson
 Gordon West Cooley Aug. 11, 1913-May 27, 1990 m. Jan. 12, 1957
 Gladys Irene Wickser d. May 4, 1977
 Herbert Eugene Cooley Feb. 21, 1915-Oct. 3, 1995 m. Nov. 15, 1942
 Dorothy DeGroot 1921
 Margaret Clara Cooley Sep. 18, 1916 m. Elmer Reed Peavey Aug. 16, 1937
 Ruth Estella Cooley May 10, 1919 m. Wm. James Pemberton Mar. 6, 1940
 Myrtice Elizabeth Cooley Apr. 20, 1921 m. John Alfred Anderson Sep. 10, 1940
 Robert James Cooley Feb. 24, 1923 m. June 30, 1951
 Virginia Louise Brooks
 Bret Eugene Cooley Jan. 14, 1873-Nov. 15, 1936 m. 1901
 Mildred Naomi Gray Mar. 6, 1877-Oct. 21, 1961
 Donald Gray Cooley Aug. 9, 1904
 Helen Collins
 Bernice Lorraine Cooley Jan. 30, 1907-May 2, 1991 m. Fred Buchwitz
 Harold Eugene Cooley 1909 m. 1942
 Nina McDonald d. 1982
 Sidney Ernest Cooley Feb. 23, 1875-June 12, 1948 m. Jan. 14, 1911
 Anna Louise Person Jan. 8, 1880-Sep. 12, 1966
 Ernest Faulkner Cooley Feb. 23, 1915?
 Eleanor Louise Cooley Sep. 29, 1914 m. Omar Edgar Rue 1952
 Flora Carolina Cooley Apr. 10, 1916-July 7, 1940
 Florence Evelyn Cooley Apr. 10, 1916 m. Henry Greer 1947
 Margaret Myrtice Cooley July 11, 1918-Apr. 11, 1964
 Berton Andrew Cooley Oct. 31, 1923
 Robert Faulkner Cooley Sep. 19, 1879-Apr. 3, 1967 m. Aug. 12, 1903
 Alta Eva Larson Dec. 31, 1883-Mar. 1919
 Flora Cooley Nov. 1911 m. (1) Alvin Kincaid (2) Wayne Scott
 Florence Margaret Cooley July 16, 1877-Dec. 13, 1904 m. Absie Ritchie
 Myrtice Ellen Cooley Aug. 15, 1881-Mar. 29, 1919 m. Herb Orton 1909
 Daisy Ada Cooley May 6, 1884-Apr. 17, 1952 m. Herb Orton 1920
 Ellen Viola Cooley Sep. 1846-Sep. 1913
 Ada Marie Cooley June 3, 1849-Apr. 26, 1926 m. Charles Thomas Snow
 Charles Byron Cooley Nov. 9, 1857-Feb. 1861
 Emma Florence Cooley Aug. 19, 1861-Jan. 31, 1864

COOLEY
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Luman Cooley 1808

(1) Matilda d. before 1865

Alvah L. Cooley Apr. 28, 1840

Esther Adelaide Lewis Jan. 12, 1847 m. Nov. 12, 1867

Leon Lewis Cooley 1868-1922 m. 1901

Anna M. Stedman Eddy

Ida Estella Cooley 1871-1952 m. Frank Hood Moore

Benjamin Ferris Cooley 1844-1903?

Jerome Charles Cooley 1846-1882 m. 1876

Louisa Emma Mathews

Burrett Cooley 1847

(2) Hannah M. Harris m. Nov. 30, 1865



CEMETERY

Land for the cemetery was given by Alvah Cooley about 1853 or 1854. The oldest graves, based on sight inspection, appear to be: Charlie Pippin (Pepin) who died October 28, 1854 at age 1 year and 6 months and Albert E. Porter who died February 13, 1858 at age 6 years. There are graves of four children ages from 2 to 4 years who died between January 31 and February 9, 1861. These children were from the Cooley, LaPlant and Pepin families who lived near each other. The deaths were no doubt some contagious childhood disease for which there were no vaccines at that time. There are about 450 graves and lots are still available. The cemetery is owned by the City of Otsego and maintained by volunteers.

Photo courtesy of Joy Swenson

1860 Census #471

Hannah W. Copp	age 47	born N. H.
Lew (Levi?) W.	" 23	"
Alonzo B.	" 16	"
Charles W.	" 11	"

1860 Census #506

John Copp	age 25	born N. H.
Harriet "	21	"
Jessie "	2	Minnesota
Sarah "	9/12	"

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John D. Copp	Range 23	Section 20	June 10, 1857
John L. Copp	" 23	" 23	June 10, 1857

CORBAN
(CORBIN)1855 Census

David Corban 2-4-6

1857 Census #5

David Corbin	age 37	born Canada
Delia "	30	"
Orvilla "	10	New York
Matilda "	7	" "
Edward "	4	" "
Josephine "	3	" "
Henry "	1	Minnesota

1860 Census #457

David Corban	age 42	born Canada East
Adelia "	38	" "
Orilla "	13	N. Y.
Matilda "	10	"
Edward "	8	"
Josephine "	6	"
Henry "	5	Minnesota
David "	3	"
Caroline "	1	"

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Range 23 Section 22 David Corbin Oct. 16, 1856

Register of DeathsFeb. 7, 1897 Ida M. Corbin 4 da Premature birth Parents: Hubert and Susan
born Maine

1855 Census

William Corey 1-2-3

1860 Census #455

Wm. E. Cory	age 32	born New Brunswick
Mary	" 26	Wis.
Norman	" 7	Minn.
Malcolm	" 5	"
Nelson	" 3	"
Alferetta	" 1	"
John Gillman	18	Maine

1865 Census #33

William E. Corey
 Mary H. "
 Frederick? "
 Emma "
 Elnor? "
 Hannah Chase
 Abbey "

1870 Census #46

Corey William	age 44	born Maine
" Mary	43	"
" Fred	14	Minn.
" Myrtle	10	"
" Elanor	8	"
" Ernest	4	"
" Infant	4/12	"
Cross? Emma	20	Maine
Barden Wallace	18	New York
Chase Betsey	25	Maine
" Claudia	3	Minn.

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<Land Office Records - claims> Range 23 section 15 William E. Corey Nov. 16, 1860

1879 Map

W. E. Corey Range 23 section 15 112.22 acres, section 10 26+ acres

1894 Map

W. E. Corey Range 23 section 10 5 acres

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"On July 23, 1855, the first jury list for Wright County was selected by the Commissioners . . . William Corey . . . "

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Wm. E. Corey . . . "

1855 Census

Matthias Corole 1-0-1

CORTEAU

1875 Census #77

John Corteau	age 25	born Canada
Caroline "	21	"
Maggie "	0	Minnesota
George Guimont	31	Canada

CRAFT

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Range 23 section 19 Ezra Craft May 28, 1857

CROSS

1860 Census #455

Wm. E. Cory	age 32	Farmer	born New Brunswick
Mary "	30		Maine
Frederick "	4		Minnesota
Oscar "	2		"
Infant "	8/12		"
Emma C. Cross?	10		Maine
Charles H. Keater	36?	Farm laborer	N. Y.

1870 Census #46

Corey William	age 44	Farm laborer	born Maine
" Mary	43		"
" Fred	14		Minnesota
" Myrtle	10		"
" Eleanor	8		"
" Ernest	4		"
" Infant	4/12		"
Cross Emma	20		Maine
Barden Wallace	18		N. Y.
Chase Betsey	25		Maine
" Claudia	3		Minnesota

DAVIS

**DAVIS FAMILY**

Left to Right: Myrtle Williams Davis (1876, wife of Arthur), Claude Davis (son of Arthur and Myrtle), Emaline Spencer Davis (1835, wife of Joseph), Grace Davis (daughter of Arthur and Myrtle), Joseph Davis (1825, son of Richard and Hannah Spencer Davis), Arthur Davis (1867, ninth child of Joseph and Emaline).

Photo courtesy of Norman Schwanbeck

1850 Minnesota Territorial Census page 65 Ramsey County # 332 and #333

Davis, Richard	age 50	Laborer	born Maine
" Anna	49		"
" Joseph	27	Laborer	"
" Winthrop	22	Lumberman	"
" Ebin	17		"
" Mary	10		"
" Sylvester	5		"
Davis, A<ndrew> S.	30		"
" Mary Ann	27		"
" Alonzo	18	Lumberman	"

1855 Census

E. H. Davis 1-0-1

1865 Census #35

Joseph Davis
Emaline "
Salvina D. "
Lowe H. "
Owen L. "
Susan M. "
Lincoln H. "
Albert H. "
Richard "

1870 Census #90

Davis, Joseph	age 46	Farmer	born Maine
" Emelein	35		"
" Sylvina	15		Minn.
" Lowell	14		"
" Orin?	13		"
" Susan	10		"
" Lincoln	9		"
" Albert	7		"
" Hanah?	5		"
" Mellissa	2		"
" Infant	1/12		"

1875 Census #28

Joseph Davis	age 52	born Me.
Emiline "	34	"
Sylvina "	20	Minn.
Lowell "	19	"
Orion "	18	"
Lincoln "	14	"
Albert "	12	"
Hannah "	9	"
Melissa "	7	"
Arthur "	4	"
Sumner "	3	"
Lenora "	0	"

DAVIS
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1880 Census #140

Davis, Joseph	age 56	Farmer	born Me.
" Emeline	45	Wife	"
" Albert	17	Son	Minn.
" Hannah	14	Daughter	"
" Melissa	12	"	"
" Arthur	10	Son	"
" Sumner	8	"	"
" Lenora	5	Daughter	"
Phillips, Lillia	4?	Dtr.-in-law	"

1880 Census #129

McDonald, Lewis	age 40	Captain on steamboat	born Me.
" Climena	37	Wife	"
" Joseph	15	Son	Minn.
Davis, Carrie	8	Boarder	"
McDonald Geo.	22	Son-Mate on steamboat	"

1880 Census #136

Spencer, C. H.	age 38	Laborer	born Me.
" Mary E.	34	Wife	N. Y.
" Cora A.	13	Daughter	Minn.
" William	10	Son	"
" Belinda	8	Daughter	"
" George	5	Son	"
" Roy	8/12	"	"
Davis, A. L.	18	Boarder	"
Bouchy, James	20	"	"
Johnson, H.	19	"	Ireland
Gray, Edw. E.	16	"	Indiana
Heath, A. M.	26	"	Maine
Bagley, F. L.	26	"	Iowa
Davis, Sylvina	25	Servant	Minn.
Goodman, Chas. S.	22	Boarder	England

1920 Census #91

Davis, Andrew	age 28	born Minn.
" Olive	Wife 26	"
" Marian	Daughter age 8/12	"
" Louis	Brother 17	"

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Range 23	section 18	Winthrop Davis	March 27, 1857
" "	" 32 & 33	David A. Davis	April 13, 1857
" 24	:	24 Richard Davis	April 27, 1857

Cemetery

Davis	<u>born</u>	<u>died</u>	<u>place of death</u>
Albert	1862	1906	
Alice Marie	1865	1947	Elk River
Andrew L.		1974	Elk River
Baby	1927	1927	Elk River (of Louis)
Emmaline	1835	1914	Otsego
Hannah	1866	1888	
Irma Florence	Oct. 12, 1898	Aug. 7, 1926	Elk River
Joseph	1833?	1906	
Lewis R.		1978	Otsego
Lincoln H.	1861	1923	Elk River
Lowell	1856	1888	
Lucy	1902?	1917	
Lura May	Mar. 3, 1888	July 1, 1934	Elk River
Olive		1987	Elk River
Orion L.	1857?	1940	Elk River
Richard	1845	1898	
Rodney D.		1976	Otsego
Sarah Jane	1865	1945	Elk River
Sumner P.	1871	1936	Elk River

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"Joseph Davis, a native of Lowell, Penobscot county, Maine, was born in the year 1823 and attained manhood on a farm in his native State. When thirty years of age, he came to Minnesota, engaged in lumbering and farming until 1850 when he located at St. Anthony and gave his whole attention to lumbering for three years. Was a fireman on the first steamboat that run on the Upper Mississippi, called the "Governor Ramsey", commanded by Captain Rollins. In 1853, he moved on a farm near Elk River, Sherburne county, where he lived until 1866, when he came to his present farm on section eighteen, part of which is within the limits of the village of Otsego. Mr. Davis has been twice married. His present wife was Miss Emeline A. Spencer, to whom he was married in December, 1855. She has borne him eleven children, five girls and six boys."

Letter from Ralph Holt - 1978

". . .I was a River Pig in the summers of 1914-15-16. We were located across the river from Fridley in three or more wanigans. Lincoln Davis was our boss . . . Earl Davis a cookie . . ."

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"On January 6, 1906, Otsego was again to be the scene of another tragedy, when Williard E. Brandt murdered his young and beautiful wife and her alleged paramour, sometime during the night and then killed himself . . . Coroner Moffet appointed . . . and O. L. Davis as jurymen."

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<list of voters in township of Otsego> Joseph Davis

"Orion L. Davis, farmer, Otsego township, was born in Elk River township, Sherburne county, April 21, 1857, son of Joseph and Emeline (Spencer) Davis, natives of Maine, who came to Minnesota in 1851, located in Sherburne county for several years, came to Otsego township in 1864, and secured 110 acres on which they spent the remainder of their days. The mother died January 15, 1914, the father having passed away a few years before. In the family there were thirteen children: Salvina, wife of Samuel Bobo of Milaca, Minn.; Lowell (deceased); Orion L. of Otsego; Susan, wife of August Hagan of Superior; Lincoln of Otsego; Albert (deceased); Hanna (deceased); Melissie, wife of William Kay of Chicago; Arthur of Monticellp; Sumner, who is with Orion L.; Nora, wife of Albert Williams of Rochester, Minn.; and Arthur and Richard, both of whom died in infancy. Orion L. Davis remained with his parents until fifteen years of age. He devoted several years of his young manhood to farming in Otsego township, to river driving, and to farming in Morrison county. In 1894 he returned to the home farm and operated the farm and looked after his parents until their death, when he inherited their place. He owns 157 acres, well improved, and carries on general farming, located in section 18. Mr. Davis was married November 29, 1883 to Sarah Kay, a native of Cook county, Illinois and of English descent, daughter of Richard and Mary (Lofthouse) Kay, who settled in 1880 in Morrison county this state, where the father now lives, and where the mother died. In the family there were seven children; William, of Chicago; Ellen wife of Lee Osgood, of Little Falls, Minn.; John, of Washington; George of Little Falls, Minn.; Samuel (deceased); Sarah, wife of Orion L. Davis; and an unnamed boy twin of Ellen, now deceased. The children of Mr. and Mrs. Orion L. Davis are: Andrew, at home; Sadie, now on a homestead in North Dakota; and Minnie, Gertrude, Lewis and Lucy (twins) at home."

Holt Diary

July 26, 1882 Lincoln Davis married Alice Perrie
 Mar. 16, 1884 Andrew Davis had a stroke of paralysis in his face but is better now
 Mar. 19, 1884 Lincoln Davis building a house in Otsego
 Aug. 17, 1884 Alice Davis lost her second child
 Nov. 29, 1884 Herbert Davis and Lucie Hyphel were married 3 pm
 Nov. 26, 1885 Albert Davis and Dolly Oddway married
 Aug. 6, 1886 Dolly Davis was buried
 Sep. 19, 1888 Louisa Davis died
 Oct. 1, 1777 Kowell Davis died at night
 Dec. 2, 1888 The old Davis house burned
 Apr. 1, 1889 Lincon Davis house burned

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Sep. 28, 1882 (unnamed male) Davis age 5 days born Minn Parents: Alice and Lincoln born Maine and Minn.
 Aug. 17, 1884 (unnamed male) Davis Stillborn Parents: Lincoln and Alice born Minn. and Maine
 Oct. 2, 1888 Lowell Davis 32 years Dropsy Parents: Joseph and Emeline born Maine
 Aug. 28, 1895 Nellie Ida Davis 5 months Cholera Infantum Parents: Arthur and Myrtle
 Mar. 7, 1898 Richard Davis 2 years 9 months 12 days Diphtheria Parents: Orrin and Sarah
 Jan. 13, 1914 Emeline A. Davis born Maine May 21, 1835 age 78 years 8 months 22 days Father: Charles Spencer born Maine Mother: Linda Marsh born Maine Lobar pneumonia

John McDonald
 (1) Mary Inman
 (2) Zilpah Marsh

Ephraim Spencer
 Belinda Marsh

Richard Davis
 Hannah Spencer

Climena Spencer
 Lewis McDonald

Elizabeth Spencer?
 Frank McDonald?

Martin Spencer
 (1) Ellen Lisson
 (2) Josephine Lacard

Charles Spencer
 Libby Richardson

Emeline Spencer (2)
 Joseph Davis

George McDonald
 Laura McDonald
 m. Peavey
 Joseph McDonald
 m. Pickard

Mary McDonald
 Frank McDonald Jr.
 Charles McDonald
 Nellie McDonald

Freeman Spencer
 Mary Spencer
 Laura Spencer
 Leonie Spencer

Winnie Richardson
 Cora Spencer
 m. Hallet
 William Spencer
 Belinda Spencer
 m. Vail
 George Spencer
 Roy Spencer
 Frank Spencer
 m. Irish
 Flora
 Buddice
 Charles
 Kenneth
 Glenn
 Arletta

Sylvina Davis
 m. (1) Scribner
 m. (2) Bobo
 Lowell Davis
 Orion Davis
 m. Kay
 Susan Davis
 m. Higgins
 Lincoln Davis
 m. Perrie
 Albert Davis
 m. Odway
 Richard Davis
 Hannah Davis
 m. Colbath
 Arthur Davis
 m. Williams
 Melissa Davis
 m. Kay
 Joseph Davis
 Sumner Davis
 Lenora Davis
 m. Williams

DAVIS
 (continued)

- Richard Davis Apr. 25, 1797 - Dec. 16, 1880 m. 1819
 Hannah Spencer died July 3, 1879
 Andrew Spencer Davis June 29, 1820
 Mary Ann Perkins m. July 5, 1841
 John Alonzo Davis
 Richard Davis
 Gertrude Davis
- Joseph Davis Apr. 25, 1825 - Nov. 25, 1906 m. 1844
 (1) Martha A. Lombard
 Sylvester Clayton Davis Feb. 14, 1846 m. Oct. 19, 1869
 Mary L. Foster
 Charles P. Davis 1847 (soldier - died Civil War)
 (2) Emaline Spencer May 21, 1835 - Jan. 15, 1914 m. Aug. 30, 1853
 Sylvina Davis Dec. 14, 1854 m. (1) John Scribner (2) Samuel Bobo
 Lowell H. Davis Mar. 5, 1856 - Oct. 4, 1888
 Orion Linden Davis Apr. 23, 1857 - Apr. 4, 1940 m. Nov. 29, 1883
 Sarah Jane Kay July 8, 1865 - Apr. 6, 1945
 Edna May Davis May 5, 1885 m. Orrin Peavey
 Jessie Ellen Davis Dec. 11, 1888 - Feb. 18, 1970 m. Roy E. Pepin
 Andrew Lincoln Davis June 15, 1891 - Aug. 26, 1974 m. Nov. 11, 1915
 Olive Stimson Jan. 23, 1893 - Apr. 1, 1987
 Marion Kaye Davis died Jan. 8, 1989
 Orion Frederick Davis Nov. 7, 1921
 Katherine Swinghammer
 Gordon Davis Oct. 21, 1923 m. Nov. 6, 1945
 Nona Wingness
 Richard Raymond Davis July 8, 1926 m. June 30, 1950
 Anna Kazon
 Andrew Lawrence Davis Oct. 16, 1931 m. June 6, 1951
 Marion Muns
 Ruth Ellen Davis Sep. 2, 1934
 Sadie Mabel Davis Sep. 26, 1893 - Nov. 25, 1986 m. John O. Schwager
 Richard Davis June 25, 1895 - Mar. 7, 1898
 Minnie Eva Davis Sep. 23, 1897 m. Ernest Schwanbeck
 Gertrude Maude Davis Oct. 19, 1899 - Feb. 17, 1962 m. Con Flaherty
 Lucy Alberta Davis Feb. 11, 1902 - Oct. 12, 1917
 Lewis Raymond Davis Feb. 11, 1902 - Feb. 10, 1978
 Florence Millhouse Apr. 19, 1907
 Raymond Lewis Davis Dec. 9, 1927 - Dec. 9, 1927
 Louise Frances Davis May 24, 1930 m. Sherman Benson
 Donald Paul Davis Oct. 11, 1931 m. Nov. 14, 1953
 Margaret Craft
 Blanche Ellen Davis Oct. 25, 1933 m. Steve Barsody
 Donna May Davis Mar. 14, 1935 - Nov. 16, 1970 m. Stanton C. Oberg
 Kenneth Lewis Davis Nov. 8, 1936 m. Dec. 20, 1958
 Maxine Balfanz Oct. 7, 1940
 Sarah Jane Davis Mar. 15, 1938 m. Richard Elmer
 Florence Ann Davis May 23, 1939 m. Melvin Sorenson
 Grace Mattie Davis Sep. 2, 1940 m. Richard Benson

Susan Mabel Davis Oct. 23, 1859 - Apr. 5, 1920 m. E. A. Higgins
 Abraham Lincoln Davis Mar. 10, 1861 - Nov. 26, 1923
 Alice Perrie July 25, 1862
 Mattie Davis
 Laura Davis died 1934
 Bessie Davis m. George Clear
 Earl Davis
 Connie Christenson
 Irma Florence Davis Oct. 12, 1898 - Aug. 7, 1926
 Albert Henry Davis July 22, 1862 - Aug. 30, 1906 m. Nov. 26, 1885
 D. Odway died Aug. 6, 1886
 Richard Davis Dec. 25, 1863 - June 6, 1866
 Hannah Lee Davis June 26, 1866 - Sep. 28, 1888 m. George Colbath
 Arthur Davis Feb. 4, 1867 - Feb. 9, ?
 Myrtle Williams Dec. 17, 1876 - June 15, 1964
 Nellie Davis
 Claude Davis died 1919
 Grace Davis m. Herbert Elliot
 Georgie Davis died age 3
 Allen Davis died 1927
 Margaret Davis m. Frank Kickhafer
 Ruthie Davis m. Ernest Bailey
 Melissa Jane Davis Feb. 28, 1868 - Oct. 30, 1921 m. William Kay
 Joseph Arthur Davis May 17, 1870
 Summer Parker Davis Dec. 5, 1871 - Apr. 1935
 Lenora D. Davis Feb. 18, 1875 - Aug. 13, 1924 m. Berton Williams
 Winthrop Davis Mar. 2, 1828 - Jan. 10, 1874
 Carrie Pollard died Mar. 1, 1870
 Corrie Davis July 1869 - Dec. 20, 1871
 Susan Davis Oct. 17, 1831 - Jan. 10, 1876 m. Nat Tibbetts
 Eben Hubbard Davis Aug. 29, 1835
 (1) Mary Louisa Ingersol died Sep. 19, 1888 m. July 4, 1857
 Herbert Henry Davis May 24, 1858 m. Nov. 29, 1884?
 Lucy Hyphel
 Bertha Edna Davis Sep. 24, 1860 - May 9, 1883 m. Ben J. Sturtevant
 Andrew Davis July 31, 1866 - Mar. 31, 1922 m. Oct. 29, 1891
 Blanche Corey died Nov. 8, 1914
 Paul Corey Davis June 18, 1893 - May 6, 1918
 Donald Edward Davis Nov. 27, 1894 m. June 17, 1918
 Yera A. Albitz
 Kenneth Edward Davis Feb. 23, 1897
 Emma Frederickson
 Charles Whitcomb Davis Nov. 10, 1868
 Susan M. Colson
 Lizzie Crawford Davis Apr. 5, 1874 - Apr. 17, 1913
 Winthrop Sherman Davis Mar. 2, 1876 m. Sep. 2, 1895
 Iida Prescott
 Millie A. Davis May 14, 1879 - Dec. 9, 1879
 Helen Bell Davis Jan. 6, 1881 m. Albert Briere Sep. 21, 1902
 (2) Bertie Reinhart m. Dec. 21, 1889
 Eben Sanborn Davis Aug. 26, 1901
 Mary M. Davis Apr. 23, 1840 - Aug. 16, 1905 m. Henry White

1855 Census

Thomas Dean 1-0-1
 William Dean 1-0-1

Cemetery

Dean

Archie Henry born 1899 died 1968
 Beverly 1985
 Donald Phillip 1968
 Hazel M. 1903 1958

1880 Census #108

DECHENE
 (DESCHAINED)

Dechaine	Octave	age 27	Laborer	born Canada
"	Clara	30	Wife	"
"	Clara	6	Daughter	"
"	Octave	4	Son	"
"	Joseph	3	"	"
"	Maddie	1	Daughter	"

1894 Map

Range 23 section 27 Chas. Deschaine 80 acres
 " 23 " 35 Reml? Deschaine 120 "

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"Matt Dechane, farmer, Monticello township, was born near St. John, Canada, November 24, 1867, son of Severe and Bridget (Maurier) Dechane, natives of Canada, who came to Otsego township, Wright county, in 1872, and here devoted their years to farming. The father died in August, 1908, and the mother still makes her home in Otsego township. In the family there were sixteen children; Alice, wife of Joseph Cowett, of Dayton; George, of Rush City, Minn.; Matt, of Monticello; Alfred (deceased); Lyda, wife of George Menard, of Albertville, Minn.; Joseph, of Anoka, Minn.; Louis (deceased); Lucy, wife of Frank Zahler, of St. Michaels, Wright county; Octave, of Otsego; Emile (deceased); Edmund, Albert and Louis, of Otsego township; and Flora, the wife of Alphonse Chroinard. Matt Dechane remained with his father until he was twenty-eight years of age; then he married and in 1895 purchased forty acres in section 33, Monticello township. He has made some excellent improvements and carries on general farming and stock raising. He is a Republican in politics and a member of the Modern Woodmen of America. The family faith is that of the Catholic church. Mr. Dechane married Queenie Mary Montreuil, a native of Wright county, daughter of Frank and Mary (Fyle) Montreuil, natives of Canada, who came to Monticello about 1874. Mr. Montreuil now lives in Olivia, Minn. He was assessor of Monticello township for three years. His wife died August 10, 1908. In the family there were five children: Mary Louise (deceased), Queenie Mary, Elmer Francis, Francis Xavier and Haydee Catherine, wife of Edward Lindquist, of Olivia, Minn. Mr. and Mrs. Dechane have two daughters; Hazel Mary, born June 9, 1908; and Blanche Florence, born October 5, 1910."

Register of Deaths

Oct. 18, 1883 Mary Duchane age 2 years born Canada Came to Minn. 1883 Croup
 Parents: Severe and Clarissa born Canada
 May 15, 1884 Julia Duchane Stillborn Parents: Severe and Clarissa born Canada
 Aug. 24, 1908 Severe Deschene born Canada Mar. 16, 1847 age 61 years 6 months
 8 days Father: Charles Deschane born Canada Mother: Jenive Jaun born Canada

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"COOLEY, HERBERT EUGENE born Feb. 21, 1915, Wright county, married Dorothy DeGroote, born May 30, 1921, Cresco, IA, married Nov. 15, 1942. Children Nancy Kaymierowski, born Oct. 12, 1945; Diane Collins, born Jan. 30, 1947; Agnes Hoff, born Apr. 21, 1952; Michael Cooley, born Dec. 8, 1953.

Husband: father Herbert West Cooley, married Lucy Barthwick of Otsego, paternal grandfather Burton Cooley.

Wife: father George DeGroote, married Kathrine Jan Herbert and Dorothy joined the parish in 1945.

DEHN
(DEHEN)

1875 Census #62

Peter Dehn	age 34	born Prussia
Theresa "	23	Bavaria
John "	3	Minn.
Mary "	1	"

1880 Census #74

Dehen Peter	age 42	Farmer	born Prussia
" Theresia	28	Wife	"
" John	8	Son	Minn.
" Mary	6	Daughter	"
" Annie	4	"	"

Register of Deaths

Feb. 18, 1879 Joseph F. Dehen age 4 days born Minn. Parents: Peter and Theresa born Prussia and Germana

July 22, 1883 Susanna Dehen age 1 year 4 months 20 days born Minn. Small Pox Parents: Peter and Theresa born Prussia and Bavaria

May 25, 1898 Peter Dehen 60 years 3 months 29 days born Germany Consumption Parents: Joseph and Margaret born Germany

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"Matt Dechane . . . <sister> Mary, wife of George DeMars, of Otsego township."

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"Louis Demars, farmer, Otsego township, was born in Hassen, Hennepin county, Minnesota, April 29, 1870, son of McGuire and Amelia (Gregneir) Demars, natives of Canada. The father came to the United States when eighteen years of age, and was employed three years by the government in handling produce between St. Paul and Ft. Snelling. Then he returned to Canada for about seven years. Subsequently he worked in the forests about Lake Superior. In 1865 he came to Sherburne county; then to Hassen in Hennepin county, and engaged in agricultural pursuits. In 1888 he retired to Dayton, in Hennepin county, where he now resides. His wife died in May, 1912. In the family there were eleven children; Brazil, of North Dakota; Richard, of North Dakota; Celia, of Benson, Minnesota; Delvane, of Dayton, Hennepin county; George, of Minneapolis; Caroline, of Hennepin county; this state; Adeline, of Minneapolis; Thomas, of Anoka; Henry (deceased); Louis, and Prosper (deceased). Louis Demars was reared in Hennepin county. At the age of eighteen he secured employment as a teamster in Minneapolis. Then he went to North Dakota with his brothers. Later he attended school at Dayton, Hennepin county. At the age of twenty-two he came to Otsego township, and purchased eighty acres in section 24. He now owns 200 acres, has made some excellent improvements and carries on general farming. He is a Republican in politics, and belongs to the Catholic order of Foresters. The family faith is that of the Roman Catholic church.

Mr. Demars was married April 25, 1892, to Annie Reiche, born in Canada, July 26, 1874, and to this union eleven children have been born. Delvina, born April 25, 1893, is now Mrs. Leopold Talbott, of St. Michaels, this county. Delima was born September 15, 1894, is now Mrs. Thomas Zimmer, of Otsego township, this county. Emil J. was born September 22, 1896; Elizzie M., April 25, 1900; Lucy M. A., August 15, 1901. Louis M. was born December 18, 1903, and died February 14, 1904. Odell L. was born June 23, 1904 and died March 29, 1905. Alice and Elsie (twins) were born April 28, 1906. Lorena was born November 26, 1909, and Cyril, February 19, 1914."

1894 Map

Range 24 section 24 ? acres <W 1/2 SE 1/4>

DEMLER

1855 Census

H. Demler 2-1-3

1855 Census

I. Dimick 1-1-2

1865 Census #63

L. B. Dimmick
 Hannah "
 Hester "
 Emily "
 George "
 Nelson "

1870 Census #35

Uran James	age 36	Farmer born Iowa
" Emily A.	20	New York
Dimick Harriett	54	" "

1875 Census #26

David L. Ingersoll	age 60	born Maine
Eunice	" 53	"
Frank A.	" 22	"
Eben D.	" 20	Minnesota
Ernest B.	" 15	"
Elmer	" 13	"
Nancy G.	" 10	"
George C.	" 8	"
Harriett Dimick	59	New York

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Range 24 Section 14 Nelson Dimick Nov. 13, 1856

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"Three voting precincts were formed with the following described boundaries:
 . . . Monticello precinct, bounded on the north by the Mississippi river, east
 by a line running due south from the northwest corner of L. Dimmick's claim to
 the south line of the county . . . "

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"William James Uran was born in the state of New York . . . 1833 . . . He
 married Miss E. A. Dimick, a native of New York, in the year 1869. They have
 had four children three of whom are living; two boys and one girl."

Register of Deaths

Dec. 23, 1878 Harritt Demick widow age 63 born N Y. Came to MN Aug. 15, 1861
 Parents: Ira and Hester born N. Y.

DOLHEISMER?

1875 Census #89

Frank Weizel	age 44	born Hesse
Margaret "	42	Prussia
Louisa Hollan	11	Minn.
Joseph Weizel	11	Mass.
Anna "	19	Minn.
Phillip Dolheismer	19	"

DONEY

1870 Census #58

Doney Enos	age 45	Farmer	born Pennsylvania
" Angeline	30		"
" Lucy A.	6/12		Minn.
Laudon? Elizabeth	10		Pennsylvania
Laudo Margaret	5		"
" Catherin	3		"

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Range 23 section 26 Enos Doney July 23, 1856

Register of Deaths

Oct. 8, 1875 Lewis Doney age 1 year 6 months 23 days Congestion of Lung
Parents: Enos and Anjaline Doney born Germany and N. Y.

DOUGHERTY

1870 Census #3

Hamlet Joseph	age 45	Farmer	born Maine
" Charlotte	49		"
" Lewis	20		"
" Aroline	19		"
" Willie	13		"
" Helen	10		"
Dougherty Chas. P.	3		Minn.
" James?	7		"

1875 Census #17

Bradley Hamlet	age 52	born Maine
Charlotte "	55	"
Wm. "	18	"
Kellen "	15	"
Charles Dougherty	8	Minn.
James "	6	"

1880 Census #6

Hamlet Joseph	age 56	Farmer	born Me.
" Charlotte	37	Wife	" "
" William	23	Son	" "
Dougherty Chas.	13	Grandson	Minn.
" James	11	"	"

Cemetery

Daugherty Flora died Aug. 8, 1862 Wife of James, daughter of J. C. and G. M.
Hamlet age 22 years 11 months 12 days

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Dority <?Dougherty> Patrick

1870 Census #36

Cooley Alvah	age 52	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Margareth	52	"	" "
" Ellen	24	Teacher	" "
Douglass Jeanette	18	Seamstress	Wis.

1875 Census #104

James B. Douglas	age 55	born Me.
Charlotte	" 51	" "
Lenville	" 26	" "
Mary G.	" 23	Wis.
Preston J.	" 18	" "
Wm. A.	" 16	" "
Hattie E.	" 14	" "
Charles E.	" 9	" "
Hannah Snow	73	Me.

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Range 24 section 26 Arthur Douglas June 26, 1857

1879 Map

Range 23 section 16 c. F. Douglass 33.60 acres

1850 Census page 1 #1

Downey Archibald age 26 born Canada

<It appears that Mr. Downie resided in Monticello, not Otsego. He does not appear on any subsequent census for Otsego. A few references in history books place him in Otsego>

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" . . . the first meeting of county commissioners was held April 9, 1855 . . . In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Archie Downie . . . appointed assessor for this district."

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Archie Downie . . . appointed assessor."

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" . . . In Pleasant Grove Precinct . . . Archie Downie . . . appointed Assessor"

1865 Census #9

James Easter
 Rosy J. "
 Elsay J. "
 Euguene "
 Lovey A. "
 James A. "
 Alford "
 Sarah "
 Baby "

1870 Census #61

Easter James	age 45	Farmer	born Canada
" Rosa J.	41		"
" Elsie J.	17		Massachusetts
" Eugene	14		Minnesota
" Laura	12		"
" Alfred	10		"
" Alferetti	10		"
" Sarah A.	8		"
" Rosa C.	5		"

1875 Census #78

James Easter	age 52	born Canada
Laura "	17	Minn.
Alfred "	14	"
Alfreda "	14	"
Sarah "	13	"
Rosa "	10	"

Cemetery

Easter

Laura M. died Apr. 19, 1880 Wife of H. J. Howe Age 21 years 10 mo.
 Rosanna J. died August 23, 1874 Wife of James

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Range 23 Section 34 James Easter July 8, 1869

Register of Deaths

Aug. 25, 1874 Rosanna June Easter age 45 yrs 1 mo 26 da born Canada Consumption

Aug. 27, 1874 Willie L. Easter age 11 mo 16 da Summer Complaint Parents: ?
 & Rosina Easter born Canada

1855 Census

Edger H. 1-0-1

EDWARDS

1875 Census #31

Thos. A. Edwards	age 33	born Canada
Irena	27	"
Hattie J.	7	"
John	5	"
Thos. G. Sanders	24	"
Mary Ann	20	"
Hezekiah	9	"
Albert	4	"

Register of Deaths

May 17, 1875 Thomas Edwards age 6 months 2 days Whooping Cough
 Parents: Thomas and Irena Edwards born Canada

ELKINS

1857 Census #7

John McDonald	age 51	born Maine
Cylpah	52	"
Francis?	22	"
Emma Elkins	12	"

ELLIS

1865 Census #6

Charles G. Ellis
 Jane B. "
 Charles E. "

1870 Census #83

Ellis Chas. G.	age 46	Farmer	born Maine
" Jane B.	35		"
" Charles E.	9		Illinois
" Annie	6		Minn.

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Range 23 Section 29 John J. Everitt July 5, 1856

FENDERSON
(FENLASON)1860 Census #451

Lewelyn Carrick	age 35	Farmer	born New Brunswick
Ruth	" 33		Maine
Jerome Fenderson	11		"
Horace	" 13		"

1870 Census #46

Gray Benjamin	age 66	Farmer	born Maine
" Mary	63		"
" Benjamin	30	Farmer	"
" Louise?	23		"
" Harrison?	1		Minnesota
Fenderson Jerome?	20	Farm laborer	Maine

1880 Census #121

Snow A. G.	age 40	Farmer	born Maine
" Martha	67	Mother	"
" Josephine	38	Sister	"
" Arthur	8	Son	"
Fenlason Jerome	30	Laborer	"

FIELD

1880 Census #119

Beaudry E.	age 48	Farmer	born Canada
" Sophia	54	Wife	"
Field Mary	13	Adopted daughter	born Illinois

**FISETTE
(FRISSETTE)**

1870 Census #66

Fisette Peter	age 38	Farmer	born Canada
" Selina	25		"
" Louis F.	2		Minnesota
" Charles E.	8/12		"
" Felix	38	Farm laborer	Canada
Johnson William	63	Farmer	New Hampshire

1875 Census #67

Felix Frisette age 42 born Canada

1880 Census #69

Heuring Andrew	age 65	Farmer	born Baden
" Margaret	68	Wife	"
" David	22	Son	"
Pleasant Joseph	50	Farmer	Canada
" Louisa	49	Wife	"
" Charles	10	Son	Minnesota
" Lewis	3	Son	"
Fesett Frederick		Brother-in-law	Laborer born Canada

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 33 Peter Fisette 100 acres

1865 Census #75

J. E. Fleming
 Sarah J. "
 G. W. "

1870 Census #89

Flemming John	age 40	Farmer	born Maine
" Sarah	45		"
" Ella	13		Minnesota
" George	8		"
" Edith	3		"

1875 Census #38

J. C. Flemming	age 44	born N. B.
Sarah J. "	47	Maine
Wm. G. "	12	Minnesota
Edith "	7	"

1880 Census #40

Fleming Sarah	age 53	born Maine
" Willie	17	Minnesota
" Edith	13	"

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Range 24 section 25 John C. Flemming Mar. 24, 1857

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"ADAM JOHN WOOD . . . His son, Adam Jr., was born in Canada West, on the 9th of May, 1852. He came with the family to Otsego, in 1855, and has lived in the town ever since . . . He married Miss Sarah E. Fleming on the 4th of July, 1857?."

1879 Map

Range 23 section 19 J. C. Flemming 60 acres

Holt Diary

Nov. 15, 1880 Mrs. Fleming awful sick
 Nov. 17, 1880 She died 1/2 past 1 pm
 Oct. 17, 1885 Edith Flemming and Mr. Bracken married
 Apr. 22, 1889 Will Fleming and May Borthwick were married

Register of Deaths

Aug. 15, 1877 John C. Fleming age 47 years 8 months 17 days born Provinces?
 Came to Minn. Oct. 20, 1856 Chronic Ulcer Occupation: Mechanic Parents John
 and Elinor born Provinces and England

Nov. 17, 1880 Sarah J. Flemming age 53 years 7 months 15 days born Maine
 Came to Minn. July 4, 1856 Epilepsy Parents: John and Sarah Christie born
 Scotland

FOSTER

1855 Census

William Foster 1-0-1

Davis Family Record

Sylvester Davis born 1846 Married Mary Foster

GALLIS

1865 Census #46

Peter Gallis

Anna "

John "

Anthony "

Christiania "

GAMACHE

1880 Census #47

Latouche Edmund age 40 Farmer born Canada

" Hannah 40 Wife "

Gamache Alcidius 19 Boarder "

Register of Deaths

Oct. 2, 1880 unnamed male Gamache Stillborn Parents: Alcidis and Carline
 born Minnesota and Canada

GARDNER

1860 Census #472

Amos Gardner age 38 Farmer born N. Y.

Ester " 30

GASKILL

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Range 24 section 26 Hudson A. Gaskill Jr. March 15, 1857

GERRISH

1875 Census #20

Heston Garrish	age 38	born Maine
Ann E. "	32	"
Wallace "	8	Minn.
Addie D. "	6	"
Edward T. "	4	"
Charley W."	2	"

1880 Census #4

Gerrish Watson	age 44	Farmer	born Maine
" Anna	37	Wife	"
" Wallace	14	Son	Minn.
" Ada	11	Daughter	"
" Edward	9	Son	"
" Chas.	7	Son	"
" Jay	4	Son	"

1894 Map

Range 24 Section 23 W. H. Gerrish

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"Watson Hiram Gerrish was born in the town of Brownville, Maine, on the 28th of February, 1836, where he lived till coming to Big Lake, Sherburne county, Minnesota, in 1865. He came to his present home in section ten, in March 1874. He married Miss Anna Heath, a native of Brownville, Piscataquis county Maine on the 31st of November, 1866. Their children are, Evan G., Ada, Edward F., Charles W., and Jay Lyman."

GERRY

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Range 23	Section 20	William P. Gerry	June 23, 1856
" "	" 29	" " "	" " "

GIBBS

1875 Census #46

Anton Gibbs	age 20	born Prussia
Peter "	" 71	" "

GIBSON

1880 Census #60

Gibson Robert	age 47	Farmer	born Maine
" Mary	51	Wife	England

GILLMAN

1860 Census #456

David McPherson	age 35	Carpenter/Joiner	born	Canada East
Mary	"	26		Wisconsin
Norman	"	7		Minnesota
Malcolm	"	5		"
Nelson	"	3		"
Alferetta	"	1		"
John Gillman	18	Laborer		Maine

GITTIS
(GILLIS)1880 Census #24

Gittis Anton	age 35	Farmer	born	Prussia
" Mary	23	Wife	"	"
" Jacob	9	Son		Minnesota
" John	7	Son	"	"
" Peter	76	Father		Prussia

Register of Deaths

Mar. 12, 1875 Mary Ann Gilles age 23 yrs 1 mo 14 da born Prussia Came to MN Dec. 1864 Child Birth Parents: Mat & Anna Mary Millen born Prussia

Oct. 14, 1880 Peter Gillis age 76 yrs born Prussia Came to MN Oct. 30, 1856 Old Age Parents: Matthies & Mary born Prussia

1860 Census #464

Martha Snow	age 38	born Maine
J. Grandville	20	"
Augusta "	18	"
James A. Godfrey	42	"

1865 Census #20

Martha Snow
 Alford "
 Agusta "
 James Godfrey

Cemetery

Godfrey James A. died Nov. 16, 1876 age 59 years

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Range 23 section 34 James Godfrey July 23, 1856

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Register of Deaths

Nov. 16, 1876 James A. Godfrey widower age 59 years 3 months 11 days born
 Maine Came to Minn. Nov. 1, 1855 Pulseatory Turner Parents: James and
 Mehitable born Mass. and Maine

1880 Census #136

Spencer C. H.	age 38	Laborer	born Maine
" Mary E.	34	Wife	N. Y.
" Cora A.	13	Daughter	Minnesota
" William	10	Son	"
" Belinda	8	Daughter	"
" George	5	Son	"
" Roy	8/12	Son	"
Davis, A. L.	18	Boarder	"
Bouchy James	20	"	"
Johnson H.	19	"	Ireland
Gray EDw. E.	16	"	Indiana
Heath A. M.	26	"	Maine
Bagley F. L.	26	"	Iowa
Davis Sylvina	25	Servant	Minnesota
Goodman Chas. S.	22	Boarder	England

GOODRICH

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Range 23 Section 30 and 31 George E. Goodrich March 28, 1857

GOODWIN

1870 Census #39

Goodwin Sarah E.	age 25	born Maine
" Carrie	8	Minnesota
" Nellie	4	"

1875 Census #111

Sarah Goodwin	age 33	born Maine
Carrie L.	" 13	Minnesota
Ellen S.	" 8	"
Morris	" 0	"

1880 Census #131

Goodwin Sarah	age 37	born Maine
" Carrie L.	17	Daughter Minnesota
" Ellen F.	13	" "
" Morris	5	Son "

Cemetery

Goodwin Ripley Co A (Minn Inf Civil War)

Register of Deaths

Apr. 19, 1895 Sarah E. Goodwin 52 yrs 5 mo 23 da born Maine Complication of Diseases Parents: Abranda Morrison

1880 Census #49

Gorham Henry	age 68	Farmer	born Canada
" Mary	56	Wife	"
" Caroline	18	Daughter	"
" Mitchell	11	Son	"

Register of Deaths

May 26, 1880 Thomas Gorum age 20 yrs 5 mo Came to MN May 26, 1874 Drowned
 Parents: Henry and Mary born Canada

1880 Census #83

Gould Pearson	age 71	Farmer	born N. H.
" Almira	50	Wife	Maine
" Everard	18	Son	"
" Minnie	12	Daughter	Minnesota

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 16 P. Gould 25 acres

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 19 Everett Gould and Frank Brown 40 acres
 " 23 " 30 " " " " " 40 acres

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"George W. Carrick . . . has been twice married . . . He married his present wife, Miss Celia Gould, of Otsego, on the 10th of September, 1872. They have had two children, one of whom is living; Clinton A."

CemeteryGould

Almira R. died May 27, 1888 Wife of Pearson age 58
 Genevive died 1911 Removed to Elk River Cemetery 1923

Holt Diary

"Sep. 20, 1883 Everet Gould and Nell Goodwin were married"
 "May 28, 1888 Old Lady Gould was buried"

Register of Deaths

May 27, 1888 Almira Gould 57 yrs 5 mo 12 da born Maine Heart disease
 Parents: Joseph and Mary born Maine

GRAHAM

1857 Census #8

Philip Boyden	age 34	born Maine	Hotel Keeper
Rachel	" 32	"	
C. G.	" 8	"	
Gillot?	" 7	"	
Almeda	" 4	"	
Zeba? Graham	20	"	

GRANDVILLE

1860 Census #464

Martha Snow	age 38	born Maine	
J. Grandville	20	"	Farmer
Augusta	" 18	"	
James A. Godfrey	42	"	Farmer

GRAY
(GREY)1855 Census

William Grey 1-0-1

1860 Census #449

Benjamin Gray	age 56	Farmer	born Maine
Mary	" 53		"
Benjamin F."	19		"
Samuel A. "	15		"
Laura A. "	14		"
Isadora I."	13		"

1865 Census #28

Benjamin Gray	
Mary S.	"
B. F.	"
Samuel	"
E. J.	"
Ada?	"

1865 Census #29

Joseph L. Carrick	
Josephine	"
Minnie?	"
Baby	"
Daniel Gray	

Register of Deaths

July 24, 1913 Jeff? G. Gray born May 11, 1843 Maine age 70 years 2 months
 13 days Father: Ruben Gray Mother: Adline Day? Acute D? Heart -
 Arteriosclerosis

1870 Census #45

Gray Benjamin	age 66	Farmer	born Maine
" Mary	63		"
" Benjamin	30	Farmer	"
" Louise?	23		"
" Harison?	1		Minn.

1875 Census #97

Benjamin Gray	age 71	born Me.
Mary	" 68	"
B. F.	" 33	"
Laouisa	" 28	"
Harry	" 6	Minn.
Alfred	" 27	Canada
M?	" 19	Minn.

1880 Census #93

Gray Jefferson	age 39	Farmer	born Me.
" Mary A.	28	Wife	Penn.
" Mildred	3	Daughter	Minn.
" Florence	1	"	"
" Henry	14	Nephew	"

1880 Census #136

Spencer C. H.	age 38	Laborer	born Me.
" Mary E.	34	Wife	N. Y.
" Cora A.	13	Daughter	Minn.
" William	10	Son	"
" Belinda	8	Daughter	"
" George	5	Son	"
" Roy	8/12	"	"
Davis, A. L.	18	Boarder	Minn.
Bouchy James	20	"	"
Johnson H.	19	"	Ireland
Gray Edw. E.	16	"	Indiana
Heath A. M.	26	"	Me.
Bagley F. L.	26	"	Iowa
Davis Sylvina	25	Servant	Minn.
Goodman Chas. S.	22	Boarder	England

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 22	B. Gray	20 acres
" "	" 27	Benj. Gray	80 acres
" "	" 15	B. F. Gray	40 acres
" "	" 22	" " "	40 acres

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 10	J. G. Gray	12 Acres
"	"	"	"
"	"	"	143.37 acres
"	"	"	46.60 "
"	"	Benjamin Gray	60 "

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Range 23 Section 27 Benjamin Gray Sep. 5, 1856

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"The Civil war took many of Otsego's citizens . . . B. T. Gray . . . "

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"Methodist services were held in Otsego as early as 1854 . . . members were . . . Benjamin Gray and wife . . . "

Farnham's page 359

"Otsego in the War of 1861. The following persons enlisted in the U. S. army during the great rebellion: . . . B. T. Cray<Gray> Co. A 2nd Reg't . . . "

Farnham's page 361

"The first religious services were held in town in 1854 . . . The methodist Episcopal church was organized in May 1857 . . . members were . . . Benj. Gray and wife . . . "

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LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Gray, Benjamin; Gray, J. G.; Gray, S. A."

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<Civil War> "Ninth Minnesota Infantry . . . Benjamin F. Gray, Otsego . . . "

GREBLER

1870 Census #100

Grebler	Jacob	age 28	Teamster	born Prussia
"	Clara	32		"
"	Frank	5		Minnesota
"	Joseph	3		"
"	Heinz	1		"
"	Rudolph	4/12		"

GREEN

1880 Census #54

Green	John	age 48	Farmer	born Vermont
"	Josephine	43	Wife	N. Y.
"	Charles	21	Son	Minnesota
"	Florence	17	Daughter	"
"	Wallace	14	Son	"
"	Edith	11	Daughter	"
"	John	9	Son	"
"	Edgar	6	Son	"
"	Myrtle	8/12	Daughter	"

GREENHOE

1880 Census #59

Case	Z. L.	age 47	Farmer	born N. Y.
"	Lydia	42	Wife	"
Greenhoe	Chauncey	18	Stepson	Michigan

GRIDES

1865 Census #66

Fred Grides
 Sarah "
 Amanda B."
 William "
 Baby "

GROTEAU

1880 Census #109

Groteau	Jahn	age 33	Farmer	born Canada
"	Caroline	28	Wife	"
"	Maggie	6	Daughter	Minnesota
"	Josephine	4	Daughter	"
"	Lena	2	Daughter	"

GUITT?

1870 Census #52

Caron Jos. L.	age 32	Farmer	born Maine
" Josephine	33		"
Carrick Minnie	8		Minnesota
" Leonora	5		"
Guitt? Albert	23	Farm laborer	Illinois

HAGEN

1880 Census #79

Hagen Carl	age 49	Farmer	born Norway
" Betsy	54	Wife	"
" John	23	Son	"

HALEY

1860 Census #463

John E. Haley	age 33	Farmer	born New York
Sylvia "	25		" "
Franklin "	3		Minnesota
Mary "	1		"

1865 Census #10

John E. Haley
 Silva "
 Alford F. "
 Mary J. "
 George W. "
 John G. "

1870 Census #56

Haley John E.	age 44	Farmer	born New York
" Sylvia	32		" "
" Alfred F.	13		Minnesota
" Mary J.	11		"
" Geo. W.	8		"
" John G.	6		"
" Clark?	4/12		"

1870 Census #54

Haley Joseph	age 36	Farmer	born New York
" Trphain?	35		" "
" Ellen	11		" "
" Frederick	8		" "
" Arthur	6		" "
" Earnest	3		" "
" L ?	1		" "
Leonard Elvina	24	School teacher	born New York

1875 Census #92

John Haley	age 47	born N. Y.
Silva "	37	"
A. F. "	18	Minnesota
Mary J. "	15	"
Geo. "	13	"
John "	11	"
Clark "	5	"
Ida "	2	"

1880 Census #100

Haley John E.	age 52	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Sylvia	42	Wife	"
" Geo. W.	17	Son	Minnesota
" John G.	14	Son	"
" Clark W.	9	Son	"
" Ida May	7	Daughter	"

1880 Census #90

Haley Clark	age 47	Farmer	born Canada
" Amanda	45	Wife	N. Y.
" Benjamin	21	Son	"
" Hattie	18	Daughter	"
" Charles	15	Son	"
" George	11	Son	"
" Rettie	8	Daughter	"
" Franklin	23	Nephew	Minnesota

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 26 John E. Haley 113.70 acres

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 26 John E. Haley 114 acres

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"Clark Haley, a native of Canada East, was born on the 16th of April, 1831. His father moved to New York soon after his birth, and in 1856 came to Minnesota and lived in Hennepin county for three years, after which he returned to the state of New York. He enlisted in August, 1861, in Company D, of the One hundred and forty-second New York Volunteer Infantry, under Captain Jones, serving one year; was in several engagements during his term of service. He lost his health in the army, and now draws a pension. Returned to Minnesota in 1879, and located on a farm in Otsego township, known as the Cory farm. He married Miss Amanda Lee, a native of New York, in the year 1856. They have five children. The oldest daughter is married, and the remaining children are at home."

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Range 23 Section 34 Clark Haley February 24, 1858

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Haley J. E. . . . Haley F. . . ."

Cemetery

Haley John died 1913 in St. Paul MN
 " John G. died 1946 in Minneapolis MN
 " Sylvia Kemp died 1912 in Otsego

Register of Deaths

Apr. 13, 1912 Sylvia Kent Haley born Mar. 13, 1837 in N. Y. age 75 yrs 1 mo
 Father: J. Kent born N. Y. Mother: not known Pneumonia - Chronic Bronchitis

May 25, 1873 Daniel Haley age 81 born Maine Old Age

John E. Haley 1827-1913

Sylvia Kemp 1835-1912

Franklin 1857 -

(?Alfred F. or A. F.)

Mary J. 1859 -

Geo. W. 1862 -

John G. 1864 - 1946

Clark W. 1869 -

Ida May 1873 -

Joseph Haley 1834 -

Trphain? 1835 -

Ellen 1859 -

Frederick 1862 -

Arthur 1864 -

Earnest 1867 -

L ? 1869 -

Clark Haley 1833 -

Amanda 1835 -

Benjamin 1859 -

Hattie 1862 -

Charles 1865 -

George 1869 -

Rettie 1872 -

1865 Census #7

Nathaniel Hall
 Habzidah "
 Caroline "
 Albert R. "
 Mary E. "

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 36 A. R. Hall 233 acres
 " 24 " 25? A. R. Hall 10.90 acres
 " 23 " 36 Michael Hall 60 acres

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Range 23 Section 36 Nathan Hall May 4, 1857

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"Otsego village . . . A small store and the postoffice were kept by Martin Spencer . . . After the hopes of a large village had died out, Rollin Thorp kept the store and postoffice for many years, furnishing a trading point for the neighboring farmers. Joseph McDonald, a grandson of John McDonald, bought the land and store, and erected a good general store. A few years later he improved it still further, and enlarged it . . . He sold to B. L. Hall . . ."

1870 Census #7

Hallet Wm. age 53 Farmer born New York
 " Rhoda 49 " "
 " Floyd 10 " "

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 18 Floyd W. Hallett 78 acres

Cemetery

Hallett Donald born 1890 died 1897
 Floyd died Nov. 15, 1899 age 54 yrs 2 mo
 Saddle & Flossie Daughters of F. & C

Holt Diary

"Mar. 6, 1886 Mr. Hallet & Corrie Spencer were married."

Register of Deaths

Jan. 5, 1887 Sadie Hallet 1 mo 5 da Convulsions Parents: Floyd & Cora
 born N. Y. & MN

May 6, 1894 Flossie E. Hallet 1 mo 13 da born Otsego Parents: Floyd & Cora

Nov. 13, 1894 Floyd Hallet 34 yrs 1 mo 28 da Heart failure caused by Rheumatism
 Parents: William & Rhody born N. Y.

Dec. 19, 1897 Don H Hallet 6 yrs 8 mo 3 da Membranous Croup Parents: Floyd & Cora

1855 Census

Ham 1-0-1

1860 Census

Thomas Hamm	age 35	Farmer	born Maine
Julia "	34		Vt.
John S. "	3		Minnesota
Frank "	2		"
Sarah J. "	11/12		"

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Range 23 Section 18 and 19 Thomas Ham August 5, 1857

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"Minnesota was admitted as a state May 11, 1858, and on that date the township elections were held . . . the county was to be governed by a board of supervisors consisting of the chairmen of the organized towns. This board . . . assembled in the hall of the Academy, Monticello, September 14, 1858, with the following representation: . . . Otsego, Thomas Ham . . . "

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"Otsego was given its present boundaries by the county commissioners April 6, 1858. The first meeting was held at the home of John McDonald, May 11, 1858. . . . The first officers elected were: Supervisors, Thomas Ham (chairman) . . . "

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"Under the new organization of towns the chairman of each board of supervisors of the several towns became the board of county commissioners . . . was composed of the following persons: Thomas Ham, Otsego . . . "

Farnham's page 355

"On the 6th of April, '58 . . . Otsego was given its present boundaries. The first town meeting was held . . . May 11, 1858 . . . the following were elected town officers: Supervisors - Thos. Ham, chairman . . . "

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" . . . board of County Commissioners . . . Otsego, Thomas Ham . . . "

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" . . . organization of the town was completed May 11, 1858 when the following officers were chosen: Supervisors, Thomas Ham (chairman) . . . "

1860 Census #476

Dana Hamlet	age 47	Farmer	born Maine
Elizabeth P. "	43		"
Clarence A. "	15		"
Elmer A. "	9		"
Lena L. "	6		"
Milton T. "	2		"

1865 Census #37

Dana Hamlet
Elizabeth "
Clarence "
Elmer "
Leonora "
Milton "

1865 Census #40

Joseph Hamlet
Charlotte "
Flora M. "
Lewis "
Aralia "
Helen "

1870 Census #1

Hamlet Dana	age 59	Farmer	born Maine
" Elizabeth	53		"
" Clara?	25		"
" Elmer	18		"
" Nora	16		"
" Milton	12		Minn.

1870 Census #3

Hamlet Joseph	age 45	Farmer	born Maine
" Charlotte	49		"
" Lewis	20		"
" Aroline	19		"
" Willie	13		"
" Helen	10		"
Dougherty Chas. P.	3		Minn.
" James	7		"

1875 Census #16

Dana Hamlet	age 61	born Maine
Elizabeth "	58	"
Clarence A. "	30	"
Elmer E. "	25	"
Milton T. "	17	Minn.
Katie M. White	13	England

1875 Census #17

Bradley Hamlet	age 52	born Maine
Charlotte "	55	"
Wm. "	18	"
Kellen? "	15	"
Charles Dougherty	8	Minn.
James "	6	"

HAMLET
(continued)

1880 Census #5

Hamlet Dana	age 67	Farmer	born Me.
" Elizabeth	63	Wife	N. H.
" Clarence A.	36	Son	Minn.
" Elmer A.	28	Son	Me.
" Milton T.	22	Son	Minn.
Perry Emma	19	Dressmaker	Me.

1880 Census #6

Hamlet Joseph	age 56	Farmer	born Me.
" Charlotte	57	Wife	"
" William	23	Son	"
Dougherty Chas.	13	Grandson	Minn.
" James	11	Grandson	"

1880 Census #20

Heath Troesttin?	age 60	Farmer	born Me.
" Lovisa	54	Wife	"
" Datus	14	Son	Minn.
" Etta	9	Daughter	"
" Sylvanus	28	Boarder	Me.
Hamlet Wm.	22	"	"

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Range 24 Section 15 Dana Hamlet November 20, 1860

1879 Map

Range 24	Section 15	C. Hamlet	10? acres
" "	" "	K. P. Hamlet	10 acres
" "	" "	Dana Hamlett	150 acres

1894 Map

Range 24	Section 15	L. B. Hamlet	10? acres
" "	" "	J. B. Hamlet	20? acres
" "	" "	Dana Hamlet	100? acres
" "	" "	Milton T. Hamlet	40? acres
" "	" "	E. P. Hamlet	40? acres
" "	" "	L. B. Hamlet	? ?
" "	" "	Charlotte Hamlet	? ?
" "	" "	Lizzie C. Hamlet	? ?
" "	" "	L. B. Hamlet	? ? acres
" "	" "	Emma L. Hamlet	? ?

Andreas Atlas 1874

Elmer A. Hamlet Range 24 Section 15 Farmer born Piscataquis Co. Me came to Minnesota 1856

Cemetery

Hamlet

Clarence A. died July 25, 1909 age 64
 Dana R. died Jan. 17, 1899 age 86 yrs Father
 Elizabeth P. died Apr. 21, 1908 age 91 Wife of Dana
 Emma L. born 1860 died 1919
 Guy H. born 1885 died 1920
 Milton born 1858 died 1928 Pine River MN
 Elmer Adam died 1941 Monticello MN

Dougherty

Flora? died Aug. 8, 1862 Wife of James Daughter of J C & G M Hamlet
 age 22 yrs 11 mos 12 da

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"William D. Hamlet, farmer, Monticello township, was born in Brownville, Me., August 8, 1857, son of Joseph B. and Charlotte M. (Snow) Hamlet. Joseph B. Hamlet was born in Maine, was there reared, and during the Civil war enlisted in the Eleventh Maine Pioneer Corps. He served a year and a half, and was then discharged, having been injured while engaged in building bridges. He brought his family to Wright county in 1864 and took up farming in Otsego township. He was postmaster at Lily Pond for some years. He was also justice of the peace. Having gained a considerable knowledge of medicine, he ministered to the ailments of the children in the neighborhood, and was very successful in his treatments. He died in 1900. His wife died in 1911. In the family there were six children: Flora (deceased); Lewis B.; Aroline F., wife of Luther Davis, of Drain, Ore.; Flarilla, who died in childhood; William D.; and Helen Amanda, wife of William W. Heath, of Snohomish, Wash. William D. Hamlet remained on the home place until about twenty-six years of age. Then he bought forty acres in Monticello township and started farming on his own account. In 1881 he bought forty acres in section 16 in the same township. He has brought the place to a high stage of cultivation, and successfully carries on general farming. He is a Republican in politics, and has served the town as supervisor some twelve years. It is interesting to note that Tilston Snow, grandfather of William D. Hamlet, was one of the first settlers to cross the Mississippi river into Wright county. He came in 1858 from Maine and settled in Otsego township. Mr. Hamlet was married August 30, 1884, to Della Baker, a native of Iowa, daughter of Caleb Fulton and Emeline (Stevens) Baker, who brought her to Wright county when she was one year of age, and settled in Otsego township, where Baker's Ferry is named for them. In the Baker family there were six children: William Hovey, of Washington; Newell (deceased), Nettie, wife of Frank Heath, of Beach, N. D.; Nathan, of Otsego township; Della wife of William D. Hamlet."

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"At the October term of the district court, 4th judicial district, held at Monticello, October 2, 1859 . . . The names of the grand jurors were as follows . . . Dana Hamlet . . ."

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"Milton T. Hamlet, farmer, Otsego township, was born in the township where he still resides, April 19, 1858, son of Dana R. and Elizabeth P. (Snow) Hamlet, natives of Maine, who arrived in Wright county April 12, 1856, pre-empted 160 acres in section 15, Otsego township, and here spent the remainder of their days, the father dying January 17, 1899, and the mother, April 21, 1908, the latter having reached the age of ninety-one years. In the family there were five children: Anna E. (deceased); Helen A. (deceased); Clarence A. (deceased); Elmer A. of Monticello; and Milton T. of Otsego. Milton T. began life for himself at the age of sixteen years, and has devoted his time to farming, to rafting on the river, and to carpenter work. He now carries on general farming and stock raising on sixty acres of the old homestead. He is a Republican in politics and has served as town assessor. Mr. Hamlet was married December 11, 1880, to Emma L. Perry, a native of Maine and this union there have been born three children: William R., of Monticello; Guy M., of Drain, Ore.; and Nellie E. who is attending the high school at Monticello. The parents of Mrs. Milton T. Hamlet were William and Sarah J. (Seavey) Perry, both natives of Maine. The mother died in that state, but the father came to Wright county in 1870 and located in Otsego township, where he died in September 1882. His business was that of a merchant. In the Perry family there were five children: Mary (deceased); Fred; and Alice, the wife of Lincoln Davis, of Otsego."

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"Joseph Bradley Hamlet, a native of Brownville, Piscataquis county, Maine, was born on the 5th of March, 1824. He lived in his native state till 1862, when he enlisted in Company E. of the Eleventh Maine Volunteer Infantry under Captain Stafford, serving seven months. Was in the battle of Yorktown, Virginia, and at the battle of Seven Pines; was wounded, on account of which he was mustered out of service at Yorktown, Virginia, on the 7th of October, 1862. Then returned to Maine, where he lived till the spring of 1865, when he came to Minnesota, and located in Otsego township where he still resides. He was joined in marriage with Miss Charlotte M. Snow, a native of Maine, in the year 1845. They have four children; two boys, and two girls; all married."

Washburn Family Papers

"Charles . . . married Alma Syble Bliss of Sherburn Co. in 1877 . . . he died 29 October, 1884 . . . widow later married Elmer Hamlet, son of Dana R. and Elizabeth (Snow) Hamlet, who arrived in Otsego in 1856. Elmer and Alma moved to Monticello sometime later. Both died there."

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<LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO> . . . Hamlet Dana . . . Hamlet Clarence"

1920 Census #37

Hamlet Alva	age 45	born Minnesota
" Elizabeth	44	"
" Theodore	15	"
" Edith	12	"
" Minnie	10	"
" Alva	5	"

Information from book of Snow Family

"Elizabeth Payson Snow born Atkinson, Maine March 15, 1817 married Dana Hamlet June 18, 1839 At Brownville, Maine. Dana born Brownville May 13, 1813 son of Eli Hamlet. In 1856 they moved to Minnesota and settled in Otsego. Dana died at Otsego Jan. 17, 1899, buried same place. Dana and Elizabeth's children: Anne Elizabeth born June 28, 1840, Brownville, died Jan. 15, 1842; Helen Amanda born Jan. 2, 1843, died Oct. 20, 1858, Otsego; Clarence A. born Oct. 2, 1844, died at Anoka July 25, 1909; Elmer A. born Nov. 23, 1851, married Alma Washburn (widow, maiden name Alma Bliss) Dec. 19, 1885 at Monticello. She was born Middleville, Michigan Oct. 16, 1858, daughter of George Bliss. Children: Dana F. born March 4, 1891 at Monticello, Milton Tileston born April 19, 1858 at Otsego, married Emma Perry daughter of Wm. Perry Dec. 11, 1880, born Dec. 28, 1860 at Rockland, Maine. Children: W. Richard born Sep. 1, 1881, Otsego (he married Sarah L. Phillips Apr. 22, 1905), Guy Hamlet born Aug. 22, 1885, Nellie Hamlet born Jan. 21, 1898 (she married Marvin Peterson, Pine City May 1923. Children: Donald, Jean, Mavis, unnamed boy. Brownville was settled about 1800 . . . the Hamlets came among the first settlers. They were farmers, well educated and noted for honesty and uprightness. Grandfather (Tileston Snow) was one of the first settlers in Brownville. Grandfather came soon after the Hamlets."

Oral History - June 23, 1995 Alvah and Julia HamletHolt Diary

"Dec. 19, 1885 Charlie Washburn's widow and Elmer Hamlet were married."

Register of Deaths

Nov. 12, 1882 Eliza Hamlet age 19 yrs 8 mo 17 da born MN Consumption - Parents: Payson and Eliza born Maine

May 8, 1884 (white male) Hamlet age 15 da born MN Inflammation of stomach
Parents: Milton & Emma born Maine

Jan. 17, 1899 Dana R. Hamlet 85 yrs 8 mo 4 da born Maine Old Age Parents:
Eli & Mary born Mass.

Mar 16, 1901 Joseph B. Hamlet 78 yrs 11 da born Maine Parents: Eli & Mary

Nov. 14, 1901 Lewis B. Hamlet 51 yrs 3 mo 2 da born Maine Parents: Joseph &
Charlotte born Maine

Apr. 21, 1908 Elizabeth Hamlet born Mar. 15, 1817 age 91 yrs 1 mo 6 da
Father: Tileston Snow Mother: Nancy Heath

HAMLET
(continued)



JOHN and ELLEN HAMLET

John E. Hamlet (1884), grandson of Joseph Bradley Hamlet (1823) and Charlotte Snow Hamlet (1820) who came to Otsego from Maine in 1865.

Photo courtesy of Wright County Historical Society

*Dana Hamlet May 13, 1813-Jan. 17, 1899
 +Elizabeth Payson Snow Mar. 15, 1817-Apr. 21, 1908 m. June 18, 1839
 Anne Elizabeth Hamlet June 28, 1840-Jan. 15, 1842
 Helen Amanda Hamlet Jan. 2, 1843-Oct. 20, 1858
 Clarence A. Hamlet Oct. 2, 1844-July 25, 1909
 Elmer A. Hamlet Nov. 23, 1851-1941
 Alma Bliss Washburn Oct. 16, 1858
 Dana F. Hamlet Mar. 4, 1891
 Leonora L. Hamlet 1854 <Nora? Lena?>
 Milton Tileston Hamlet Apr. 19, 1858-1928
 Emma L. Perry Dec. 28, 1860-1919
 W. Richard Hamlet Sep. 1, 1881 <William R.??>
 Sarah L. Phillips
 Guy M. Hamlet Aug. 22, 1885-1920
 Nellie E. Hamlet Jan. 21, 1898 m. Marvin Peterson May 1923

 →Joseph Bradley Hamlet 1823
 ↳Charlotte M. Snow 1820
 Flora Hamlet 1840-1862 <m. James Daugherty?>
 Lewis B. Hamlet Aug. 1851
 Lizzie ? 1854
 Allva Hamlet Dec. 1875
 Elizabeth Harper
 Alvah Hamlet 1914
 Julia Diethelm
 Lewis Hamlet Feb. 1877
 Minnie Hamlet Oct. 1879 m. Charles Borthwick
 Myster H. Hamlet Aug. 1881
 John E. Hamlet Aug. 1884
 Fred W. Hamlet Mar. 1886
 Thyron? Hamlet Oct. 1890
 William M. Hamlet Dec. 1891
 Aroline F. Hamlet 1854 m. Luther Davis
 William D. Hamlet 1857 m. Aug. 30, 1884
 Della Baker
 Helen Amanda Hamlet 1860 m. William Heath

HAMLIN

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Range 24 section 27 L. W. Hamlin Sep. 26, 1856

HAMMOND
(HAMMONS)

1865 Census #17

Royal H. Hammon
Sarah M. "
Augusta L. "
Eolia S. T. "
Mary E. "
Freddie L. "
Lucy A. "

1870 Census #70

Hammond	Royal H.	age 41	Farmer	born Maine
"	Sarah	33		"
"	Augusta	13		"
"	E?	11		"
"	Mary E.	9		"
"	Frederik	7		"
"	Lucy E.	5		Minnesota
"	A.?	3		"
"	Eva	1		"

1875 Census #60

Royal	Hammonds	age 47	born Me.
Sarah	"	38	"
Gusta	"	18	"
Mary	"	14	"
Frederick	"	12	"
Lucy	"	10	Minnesota
Anna	"	8	"
Eva	"	6	"
Cora	"	4	"
Edred	"	0	"

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Range 24 section 27 Samuel M. Hammons Jan. 27, 1857

Cemetery

Hammons

Edrid died May 7, 1878 son of R. H. & S. H.

Eolia S. F. died Aug. 23, 1870 age 11 years 3 months - daughter of R. H. & S. H.

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<LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO> . . . Hammond R. S.

Register of Deaths

Jan. 7, 1873 Leonard Hammonds age 4 days born Otsego Parents: Sarah Hammonds

May 17, 1876 Lester Hamons age 1 year 10 months Abcess of Throat Parents:
Royal and Sarah born Maine

HAND
(HURD)1870 Census #69

Ricker Thomas	age 37	Farmer	born Maine
" Clarence	20	Farm laborer	"
Hand Wm. H.	50	Farmer	"
" Anna D.	24		"
" Eugene	2		"
" William H.	11		"
" Geo. W.	5		"

Register of Deaths

Nov. 5, 1879 Eugene Herd age 11 yrs 4 mo 28 da born Maine Came to MN Nov. 13,
1870 Membrain Croup Parents: William & Anna born Maine

HARDEN

1865 Census #71

Leonard Snow
Hannah "
Charles "
Leonard " Jr.
Ansila Harden
Henry "

HARETTY?

1870 Census #99

Weigle Frank	age 37	Millworker	born Hesse Damstadt
" Margaret	36		Prussia
S ? Ann	14		Indiana
Holland Louisa	6		Minnesota
Hareddy? James	26	Farm laborer	Ireland
McKeser? Ellick?	30	Works in sawmill	Nova Scotia
McIntyre James	26	" " "	" "
Lemke August	23	" " "	Prussia

HARPER

1860 Census #480

Hiram Harper	age 54	Farmer	born Maine
Almira "	30		"
David S. "	20	Farmer	New York
Francis C. "	10		Ohio
Benjamin F. "	4		Minnesota

1865 Census #39

Hiram Harper
 Elmira "
 Elisha K. "
 D. T. "
 Frances G. "
 Benjamin "
 Ida L. Watkins

1870 Census #4

Harper Hiram	age 64	Farmer	born Maine
" Elmira	60		"
" Benjamin	13		Minnesota

1875 Census #18

Hiram Harper	age 69	born Maine
Elmira "	65	Minnesota
Benjamin "	18	"

1875 Census #21

D. S. Harper	age 34	born N. Y.
Hester "	29	"
Harriet "	6	Minnesota
Lucy "	5	"
Hiram "	2	"

1880 Census #7

Harper Hiram	age 74	Farmer	born Maine
" Almira	70	Wife	"
" Benj.	23	Son	Minnesota
" Almira	11	Granddaughter	"

1880 Census #8

Harper Saul S.	age 39	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Ella M.	26	Wife	Michigan
" Almira	11	Daughter	Minnesota
" Hattie A.	9	Daughter	"
" Hiram J.	7	Son	"

1879 Map

Range 24	Section 15	D. S. Harper	77 acres
" "	" "	Hiram Harper	99 "

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Range 24 Section 15 E. K. Harper July 3, 1856
 " " " " Hiram Harper Oct. 6, 1859

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"Hiram Harper, a native of Oxford county, Maine, was born in the year 1806. His mother died when he was but four years old, and his father six years later. He lived in his native State till thirty years of age, when he came to Minnesota and located in this township in December, 1855, where he has a farm of one hundred acres. He married Miss Elmira Heath, of Maine, on the 19th of August, 1827. They have six children. The oldest son, Elisha K., was in the late civil war three years. After receiving an honorable discharge, was employed in the Provost-Marshall's department at Washington, D. C., and in the Adjutant-general's department, and also performed clerical labor for President Lincoln for a time. He died in June, 1866, in Washington, and was buried in the Congregational cemetery in the latter city. The youngest son, Benjamin, is on the home farm; three of the other children are living in Minnesota, and one resides in Michigan."

Register of Deaths

Aug. 1, 1878 Hester Ann Harper age 33 yrs 2 da born PA Came to MN Dec. 1862
 Rheumatic Fever Parents: Loveland & Harriet born N. Y.

Nov. 22, 1882 Harriet L. H. Harper age 12 yrs 7 mo 8 da born MN Dropsy
 Parents: Daniel S. & Hester A. born N. Y. & PA

Hiram Harper 1806 - married Aug. 19, 1827
 Almira Heath 1810 -
 Elisha K. died 1866
 David 1840 -
 Francis C. 1850 -
 Benjamin F. 1856 -

Danl. S. Harper 1840 -
 Hester A. 1846 -
 Elmira 1868
 Harriet 1869
 Lucy 1870
 Hiram J. 1873 -

HARRINGTON

1880 Census #51

Harrington Johial	age 42	farmer	born Canada
" Julia	39	wife	N. Y.
" Hattie	13	daughter	N. Y.
" Orvil	11	son	Minn.
" Capilota	8	daughter	"
" Albertha	6	daughter	"
Loyd David	38	boarder	Ohio

1880 Census #135

Harrington Leonard	age 30	laborer	born Canada
" Nora	16	wife	Michigan

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 30 78.87 acres

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 30 Joel Harrington 80.87 acres
 " 24 " 25 Hiram O. Harrington ? acres

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"Hiram Orville Harrington, one of the leading and progressive farmers of Otsego township, was born in Martin county, this state, January 15, 1870, son of Johiel and Julia (Felt) Harrington, who took him as an infant to Hennepin county, and in 1878 brought him to Wright county. He here attended the district schools and grew to manhood on his father's farm. He lived with his parents till twenty-two years old, then started out for himself, working in lumber camps and on drives about six years. Then he took up structural iron bridge work, which he followed with success till he married. In 1906 he settled on his present farm of 120 acres in sections 18 and 19, Otsego township. He has made extensive improvements, erected a good home, and developed a splendid farm. He is a good citizen, a good farmer, a good companion and a good family man, a desirable member of the community in every way. For the past six years he has been town constable, and for three years he has served as director of school district No. 10. On April 26, 1906, Mr. Harrington married May L. Hayward, daughter of John W. and Mary (Lowell) Hayward. Mrs. Harrington was born in Maine, and came to Minnesota with the family in 1882. She helped to care for her parents in their last illness, and her own health was seriously impaired thereby. Consequently she went to the hospital and underwent an operation. Since then she has been something of an invalid, but through it all she has been cheerful and helpful, and no one in the community better deserves the title of "well beloved" than does "Aunt May", as she is affectionately called. After the death of her parents she made her home with her brother Frank and was a great help to him in his pastoral duties. She was active in church and social affairs and a most useful member of the community. After she left her brother she took up her home with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Fulton, of Anoka, this state. There she was as active as before in church and social matters, and also in the Rebekah lodge. She was a friend to the old and young, and her influence in that city will never be eradicated. Her marriage, April 26, 1906, took place at high noon at the home of her sister. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served, followed by an informal reception for her friends. She received many valuable and useful presents, all the

gifts being prompted by real love. After the reception she and her husband drove to his place in Otsego. There they have worked together to establish a home. The residence is ever filled with happiness and good cheer, and its hospitality is widely known. The school teachers and the young people call the place their home, and there goes out from its cheery atmosphere a beneficent influence that is far-reaching. Since she has been in Wright county Mrs. Harrington has continued to be active in church, social and fraternity work, and here as in previous places she is known by the loving title of "Aunt May". In every walk of life she has done her duty. She was a good daughter and has been a good wife and sister, a good neighbor and faithful friend."

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"Johiel Harrington, farmer and stockraiser, is one of the most honored and respected citizens of Otsego township. He was born in Ottawa, Canada, March 19, 1838, son of William and Mary (Wood) Harrington, both of whom died in northern Michigan. William Harrington was a farmer and lumberman. In the family there were ten children: Sarah E. (deceased); Johiel, of Otsego; Hiram (deceased); Nathaniel, of Michigan; John (deceased); William, Rachael, Leonard and Mary, of Michigan; and Nancy, of Milaca, this state. Johiel Harrington moved with his parents from Canada to northern Michigan, and remained with his father until 1868. It was in that year that he came to this state, and located in Martin county. Some five years later, just as he was on the dawn of success, the grasshoppers devastated his farm, so he moved to Hennepin county. In 1878 he came to Wright county and bought seventy-two acres in section 30, Otsego township. He has wrought many improvements, has a well-developed farm, and carries on general farming and stockraising. Mr. Harrington is an independent voter. For some eight years he has served as a member of the school board. Mr. Harrington was married, April 13, 1863, to Julia Felt, born in St. Lawrence county, New York, April 24, 1841. Mr. and Mrs. Harrington have had five children: Mary Jane, Hattie, Hiram Orville, Capitola and Alberta. Mary Jane was born February 19, 1864, and died April 11, 1866. Hattie was born April 21, 1867, and married Burton Broughton, of Spokane, Wash. Hiram Orville was born January 15, 1870, and farms in Otsego township. Capitola was born June 24, 1872, and is the wife of George Hayes, of Everett, Wash. Alberta was born April 21, 1874, and is now the wife of Frank McKee, of Seattle, Wash. Mr. and Mrs. Johiel Harrington were entertained on their Golden wedding anniversary by their son, Hiram O. and his good wife, the date being April 13, 1913. About fifty guests were present. The reception committee consisted of six sturdy lads and a like number of dainty lasses. They sang "Put on Your Old Gray Bonnet", and then the wedding march was played, after which Rev. Norman Butdorf performed the marriage ceremony, at the conclusion of which Mr. Harrington, to the surprise of the clergyman and the merriment of the guests, paid the wedding fee. The young people sang "Silver Threads Among the Gold", and then Rev. Butdorf, with appropriate ceremony and fitting remarks, presented the happy couple with a gold and silver table set, with the date of the wedding and the date of the anniversary engraved on each piece. The personal gift from the clergyman consisted of a wedding booklet, with the dates, and with space left for the signatures of the witnesses and the guests. Refreshments of ice cream, wedding cake and bride cake were served, and all had a most enjoyable afternoon. Pictures were taken, good wishes exchanged, and the worthy couple then drove to their home two and a half miles away."

Holt Diary

"Oct. 30, 1888 Justin Adams and Captolia Harrington were married"

HARRIS

1880 Census #35

Carslay Thomas	age 40	Laborer	born Me.
" Eliza	30	Wife	New Hampshire
" Ida A.	12	Daughter	Vermont
" Francis	10	Son	Minn.
" Lillian	8	Daughter	"
" Jonathan	6	Son	"
" William	3	"	"
Harris Mary J.	30	Sister	N. H.
" John H.	2	Nephew	Michigan

HASKELL

1857 Census #2

Joel Haskell	age 33	born Maine
Margret "	30	"
Ellenor S."	7	"
Wm. H. "	5	"
Flora E. "	2	"

1860 Census #493

Joel Haskell	age 36	Farmer	born Maine
Margaret "	33		"
Elonor "	11		"
Wm. "	8		"
Flora "	5		"

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Range 23 Section 18 Apr. 7, 1857

HASKNER

1855 Census

B. Haskner 2-2-4

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"John W. Hayward was born in Wesley, Washington county, Maine, April 26, 1835, and was there educated and reared to manhood. On February 23, 1856, he married Mary Lowell. She came of a long line of scholars and teachers, and had herself been a successful educator, in fact, she was teaching when she met her future husband. Together they established a little farm home, and the family was well on the road to prosperity when the Civil War broke out. Faithful to the call of duty, he enlisted in the Union army, leaving his wife and three sons on the home farm. During his absence she taught school, using one of the rooms of the small house as a schoolroom. Mr. Hayward was wounded and came home on a furlough, but soon returned to the service. He was mustered out, with the rank of sergeant, at the close of the war. For several years thereafter he lived on the farm in Maine. All the eight children were born there. He was a good citizen and a good man. His wife was a good wife and mother, a highly respected and always ready to give a helping hand to anyone in need. Mr. Hayward served several years as a town official and as a member of the school board. His health was never very good after his services in the army, but he was a brave, cheerful man, and always did all and the best he could for his large family. It was in 1883 that he sold out and brought his wife and five of the children to Minnesota. They lived at Spencer Brook, Isanti county for a while and in 1885 located in Otsego, in Wright county. Here he farmed and worked in a lumber camp. Two years later, however, he was taken ill, and he and his wife, with their children, May and Perlie, went to Glenwood, Iowa, and took up their home with the son, Frank, who was preaching there. The change did not benefit Mr. Hayward, however, and he died November 27, 1893. His wife died the following August, 1894. They are both laid at rest in the cemetery in Glenwood, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Hayward had eight children: Frank L., Fred L., Allen B., Lottie H., May L., Melvina A., George C., John Perlie. Frank L. lives at Stevens Point, Wis. He is clergyman of the Methodist Episcopal church, and holds the degree of D. D. Fred L. is dead. Allen B. is married, and is engaged in lumbering in Maine. Lottie is the wife of Prentice Williams, and lives in Old Mystic, Conn. May L. is married to Hiram Orville Harrington and lives on a farm at Otsego, Minn. Melvina is the wife of J. E. Fulton, and lives at Anoka, Minn. George C. is married and lives at Mildred, Mont. John Perlie is a farmer is married, and lives at Topsham, Me."

1865 Census #59

Oron Heaton
 Monilia "
 Rolen Haywood

HEAP

1855 Census

Henry Heap 1-1-2

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" . . . meeting of the county commissioners was held at Monticello July 2, 1855. . . . A petition was received from Henry Heap, Henry Bradley, Philip Boyden and others for a road from McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river near Bigelow's, later the location of the townsite of Hassan. The petition was granted, and Henry Heap, Henry Bradley and the county surveyor were appointed a committee to meet at McDonald's on Monday, July 16, 1855, and survey and lay out the road."

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Range 23 Section 19 and 30 Henry Heap June 23, 1856

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" . . . Other early settlers were . . . Henry Heap . . . "

"At a meeting of the board of county commissioners held July 2, 1855, . . . a petition was received for a county road from John McDonald's landing across the country to Crow river, near Bigelows, now the old townsite of Hassan. This petition was signed by Henry Bradley, Henry Heap, Philip Boyden and others."

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" . . . petition was received from Henry Heap, . . . for a road from John McDonald's landing, across the county . . . "

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" . . . On the 31st day of that month (July 1852) he (John McDonald) and his wife . . . took a claim . . . The next settlers were Charles Laplant, . . . next came Henry Heap, . . . "

" . . . meeting of the board of county commissioners held July 2, 1855 . . . a petition was received for a county road from John McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river . . . The petition was signed by . . . Henry Heap . . . "

1855 Census

John Heasley 1-0-1

William Heasley 1-0-1

1855 Census

E. Heath 1-0-1

1865 Census #51

Lyman Heath
 Matilda "
 Frank "
 Ellen "
 Lucinda "
 Hiram "
 Olive "

1865 Census #61

Joel Heath
 Mary E. "
 Charles W. "
 James A. "
 Ellen M. "

1865 Census #62

Tristan Heath
 Eliza "
 Alice "
 Luther "
 S. "
 Frederick "
 Ellenore "
 Stephan "

1870 Census #6

Heath Tristin	age 51	Farmer born Maine
" Eliza	39	"
" L ?	18	"
" Sylvanus	15	Ohio
" Freddie	13	Minnesota
" Stephen	11	"
" Ebbin	9	"
" Dartus?	4	"

1870 Census #14

Heath Joel	age 46	Farmer born Maine
" Mary	38	"
" Chas.	18	"
" Ella	12	"

HEATH
(continued)1870 Census #16

Heath Lyman age 39 Farmer born Maine
 " Frank E. 17 Ohio

1875 Census #2

T. F. Heath age 55 born Maine
 Louisa J. " 49 "
 Venus F. " 20 Ohio
 W. F. " 17 Minnesota
 Stephen " 15 "
 Eben " 12 "
 Datus " 8 "
 Etta E. " 4 "

1875 Census #4

T. S. Heath age 35 born Maine
 Mary E. " 19 "
 Maggie Johnson 22 "
 Edman " 4 "
 Robert " 2 Minnesota
 Lizzie May " 0 "

1875 Census #6

Daniel Chase age 55 born Ohio
 Margaret " 39 N. Y.
 Byron S. " 20 Ohio
 Edwin S. " 18 "
 Emma " 15 Minnesota
 Hattie " 12 "
 Melia A. Heath 19 Maine

1875 Census #10

Leyerman Heath age 46 born Maine
 Hairum " 17 Ohio
 Lucinda " 19 Minnesota

1880 Census #2

Heath Hiram age 73 Farmer born Maine
 " Dorothy 73 Wife "
 " Lizzie 5 Granddaughter Minnesota
 " Albert 3 Grandson "

1880 Census #3

Heath Wm. W. age 31 Laborer born Maine
 " Helen 29 Wife "
 " Ellis R. 2 Son Minnesota
 " Thos. S. 40? Brother/Laborer Maine

1875 Census # 19

Hiram Heath age 68 born Maine
 Dorothea " 68 "
 Payson " 38 "
 W. W. " 26 "
 Eliza " 11 Minnesota

1875 Census #48

Joel Heath age 50 born Maine
 Mary " 43 "
 Ella " 16 "
 Wm. R. " 1 "

1880 Census #11

Heath Fred	age 34	Farmer	born Maine?
" Margaret	19	Wife	"?
" Alice	3/12	Daughter	Minnesota

1880 Census #15

Heath Joel	age 55	Farmer	born Maine
" Mary	48	Wife	"
" Chas.	28	Son	"
" Ella	22	Daughter	"

1880 Census #20

Heath Troisttin?	age 60	Farmer	born Maine
" Louisa	54	Wife	"
" Datus?	14	Son	Minnesota
" Etta	9	Daughter	"
" Sylvanus	28	Boarder/Laborer	Maine
Hamlet Wm.	22	"	"

1880 Census #31

Heath Payson	age 44	Farmer	born Maine
" Lida	19	Wife	Minnesota
" Chester	2	Son	"
" Laura	16	?Daughter	"

1880 Census #136

Spencer C. H.	age 38	Laborer	born Maine
" Mary E.	34	Wife	N. Y.
" Cora A.	13	Daughter	Minnesota
" William	10	Son	"
" Belinda	8	Daughter	"
" George	5	Son	"
" Roy	8/12	Son	"
Davis A. L.	18	Boarder/Laborer	"
Bouchy James	20	"	"
Johnson H.	19	"	Ireland
Gray Edw. E.	16	"	Indiana
Heath A. M.	26	"	Maine
Bagley F. L.	26	"	Iowa
Davis Sylvina	25	Servant	Minnesota
Goodman Chas. S.	22	Boarder/Laborer	England

Cemetery

Heath, Joel H.	born 1825	died 1914 at Lily Pond, MN
Mary E.	1832	1919 at Otsego

HEATH
(continued)

1879 Map

Range 24	Section 14	C. W. Heath	40 acres
" "	" 10	F. E. Heath	70 "
" "	" 10	Hiram Heath	36.71 "
" "	" 15	Hiram Heath	13 "
" "	" 14	Joel Heath	53 "
" "	" 14	L. Heath	6 "
" "	" 22	T. F. Heath	69 "

1894 Map

Range 24	Section 10	Edward P. Heath	37.33 acres
" "	" 10	Frank E. Heath	60 "
" "	" 14	Mary E. Heath	20 "
" "	" 14	Lyman Heath	?
" "	" 14	Joel Heath	?
" "	" 14	Albert F. Heath	?
" "	" 14	Mary A. Heath	20 "
" "	" 15	Edward P. Heath	20 "
" "	" 15	A. F. Heath	?

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"William D. Hamlet . . . Helen Amanda <Daughter of Joseph B. Hamlet - sister of William D.> wife of William W. Heath, of Snohomish, Wash. . . . Mr. Hamlet was married August 30, 1884 to Della Baker daughter of Caleb Fulton and Emeline (Stevens) Baker . . . In the Baker family there were six children: . . . Nettie, wife of Frank Heath, of Beach, N. D.; . . . Della, wife of William D. Hamlet."

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"Watson Hiram Gerrish . . . He married Miss Anna Heath, a native of Brownville, Piscataquis county, Maine, on the 31st of November, 1866 . . . "

"Hiram Harper . . . He married Miss Elmira Heath, of Maine, on the 19th of August 1827 . . . "

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<List of voters in township of Otsego> Heath, Lyman

Register of Deaths - Otsego Twp.

Sep. 15, 1872 Leonard Heath age 5 mo 5 da Croup Parents: Triston & Alice Heath born Maine

July 11, 1875 Willie Heath age 1 yr 11 mo Lung fever Parents: Joel & Mary Heath born Maine

Nov. 23, 1883 Delbert Heath age 2 yrs 8 mo 28 da Spinal meningitis Parents: Frank & Nettie born N.Y. & Ohio

HEATH
(continued)Register of Deaths - continued

June 12, 1883 _____ Heath (white female) age 1 da Vaccination of mother Parents:
William & Helen born Maine

Dec. 9, 1884 Dorethy Heath age 78 yrs 4 mo 8 da born Maine Came to MN Nov.
12, 1854 Dropsy

April 16, 1889 Kimball W. Heath 9 yrs 9 mo 28 da born MN Cerebral Meningitis
following Scarlitina Parents: Frank & Nettie born Ohio & N. Y.

Feb. 11, 1914 Joel Heath born April 1825 Maine Father: Jeremiah Heath Maine
Mother: Maria Mayo Maine Lobar Pneumonia - Old Age

1865 Census #59

Oron Heaton
 Monilia? "
 Rolan Haywood

HEINEN

1880 Census #29

Heinen Leonard age 43 Farmer born Baden
 " A ? ? Wife "
 " ? 8? Son Minnesota
 " Anna 1 Daughter "
 Williams Mary 21 Servant "

Register of Deaths

Oct. 1, 1882 John Heinen age 1 yr born MN Teething Parents: Leonard &
 Anna born Germany

HEURING

1870 Census #71

Hearing Andrew age 56 Farmer born Bavaria
 " Margaritt 59 "
 " Kilian 22 Farmer "
 " Matilda 21 "
 " Teresa? 18 "
 " Valentin 16 "
 " David 12 "

1875 Census #63

Killiam Heuring age 27 born Bavaria
 Ophea " 27 Wirttemberg

1875 Census #68

Andrew Heuring age 61 born Bavaria
 Margaret " 63 "
 Valentine " 21 "
 David " 17 "

1880 Census #69

Heuring Andrew age 65 Farmer born Baden
 " Margaret 68 Wife "
 " David 22 Son "
 Pleasant? Joseph 50 Farmer Canada
 " Louisa 49 Wife "
 " Charles 10 Son Minnesota
 " Lewis 3 Son "
 Fesett Frederick 49 Brother-in-law Canada

1880 Census #73

Heuring K.	age 33	Farmer	born Baden
" Mary	33	Wife	Wurtemberg
" Richard	3	Son	Minnesota
" Cady	2	Son	"
" Rosa	4/12	Daughter	"

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 28	A. Heuring	40 acres
" "	" 33	A. Heuring	40 "
" "	" 28	K. Heuring	80 "

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 27	Killian Hearing	80 acres
" "	" 28	Killian Hearing	40 "
" "	" 28	Killian Hearing	80 "
" "	" 28	Geo. D. Hearing	40 "
" "	" 29	Geo. D. Hearing	40 "
" "	" 33	Geo. D. Hearing	40 "

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"Johnson, Walter L. born Dec. 1, 1913, Big Lake Township, married Irene Ann Heuring, born May 16, 1915, Otsego Township, Married Jan. 29, 1941, St. Andrew's. . . Wife Father Richard A. Heuring, Married Marie K., Lesueur, paternal grandfather Killian Heuring, paternal grandmother Afra (Mary) Weinmann, married Sept. 21, 1869, Fletcher, Maternal grandfather Joseph Iten, maternal grandmother Mathilda Anselment . . . Irene's maternal grandmother was born in Switzerland."

Register of Deaths

Sep. 24, 1880 Margret Heuring age 68 yrs 10 mo 10 da born Boyern? Came to MN
May 4, 1867 Inflammation of Stomach Parents: George and Schmber? born Boyern?

Dec. 1, 1884 Andrew Heuring age 70 yrs 2 mo 6 da born Bavaria Liver Complaint

June 21, 1885 Lizzie Heuring 4 yrs 2 mo 6 da born MN Cancer Parents: Killian and Mary born Germany

Mar. 20, 1892 Annie Heuring 9 yrs 8 mo 10 da born Otsego Scarlet Fever
Parents: David and Mary born Germany & MN

May 8, 1892 Valentine Heuring 8 yrs 6 mo 5 da born Otsego Scarlet Fever
Parents: David and Mary born Germany & MN

Mar 16, 1894 Valentine Heuring 7 mo 2 da born MN Croup Parents: George D. and Mary born Germany & MN

Apr. 28, 1899 Andrew P. Heuring 10 yrs 1 mo 18 da born MN Inflammation of Bowels Parents: Killian and Mary born Germany

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1875 Census #99

Richard Hevland age 63 born N. J.
 Celia " 66 "

1875 Census #100

Chas. W. Hevland age 22 born N. J.
 Eliza A. " 32 Canada
 Richard " 3 Nebraska
 Lula M. " 1 Minnesota

1865 Census #25

Harvey Hicks
 Sarah J. "
 Mary J. Borthwick
 Robert C. "
 Jane M. Hicks
 Harvey " Jr.
 Alexander B. "
 Nancy J. "
 Eliza M. "
 Harvey J. Borthwick

1875 Census #107

Harvey Hicks age 53 born Vermont
 Sally J. " 57 N. Y.
 Harvey J. " 21 Illinois
 Alex B. " 19 Minnesota
 Nancy J. " 17 "
 Eliza M. " 15 "
 Myron Bartlett 8 "

Register of Deaths

Oct. 12, 1886 Harvey Hicks age 22 yrs 2 mo 12 da born Illinois Consumption
 Parents: Harvey and Sally born N. Y.

Holt Diary

Oct. 14, 1886 Harvey Hix was buried

1870 Census #75

Hoblitt Malord?	age 23	Farmer	born Illinois
" Dan'l. Y.?	21	Farmer	"
" Edger M.	18		"
" Lilla	25		"
" Mary A.	58		Pennsylvania

1875 Census #108

Daniel Hoblitt?	age 26	born Illinois
Amelia "	26	"
Alvin B. "	8?	Minnesota
Alma Bliss	16	Michigan
Mary A. Hoblitt	63	Pennsylvania

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 21	A. V. & C. D. Hoblitt	80 acres
" "	" 16	A. V. & C. D. Hoblitt	80 "
" "	" 21	M. S. Hoblitt	40 acres
" 24	" 22	M. S. Hoblitt	40 "

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 16 C. D. Hoblitt 40 acres

Washburn Family Papers

"Sarah Elmina <daughter of John Ward and Mehitable Washburn> born 9 April 1852 in Upper Jay, New York and came to Otsego with the family when only 4 years old. She was called Mina. She married Mahlon Seward Hoblitt, a member of another family of early settlers in Otsego, in 1869. They had eight children, Emily, Frederick, John, Lawrence, Paul, Gladys, Bessie and Sarah. Mina and M. Seward farmed in Minnesota until 1880 and then farmed near Bloomington, Illinois until 1886. They then returned to Minnesota and settled near Monticello. Seward Hoblitt died at age 89 and Mina died 3 December, 1944. They are buried in Monticello."

1870 Census #99

Weigle Frank	age 37	Millowner	born Hesse	Damstad
" Margaret	36			Prussia
Smucker? Ann	14			Indiana
Holland Louise	6			Minnesota
Harety James	26	Farm Laborer		Ireland
McKiser Ellis	30	Works in sawmill		Nova Scotia
McIntyre James	26	" " "	" "	" "
Lenke August	23	" " "		Prussia

1875 Census #89

Frank Weizel	age 44	born Hesse	
Margaret "	42	Prussia	
Louisa Hollan	11	Minnesota	
Joseph Weizel	11	Massachusetts	
Anna "	19	Minnesota	
Phillip Dolheismer	19	"	

1880 Census #111

Weigle Frank	age 49	Farmer	born Prussia
" Margaret	48	Wife	"
Holland Louisa	17	Adopted daughter	Minnesota
Weizel Joseph	15	Son	New York
" Catharine	79	Mother	Prussia

1880 Census #16

Holly Walker	age 46	Farmer	born New York
" Naomi	46	Wife	" "
" Lillie	3	Daughter	Minnesota
" Ida	18	Daughter	Michigan
" Etta	17	Daughter	"
" Walter	14	Son	"
" Chester	12	Son	"
" Willard	9	Son	Minnesota
" Almira	6?	Daughter	"

1879 Map

Range 24 Section 23 W. G. Holly 60 acres

1894 Map

Range 24 Section 15 C. L. Holley ? acres
 " " " 23 W. G. Holly ? "

CemeteryHawley

Naomi S. born 1891? died 1913 in Minneapolis
 Walter G. " 1832 1904

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"WALTER GROVE HOLLY, a native of New York State, was born on the 26th of January, 1833, where he lived, working on his father's farm, until he moved to Michigan in 1855. In 1869, he moved to Minneapolis, Minnesota, working in a saw mill for ten years, when he came to his present farm in section twenty-three. He married, in 1856, Mrs. Naomi Markham, who was born in the state of New York. They have seven living children; four girls and three boys. Mrs. Holly had five children by her first husband."

<NOTE: There are two unrelated HOLT families -
one from Maine, the other from Connecticut>

1865 Census #53

Henry Holt
Julia "
Willard "
Alice L."
Bailey "

1870 Census #88

William Holt	age 40	Farmer	born Maine
Julie F.	" 29		"
Willard	" 10		Minnesota
Alice	" 8		"
Sydney	" 5		"
Minnie?	" 3		"
Gertie?	" 1		"

1875 Census #14

Henry Holt	age 45	born Me.
Frances	" 34	"
Willie	" 15	Minn.
Alice	" 12	"
Sidney	" 10	"
Minnie	" 8	"
Gerty	" 6	"
Harry	" 3	"
Eunice	" 1	"

1880 Census #39

Henry Holt	age 50	Farmer	born Maine
Julia F.	" 49	Wife	"
Willard	" 20	Son	"
Alice	" 18	Daughter	"
Sydney	" 15	Son	"
Minnie	" 13	Daughter	"
Gertie	" 11	"	"
Harry	" 8	Son	"
Eunice	" 6	Daughter	"
Adelia	" 2	"	"

1920 Census #89

Sidney Holt	age 55	born Minn.
Julia	" 58	Wife
Mary P ?	" 20	Servant
Benjamin Holt	" 28	"
Rose	" 28	Wife
Robert	" 2	Son
Floyd	" 4/12	"

1920 Census #97

William A. Holt	age	59	born	Minn.
Lizzie	"	52	Wife	"
Ralph E.	"	24	Son	"
Erwin S.	"	18	"	"

1879 Map

Range 23 section 19 H. Holt 30 acres

1894 Map

Range 23 section 18 W. A. Holt 80 acres
 " " " 19 Sidney A. Holt 40 acres

Cemetery

Holt Clara	born	1869	died	1897
Father		1830		1888
Harry D.		1871		1952
Mother		1841		1889
Clifton		1898		1914
Eve Elvina		1894		1958
Lizzie		1865		1934
Ralph E.		1895		1989
Sidney A.		1865		1939
Willard		1860		1937

Holt Diary

Nov. 17, 1883 Will Mossman and Alice Holt married
 Nov. 12, 1887 Minnie is teaching school out in French Town this winter
 May 20, 1888 Father died at 12 o'clock midnight
 Dec. 3, 1888 Sydney Holt and Clara Borthwick were married
 Jan. 15, 1889 Mother died 11 pm

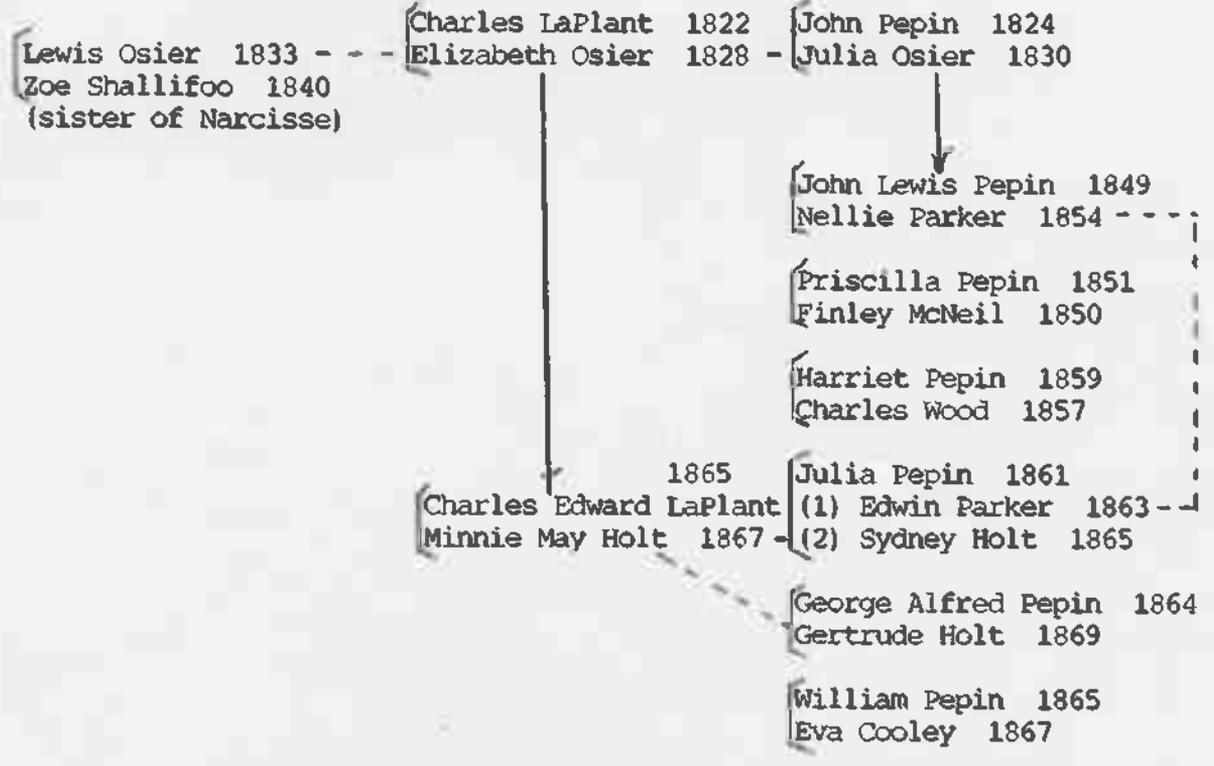
Register of Deaths

Dec. 24, 1884 Hubert E. Holt age 4 months 13 days born Minn. Convulsions
 Parents: Henry and Frances born Maine

May 21, 1888 Henry Holt 58 years 2 months 21 days born Maine Cancer in Stomach

Jan. 15, 1889 Frances Holt widow 48 years 10 months 22 days born Maine
 Abdominal tumor Parents: David L. and Eunice born Maine

Dec. 31, 1897 Clara M. Holt 28 years 6 months 25 days born Minn. Diphtheria
 Parents: Alexander and Lydia born Prince E. I. and Illinois



William Henry Holt 1830-May 21, 1888
 Julia Frances Ingersoll Feb. 24, 1841-June 15, 1889 m. Aug. 27, 1859
 Willard Holt 1860-1937
 Lizzie Parker 1865-1934
 Ralph E. Holt 1895-1989
 Clifton Holt 1899-1914
 Alice L. Holt 1862 m. Will Mosman
 Sidney A. Holt 1865-1939 m. Dec. 3, 1888
 (1) Clara M. Borthwick 1869-1897
 Benjamin A. Holt 1891
 Rose Underwood 1892
 Robert Holt 1918
 Floyd Holt 1919
 Mary (Mamie) Holt 1893 m. ? Thomas
 Alex (Bud) Holt 1895
 Leslie E. Holt 1897
 (2) Julia Pepin Parker July 13, 1861 m. Nov. 29, 1899
 Florence Eugenia Parker
 Lee E. Parker
 Minnie Holt 1867 m. Charles Edward LaPlant
 Gertrude Holt 1869 m. George Alfred (Fred) Pepin
 Harry D. Holt 1871-1952
 Eunice Holt 1873 m. Charles Ricker
 Adelia Holt 1878 m. Fred Orton
 (no name) 1881-1881
 Emma Holt 1881
 Hubert? E. Holt died Dec. 24, 1884 age 4 months 13 days

HOLT
(Connecticut)

<NOTE: THERE ARE TWO UNRELATED HOLT FAMILIES -
One from Connecticut and the other from Maine>

1870 Census #72

William Holt	age 31	Farmer	born Connecticut
Hannah	" 30		Wisconsin
Florence?	" 12		"
Eugene	" 4		"
Charlie	" 2		"

1870 Census #73

Lucius Holt	age 62	Farmer	born Connecticut
Louise	" 52		"
Miles	" 20		Wisconsin
Lydia	" 18		"
Franklin	" 14		"
Henry	" 9		"

1875 Census #59

Louisa Holt	age 66	born Conn.
Lucius	" 66	"
Miles	" 25	N. Y.
Franklin	" 20	Wis.
Henry	" 14	"

1875 Census #61

Wm. Holt	age 35	born Conn.
Maggie	" 37	Ireland
Florence	" 15	Wis.
Eugene	" 9	"
Charles	" 7?	"
Geo.	" 4	Minn.

1880 Census #75

Wm. H. Holt	age 40	Farmer	born Connecticut
Margaret	" 42	Wife	Ireland
Florence	" 21	Daughter	Wis.
Eugene	" 14	Son	"
Chas.	" 11	"	"
George	" 9	"	Minn.
Edgar	" 5	"	"

1880 Census #76

Eugene Holt	age 24	born Wisconsin
Amelia	" 20	Maine

1880 Census #77

Lucius Holt	age 74	Farmer	born Connecticut
Louisa	" 68	Wife	"
Miles	" 30	Son	Wisconsin
Henry	" 19	Son	"
Sarah Malcomb	11	Adopted daughter	Minnesota

Holt Diary

May 7, 1887 Miss Hosmer and Henry Holt were married

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 26	A. R. Holt	44.07 acres
" "	" 28	L. Holt	60 acres
" "	" 28	Miles Holt	80 acres
" "	" 28	W. H. Holt	20 acres

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 27	W. H. Holt	40 acres
" "	" 28	Miles W. & Frank Holt	60 acres
" "	" 28	W. H. Holt	20 acres
" "	" 27	W. A. Holt	? acres

Register of Deaths

March 25, 1880 Abbie E. Holt age 8 da Spinal Disease Parents: Frank and Lettie born Wis and Maine

Nov. 11, 1885 George Holt 14 yrs 7 mo 22 da born MN Quick Consumption Parents: William and Hannah born N. Y. & Wis.

June 9, 1886 Lucius Holt 77 yrs 9 mo 21 da born Connecticut Came to MN 1869

Sept. 9, 1891 Louisa Holt 71 yrs 11 mo 23 da born Connecticut Cancer Parents: Elihue and unknown born Maine

HOYT

1860 Census #479

Andrew J. Hoyt	age 46	Farmer	born N. Y.
Betsy E.	" 31		Maine
Andrew M.	" 8		Michigan
Herbert J.	" 5		"
William H.	" 2		"
Edwin M.	" 1		"

1865 Census #42

A. J. Hoyt
 Elizabeth "
 Andrew M. "
 Herbert J. "
 William H. "
 Edwin B. "
 Owen E. "
 Herman B. "

1870 Census #34

Hoyt Andrew	age 40	Farmer	born New York
" Elisea?	39		Maine
" Marien	18		Michigan
" Herbert	15		"
" Edwin	11		"
" Owen	8		Minnesota

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 19 Sidney A. Hoyt 80 acres

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Range 24 Section 15 Andrew J. Hoyt July 31, 1856
 " 24 " 22 A. J. Hoyt July 31, 1856

HUBBARD

1860 Census #496

Andrew J. Hubbard	age 31	Farmer	born Maine
Olive L.	" 25		"
Mary Ella	" 3		Minnesota
Martha J.	" 1		"

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Range 24 Section 13 Andrew J. Hubbard September 12, 1860

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Range 23 section 31 John Humal Oct. 8, 1856

HURD
(see HAND)1880 Census #112HURLBURT
(HULBUT)

Hurlbut J. W.	age 38	Clerk in store	born Vermont
" Harriet	39	Wife	"
" Mary	19	Daughter	"
" Emerson	13	Son	Minnesota
" Ida	10	Daughter	"
" Polly	74	Mother	Vermont
Christiansen Chas.	23	Boarder/Clerk in store	Norway

1880 Census #113

Hurlbut R. R.	age 50	Miller	born Vermont
" Mary	51	Wife	"
" R. H.	23	Son/RR station agent	born Minn.

1880 Census #114

Hurlbut W. F.	age 26	Miller	born Vermont
" Jenny E.	22	Wife	Pennsylvania
Knurr Peter	36	Boarder/works in flouring mill	born France
" Catharine	30	"	Alsace
" Alsie	2	"	Ohio
" J ?	9/12	"	"

1879 map

Range 24 section 15	N. Hulbert	40 acres
" 23 "	R. R. Hurlbert	20? acres

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"R. R. Hulbut, born in Vermont in 1830; came to Minnesota in 1855; owned a farm in Wright county, opposite Dayton, and in 1878 purchased a half interest in the Dayton flour mills."

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"The Dayton mills were an early venture . . . In 1860 a flouring mill was erected . . . W. F. Hurlburt purchased one-half interest in the mill in 1877 and R. R. Hurlburt purchased the other half interest in 1879. The Hurlburts made many additions. W. F. Hurlburt erected a large store, brick veneered, which for a time did a flourishing business. In February, 1882, the Hurlburts went out of business, and were succeeded by Frank Weizel."

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"The mills, generally called the Dayton Mills, are in the town of Otsego . . . In 1860 a flouring mill was built by the same parties with four run of burrs; many improvements have been made since that time in the mill. W. F. Hurlburt purchased a half interest in the mill in 1877, and R. R. Hurlburt purchased the other half interest in 1879. The Hurlburts made many improvements and additions and changed it to a roller mill, the leading flouring mill in the county. The Hurlburts went out of business in February, 1882, and Frank Weizel now runs the flouring mill. W. P. Hurlburt built a large store, brick veneered, 30 by 100 feet, in the town of Otsego near the mill, and did a large business; the store is now closed."

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"The town of Northwood (in section 36) was established in April 1856 . . . Northwood was for a period of three years a noted town but the Hurlbursts of Dayton gained supremacy over the Kelleys of Northwood and in 1859 . . . the town ceased to exist."

HYDS

1855 Census

J. H. Hyds 1-3-4

INGEBRETSON

1880 Census #127

Ingebretson	J. M.	age 46	Farmer	born Norway
"	Martha	46	Wife	Iowa
"	Caroline	10	Daughter	"
"	Andrew	7	Son	Minnesota
"	Fred E.	6	Son	"
"	Amanda	2	Daughter	"

1855 Census

D. F. Ingersoll 5-4-9

1860 Census #490

V. L. Ingersoll	age 45	Farmer	born Maine
E. H.	38		"
Phebe M.	15		"
Wilber W.	12		"
Luther F.	10		"
Franklin	7		"
Ellen F.	5		Minn.
Lucy E.	3		"
Oris R.	1		"
John Jile Jr.	27	Laborer	Ohio
Elbridge Washburn	22	"	N. Y.

1865 Census #57

David Ingersoll
 Eunice "
 Phebe M. "
 W. W. "
 Luther D. "
 Franklin A. "
 Ebben D. "
 Horris? B. "
 Elinor "
 Nancy D. "

1870 Census #22

Ingersoll David L.	age 55	Farmer	born Maine
" Eunice H.	49		"
" Wilber W.	22		"
" Luther D.	20		"
" Franklin A.	17		"
" Eben D.	15		"
" Earnest B.	10		Minnesota
" Elina? E.	9		"
" Nancy D.	5		"
" George C.	3		"

INGERSOLL
(continued)

1875 Census #26

David L. Ingersoll	age 60	born Maine
Eunice	53	"
Frank A.	22?	"
Eben D.	20	Minnesota
Ernest B.	15	"
Elmer	13	"
Nancy G.	10	"
George C.	8	"
Harriett Dimmick	59	New York

1880 Census #36

Ingersoll David	age 65	Farmer	born Maine
" Eunice	57	Wife	"
" Luther	31	Son/Laborer	"
" Ernest	20	" Works on farm	born Minn.
" Elmer E.	19	Daughter	"
" Nancy	16	"	"
" George	13	Son	"
" Frank A.	27	" / Laborer	Maine
" Ebbin D.	25	" / "	Minn.

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Range 24 section 13	David L. Ingersoll	Nov. 13, 1860
" 23 " 18	" " "	Nov. 23, 1860

Cemetery

Ingersoll

Wilber died 1916
 David died Nov. 7, 1888 age 73 years 11 months 27 days
 Eben born 1855 died 1925
 Emma Jane born 1865 died 1951
 Ernest B. born 1857 died 1923
 George died 1923
 Luther died 1914

Andreas Atlas 1874

David L. Ingersoll Range 23 section 18 Farmer born Washington C9. Maine
 Came to Minnesota 1854

Register of Deaths

Aug. 6, 1886 Leslie Ingersoll 1 year 11 months 10 days born Minn. Diphtheria
 Parents: Wilbur and Loretta born Maine and Indiana
 Nov. 7, 1888 David L. Ingersoll 73 years 11 months 29 days born Maine Came
 to Minn. 1854 Parents: born in Maine
 Nov. 24, 1897 unnamed Ingersoll 1 day Parents: Elmer and May born Minn.

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . and D. L. Ingersoll were appointed assessors for this district."

". . . Meeting of the county commissioners was held at Monticello July 2, 1855. . . . A petition was received for a county road from Waterville at the mouth of the Crow river to Monticello. The petition was granted and Philip Boyden, D. L. Ingersoll and the county surveyor were appointed viewers to meet . . . to lay out the road."

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". . . Other early settlers were . . . D. L. Ingersoll . . . "

". . . meeting of the board of county commissioners held July 2, 1855, a petition was received for a county road from Waterville at the mouth of the Crow river through the town of Otsego to Monticello. This was the first county road. . . . Philip Boyden, D. L. Ingersoll, and the county surveyor were appointed to meet . . . and lay out the road."

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". . . Of the Ingersolls, the early settlers are dead, but many members of the family still remain here . . . "

Farnham's page 26

". . . Meeting of the board of county commissioners was held at Monticello, July 2, 1855 . . . A petition was received for a county road from Waterville, at the mouth of the Crow river, to Monticello. The petition was granted, and Philip Boyden, D. L. Ingersoll and the county surveyor were appointed to . . . lay out said road."

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"FIRST GRAND JURY LIST: . . . D. L. Ingersoll . . . "

Farnham's page 354

". . . July 2, 1855, a petition was received for a county road from Waterville at the mouth of Crow river, through the town of Otsego to Monticello; this was the first county road . . . Phillip Boyden, D. L. Ingersoll and the county surveyor were appointed to . . . lay out the road."

Farnham's page 353

". . . The next settlers were . . . D. L. Ingersoll . . . "

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"On July 23, 1855, the first jury list for Wright County was selected by the Commissioners . . . D. L. Ingersoll, brickyard owner of Wright County . . . "

INGERSOLL
(continued)

1879 Map

Range 23	section 18	D. L. Ingersoll	74.96 acres
" 24	" 13	" " "	103.62 "

1894 Map

Range 23	section 18	Luther and Geo. C. Ingersoll	75.46 acres
" "	" 19	D. L. Ingersoll	20.53 "
" "	" "	Luther D. Ingersoll	20.53 "
" 24	" 13	Luther and George Ingersoll	71 "
" "	" 13	E. E. and E. C. Ingersoll	32 "
" "	" 24	" " " " " "	? "

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<List of voters in township of Otsego> D. L. Ingersoll

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<First Grand Jury List> D. L. Ingersoll

Holt Diary

Dec. 11, 1880 Party to Ingersolls
 Apr. 1882 Wilbur Ingersoll has got a house built west of the Fleming place
 and he is living in it
 Nov. 17, 1884 Frank Ingersoll got shot in the nose by W. J. Ingersoll
 Apr. 9, 1886 Ernest Ingersoll and Emma Vail were married
 Aug. 6, 1886 Leslie Ingersoll died in the morning
 Apr. 24, 1887 Will Ingersoll and Jessie Parker were married
 June 23, 1887 F. A. Ingersoll and Annie Parker were married
 June 1, 1888 Willard Ingersoll's wife died
 Nov. 7, 1888 D. L. Ingersoll died 2:30 am
 Nov. 8, 1888 D. L. Ingersoll was buried
 May 19, 1890 News that Frank Ingersoll is crazy out in Washington ter.
 Aug. 22, 1890 Frank Ingersoll is in St. Peters yet

David Look Ingersoll 1815-1888
 Eunice Hillman Look 1822
 Julia Frances Ingersoll 1841-1889 m. Henry Holt
 Mary Louisa Ingersoll 1842-1888 m. Eben Davis
 Phoebe M. Ingersoll 1845 m. George Crocker
 Wilbur Winfield Ingersoll 1847-1916
 (1) Loretta Haffney 1858
 Leslie Ingersoll 1884-1886
 (2) Jessie Parker m. 1887 d. 1888
 Luther F. Ingersoll 1849-1914
 Franklin Augustus Ingersoll 1852
 Annie Parker
 Ebben Davis Ingersoll 1855-1925
 Lucy Evelyn Ingersoll 1857-1864
 Ernest Byron Ingersoll 1859-1923
 Emma Jane Vail 1865-1951
 Elmer Ellsworth Ingersoll 1861
 May Thorpe?
 Charles Ingersoll 1863-1863
 Nancy D. Ingersoll 1864 m. Ed Chambers
 George Crocker Ingersoll 1866-1923



INGERSOLL HOUSE

Built with brick from the nearby Ingersoll Brick Factory, this house still exists. The large supply of clay made this a good site for a brickyard. Proximity to the Mississippi provided a practical way to ship the bricks as far down the river as Anoka.

Photo courtesy of Andrew Davis Jr.

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Range 24 Section 14 Obodish Inscho June 27, 1856

JACOBS

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Range 23 Sections 28 & 33 Asa H. Jacobs July 11, 1857

JENKS

1865 Census #15

E. W. I. Jenks
 Maria "
 Emma "
 Adeline "
 Carrie "
 Rose "

JILE

1860 Census #490

V. L. Ingersoll	age 45	Farmer	born Maine
E. H.	38		"
Phebe M.	15		"
Wilber W.	12		"
Luther F.	10		"
Franklin	7		"
Ellen F.	5		Minnesota
Lucy E.	3		"
Oris R.	1		"
John Jile Jr.	27	Laborer	Ohio
Elbridge Washburn	22	Laborer	N. Y.

1870 Census #66

Fisette Peter	age 38	Farmer	born Canada
" Selina	25		"
" Louis F.	2		Minnesota
" Charles E.	8/12		"
" Felix	38	Farm laborer	Canada
Johnson William	63	Farmer	New Hampshire

1875 Census #4

T. S. Heath	age 35	born Maine
Mary E.	" 19	"
Maggie Johnson	22	"
Edman	" 4	"
Robert	" 2	Minnesota
Lizzie May	"	"

1880 Census #136

Spencer C. H.	age 38	Laborer	born Maine
" Mary E.	34	Wife	N. Y.
" Cora A.	13	Daughter	Minnesota
" William	10	Son	"
" Belinda	8	Daughter	"
" George	5	Son	"
" Roy	8/12	Son	"
Davis, A. L.	18	Boarder/Laborer	"
Bouchy James	20	"	"
Johnson H.	19	"	Ireland
Gray Edw. E.	16	"	Indiana
Heath A. M.	26	"	Maine
Bagley F. L.	26	"	Iowa
Davis Sylvina	25	Servant	Minnesota
Goodman Chas. S.	22	Boarder/Laborer	England

1879 Map

A. Johnson Range 23 Section 32 160 acres
 Albert Johnson Range 24 Section 26 80 acres

1894 Map

Mary Johnson Range 23 Section 20 80 acres
 " " " 23 " 29 20 "

Cemetery

Johnson

Florence born 1886 died 1969 Elk River
 Frank A. Oct. 28, 1895 died Apr. 10, 1972 St. Cloud Vet's -
 Pvt Co E. 54 Pioneer Inf. WW I

1855 Census

C. B. Jordan 1-0-1
W. H. Jordan 1-0-1

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<County Officers> "Auditor. Until January 1, 1859, the offices of auditor, registrar of deeds and clerk of the board of county commissioners were combined. John O. Haven took office April 9, 1855, followed January 1, 1857, by C. B. Jordan . . . "

Volume II page 781

"Otsego was given its present boundaries by the county commissioners April 6, 1858 . . . The first officers elected were: . . . Justices of the peace, Israel Record and C. B. Jordan . . . "

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"Otsego village . . . A store was kept by C. B. Jordan in 1857 and 1858 . . . "

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"The 5th of January 1857, the board of commissioners met at Monticello . . . At this meeting C. B. Jordan was elected clerk of the board . . . "

Farnham's page 355

"On the 6th of April, '58 . . . Otsego was given its present boundaries. The first town meeting was held at the house of John McDonald, May 11, 1858 . . . the following were elected town officers: . . . Justices of the Peace - Israel Record, C. B. Jordan . . . "

Farnham's page 358

"A store was kept by C. B. Jordan in 1857 and 1858 . . . "

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<List of voters in township of Otsego> . . . Jordan Wm. . . .

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" . . . May 11, 1858 when the following officers were chosen: . . . justices of the peace, Israel Record and C. B. Jordan . . . "

1880 Census #120

Joyer Geo. age 37 Farmer born Canada
 " Justine 27 Wife "
 " Mary 2 Daughter Minnesota
 " Octave 5/12 Son "

Register of Deaths

June 29, 1886 (unnamed) Joyer age 1 da Parents: George and Justine born Canada

1860 Census #455

Wm. E. Cory age 32 Farmer born New Brunswick
 Mary " 30 Maine
 Frederick" 4 Minnesota
 Oscar " 2 "
 Infant " 8/12 "
 Emma C. Cross? 10 Maine
 Charles H. Keater ? Farm laborer New York

1855 Census

C. W. Kelley 1-0-1
 William Kelley 1-0-1

1879 Map

Range 24? Section 25 O. H. Kelley 6.48 acres

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 20 A. F. Kelley 115 acres
 " 23 " 25 F. B. Kelley 6.48 "

1850 Census page 5

KELLY (KELLEY) O<liver> H. age 24 Farmer born Massachusetts
 Lucy E. 19 Ohio

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Range 23 Section 25 and 36 Oliver H. Kelley May 4, 1857
 " 23 " 25 C. W. Kelley Dec. 13, 1856
 " 23 " 26 C. W. Kelley Dec. 23, 1856
 " 23 " 35 C. W. Kelley Dec. 13, 1856

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". . . Charles W. Lambert and Matilda Cooley, married at the home of Luman Cooley, in Pleasant Grove precinct, November 26, 1856 by O. H. Kelley, a justice of the peace . . . Lewis McDonald and Caramina E. Spencer, married December 17, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace . . . Joshua Welch and Jemima Record, married at Norwood, march 9, 1857, by O. H. Kelley, a justice of the peace."

Volume II page 647

"Northwood postoffice was established late in 1856, in section 36, Otsego township, with Charles Kelley as postmaster. In the winter of 1856-7 mail routes were established running from Northwood to St. Paul, to St. Peter, and to Watertown. Col. Alexander Armstrong, a well known character, was stage driver for many years on the route between Northwood and Watertown."

Volume II page 782

"The first marriage <in Otsego> was that of Louis McDonald and Clemina Spencer, married December 25, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace."

Volume II page 783

"Northwood was established on Section 36, about a mile above the mouth of the Crow river, on the Mississippi river. Work was commenced in April, 1856. About 300 acres were surveyed and platted on claims taken by O. H. Kelley and Charles Kelley. By much energy, industry and advertising, Northwood soon became a noted town. A large hotel was built, a store and a good schoolhouse finished that year, the school sessions commenced and a postoffice established. Charles Kelley was the postmaster. During the winter of 1856-7 mail routes were established running from Northwood to St. Paul, to St. Peter and to Watertown. Col. Alex. Armstrong, a well known character, was driver for many years on the route from Northwood to Watertown. After Northwood ceased to exist, the route was operated from Dayton to Watertown. Ezra B. Ames was the pioneer merchant at Northwood. The store building and schoolhouse were removed to Dayton in 1859. The large hotel was soon in ruins and was afterward burned. For a time L. H. Kelley & Co.'s Excelsior Metal Polish was an important product. It was dug from the bank of the river, made into a sort of paste and then into cakes, and then dried and ground, and placed in wrappers. It was a good article, but when it gave promise of coming into general use, the town ceased to exist and the metal polish plant was discontinued."

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"The town of Northwood (insection 36) was established in April 1856. The town-site covered an area of 300 acres and was owned and platted by O. H. and Charles Kelley. A postoffice was established, a large hotel was built, a store was opened and a good school house erected, mail routes furnished connection with St. Paul, St. Peter and Watertown. O. H. Kelley and Co manufactured Excelsior Metal Polish, an important and marketable product, dug from the river bank. It gave promise of coming into general use. Northwood was for a period of three years a noted town but the Hurlbursts of Dayton gained supremacy over the Kelleys of Northwood and in 1859 the store and school buildings were moved to Dayton and the large hotel building was soon in ruins. The postoffice was discontinued and the town ceased to exist."

Farnham's page 35

"Northwood was located on the Mississippi river above the mouth of Crow river on sections 26 and 36 in the town of Otsego. O. H. Kelley was the original owner and as he was not slow or diffident about letting the public know all about the advantages, beauties and bright prospects of the city of Northwood, shares and lots sold rapidly and many rich grists were brought to Kellys mill but like all of Kellys work he over did the thing. A very large hotel, store and freight house were built in 1857, so that it was really something more than a paper city but not much better and in a short time the hotel was empty the store closed and decayed and went to destruction. A few holes in the ground, once cellars, is all that reminds the traveller or the old settler of Kelly's folly."

Farnham's page 218

"He <John K. Aydt> and others laid out a town called Aydt's Town, built two or three houses and established a ferry which was run by Chas. Aydt several years. The town was a suburb of the great city of Northwood, and when O. H. Kelly's city fell, Aydt's Town went with it."

Farnham's page 356-7

NORTHWOOD This town was commenced in April 1856, on the Mississippi, and about one mile above the mouth of Crow river, on section 36. About 300 acres were surveyed and platted on claims taken by O. H. Kelly and Charles Kelly. By much energy, industry and advertising, Northwood became very soon a noted town; a large hotel was built, a store and a good school house was finished that year, and a school commenced and a postoffice established, with Chas. Kelly, Postmaster. During the winter of 1856 and '57, mail routes were established, running from Northwood to St. Cloud, from Northwood to St. Paul, from Northwood to St. Peter, and to Watertown in Carver county. On the last named route, the contract for carrying the mails was let to the well known and somewhat excentric Col. Alex Armstrong, who was mail carrier for several years. The route was changed to Dayton after the death of Northwood. Ezra B. Ames was the pioneer merchant at Northwood. The store building and school house were finally burned. The only manufactory established at Northwood was the Kelly's metal polish, dug up on the bank of the river, made into mortar, then into brick, then dried and ground and put up in papers. A large quantity was put up and sold in all parts of the West; the finest was a good article, but about the time that it was coming into general use, the city and the polish business burst up, and it has never been manufactured since. At the old Kelly Homestead in Sherburne county there are yet car loads of nicely labelled packages of O. H. Kelly & Co.'s Excelsior Metal Polish. A dense growth of bush, several old holes in the ground, once cellars, the pit where the polish was dug is all that remains of Kelly's folly, the city of Northwood."

1870 Census #19

King Elie B.	age 40	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Adeline	38		Ireland
" Ella	13		Minnesota
" Adelin L.	11		"
" Elliott	9		"
" Loran N.	5		"
" E ? E.	2		"

1875 Census #8

E. B. King	age 44	born N. Y.
Adelia "	42	Ireland
Ella "	18	Minnesota
Addie "	16	"
Elliott "	13	"
Loren C. "	9	"
Clara F. "	2	"
Hattie G. "	22	N. Y.
Alfred S. Snow?	26	Massachusetts
Wm. Wood	25	Canada

1880 Census #34

King Eli B.	age 50	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Adelia	47	Wife	Ireland
" Ella R.	23	Daughter	Minnesota
" Elliot	18	Son	"
" Lorin	15	Son	"
" Clara	7	Daughter	"
McDermid Jas.	50	Laborer	Maine

1879 Map

Range 24	Section 13	80 acres
" 24	" 24	40 "

1894 Map

Range 24	Section 13	E. B. King	80 acres
" 24	" 24	E. B. King ?	"

Cemetery

King

Adelia B.	born Sep. 19, 1831	Died Apr. 17, 1917
Eli B.	May 23, 1830	July 9, 1913
Erwin E.		July 31, 1850?
Lorin U.	May 7, 1865	Mar. 10, 1928
Rachel Ella	Oct. 9, 1856	Jan. 5, 1890
Alfred D.		1948
Amas D.		Co. G 11 Minn Inf. WW I
Mrs. Irene		1932
Edward O.	1889	1979
Olga	1895	1964

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"OTSEGO . . . among the oldest settlers . . . Mr. and Mrs. E. King who were prominent in church work are gone . . ."

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<List of voters in township of Otsego> . . . King C. B. . . .

Washburn Family Papers

"Frederick was the youngest son of John Ward Washburn. He was born 16 June, 1857, the only one of the children born in Minnesota. He married Adelia King, daughter of Eli King, of Otsego, in 1877. They had two children, Ethel Genevieve and Roscoe. Adelia died in 1882, as did Roscoe, age 2 years. Both are buried in the Otsego cemetery. After her mother's death, Ethel Genevieve lived with her Aunt Clara McLeod until her father remarried."

Holt Diary

Nov. 1880 School commenced 15th. Edith King teacher
July 4, 1882 Mary King died of consumption

KISER

1865 Census #4

David Kiser
Sophia "

1865 Census #67

Lewis Kiser
Sarah "
William "
Maria "
Sarah A."
Louis? "
Israel "

KNIGHT

1880 Census #14

White Edward	age 40	Farmer	born Maine
" Maria	32	Wife	"
" Nathan	16?	Son	"
" Cynthia	8	Daughter	"
" Catherine	1	"	Minnesota
Knights Albert?	55	Mother	Maine

KNURR

1880 Census #114

Hurlbut S. F. age 26 Miller born Vermont
 " Jennie E. 22 Wife Pennsylvania
 Knurr Peter 36 Boarder/works in flouring mill born France
 " Catharine 30 " Alsace
 " Alsie 2 " Ohio
 " J ? 9/12 " "

LACHANCE

1880 Census #87

Lachance Eugene age 23 Farmer born Canada
 " Victoria 21 Wife Minnesota

LAMBERT

1855 Census

Charles Lambert 1-0-1

1857 Census #6

Charles Lambert age 28 born New York
 Matilda " 18 " "

1860 Census #460

Charles W. Lambert age 33 Farmer born N. Y.
 Matilda " 20 "
 Cora E. " 2/12 Minnesota

1880 Census #86

Lambert Levi age 52 Blacksmith born Canada
 " Mary 47 Wife "
 " Henry 17 Son Minnesota
 " Edward 13 Son "
 " William 6 Son "
 " Alex 2 Son "

1880 Census #88

Lambert Levi age 81 Retired Farmer born Canada
 " Mary 77 Wife "

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 22 Levi Lambert 190 acres
 " 23 " 27 " " 20 "

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"Charles W. Lambert and Matilda Cooley, married at the home of Luman Cooley, in Pleasant Grove precinct, November 26, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, a justice of the peace."

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct the dwelling house of John McDonald, Sr., was designated, and Ezra Tubbs (soon followed by David McPherson), Charles Lambert and Caleb Chase appointed judges of election; . . . "

Volume II page 781

"Otsego was given its present boundaries by the county commissioners April 6, 1858 . . . The first officers elected were: . . . assessor, Charles Lambert . . . "

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct the place of holding the elections was the dwelling house of John McDonald. Ezra Tubbs, Charles Lambert and Caleb Chase were appointed judges of election: . . . "

Farnham's page 354

". . . As Judges of the election were appointed, Ezra Tubbs, Charles Lambert and Caleb Chase . . . "

Farnham's page 355

"On the 6th of April, '58, when the board of county commissioners divided the county into towns, Otsego was given its present boundaries. The first town meeting was held at the house of John McDonald, May 11, 1858 . . . The following were elected town officers: . . . Town clerk - Charles Lambert . . . "

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"On July 23, 1855, the first jury list for Wright County was selected by the Commissioners. Of the 38 names on the grand jury list . . . Charles W. Lambert . . . "

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"In Pleasant Grove Precinct . . . Charles Lambert . . . appointed Judge of Election . . . "

". . . the first Grand Jury list: . . . S?. W. Lambert . . . "

Condensed History page 31

"The organization of the town was completed May 11, 1858 when the following officers were chosen . . . clerk, Charles Lambert . . . "

LONDON ?

1870 Census #58

Doney Enos	age 45	M Farmer	born Pennsylvania
" Angeline	30	F	"
" Lucy A.	6/12	F	Minnesota
Landon? Elizabeth	10	F	Pennsylvania
" Margaret	5	F	"
" Catharin	3	F	"

LANE
(LAUE)1880 Census #98

LaPlant Oliver	age 32	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Nettie	22	Wife	Minnesota
Retzel? Paulina	33	Servant	Switzerland
Lane? Charles	24	Laborer	Maine

LAPLANT

1855 Census

Charles Lapland 2-2-4

1860 Census #448

Charles Laplant	age 38	Farmer	born Vermont
Elizabeth "	32		C. East
Oliver "	11		N. Y.
Mary J. "	7		"
Julia E. "	3		Minnesota

1865 Census #26

Charles LaPlant	
Elizabeth "	
Oliver "	
Mary J. "	
William H. "	
Charles E. "	

1870 Census #44

Lapland Chas.	age 49	Farmer	born Canada
" Elizabeth	42		Maine
" Oliver	21		"
" Isabelle	17		"
" William H.	9		"
" Chas. E.	5		Minnesota
Osir Eusebee	65		Canada

1875 Census #95

Chas. Laplant	age 53	born Vermont
Elizabeth "	46	Canada
Oliver "	26	N. Y.
Wm. "	14	Minnesota
Charles "	10	"

1880 Census #96

Laplant Chas.	age 58	Farmer	born Vermont
" Elizabeth	52	Wife	Canada
" Wm. H.	19	Son	Minnesota
" Charles	15	Son	"

1880 Census #98

Laplant Oliver	age 32	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Nettie	22	Wife	Minnesota
Retzal? Paulina	33	Servant	Switzerland
Lane? Charles	24	Laborer	Maine

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 22	C. Laplant	80 acres
" "	" 23	E. Laplant	46.10 "
" "	" 26	O. Laplant	20 "
" "	" 27	O. Laplant	160 "
" "	" 27	W. Laplant	40 "

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 22	Chas. E. Laplant	90 acres
" "	" 23	Chas. E. Laplant	57.31 "
" "	" 27	Oliver Laplant	60 "

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Range 23	Section 22	Charles LaPlant	May 26, 1856
" "	" 23	" "	" " "

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"Many of the farms in Wright county have been given names. In order that the names might be perpetuated, many of the owners have registered the names at the courthouse. The names already registered are: . . . Hazel Hurst Stock Farm, C. E. LaPlant, sections 22 and 23, township 121, range 23 . . . "

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" . . . Other early settlers were Charles Laplant, . . . "

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" . . . Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McLeod, the Morrells, the LaPlants, the Pepins and others are also gone, the older ones dead and the younger ones moved away . . . "

LAPLANT
(continued)

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"Methodist Episcopal Church of Otsego . . . The Ladies' Aid Society is one of the principal factors in the life of the church . . . it was reorganized in August 1902 at the home of Mrs. C. E. LaPlant . . . "

Farnham's page 353

" . . . Mr. McDonald . . . on the 31st day of that month (July 1852) took a claim . . . the next settlers were Charles Laplant, . . . "

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"OTSEGO . . . The year 1854 witnessed the arrival of John Pepin, Charles LaPlant and others . . . "

Condensed History page 31

"Among the territorial pioneers were Samuel E. Carrick, a fur trader; Charles LaPlant, . . . "

Register of Deaths

Nov. 19, 1893 Elizabeth LaPlant 65 yrs 9 mo 20 da born Canada Consumption
Parents: Osier born Canada

Oct. 1, 1899 Arthur E. LaPlant 1 mo 15 da born MN Bowel Complaint)
Parents: Charles and Minnie born MN

Sep. 7, 1908 unnamed male child age 7 hrs Father C. E. LaPlant Mother:
Minnie Holt? Premature birth

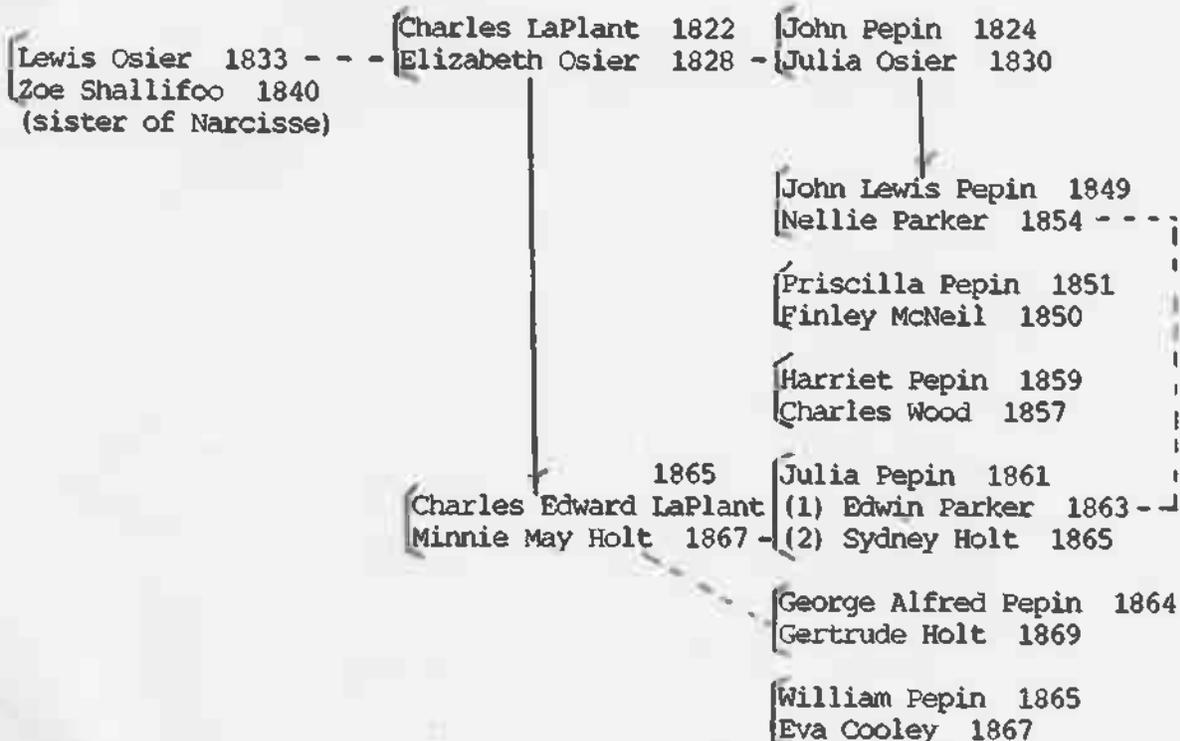
Apr. 17, 1911 Charles LaPlant born Oct 17, 1823 Organic H ?

Cemetery

LaPlant

Anna	born 1894	died 1928
Charles Edward	1865	1955
Daisy Marie	1901	1970
Elizabeth	Jun. 29, 1828	Nov. 19, 1893
Guy Alfred	1890	1974
Minnie May	1867	1948
Charles	1823	1911
Julia E.		Jan. 31, 1861

Charles LaPlant 1821-1911
 Elizabeth Osier 1828-1893
 Isabel LaPlant m. William Reem (Rheems?)
 Oliver LaPlant 1848-1937
 Nettie Weaver 1858-1937
 Clara May LaPlant 1881-1928 m. William Hester
 Henry Edward LaPlant 1883-1950
 Elizabeth Olive LaPlant 1885-1964 m. James Hodge
 Norman Allen LaPlant 1890-1940 m. Helen Elloesser
 Charles Edward LaPlant 1865-1955
 Minnie May Holt 1857-1948
 Guy Alfred LaPlant 1890-1979
 Anna Lydia Stickney d. 1928
 Dorothy Ellen LaPlant 1892 m. May 5, 1914
 Ernest Cleve Baker 1891
 Arthur Elliot LaPlant d. age about 1 year
 unnamed son d. in infancy
 Daisy Marie LaPlant 1911
 William Henry LaPlant 1860-1942
 Evangeline Serena Miars 1865-1943
 Ida LaPlant 1887-1900
 Lawrance LaPlant 1889-1959 m. Zella Farr
 Ruth Evangeline LaPlant 1891 m. Walter Scott Reid
 Paul LaPlant 1906 m. Jean Appleby



**LAPLANT
(continued)****CHARLES and EUSABEE (Elizabeth) LAPLANT**

The LaPlants traveled from Vermont with their children, Oliver and Mary, by water, rail and oxcart to reach Otsego in November 1854. This picture, from a very old tintype is believed to be their wedding picture.

Photo courtesy of Paul LaPlant

**LAPLANT HOUSE**

1854 found the LaPlant, Pepin and Ozier families - twelve people - living in a log cabin. Charles LaPlant then built a two-story frame house for his family. Later he replaced the original house with this classic, on the same site.

Photo courtesy of Paul LaPlant

1880 Census # 30

LaSarte Frank	age 45	Farmer	born Minnesota
" Lena	45	Wife	France
" Chas.	21	Son Farmer	Minnesota
" Rosa	20	Daughter	"
" Josephine	16	Daughter	"
" Ida	14	Daughter	"
" Margaret	11	Daughter	"
" Agnes	7	Daughter	"
" Lewis	5	Son	"
" David	1	Son	"

LASCHO

1855 Census

O. Lascho 1-0-1

LATOUCHE

1880 Census #47

Latouche Edmund	age 40	Farmer	born Canada
" Hannah	40	Wife	"
Ganache Alcedius	19	Boarder/laborer	Minnesota

1875 Census #34

Edmond Latouche	age 35	born Canada
Hannah "	32	"

LAVASSE

1880 Census #118

Lavasse Floronto	age 33	Farmer	born Maine
" Julia	28	Wife	N. B.
" Catherine	10	Daughter	Maine
" Levit	8	Son	"
" Fred	6	Son	"
" Mary	4	Daughter	Minnesota
" George	2	Son	"

LEACH

1870 Census #64

Leach W. ? R.	age 32	Farmer	born Maine
" Laura A.	26	"	"
" James	3	"	"
" Infant	1/12		Minnesota
Baker Albert F.	43	Carpenter and Joiner	born Maine

LEMKE

1870 Census #99

Weigle Frank	age 37	M	Millowner	born	Hesse	Damstadt
Margaret	36	F			Prussia	
Semucker A_?	14	F			Indiana	
Holland Louise	6	F			Minnesota	
Harett James	26	M	Farm laborer		Ireland	
McKiser Ellia R	30	M	Works in sawmill		Nova Scotia	
McIntyre James	26	M	" "	" "	" "	
Lenke August	23	M	" "	" "	Prussia	

LEONARD

1870 Census #54

Haley Joseph	age 36	Farmer	born	New York
" T_?	35		"	"
" Ellen	11		"	"
" Frederick	8		"	"
" Arthur	6		"	"
" Earnest	3		"	"
" L_?	1		"	"
Leonard Elvira	24	School teacher	"	"

LEYERLY

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Range 24 Section 14 John S. Leyerly Dec. 11, 1856

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"OTSEGO . . . The first death was that of a child of Rev. O. P. Light, in May 1856."

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"METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF OTSEGO. Methodist services were held in Otsego as early as 1854, by Rev. White, of Orono. The first settled minister was Rev. O. P. Light in 1856 . . . "

Farnham's page 356

"The first death was a child of Rev. O. P. Light, May 1856."

Farnham's page 361

"CHURCHES AND OTHER SOCIETIES . . . The first settled minister was Rev. O. P. Light in 1856."

Elk River United Methodist Church 1875-1975

"The Methodist Church in our area had its beginnings in the Otsego area across the river. In 1857, Rev. John Hooper was sent to Dayton in Wright County and Dayton in Hennepin County. There were 22 members and 11 "probationers" taking instructions at the end of the first year. In 1858 Rev. Oliver P. Light was sent from Anoka to a new church at Otsego. He worked diligently for the Tract Society and began Sunday School work at Otsego and neighboring areas."

LINDENFELSER

1894 Map

Range 23 section 31 Alex Lindenfelser 81.10 acres

LOCKE

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Archie Downie, Jonah B. Locke and D. .. Ingersoll were appointed assessors for this district."

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"Other early settlers were . . . Josiah B. Locke . . . "

Farnham's page 26

"In Pleasant Grove Precinct . . . Josiah B. Locke . . . were appointed assessors."

Farnham's page 27

"FIRST GRAND JURY LIST: . . . Josiah B. Locke . . . "

Farnham's page 353

"The next settlers were . . . Josiah B. Locke . . . "

"Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Josiah B. Locke . . . were appointed assessors."

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"In Pleasant Grove Precinct . . . Josiah B. Locke . . . were appointed Assessors."

"FIRST GRAND JURY LIST . . . Josiah B. Locke . . . "

LOPES

1870 Census #87

Lopes John	age 25	Farmer	born New York
" Alice B.	20		Vermont
" Annie	8/12		Minnesota

1860 Census #453

Samuel Carrick	age 62	Farmer	born New Brunswick
Elizabeth "	58		Maine
Samuel "	30	Farmer	"
George "	24	Farmer	"
Charles "	21		"
Elizabeth "	16		"
Lucy Lovejoy	17		"
Hannah "	15		"
William Lovejoy	20	Laborer	"
James Carrick	26	Lumberman	"

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"JAMES WILLIAM CARRICK . . . He was united in marriage with Miss Lucy Ann Lovejoy on the 13th of June, 1862. Mrs. Carrick was born on the 23d of October, 1843, and came to Minnesota in 1855. She attended school in St. Anthony for about two years, then at St. Cloud for a number of years, after which she taught school for one term in Sherburne county. They have had three children; two of whom are living; Georgia and Emma."

Register of Deaths

July 2, 1879 Jothem Lovejoy widowed age 75 yrs 3 mo 10 da born Maine Came to MN Sep. 2, 1875 Cancer Parents: Samuel and Mary born Maine

LOYD

1880 Census #51

Harrington Johiel	age 42	Farmer	born Canada
" Julia	39	Wife	New York
" Hattie	13	Daughter	" "
" Orvil	11	Son	Minnesota
" Capilota	8	Daughter	"
" Albertha	6	Daughter	"
Loyd David	38	Boarder	Ohio

LUNT

1860 Census #447

James Lunt	age 34	Cooper	born Maine
Almira "	31		"
James A."	12		"
Clara S."	10		"
Lucretia "	8		"
Willie B."	2		Minnesota

MABIE

1855 Census

William Mabie 1-3-4

Volume I page 189 <Land Office Records - Original claims>

Range 24 Section 14 William B. Mabie June 27, 1856

Holt Diary

"Mar, 7, 1885 The funeral of Levi Maybe and Cap Trask took place in Elk River."

MALCOMB

1880 Census #77

Holt Lucius	age 74	Farmer (paralyzed)	born Conn.
" Louisa	68	Wife	"
" Miles	30	Son Farmer	Wis?
" Henry	19	Son	"
Malcomb Sarah	11	Adopted daughter	Minn.

MALLETT

1855 Census

J. A. Mallette 1-0-1

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Range 23 Section 15 and 22 John A. Mallett Nov. 16, 1860

1860 Census #452

John A. Mallet	age 31	Farmer	born Maine
Emeline	" 27	"	"

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". . . board of county commissioners assembled June 4, 1860 . . . John A. Mallette of Otsego . . . were present."

MANN

1855 Census

William Mann 2-2-4

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Wm. Mann . . . "

1865 Census #72

John McDonald
 Zilpah "
 Jane Marsh
 William McCloud

1870 Census #30

McDonald John	age 64	Millwright	born Maine
" Zilpah	66		"
Marsh Jane	85		"
Calkins Henry	14		Norway
Siminson Chas.	19		Ohio

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"JOHN MCDONALD . . . Mr. McDonald has been twice married; his first wife, Miss Mary Inman, was chosen on the 6th of November, 1828. They had two sons; John and Lewis. He lost his companion, and married for a second wife, Miss Zelpha H. Marsh of Orono, Maine, on the 1st of August, 1841."

MARTIN
 (MARTINEAU)

1875 Census #82

Nelson Martineau	age 44	born Canada
Filla "	35	"
Anna "	14	Minn.
Ed. "	12	"
Thomas "	10	"
Areoline "	5	"
Filla "	3	"
Joseph "	1	"

1875 Census #91

Louis Blanchet	age 50	born Canada
Margaret "	50	"
Celissa "	17	"
Celenia "	17	"
Louis "	16	"
Cleophas "	15	"
Cladula "	13	"
Theodore "	12	"
Virginia "	10	"
Alfred "	8	"
Adeline Martineau	20	Oregon
Nelson "	21	Canada

MARTIN
(continued)

1880 Census #124

Martin Nelson	age 26	Farmer	born Canada
" Adaline	26	Wife	Oregon
" Fred	4	Son	Minn.
" Adaline	3	Daughter	"
" Joseph	1	Son	"

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"Mr. and Mrs. Angus Praught and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holt are among the oldest settlers. Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Johial Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Carron, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel White may be mentioned."

Register of Deaths

May 5, 1879 Deline Martin age 9 months 13 days born Minn. Croup Parents: Joseph and Emily born New Brunswick

Sep. 4, 1879 Unnamed female Martineau age 6 days Parents: Nelson and Philen born Canada

Oct. 23, 1881 Clarra A. Martin age 4 months 16 days Brain Fever Parents: Joseph and Emily born Province and Maine

July 14, 1886 Emily Martin 8 months Membranous Croup Parents: Joseph and Emily born Maine and New Brunswick

MATTERSON

1875 Census #86

Oliver Matterson	age 60	born N. Y.
Delia	" 54?	Manitoba
Wm.	" 15	Minn.
Emma	" 11	"
Robert	" 9	"

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Range 24 section 22 Nov. 3, 1856 William Matthews

1875 Census #13MAY
(MAYO)

M ?	May?	age 51	born Maine
Thura?	"	45	N. Y.
Daniel	"	17	Maine
Nora	"	6	Minn.

Register of Deaths

Srp. 26, 1889 Thirza A. Mayo 49 years 8 months 1 day Fever Parents: William and Margaret

1855 Census

MAYIER

A. Mayier 1-0-1

MCDERMID

1880 Census #22

McLeod Thos.	age 41	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Clara	41	Wife	"
McDermid Jas.	55	Boarder/laborer	Maine
Washburn M. D.	34	" "	N. Y.

1880 Census #34

King Eli B.	age 50	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Adelia	47	Wife	Ireland
" Ella R.	23	Daughter	Minn.
" Elliot	18	Son	"
" Lorin	15	Son	"
" Clara	7	Daughter	"
McDermid Jas.	50	Laborer	Maine

1879 Map

Range 24 Sections 13 and 24

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Range 24 Section 13	James McDermid	Nov. 13, 1860
Range 24 " 24	James McDermid	Nov. 23, 1860

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . McDermed James . . ."

Register of Deaths

May 16, 1888 James McDermid 60 yrs born Maine Catarrh Bowels



LEWIS and CLIMENA MCDONALD

Lewis was born in Maine in 1833. He came to Otsego with his father, John, in 1852. In 1856 he married Climena Spencer, born in Maine in 1844. Climena came to Otsego before 1855 with her widowed mother, Belinda Marsh Spencer and her brothers Charles and Martin.

Photo courtesy of Wright County Historical Society

MCDONALD
(continued)

Minnesota Territorial Census 1850 page 69 #377

McDonough John	age 45	Millwright	born Maine
" Sylpa	46		"
" Lewis	16	Laborer	"
" Joseph	14		"

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McDonald John

1855 Census

J. McDonald 4-1-5

1857 Census #5

Lewis McDonald	age 23?	born Maine
Clamina "	14	"
George "	11/12	Minnesota

1857 Census #7

John McDonald	age 51	born Maine
Cylpha "	52	"
Francis? "	22	"
Emma Elkins	12	"

1860 Census #469

John McDonald	age 54	Farmer	born Maine
Zelpha H. "	56		"
Joseph "	24		"
Wm. McCloud	21		Nova Scotia

1860 Census #502

Frank McDonald	age 26	Bookkeeper	born Maine
Elizabeth "	22?		"
Mary	1		Minn.

1865 Census #69

John McDonald Jr.
Mary J. "
Edwin? M. "

1865 Census #72

John McDonald
Zilpah "
Jane Marsh
William McCloud

1865 Census #2

Frank McDonald
Elizabeth "
Mary E. "
Frank " Jr.
Charles H. "

1865 Census #3

Lewis McDonald
Clemina "
George "
Lovey J. "
Joseph "

1870 Census #27

McDonald Lewis	age 37	River Pilot	born Minn.
" Climena	26		"
" George	12		"
" Laura	8		"
" Joseph	5		"

1870 Census #30

McDonald John	age 64	Mill Wright	born Maine
" Zilpah	66		"
Marsh Jane	85		"
Calkins? Henry	14		Norway
Simmons Chas.	19		Ohio

1875 Census #32

John McDonald	age 68	born Maine
Gilpah "	70	"
Henry Conklin	19	Norway

1875 Census #40

Lewis McDonald	age 42	born Maine
Climena "	31	"
Geo. A. "	17	"
Laura "	14	"
Joseph "	10	"
? E. Flemming	17	"

1880 Census #72

Ricker Moses	age 70	Farmer	born Maine
" Eliza	71	Wife	"
" Augustus	40	Son	"
" Sarah	38	Daughter	"
" Caroline	36	Daughter	"
McDonald John	36	Boarder/laborer	New Brunswick

1880 Census #128

McDonald John	age 74	Farmer	born Maine
" Zilpah	76	Wife	"

1880 Census #129

McDonald Lewis	age 40	Captain on steamboat	born Maine
" Climena	37	Wife	"
" Joseph	15	Son	Minn.
Davis Carrie	8	Boarder	"
McDonald Geo.	22	Mate on steamboat	"

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 17

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 17 (Climenta)

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"John McDonald settled on section 17, Otsego Township, on the site where the hamlet of Otsego was afterward located, July 31, 1852. McDonald was born in Maine, assisted in building the dam at St. Anthony (now a part of Minneapolis) in 1847; spent a short time in the lumber regions of the Rum and Swan rivers, then went to what is now Hudson, Wis.; returned to St. Anthony in 1849; assisted in erecting two mills there; was joined by his family; spent the winter of 1849-50 at what is now Little Falls, Minn.; then went back to Minneapolis; and in 1852 came to Otsego township. He was a member of the first board of county commissioners in 1855."

Volume I pages 95-96

<1855 tax assessment> "John McDonald SR., 54 acres breaking \$324.00, 16 neat cattle \$425.00, 3 horses \$300.00, 8 hogs \$50.00, 1 dwelling house, barn and shop, \$340.00; \$1,439.00, \$24.46, \$3.59."

Volume I page 96

"Lewis McDonald and Caramina E. Spencer, married December 17, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace."

Volume I pages 118-9

"In Pleasant Grove precinct the dwelling house of John McDonald, Sr., was designated, . . . John McDonald, Sr. and Ezra Tubbs were appointed justices of the peace . . ."

". . . meeting of the county commissioners was held at Monticello, July 2, 1855. . . . A petition was received . . . for a road from McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river near Bigelow's, later the location of the town-site of Hassan. . . . petition was granted . . . a committee to meet at McDonald's on Monday, July 16, 1855, and survey and lay out the road."

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"The commissioners for 1861 were . . . F. S. McDonald, Otsego . . ."

Volume I page 190 <Land Office Records - Original claims>

Range 23 Section 17 John McDonald, Sr., June 19, 1856
" 23 " 20 John McDonald, Jr., October 20, 1856

Volume II page 647

"Otsego postoffice was established in 1856, near the section line between sections 17 and 18, Otsego township. John McDonald was the first postmaster."

Volume II page 781

"The first permanent settlers in Otsego were John McDonald, Sr., and David McPherson. They arrived about July 31, 1852 . . . John McDonald Sr., was born in Standish, Cumberland county, Maine, June 5, 1806, and as a youth became a millwright. He arrived in St. Anthony, Minn., December 25, 1847, and in company with Caleb Dorr, Ar. d. Godfrey, George Forbes, W. A. Cheever and others, helped to put the first stick of timber in the first dam built at St. Anthony falls. His first work in the territory was repairing the old government sawmill on the west side of the river, in order that lumber might be sawed for a flatboat. In the winter of 1850-51 he taught school in St. Anthony. July 31, 1852, he and his wife came up the river and took a claim in section 17, township 121, range 23."

". . . meeting of the board of county commissioners held July 2, 1855, a petition was received for a county road from Waterville at the mouth of the Crow river through the town of Otsego to Monticello. This was the first county road . . . appointed a committee to meet at the house of John McDonald on July 16, and lay out the road. At the same meeting a petition was received for a county road from John McDonald's landing across the county to Crow river, near Bigelows, now the old townsite of Hassan . . . petition was granted . . ." "Otsego was given its present boundaries by the county commissioners April 6, 1858. The first meeting was held at the home of John McDonald May 11, 1858. Many of the voters were in favor of the old precinct name, Pleasant Grove, but the New Yorkers were in the majority and the name Otsego prevailed . . . first officers elected were: . . . assessor, John McDonald . . ."

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"The first marriage was that of Louis McDonald and Clemina Spencer, married December 25, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace." "The Civil war . . . Among those who enlisted from this place were: Co. B, First Minn. Vol. Inf. Joseph McDonald. Co. H, Third Minn. Vol. Inf. F. S. McDonald, . . . John McDonald . . ." "John McDonald established a ferry at the village of Otsego in 1855."

Volume II page 784

"Otsego Village was surveyed and platted in May, 1857, for J. G. Smith, Z. M. Brown, J. N. Barber and John McDonald, Sr." "In 1857, Cooper and Crary built a large steam sawmill on the townsite at the mouth of the creek . . . but it was not a success, and the machinery was removed to Elk River in 1860. John McDonald purchased the building, put in a small engine, and operated a sawmill on a small scale . . . A postoffice was opened in 1856 with John McDonald as postmaster . . . For a time a small store and the postoffice were kept . . . for many years. Joseph McDonald, a grandson of John McDonald, bought the land and store and erected a good general store." "Joseph McDonald is a prosperous hay and feed dealer in Minneapolis, but he has a fine modern home, just across the street from the Otsego church and he spends a good part of his time here. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. McDonald live nearby. They were the first couple married in Otsego, and now in their old age they are taking much comfort and are a bright and cheery couple indeed."

Volume II page 820

"Methodist Episcopal Church of Otsego . . . The church was regularly organized in May, 1857. The members were . . . John McDonald and wife, . . . John McDonald gave his barn as a place of worship until a church could be erected. He also gave the lots for the church."

MCDONALD
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"John McDonald, born in Maine, June 5, 1806; built a dam at St. Anthony Falls in 1847; two years later built two mills there; afterward engaged in farming at Otsego, Wright county."

Farnham's page 23-26

"The first white settlers in Wright county were David McPherson and John McDonald sen., on the 31st day of July, 1852 . . . John McDonald sen., who was actually the first settler, was born on the 5th day of June, 1806, in Standish, Cumberland county, State of Maine. He is a millwright by trade; he landed in Minnesota the 25th day of September, 1847, and in company with Caleb Dorr, Ard Godfrey, George Forbes, W. A. Cheever and others laid the first stick of timber in the first dam built at St. Anthony Falls, during the fall of 1847. His first work after his arrival in Minnesota was to repair the old Government saw mill on the west side of the falls so as to saw out planks for a flat boat; he went up to the Run river pineries that winter with a number of lumberman to procure timber for the dam and mill, but failing to find the kind of timber they needed, they returned, and with a large party in the spring of 1848, went up the Mississippi river to Swan river, where they procured all the timber they wanted for the dam and mill. Mr. McDonald worked about a year at Willow river in Wisconsin, building a saw mill, but his family arriving from Maine, he returned to Minnesota and worked at the millwright business and at lumbering; and on the 31st day of July, 1852, he and his wife went up the Mississippi river, and selected a claim on sec. 17, township 121 range 23, now in the town of Otsego, where he now resides . . . If there was any communication between the settlers of Monticello and Otsego, it was by the Indian trail along the Mississippi river. In the spring of 1854, H. W. McCrory and two others went to McDonald's with an ox team to get seed corn and potatoes, and it was a long journey, taking about 5 days; they had to cut a road part of the way and follow the very crooked Indian trail." "On the 20th day of February, 1855, the Territorial Legislature passed an act organizing Wright county . . . Monticello was designated as the county seat . . . The Governor appointed John McDonald sen., Archie Downie and J. D. Taylor the first board of county commissioners . . . The board of county commissioners met at Monticello, April 9, 1855. The board consisted of John McDonald chairman, Archie Downie and J. D. Taylor." "In Pleasant Grove precinct the place of holding the elections was the dwelling house of John McDonald." " . . . meeting of the board of county commissioners was held at Monticello, July 2, 1855. A petition was received for a county road from Waterville at the mouth of the Crow river, to Monticello. The petition was granted . . . a committee to meet at the house of John McDonald on the 16th day of July, 1855, and lay out said road . . . petition for a road from John McDonald's landing, across the county to Crow river, to near Bigelows, (now the old townsite of Hassan) . . . petition was granted . . . committee to meet at McDonald's on Monday, July 16, 1855, and survey and lay out said road."

Farnham's page 352-361

" The first white permanent settlers in Otsego and the first in Wright county were John McDonald Sen. and David McPherson; they came into the town about the same date, the 31st day of July, 1852 . . . John McDonald, who was the first actual settler, was born in Standish, Cumberland county, State of Maine, June 5, 1806; he is a millwright by trade, and came to St. Anthony the 25th day of December 1847, and in company with Caleb Dorr, Ard. Godfrey, George Forbes and W. A. Cheever and others helped put in the first stick of timber in the first dam built at St. Anthony Falls. His first work in the territory was repairing the old government saw mill on the west side of the river, so as to saw out the lumber for a flat boat. Mr. McDonald taught school during the winter of 1850 and 1851, in St. Anthony, and worked at the millwright trade until July 1852. On the 31st day of that month he and his wife went up the river and took a claim in section 17, township 121, range 23, where they now reside."

". . . board of county commissioners first meeting at Monticello, April 9, 1855; the board consisted of John McDonald Sen., . . . In Pleasant Grove precinct, the place designated to hold elections was the dwelling house of John McDonald."

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"The first town meeting was held at the house of John McDonald, May 11, 1858. . . . elected town officers: . . . Assessor - John McDonald."

"The first marriage was that of Louis McDonald and Miss Clemina Spencer, married December 25, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace."

"In May 1857, J. G. Smith, Z. M. Brown, J. N. Barbur and John McDonald Sen. had surveyed and platted about 400 acres in sections 17 and 18, township 121, range 23, on the bank of the Mississippi river, as the village of Otsego . . . "

"That year Messrs. Cooper and Crary built a large steam saw mill at the mouth of the creek on the townsite; . . . it was not a success . . . John McDonald purchased the building and put in a small engine and saw mill which burned in 1878. . . . A postoffice was established in 1856, John McDonald, postmaster."

"OTSEGO IN THE WAR OF 1861 . . . John McDonald Co. H 3rd Reg't . . . F. S. McDonald Co. H 3rd Reg't"

"John McDonald established a ferry at the village of Otsego, in 1855, and has owned and run the same to the present time."

"The Methodist Episcopal church was organized in May 1857. The members were . . . John McDonald and wife . . ."

History of the Upper Mississippi Valley pages 484-5

"The first white men to locate homes within the present borders of Wright county were John McDonald, Sen., and David McPherson, in July, 1852. Their claims were in the present town of Otsego, where the former still lives. He is the oldest settler in the county, and is prominently identified with its organization, as is shown by his biography elsewhere given." "John McDonald Sen., Archie Downie, and J. D. Taylor, were appointed County Commissioners . . . held their first meeting on the 9th of April, 1855, the first-named commissioner being chosen as chairman."

"In Pleasant Grove Precinct the dwelling house of John McDonald was designated . . . John McDonald and Ezra Tubbs were appointed Justices of the Peace . . ."

"OLD SETTLERS" ASSOCIATION This society was organized in 1868 . . . It was decided that the membership be confined to residents of the county prior to January 1st, 1858 . . . Each town was represented by a Vice President as follows: . . . John McDonald, Otsego . . ."

History of the Upper Mississippi Valley pages 560-1

"The first marriage was L. McDonald, a son of John McDonald, and Miss C. Spencer, a daughter of Ephraim Spencer."

"JOHN MCDONALD was born in Standish, Cumberland county, Maine on the 5th of June 1806. His early life was spent on a farm. In 1827, he engaged in lumbering and millwright business. In 1847, he came to St. Anthony, Minnesota. His first work was to repair the old Government sawmill on the west side of the falls, to saw plank for a flat-boat; and then with Caleb Dorr, Ard Godfrey, George Forbes, W. A. Cheever, and others, built the first dam at St. Anthony Falls in the fall of 1847. The following spring, returned to Maine, and in the fall of the same year went to Willow river, now Hudson, Wisconsin, remaining until May, 1849 when he returned to St. Anthony and built two mills. Then went to Little Falls, Minnesota, and spent the winter, and in the spring of 1850 returned to Minneapolis, remaining till 1852, when he came to Otsego, and made a claim on section seventeen. He built a house, and in the following October, moved his family to their new home, where he has since resided, engaged in farming. He built the first ferry across the Mississippi at this place, in April 1854. He was chairman of the first board of County Commissioners in 1855, and was also Justice of the Peace. Mr. McDonald has been twice married; his first wife, Miss Mary Inman, was chosen on the 6th of November, 1828. They had two sons; John and Lewis. He lost his companion, and married for a second wife, Miss Zelpha H. Marsh, of Orono, Maine, on the 1st of August, 1841."

101 Best Stories of Wright County Minnesota page 53

"On July 31, 1852, John McDonald Sr, and David McPherson came up the Mississippi river and chose the location of Present day Otsego village as the finest they had seen. They both homesteaded and built cabins. McPherson was a religious man - a Scotch Presbyterian who opened his home to his neighbors for religious services. McDonald was also a religious man who gave his brand new barn as a meeting place when the congregation grew. McPherson was a liberal man - his half-breed wife was the daughter of Captain Vail of Ft. Snelling. McDonald was also a liberal man - his store and home were open to settler and traveller alike. McPherson was a restless man - he left his wife and family on the claim and went out to the Pike's Peak gold fields for six or seven years before he came back for them and moved to Wisconsin. McDonald was a settled man - his store and ferry formed the core around which the little settlement of Otsego grew. He is considered the first permanent settler of the area. His store provided goods for the fledgling village of Monticello and the men of Monticello cut a wagon trail through the timber along the Mississippi from their village to his store in the spring of 1854. McPherson's life is no doubt the most interesting. His adventures would thrill readers but the contribution of John McDonald's life to Wright County has the most meaning today. His descendants are still with us helping our county grow."

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<LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO> . . . McDonald John . . . McDonald John Jr."

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" . . . It is a tradition that John McDonald donated the land for the church <Methodist Episcopal> building on the townsite but this appears to be wishful thinking. After a fundraising campaign which netted \$1,200.00, McDonald sold the trustees lots 1 through 5 of Block 77 July 7, 1871 and charged \$125.00 . . . Aug. 18, 1873 the McDonalds sold all of Block 26 and 41 to the trustees of the M. E. Church for a campground."

Condensed History of Wright County page 10

"Soon after the establishment of the county, Governor Willis A. Gorman named as county commissioners, John McDonald, . . . "

Condensed History of Wright County page 30-31

"It is an undisputed fact that Otsego town has the distinction of being selected as the abiding place of the first permanent white settlers in Wright County. John McDonald, Sr., and David McPherson arrived about July 31, 1852 and McDonald took a claim in Section 17, T. 121, R. 23. He was a man of marked ability, a millwright and in the winter of 1850-51 taught school in St. Anthony."

" . . . The organization of the town was completed May 11, 1858 when the following officers were chosen: . . . assessor, John McDonald . . . "

" . . . in 1855 John McDonald established a ferry at Otsego townsite."

"A postoffice was established and John McDonald was the first postmaster."

Condensed History of Wright County page 76-77

"First Minnesota Infantry. This regiment was mustered in April, 1861 . . .

Among the Wright county recruits were: . . . Joseph McDonald, Otsego, . . .

Third Minnesota Infantry. This regiment was organized in October, 1861 . . .

Roster of men from Wright county: . . . Otsego: Francis S. McDonald . . .

John McDonald . . . "

Condensed History of Wright County page 89

"On January 6, 1906, Otsego was again to be the scene of another tragedy, when Williard E. Brandt murdered his young and beautiful wife and her alleged paramour, sometime during the night, and then killed himself . . . Coroner Moffet appointed . . . Joseph E. McDonald . . . as jurymen."

Holt Diary

July 30, 1883 Old lady McDonald died am
Jan. 27, 1884 Joseph McDonald and Carrie Pickard were married
July 12, 1885 George McDonald was drowned in Lake Minnetonka
July 14, 1885 The funeral of George McDonald took place
Oct. 16, 1886 Old Man McDonald died 5 pm
June 26, 1888 Frank Brown has arrested Joe McDonald about the ferry

MCDONALD
(continued)

Andreas Atlas 1874

"John McDonald Range 23 Section 17 Farmer born Cumberland Co., Maine Came to Minnesota 1847"

"Portrait page 206"

Biography - page 265 "John McDonald was born in Maine June 5, 1806. In 1827 he engaged in lumbering and millwright business. In 1847 he went to the Falls of St. Anthony and engaged in building a dam. In 1848 he returned to Maine and in the Fall of the same year went back to Wisconsin. In 1849 he returned to the Falls and built two mills. In 1852 he made a claim in Otsego, Wright county, and moved his family on October 7, the same year and engaged in farming pursuits. He was one of the commissioners to organize the town."

Cemetery

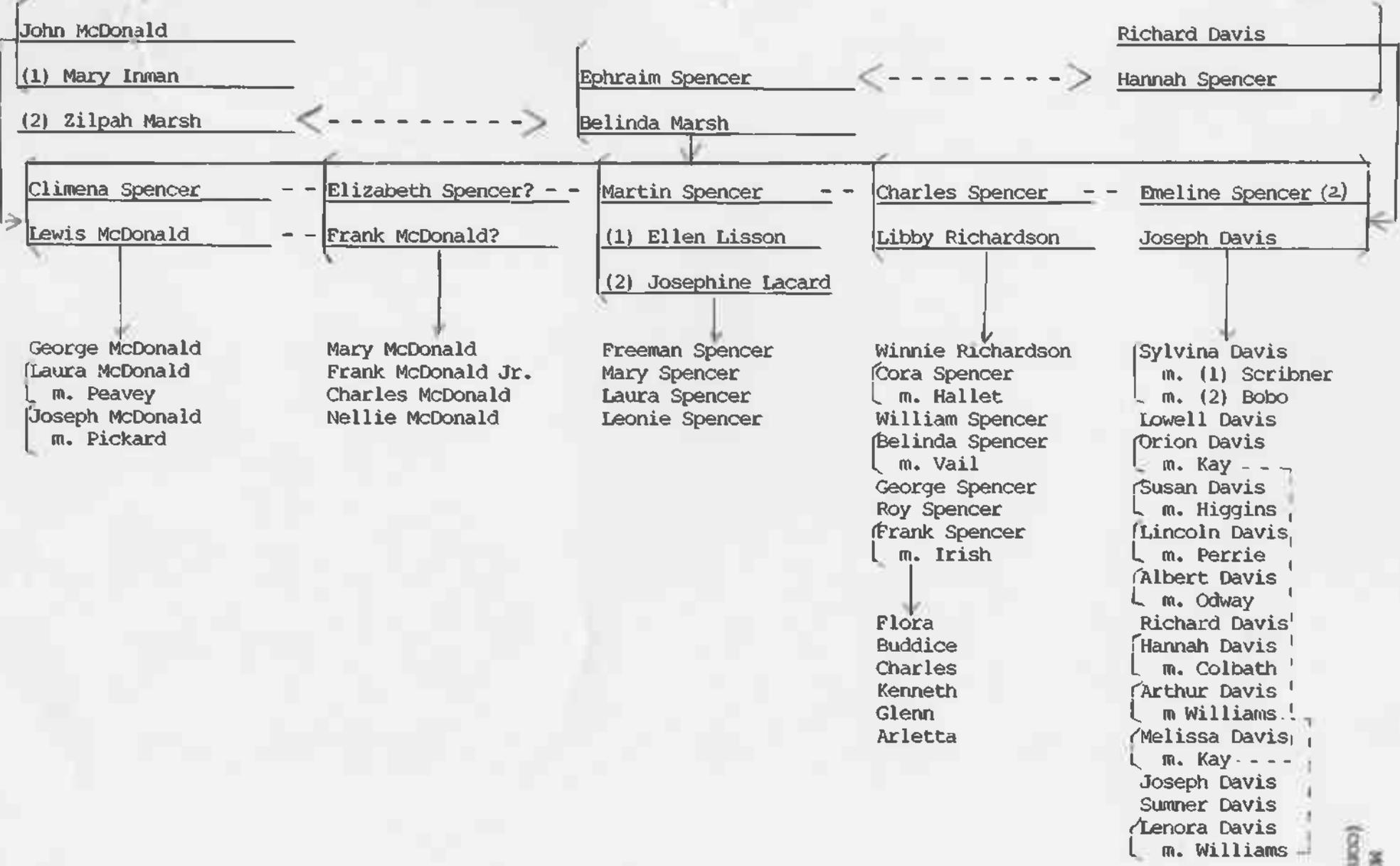
McDonald	born	died	Other information
Carrie	1868	1919	
Climena	1843	1932	
George A.		July 12, 1885	Son of L & C H age 28 yrs 8 da
Joe	1864	1934	
Laora	Dec. 14, 1860	Mar. 17, 1902	
Lewis	1833	1918	Father - Civil War
Eddie		Sep. 8, 1865	Son of J & M T age 1 yr 9 mo 4 da
Father(John)	1807	Oct. 16, 1887	80 yrs 4 mo 10 da
Joseph		Apr. 1, 1865	age 28 yrs 8 mo Sgt Co C 1st Reg Minn Civil War
Zilpah H.		Aug. 3, 1883	Wife of John age 79 yrs 1 mo 2 da

Register of Deaths

July 30, 1883 Zilpah McDonald age 79 yrs 1 mo 2 da born Maine Erysipelaz

July 12, 1885 George McDonald 28 yrs 8 da born MN Drowned-Occupation:
Engineer Parents Lewis and Climena born Maine

Oct. 16, 1886 John McDonald 80 yrs 4 mo 10 da born Maine Came to MN 1849-
Old Age



MCDONALD
(continued)

MCDONALD
(continued)Robert McDonald
Mary KendrickPeletiah McDonald m. Aug. 6, 1787 ?second wife - 4 sons born in Standish
Dorcas Stewart

John McDonald 1806-1887

(1) Mary Inman m. Nov. 6, 1828

? [John McDonald Jr. Nov. 2, 1830 m. 1862
• Mary J. Wood

Addie C. McDonald

Edwin (Eddie?) McDonald d. 1865

[Lewis McDonald 1833 - 1918

[Climena Spencer 1844 - 1932

George 1857 - 1885

Laura m. Edmund Peavey

[Joseph 1864

[Carrie Pickard m. Jan. 27, 1884

? [Frank (Francis?) McDonald 1835 m. 1857
[Elizabeth Spencer 1838

Mary E.

Frank Jr.

Charles H.

Nellie

Joseph McDonald 1837 - 1865

(2) Zilpah Marsh m. Aug. 1, 1841

1865 Census #68

Annes Campbell
 Margaret "
 James McKosh
 Mary "
 James M. "
 Catherine McDougall

MCGOVERN

1880 Census #101

McGovern	Edwin	age 33	Farmer	born Illinois
"	Ophelia	33	Wife	N. Y.
"	Frank	11	Son	Ill.
"	Leroy	5	Son	Minn.
"	Leray	5	Son	"

MCINTYRE
MCKISER1870 Census #99

Weigle	Frank	age 37	Millowner	born Hesse Damstadt
"	Margaret	36		Prussia
Smucker	?	14		Indiana
Holland	?	6		Minnesota
Harety	James	26	Laborer	Ireland
McKiser	Ellick	30	works in sawmill	Nove Scotia
McIntyre	James	26	" " " "	" "
Lemke	August	23	" " " "	Prussia

MCKOSH
(MCCOSH)1865 Census #68

Annas Campbell
 Margaret "
 James McKosh
 Mary "
 James "
 Catherine McDougall

1870 Census #31

Campbell Dan'l	age 35	Farmer	born New Brunswick
" Agnes	35		Scotland
" Margaret	95		Prince Edward Island
McKosh James	71	Farmer	New Brunswick
" Mary	35		" "
" Margaret	36		Minnesota
" Joseph	4		"

1875 Census #55

Margaret Campbell	age 73	born P. E. Island
Margaret McCosh	9	Minnesota
Joseph "	6	"

Register of Deaths

Mar. 22, 1873 Mary McCosh age 41 born New Brunswick Fever
 Parents: Hyus? and Margaret Campbell born scotland

1860 Census #483

Thomas McLeod age 25? Farmer born New York
 Clara " 26 " "

1865 Census #48

Thomas McLeod
 Clara "
 Henry "

1865 Census #72

John McDonald
 Zilpah "
 Jane Marsh
 William McCloud

1870 Census #93

McLeod Thomas age 35 Farmer born New York
 " Clara 36 " "
 Washburn Melvin 24 Farm laborer " "
 McLeod Henry M. 16 " "

1875 Census #112

Thomas McLeod age 40 born N. Y.
 Clara " 41 " "

1880 Census #22

McLeod Thos. age 41 Farmer born N. Y.
 " Clara 41 Wife " "
 McDermid Jos. 55 Boarder/laborer born Maine
 Washburn M. D. 34 " " N. Y.

1879 Map

Range 24 section 26 and 27

1894 Map

Range 24 section 26 and 27

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"The <county> board for 1870 consisted of . . . Thomas McLeod . . . In 1871 the board consisted of Thomas McLeod from the second district . . . 1887 . . . Thomas McLeod . . . 1889 . . . Thomas McLeod . . ."

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The Civil war . . Co. H, Third Minn. Vol Inf . . . William McLeod . . . "

Volume II page 785

" . . . among the oldest settlers . . . Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McLeod . . . are also gone . . . "

Farnham's page 359

"The following persons enlisted in the U. S. army during the great rebellion:
. . . Wm. McLeod Co. H 3rd Reg't . . . "

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"<LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO> McLeod Thomas . . . McLeod Wm. . . . "

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" . . . among Otsego citizens men who have exerted a marked influence in the political life and development of the county . . . Thomas McLeod, a member of the board of county commissioners in 1870-71 and 1889 and 1890 . . . "

Washburn Family Papers

"Clarinda Washburn born 1834, died 1914. Daughter of John Ward and Mehitable Washburn . . . called Clara . . . age 22 when family moved to Otsego . . . married Thomas McLeod in 1858 and lived in Otsego Township on a farm adjoining her father's until the time of her death . . . buried in Monticello . . . no children . . . adopted two Henry and Caroline . . . Clara and Thomas were both members of Otsego Methodist Church and he was Sunday School Superintendent for over thirty years . . . Frederick was the youngest son of John Ward Washburn . . . born 16 June, 1857 in Minnesota. Married Adelia King in 1877 . . . two children, Ethel Genevieve and Roscoe. Adelia died in 1882, as did Roscoe, age 2 . . . both buried in Otsego cemetery . . . Ethel Genevieve lived with her Aunt Clara McLeod until her father remarried. Frederick married Anna McLeod of Minneapolis on 24 September, 1893 . . . one child, Frederick Milton Washburn, II."

1875 Census #109

John Pippin	age 50	born Canada
Julia	" 45	"
John L.	" 25	N. Y.
Hattie J.	" 18?	Minnesota
Julia	" 13	"
Fred	" 11	"
Wm. L.	" 10	"
Priscilla McNeils	23	N. Y.
Finly	" 24	N. B.

1880 Census #85

McNeil Finlay	age 30	Farmer	born N. B.
" Priscilla	29	Wife	N. Y.
" Annie	4	Daughter	Minnesota
" Guy	2	Son	"

Register of Deaths

Feb. 14, 1882 Guy Irving McNeil age 8 yrs 10 mo 10 da born MN Membrainous
Croup Parents: Finley and Priscilla born Canada and N. Y.

1855 Census

David McPherson 3-1-4

1857 Census #1

David McFerson	age 20?	born New York
Mary	" 28	Wisconsin
Norman	" 4	Minnesota
M.	" 3	"
Nelson	" 8/12	"

1860 Census #456

David McPherson	age 35	Carp. and Farmer	born Canada East
Mary	" 26		Wisconsin
Norman	" 7		Minnesota
Malcolm	" 5		"
Nelson	" 3		"
Alferetta	" 1		"
John Gillman	18	Laborer	Maine

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" . . . David McPherson also settled in the town in 1852 . . . The first child born was David McPherson, a son of Norman McPherson."

Volume I page 92

"David McPherson also settled in Otsego township July 31, 1852. McPherson's residence here was brief. The reputed wealth of the Pike's Peak gold fields induced his emigration thither, from which locality he afterwards removed to Wisconsin."

Volume I pages 118-9

"In Pleasant Grove precinct the dwelling house of John McDonald, SR., was designated, and Ezra Tubbs (soon followed by David McPherson) . . . appointed judges of election . . . <April 9, 1855>" " . . . meeting of the county commissioners . . . July 2, 1855 . . . following appointments were then made: . . . David McPherson, judge of election in Pleasant Grove precinct . . . "

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Range 23 Section 15 David McPherson May 15, 1856

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"The first permanent white settlers in Otsego were John McDonald, Sr., and David McPherson. They arrived about July 31, 1852. McPherson remained here a few years and then went to Pike's Peak."

"The first white child born in the town was Norman McPherson, son of David McPherson, born April 18, 1853. He is believed to have been the first white child born in Wright county."

Farnham's page 23

"The first white settlers in Wright county were David McPherson and John McDonald sen., on the 31st day of July, 1852. McPherson remained here but a short time, and finally left his family here and went west to Pike's Peak, Colorado, where he remained six or seven years, when he returned and removed to the State of Wisconsin: his wife was a daughter of Capt. Vail of Fort Snelling, and was a half breed Indian."

Farnham's page 26

" . . . meeting of the board of county commissioners was held at Monticello, July 2, 1855 . . . David McPherson was appointed judge of election in Pleasant Grove precinct, to fill the vacancy caused by Ezra Tubbs not qualifying."

Farnham's page 352-3

"The first white permanent settlers in Otsego and the first in Wright county were John McDonald Sen. and David McPherson; They came into the town about the same date, the 31st day of July, 1852. Mr. McPherson remained here but two or three years, then went to Pikes Peak, Colorado."

101 Best Stories of Wright County page 21

"On the 18th of March, 1853, our history books tell us, the first white child was born in Wright county. This is a little misleading. The child's name was Norman McPherson and he was, as far as we know, indeed born on that date. However, the color of his skin is open to doubt. Norman's mother was the half-breed daughter of Captain Vail who was at that time serving the garrison at Fort Snelling. Norman's father was David McPherson who was one of Wright county's first settlers. David came up the Mississippi River with John McDonald, St. Anthony millwright, and settled at the site of the village at Otsego. McDonald settled his family in and built for the future. McPherson, however, was not satisfied with staying in one place for any length of time. A few years after Norman was born, David left his wife and family in Wright county and went out to Pike's Peak to search for gold. Whether or not he made his fortune this way is not recorded but after an absence of several years, he returned for his family and moved into Wisconsin. What Mrs. McPherson thought of her husband's wanderings is also not recorded."

101 Best Stories of Wright County page 53

"On July 31, 1852, John McDonald SR. and David McPherson came up the Mississippi River and chose the location of present day Otsego village as the finest they had seen. They both homesteaded and built cabins. McPherson was a religious man - a Scotch Presbyterian who opened his home to his neighbors for religious services. McDonald was also a religious man who gave his brand new barn as a meeting place when the congregation grew. McPherson was a liberal man - his half-breed wife was the daughter of Captain Vail of Ft. Snelling. McDonald was also a liberal man - his store and home were open to settler and traveller alike. McPherson was a restless man - he left his wife and family on the claim and went out to the Pike's Peak gold fields for six or seven years before he came back for them and moved to Wisconsin. McDonald was a settled man - his store and ferry formed the core around which the little settlement of Otsego grew. He is considered the first permanent settler of the area. His store provided goods for the fledgling village of Monticello and the men of Monticello cut a wagon trail through the timber along the Mississippi from their village to his store in the spring of 1854. McPherson's life is no doubt the most interesting. His adventures would thrill readers but the contribution of John McDonald's life to Wright County has the most meaning today. His descendants are still with us helping our county grow."

History of the Upper Mississippi Valley pages 484-5

"The first white men to locate homes within the present borders of Wright county were John McDonald, Sen., and David McPherson, in July, 1852 . . . McPherson's residence here was brief. . . Pike's Peak gold fields induced his emigration thither . . . he afterwards removed to Wisconsin. . . meeting of the board . . . July 2d, 1855 . . . appointments . . . David McPherson, Judge of Election . . ."

Condensed History of Wright County pages 30-31

". . . undisputed fact that Otsego town . . . selected as the abiding place of the first permanent white settlers in Wright County. . . David McPherson arrived about July 31, 1852 . . . first white child born in Wright County was Norman McPherson, born April 18, 1853."

MILLER

1870 Census #95

Miller Mathias	age	50	Farmer	born	Prussia
" Mary		50			"
" Jacob		19			"
" Maria		11			Illinois
" Annie		8			"

1875 Census #42

Mathias Miller	age	53	born	Germany
Mary A.	"	53		"
Katie	"	16		Illinois
Annie	"	14		"
Rosa	"	1		Minnesota

William Johnson

Charlotte Ferguson Dec. 10, 1819-Dec. 11, 1914

Albert Johnson Aug. 6, 1845-Nov. 12, 1926

* Martha Ann Weaver Jan. 28, 1855-Dec. 18, 1923

-- Mattie Clara Johnson Dec. 20, 1885-Oct. 12, 1972 m. Ira Millhouse June 6, 1906

Joseph Weaver d. Feb. 1894

Nancy Corentry

* Martha Ann Weaver

Asher Millhouse Jan. 17, 1804-Aug. 16, 1881

Anna Kramer

Mary Millhouse Nov. 14, 1824

Jacob " Mar. 1, 1828

Elizabeth" Oct. 19, 1830-Sep. 1831

Susanna " July 22, 1832

Lidia " June 13, 1834

Asher Jr." July 13, 1836

Nancy " Nov. 14, 1838

John " May 5, 1841

Ruben " Aug. 31, 1842

Henry Kramer " Dec. 11, 1843-Nov. 25, 1917 m. Feb. 18, 1869

Anna Eshelman Aug. 23, 1843-Mar. 21, 1924

Amanda Millhouse Nov. 5, 1869 m. James Duff

Annie " Aug. 23, 1872-Aug. 23, 1872

Lydia " Aug. 23, 1872-Sep. 21, 1872

Unnamed boy" July 11, 1875

Ira " July 11, 1875-Oct. 20, 1951 m. June 6, 1906

** Mattie Clara Johnson Dec. 20, 1885-Oct. 12, 1972

Florence Clara Millhouse Apr. 19, 1907 m. Lewis Raymond Davis

Verna Ellen " Jan. 20, 1910 m. Everett Specht

Blanche Bonita " Oct. 3, 1911 m. Lewis Pouliot

Everett Allen " Dec. 13, 1914-Apr. 12, 1984

Orange Millhouse Oct. 4, 1877-Nov. 13, 1963

Elizabeth Caroline Klaus Dec. 21, 1883-Apr. 18, 1962 m. Dec. 25, 1901

Arthur Millhouse Aug. 10, 1902-Nov. 15, 1902

Edna " Nov. 18, 1903

Elmer " Mar. 28, 1905-Feb. 21, 1969

Nora " May 31, 1910-July 10, 1973

Cora " Dec. 8, 1911

Terressa " May 22, 1879-Oct. 26, 1944 m. Floyd Dean

Ephrain " Sep. 10, 1869

Carlain " July 4, 1847-Sep. 13, 1869

Anna " Feb. 15, 1849

Suffish " Aug. 27, 1851-Dec. 5, 1851

George " Jan. 11, 1852

1855 Census

MORRILL

1857 Census

John Morrill	age 40	Farmer	born Maine
Mrs. "	40		
?	11		
John	9		
Jane	7		
James	5		

1860 Census 484

John N. Morrill	age 39	Farmer	born New Brunswick
Mary A.	" 45		Nova Scotia
Maria A.	" 13		New Brunswick
John N.	" 12		" "
Mary J.	" 11		" "
James W.	" 7		Maine

1865 Census #56

J. N. Morrill			
Mary	"		
Maria	"		
John	"		
Mary	"		
James	"		

1870 Census #21

Mordl? John N.	age 52	Farmer	born New Brunswick
" Mary A.	56		Canada
" John N.	21	Farmer	New Brunswick
" Mary J.	20		" "
" James W.	15		Maine
" Lilli I.	3		Wisconsin

1875 Census #27

John N. Morrell	age 55	born N. B.	
Mary A.	" 60	"	
James W.	" 21	Maine	
Lillie J.	" 7	Minnesota	
Wm. Schirling	16	Sweden	

1880 Census #19

Morrell James	age 26	Farmer	born Maine
" Henrietta	19	Wife	Michigan
" William	1	Son	Minnesota

1880 Census #38

Morrell John	age 60	Farmer	born New Brunswick
" Mary	65	Wife	Nova Scotia
" Lillie	12	Daughter	Wisconsin
Colbath George	20	Boarder/laborer	Maine
Shirling Wm.	21	" "	Sweden

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" . . . among the oldest settlers . . . the Morrells . . . "

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"Methodist Episcopal Church of Otsego . . . organized in May, 1857 . . . members were . . . A. H. Merrill? and wife . . . "

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"JOHN NICHOLAS MORRELL, a native of the province of New Brunswick, was born on the 25th of December, 1820. His parents moved to the state of Maine when he was but eight years of age. At the age of seventeen, went on a sea voyage to Boston and New York, then back to Maine, and engaged in farming and lumbering until 1855, when he moved to Minneapolis and worked in a saw mill for Leonard Day & Brothers for a short time, but came to this township the same year, where he has lived ever since. He bought his present farm in section eighteen in 1863. He enlisted on the 4th of October, 1861, in Company C, of the Fourth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, under Captain Donaldson; was in the siege of Corinth, where he received a sunstroke and laid in an unconscious state for seven weeks, being removed, in the meantime, to Keokuk, Iowa. He was discharged on the 12th of September, 1862, on account of disability, but re-enlisted in August, 1864, in Company F, of his old regiment, under Captain Wellman, serving until the 12th of June, 1865. Then returned to his farm, and now resides in this town. He married Miss Mary A. Leahey, a native of Nova Scotia, on the 4th of November, 1844. They have had a family of six children, four of whom are living."

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 18	J. N. Morrell	41 acres
" "	" "	M. W.	38 "
" "	" 19	M. W.	20.51 "
" "	" "	M.	20.51 "

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 18	Mary A. Morrell
" 24	" 22	J. W. Morrell

CemeteryMorrell

Elizabeth	born 1862	died 1936	Wife of J W
James W.	1853	1942	
Lee B.		Apr. 8, 1884	
J. N.			Co F 4th Minn Inf Civil War
Mary A.	1815	1898	Mother

Register of Deaths

Apr. 8, 1854 Lee Morrill age 1 yr 1 mo 24 da Teething Parents: James and Henrietta born Maine and Illinois

Oct. 17, 1888 John C. Morrill 67 yrs 2 mo 8 da born New Brunswick

Dec. 3, 1897 Mary A. Morrell 83 yrs 6 mo 3 da born Nova Scotia Old Age Parents: James Lahey and Mary born Ireland

Andreas Atlas 1874

John N. Morrell Range 23 section 18 Farmer born New Brunswick
Came to Minnesota 1855.

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"James W. Morrell, Farmer, Otsego township, was born in Robbinstown, Maine, October 24, 1853, son of John and Mary (Lahey) Morrell, natives of New Brunswick, Canada, who came from Maine to Minnesota in 1857, and located in Otsego township where they ended their days. In the family there were six children; Irene (deceased); Maria; Jane; John; Rachael (deceased); and James W. James W. Morrell grew to manhood in this county, and spent several years working in the lumber woods and on the river. Then he bought 160 acres of wild land, which he cleared, broke, improved, and sold. Then he bought another tract of 160 acres which he operated some five years and then sold. Later he bought 100 acres on section 23 where he now lives, and where he has a splendid place. He does general farming and dairying and makes a specialty of fruit growing. He is a Republican in politics and belongs to the Masons. By his first wife, Henrietta, Mr. Morrell had three children: William J., of Otsego township; Lee R. (deceased); and Ellis J., of Chicago. The present Mrs. Morrell was Emma Thorp, a native of Wright county. They have three children: Clayton, Lester and James W., Jr."

"William J. Morrell, farmer, Otsego township, was born in the township where he still resides, May 11, 1879, son of James W. and Henrietta Morrell. He remained at home until he was about twenty-two years of age, and then rented the home place for a while. Later he rented eighty acres on section 22, Otsego township, which he now owns. He also rents 120 acres in Monticello township, which he operates in connection with the home place. He carries on general farming and has been very successful. He is an independent voter, and has been supervisor of the township, in which capacity he has done good service. Mr. Morrell was married November 1, 1905, to Jennie Crozier, and they have four children: Harold William, Vernon, Bernice and Floyd. The family faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church."

Holt Diary

Apr. 23, 1883 Miss Lilly Morrell commenced teaching school
Apr. 1, 1884 Mr. Morrells house burned at night
Apr. 8, 1884 Jim Morrell's little boy died
Jan. 2, 1884 Mr. Morrell's house burned at night
July 2, 1884 Mr. Morrell building a new house
Nov. 3, 1884 Miss Lilly Morrill commenced teaching school at Pelican Lake
Mar. 8, 1885 James Morrell's house burned at night
Apr. 9, 1886 Fred Vail and Lilly Morrell were married
Oct. 19, 1888 Mr. Morrell was buried

Holt Family Papers

"William James married Jennie Crozier. Bought farm June 6, 1919 from widow Susanna Richter. Stayed until Oct. 1929. State Bank of Hanover foreclosed. Ralph E. Holt bought it Jan. 2, 1934. Ralph sold it Feb. 26, 1945 to William J. and Lulu M. Morrell. William J. Morrell had his daughter and her husband, Henry Yoss farm the place from about 1947 to Nov. 1951. William J. and Lulu returned then and stayed until June 1953 when they sold the farm to Vernon P. and Ruth M. Morrell (she was a Washburn)"

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<LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO> . . . J. N. Morrill . . .

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Range 24 Section 35 John N. Morris Apr. 23, 1857

Cemetery

Morris, Vernon R. died 1977 WW II

MORRISON

1860 Census #498

Alexander H. Morrison	age 54	Farmer	born Maine
Rebecca P.	" 51		"
Lydia A.	" 16		"
William E.	" 13		"
Everett A.	" 12		"

1860 Census #499

John C. Morrison	age 32	Farmer	born Maine
Georgiana "	26		Nova Scotia
John M. "	8		Maine
Sarah E. "	5		"
Georgiana A. "	1		Minnesota

1857 Census #6

John C. Morrison	age 30	born Maine
Georgeanna "	22	"
Melvin "	5	"
Ella "	3	"

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Range 24 Section 25 John C. Morrison Aug. 26, 1857
 " " " " Alexander H. " " " "

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" . . . Directly next to the townsite, Alvah L. and Margaret Cooley sold to the trustees of the Methodist Church 5 acres for the building of a church and parsonage. The trustees, . . . paid \$32.00 for these five acres Oct. 6, 1860. When this land was sold to A. H. Morrison June 9, 1866 for \$140.00, the congregation had made a profit . . . "

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<LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO> . . . Morrison A. H. . . .

Holt Diary

"Nov. 17, 1883 Will Mosman and Alice Holt married

MOULTON

1860 Census #489

Franklin B. Moulton	age 25	Free Will Baptist Clergy	born New York
Mary A.	" 26		Connecticut
Mary J.	" 7		"
Georgianna	" 3		Minnesota
Hannah O.	" 1		"
Lorenzo Babcock	40	Laborer	Kentucky

NEWMAN

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Range 23 Section 26 Thomas Newman DEC. 13, 1856

NEY
(NYE)1965 Census #22

Austin Nye
Catherine "
Delilah "
Barber "
Sophia "
Aney "

1870 Census #49

Ney Austin	age 63	Farmer	born New York
" Catharin	54		" "
" Bar_?	23	Farmer	Michigan
" Sophia	21		"
" August	19		"

1875 Census #70

Austin Nye	age 63	born N. Y.
Catherine "	56	"
Amy "	22	Michigan
H. H. Bradley	16	Connecticut

1880 Census #64

Nye B. A.	age 32	Farmer	born Michigan
" Laura	19	Wife	Minnesota
" Austin	68	Father	New York

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"OTSEGO IN THE WAR OF 1861 The following persons enlisted in the U. S. ARMY during the great rebellion: . . . Clark Nye Co. H 3rd Reg't."

Cemetery

Nye, Catherine A. born Jun. 21, 1817 died Jun. 6, 1877 Wife of Austin Nye

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Nye Austin . . . "

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"Third Minnesota Infantry This regiment was organized in October, 1861 . . . Roster of men from Wright county: . . . Otsego: . . . Clark Nye . . . "

Register of Deaths

June 6, 1877 Catherine A. Nye age 59 born N. Y. Came to MN Oct. 1860
Reumatic Fever

NICKERSON

1855 Census

J. Nickerson 1-0-1

NORTON

1875 Census #36

Seneca Porter	age 62	born Vermont
Mary "	52	"
Emma "	17	Minnesota
Jessie M. "	14	"
Charity "	10	"
Addie "	7	"
Ellen Norton	2	"

1880 Census #42

Norton A. T.	age 48	Farmer	born Maine
" Ellen	7	Daughter	Minnesota

1880 Census #43

Porter Seneca	age 66	Farmer	born Vermont
" Mary J.	56	Wife	"
" Charity	15	Daughter	Minnesota
" Addie	12	"	"
Norton Hellen	7	Granddaughter	"

Register of Deaths

Mar. 24, 1873 Ellen V. Norton age 19 yrs 4 mo born Vermont Fever
Parents: Seneca and ? Porter born Vermont

OLAN

1880 Census #117

Olan Thomas	age 36	Laborer	born New York
" Mary L.	31	Wife	Michigan
" Willard	12	Son	"
" Emma	10	Daughter	"
" Sarah	10/12	"	"

OLIVER

1860 Census #497

Daniel Oliver age 30 Farmer born Maine

Cemetery

Oliver Elsie died Feb. 11, 1873 Daughter of R R and Mary Hurlbert
age 11 years 3 months 8 days

ORDWAY
(ODDWAY)1870 Census #17

Ordway Walter	age 68	Farmer	born Maine
" Sophie	45	"	"
" Dolley	14	"	"

1875 Census #9

Walter Ordway	age 73	born Maine
Serfan? "	48	"
Dolla "	19	"

1880 Census #32

Ordway Walter	age 78	Farmer	born Maine
" Seraphina	54	Wife	"
" Dolly	24	Daughter	"

Holt Diary

June 26, 1880 Mrs. Oddway died
Nov. 26, 1885 Albert Davis and Dolly Oddway married
Apr. 2, 1886 Mr. Oddways house burned down

Register of Deaths

June 26, 1880 Seraflino Ordway age 54 born Maine Came to Minn. July 20, 1861?
Consumption Parents: Lyman and Sarah born New Hampshire

July 21, 1892 Walter Ordway 92 years 1 month 4 days born Maine
Old Age Parents: not known

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Range 23 Section 32 Jefferson Osborne Apr. 13, 1857

OSTROM

1875 Census #29

Louisa Ostrom	age 48	born Canada
Moses M.	" 29	"
E. B.	" 25	"
Chas. M.	" 21	Wisconsin
Mary	" 10	"
Hattie	" 8	Minnesota
Albert Adams	21	Massachusetts
Emma	" 19	Wisconsin

OSIER
(OZIER)1857 Census #4

Lewis Hozier	age 24	born Canada
Elizabeth "	53?	"

1860 Census #446

Lewis Osir	age 27	Farmer	born C. East
Zoe "	20		Wisconsin
Elizabeth "	50		C. East

1865 Census #18

Lewis Osier	
Zoery? "	
Theoda? "	
Lilly Z. "	
Baby "	

1870 Census #43

Osier Lewis	age 36	Farmer	born Vermont
" Zorh	29		Canada
" Th ?	8		New York
" Lilla	7		" "
" Letta	5		Minnesota
" Ida M.	3		"

1870 Census #44

LaPland Chas.	age 49	Farmer	born Canada
" Elizabeth	42		Maine
" Oliver	21		"
" Isabella	17		"
" William H.	9		"
" Chas. E.	5		Minnesota
Osir Eusebee	65		Canada

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Range 23 Section 22 Louis Osier Oct. 17, 1856

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"Narcisse Shallifoo killed Lewis Osier on the night of July 26, 1870, at the Osier residence, in Otsego township. He was indicted June 7, 1871, and on July 20, 1871, after being found guilty of second degree murder, was sentenced to the state's prison for life. June 17, 1873, he was pardoned by Governor Horace Austin upon the recommendation of many of the leading citizens of the state and county. Shallifoo was a veteran of the Civil war and had lost an arm in the service of his country. His sister was the wife of Lewis Osier. Family trouble arose, and the two men became enemies. On the night of July 26, 1870, Shallifoo went to the Osier residence and asked for some supper. The family had gone to bed, but Mrs. Osier arose and prepared supper for her brother. But a serious altercation arose, Osier hit Shallifoo with a chair, and then Shallifoo stabbed him so that he died almost immediately. Prejudice against Shallifoo in his own neighborhood ran high, and he was convicted of murder. A few years later the governor concurred in the belief of the leading citizens of the state that the circumstances of the killing were such that Shallifoo had already been more than sufficiently punished, and he was released."

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" . . . John Pepin, was born in Montreal, Canada, and came with his parents to New York, where he lived till coming to Minnesota, in 1848. Mr. Pepin moved to his present farm in section twenty-two, in the fall of 1854, where the family now live. He married Miss Julia Osier, of Canada, on the 1st of January, 1848. They have eight children; two sons and one daughter are at home. Hattie J. attended school in the district where they reside, for several years, and one year at Dayton, Hennepin county."

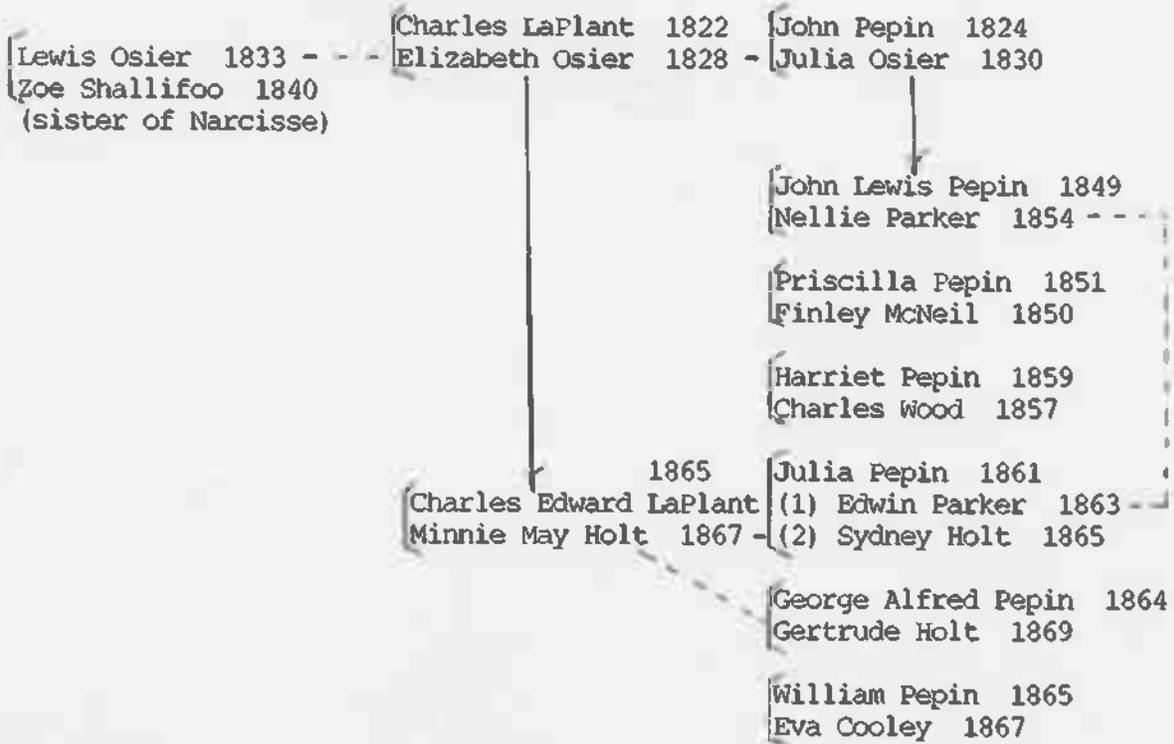
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Cemetery

Page

Clarence G. born 1882 died 1966
 Carrie K. 1887 1944

PARKER

1870 Census #80

Parker Joseph age 38 Farmer born Canada
 " Sylvia 30 "
 " Edson L. 11 "
 " Annette 8 Minnesota
 " L ? 3 "

1870 Census #81

Parker Charles age 40 Farmer born Canada
 " Alice 35 "
 " Nellie 13? "
 " Edwin 7 Minnesota
 " Alberta F. 1 "

1875 Census #52

Fred Parker age 45 born Canada
 Alice A. " 40 Vermont
 Nellie " 20 Canada
 Clarence " 12 Minnesota
 Fred E. " 6 "

1875 Census #57

Joseph Parker age 43 born Canada
 Silva " 35 "
 Edson L. " 16 "
 Elva A. " 13 Minnesota
 Levina J. " 8 "
 Joseph " 1 "

1880 Census #53

Parker Joseph age 48 Farmer born Canada
 " Sylvia 40 Wife "
 " Edson 21 Son "
 " Lettie 18 Daughter Minnesota
 " Lizzie 13 Daughter "
 " Joseph 7 Son "

1880 Census #78

Parker C. F.	age 50	Farmer	born Canada
" Alice	46	Wife	Vermont
" Nellie	20	Daughter	Canada
" Clarence	17	Son	Minnesota
" Fred H.	11	"	"

1879 Map

Range 23	section 29	C. F. Parker	80 acres
" 23	" 19	J. A. Parker	80 "

1894 Map

Range 23	section 20	Edson Parker
" 23	" 29	C. F. "
" 23	" 29	Fred F. "
" 23	" 29	Edwin C. "

CemeteryParker

Alice A.	born 1834	died 1921
Charles Frederick	Aug. 24, 1829	Aug. 23, 1907
Edwin C		Feb. 21, 1897
Edwon L.	1858	1928
Freddie		age 5 months
Joseph A.		Feb. 17, 1908
Sylvia A.		Nov. 15, 1906
Eowene?	Apr. 24, 1901	Sep. 23, 1903
F. Eugene	Oct.? 7, 1819	May 23, 1863

Holt Diary

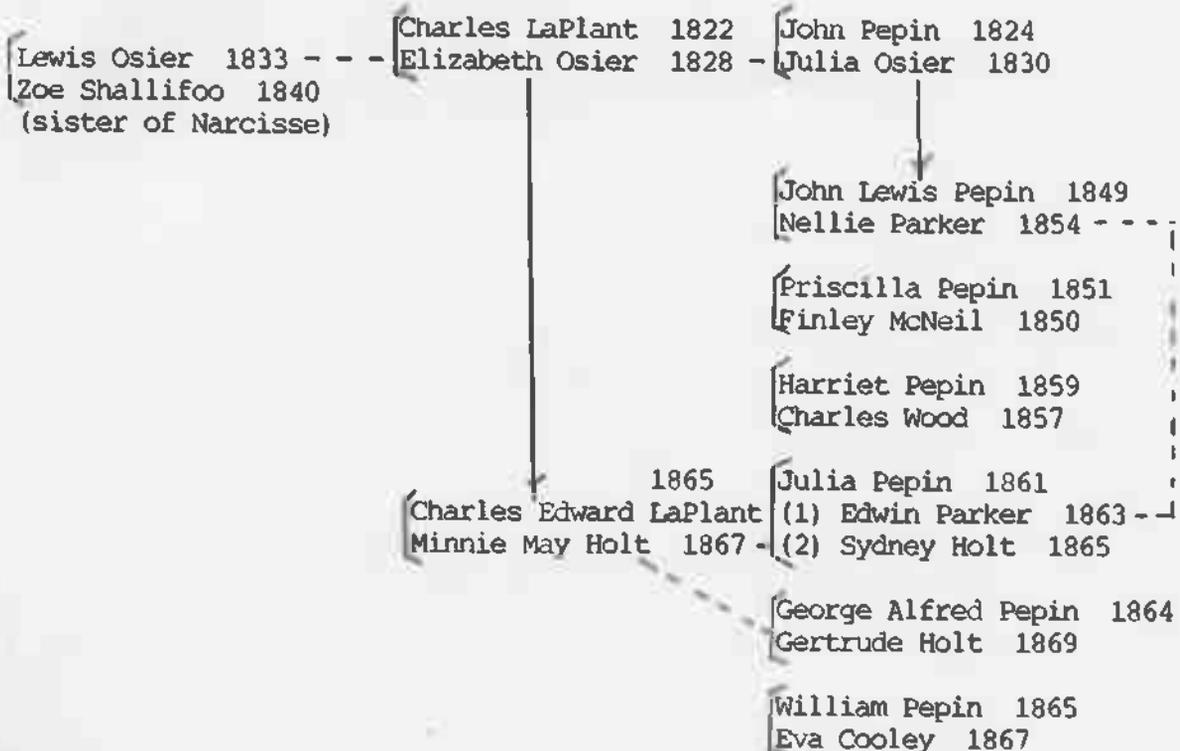
July 29, 1882 Frank Brown and Letty Parker married
 June 16, 1883 Mrs. Parker very sick
 Apr. 24, 1887 Will Ingersoll and Jessie Parker were married
 June 23, 1887 F. A. Ingersoll and Annie Parker were married

Register of Deaths

Oct. 3, 1883 Hannah Parker age 72 years 8 months 8 days born Maine Consumption
 Feb. 21, 1897 Clarence E. Parker 34 years 7 months 5 days born Minn. Consumption Parents: Charles and Alice A. born Canada and Vermont
 Sep. 23, 1903 Edwin Parker born Apr. 23, 1901 2 years 4 months 29 days Father: Fred E. Parker born Otsego Mother: Emma J. Johnson born Sweden Membranous Croup
 Chas. F. Parker Aug. 23, 1907 born Aug. 24, 1829 Canada Father: born Vermont Mother: Lavinia Lamkin Vermont Apoplisy
 Joseph A. Parker Feb. 17, 1908 born Canada Jan. 14, 1832 76 years 1 month 3 days Diabetes

[Joseph Parker 1832 - 1908
 [Sylvia McCory Emory 1828 - 1899
 Edson L. Parker 1858 - 1928
 Annette Parker 1860 - 1929 m. Frank Brown
 Lizzie Parker 1865 - 1924 m. Willard Holt
 [Joseph Parker 1873 - 1949
 [Myrtle Smith
 [Alvin Parker 1900 - 1963
 [Jeanette Praught 1907 -
 Mildred Parker 1901 - 1971 m. (1) Kenneth Stoltz (2) Daniel Ludwig
 Helen Parker 1911 - m. Arne Engstrom 1907 - 1990
 Arlene Engstrom m. Dennis Kramer
 [Arne Engstrom 1944 -
 [Marilyn Wertz

[Charles Frederick Parker 1829 - 1907
 [Alice Adelia Blandin May 9, 1834
 Nellie Parker Nov. 4, 1854 m. John Lewis Pepin
 Edwin C. Parker 1863 - 1897
 Alberta F. Parker 1869 -
 Fred M. Parker 1869? -



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Range 23 Section 18 George A. Patten Mar. 24, 1857

PATTERSON

1860 Census #474

Ansel Butler	age 35	Farmer	born New York
Mrs. "	35	"	"
Mary "	6	"	"
Wm. Patterson	27	"	"
Mary Watrons	20	"	"
John "	25	"	"

PAUL

1875 Census #88

Mathias Paul	age 50	born Prussia
Margarett "	42	"
John "	22	Illinois
Frank "	20	"
Nicholas "	17	Minnesota
Lorenzo "	10	"
Christine "	8	"
Margaret "	4	"

Register of Deaths

Oct. 7, 1886 Victoria Paul 11 mo 19 da Teething Parents: John and
Julia born Illinois and MN

PEALE?

1865 Census #11

C. H. Peale?
Sarah "
Louisa "
Baby girl "

PEAVEY

1880 Census #130

Peavey Edmund	age 28	Laborer	born Maine
" Laura	19	Wife	Minnesota
" Lewis	1	Son	"

Holt Diary

Aug. 17, 1881 Lewis Peavy died at night
 Aug. 19, 1881 Lewis Peavy buried
 Mar. 2, 1883 Laura Peavy gave birth to a young son

Cemetery

Peavey

Edna M. died Nov. 15, 1977
 Gerald L. born May 1, 1909 died Sep. 17, 1966
 Orrin Emerson born 1883 died 1941

Register of Deaths

Aug. 17, 1881 Lewis A. Peavey age 2 years 11 mo 17 dyas born Minn. Jaundice
 Parents: Edmund and Laura born Maine and Minn.

Edmund E. Peavey 1852 -

Laura McDonald 1861 - 1902

Lewis Peavey 1879 -

{Orrin Emerson Peavey Mar. 1881 - 1941

{Edna May Davis May 5, 1885 - Dec. 29, 1977 m. Mar. 11, 1908

Gerald L. Peavey May 1, 1909 - Sep. 17, 1966

{Joseph Peavey Feb. 5, 1913 -

{Isabel Corron died May 18, 1971

William Peavey Dec. 6, 1934 -

Joyce Ellen Peavey Nov. 10, 1936 -

Mary Ann Peavey Feb. 27, 1940 -

Jane Elizabeth Peavey Aug. 20, 1941 -

Joe Edward Peavey Apr. 1, 1943 -

{Elmer Peavey Oct. 20, 1915 - Mar. 19, 1977 m. Aug. 16, 1937

{Margaret Cooley

Carol Peavey Jun. 4, 1939 - m. Willard James June 8, 1957

James Peavey Nov. 8, 1940 -

Donald Peavey Dec. 6, 1947 -

Susan Edna Peavey Oct. 20, 1949 -

Dale Orion Peavey Mar. 9, 1951 -

Wanda Lee Peavey June 9, 1955 -

Elaine Marie Peavey Dec. 5, 1956 -

Florence Peavey May 16, 1918 -

Laura Peavey Aug. 18, 1920 m. Roy Draper

Sarah Peavey Aug. 20, 1924 - m. (1) Leslie Lange Jan. 14, 1941

Robert Lange Aug. 16, 1941 - (2) Bill Connett

Rolland Lange Feb. 3, 1943 -

Diane Ellen Connett Mar. 6, 1953

William Patrick Connett Mar. 17, 1954 -

Gary Lee Connett Feb. 27, 1955 -

Danny Connett Mar. 1 ?

1865 Census #47

John Peck?

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Range 24 Section 26 John Peck Mar. 25, 1857

PEIRSON

1860 Census

John Peirson	age 24	born Ohio
Abner "	27	"
Mary "	25	Indiana
Carlos Superiora	4/12	"

PEPIN
(PIPPIN, PAPA)1855 Census

J. Pipin 3-3-6

1857 Census #3

John Pippin	age 33	born Canada
Julia "	28	"
John "	8	New York
? "	6	" "
Charles "	1	Minnesota

1860 Census #458

John Papa	age 35	Farmer	born Canada East
Julia "	30	"	" "
John L.	11	"	New York
Prisscilla	9	"	" "
Charles L.	4	"	Minnesota
Harriet J.	9/12	"	"

1865 Census #24

John Pippin
Julia "
John L. "
Prisilla "
Heriat "
Julia "
Frederick ^
William H. "

PEPIN
(continued)

1870 Census #42

Pepin John B.	age 45	Farmer	born Canada
" Julia	40		"
" John L.	20		New York
" Pricilla	18		" "
" Hattie	10		Minnesota
" Julia E.	8		"
" George	6		"
" Willie L.	5		"

1875 Census #109

John Pippin	age 50	born Canada
Julia "	45	"
John L. "	25	N. Y.
Hattie J. "	18?	Minnesota
Julia "	13	"
Fred "	11	"
Wm. L. "	10	"
Priscilla McNeils	23	N. Y.
Finly "	24	N. B.

1880 Census #84

Peppin John	age 55	Farmer	born Canada
" Julia	50	Wife	"
" John L.	30	Son/Laborer	New York
" Hattie	20	Daughter	Minnesota
" Julia	18	Daughter	"
" Fred	16	Son	"
" William W.	15	Son	"

1879 Map

Peppin John Jr.	Range 23	Section 21	80 acres
" " "	" 23	" 22	80 "

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 15 George A. Peppin
 Range 23 Section 21 John Peppin Jr.
 Range 23 Section 22 George and William L. Peppin

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Range 23 Section 22 John Papa May 26, 1856

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" . . . among the oldest settlers . . . the Pepins . . . Mrs. Julia Pepin lives at Elk River with her sons."

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" . . . The year 1854 witnessed the arrival of John Pepin . . . "

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"MISS HATTIE JOSEPHINE PEPIN was born in the town of Otsego, Wright county, on the 18th of October, 1859, where she still resides. Her father, John Pepin, was born in Montreal, Canada, and came with his parents to New York, where he lived till coming to Minnesota, in 1848. Mr. Pepin moved to his present farm in section twenty-two, in the fall of 1854, where the family now live. He married Miss Julia Osier, of Canada, on the 1st of January, 1848. They have eight children; two sons and one daughter are at home. Hattie J. attended school in the district where they reside, for several years, and one year at Dayton, Hennepin county."

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Pipin John . . . "

Condensed History page 89

"On January 6, 1906, Otsego was again to be the scene of another tragedy . . . Coroner Moffet appointed . . . S. A. Pepin . . . as jurymen."

Holt Diary

Oct. 2, 1881 John Pepin married Nellie Parker
July 10, 1888 Eva Cooley and Will Pepin were married

Cemetery

Pepin

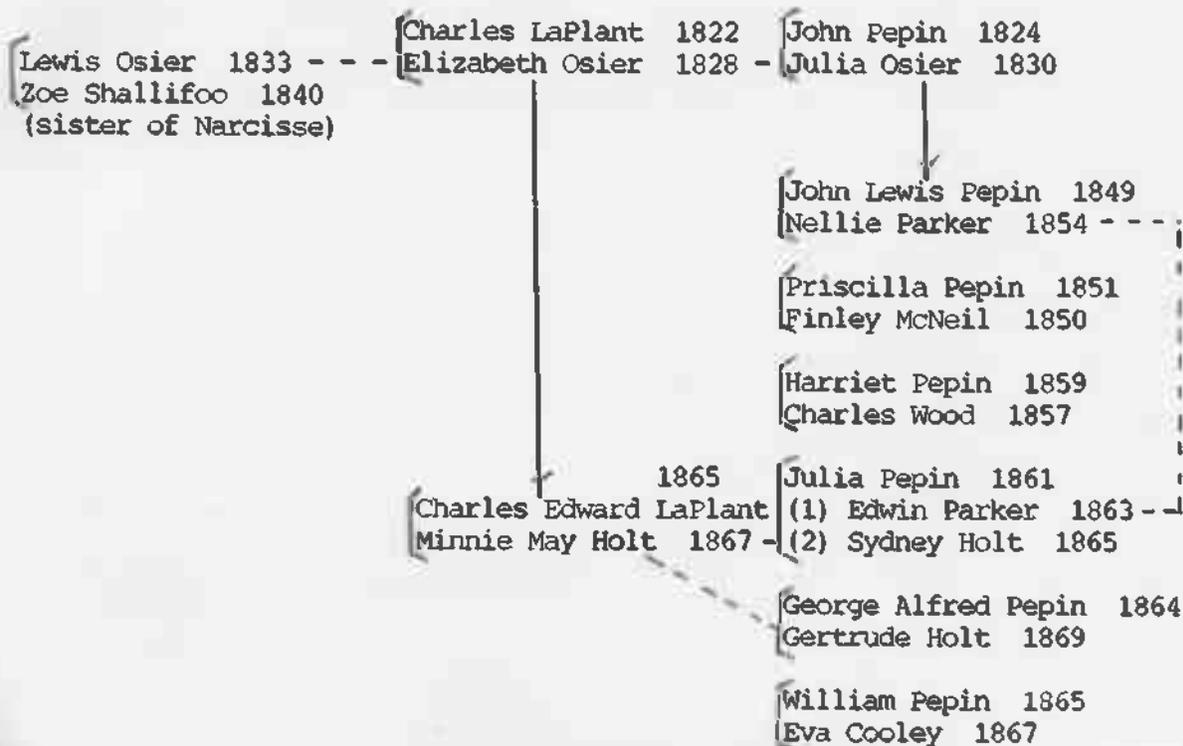
Evelyn C.	born 1867	died 1961
George Alfred	1863	1944
Gertrude G.	1869	1950
Hazel I.	1895	1963
William Lovell	1865	1949
Jessie E.	1888	1970
John Lewis	1849	1914
Nellie A.	1854	1929
Roy E.	1882	1951
John B.	1824	1908
Julia	1829	1917

Register of Deaths

G. B. Peppin Jan. 10, 1908 born Aug. 5, 1829 age 83 born Canada Senile Debility

PEPIN
(continued)

[John Baptiste Pepin 1824-Jan. 10, 1908 m. Jan. 1, 1848
 [Julia Osier 1830-1917
 [John Lewis Pepin July 3, 1849-Oct. 27, 1914 m. Oct. 2, 1881
 [Nellie Parker Nov. 4, 1854-Feb. 27, 1928
 [Roy Parker Pepin June 15, 1882-Dec. 29, 1951 m. Sep. 9, 1909
 [Jessie Ellen Davis Dec. 11, 1888-Feb. 18, 1970
 [John Lewis Pepin Apr. 6, 1911- m. June 17, 1969
 [Margaret Briggs
 Nancy Margaret Pepin Aug. 13, 1945 m. Peter Manthei Sep. 4, 1965
 [Gilbert Orion Pepin Aug. 8, 1916 m. Sep. 5, 1942
 [Lillian Rubidoux
 Anna Marie Pepin June 11, 1943
 Ellen Elaine Pepin Mar. 13, 1948
 Betty Joanne Pepin Aug. 5, 1952
 John David Pepin May 23, 1954
 Mary Priscilla Pepin Jan. 29, 1851-Feb. 7, 1932 m. Finley McNeil
 Charles L. Pepin 1856-1861
 Harriet J. Pepin Oct. 1859 m. Chas. Wood
 Julia Pepin July 13, 1861 m. (1) Edwin Parker (2) Sydney A. Holt
 [George Alfred "Fred" Pepin July 30, 1864-Dec. 29, 1944
 [Gertrude G. Holt 1869
 Etta Mae Pepin 1891
 Gladys Pepin
 Rachel Pepin
 Harriet Pepin
 [William Lovell Pepin Apr. 3, 1865-Oct. 1949 m. July 10, 1888
 [Eva Clara Cooley May 26, 1867-Sep. 7, 1961
 Helen Orris Pepin 1893-1954 m. Herman Litchke 1919
 Hazel I. Pepin Sep. 18, 1895-July 1963





JOHN and JULIA PEPIN FAMILY

John Baptiste Pepin (1824-1908) and his wife Julia Ozier Pepin (1829-1917) came to Otsego from New York in 1854. Back row: Mary Priscilla (1851-1932) (married Finley McNeil), John (1849-1914) (married Nellie Parker), George Alfred "Fred" (1864-1944) (married Gertrude Holt), Julia (1861), (married <1> Edwin Parker and <2> Sidney Holt). Center: John and Julia. Front: Harriet "Hattie" (1859) (married Charles Wood), William (1865-1949) (married Eva Cooley).

Photo courtesy of Eugene Cooley

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"Oliver L. Perrault, farmer, Otsego township, was born in Hennepin county, this state, July 19, 1858, son of John B. and Marguerite (Bouley) Perrault, natives of Canada, of French descent. They came to Michigan about 1849, and located on a government claim in Hennepin county, in 1855. The original claim is still in the possession of the family. There were six children; John B., of Hennepin county; Mary O. (deceased); Florence, the wife of Peter Burke, of the state of Washington; Oliver L.; Alfred A., of the state of Washington; and William, of Cass Lake, Minn. Oliver L. purchased 138 acres in section 14, Otsego township, put in a full line of improvements and carries on general farming. He is a Republican in politics and has been supervisor of the township for three years. Mr. Perrault was blessed with eight children: Clifton O., a graduate of the agricultural department of the University of Minnesota; Margaret, who is attending the St. Cloud State Normal school; Fletcher, at the Agricultural school, St. Paul; Malcolm, who attends the Monticello high school; Bernice, Gertrude, Cora (deceased), and Albert, the younger children are attending the common schools. Mrs. Oliver L. Perrault was the daughter of Jefferson and Martha Northrop Benner."

PERRY

1865 Census #31

Samuel Carrick
 Elizabeth "
 Mary A. Perry
 John F. "
 Daniel Stanton?

1870 Census #24

Perry William	age 70	Merchant	born Maine
" Emma L.	9		"
" Alice N.	5		"

1870 Census #26

Perry Ely R.	age 26	Line Burner?	born Maine
" Oceanna S.	25		"
" Fred E.	3		"
" William R.	24	Laborer	Minnesota

1875 Census #50

Wm. Perry	age 74	born Maine
Wm. " Jr.	29	"
Emma "	14	"
Alice "	10	"

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"Milton T. Hamlet . . . The parents of Mrs. Milton T. Hamlet were William and Sarah J. (Seavey) Perry, both natives of Maine. The mother died in that state, but the father came to Wright county in 1870 and located in Otsego township, where he died in September, 1882. His business was that of a merchant. In the Perry family there were five children: Mary (deceased), Fred, and Alice, the wife of Lincoln Davis, of Otsego."

Register of Deaths

Sep. 26, 1883 William Perry age 83 yrs 3 mo 13 da born Maine Consumption
Parents born Maine

Cemetery

Perry, William B. born June 13, 1800 died Sep. 26, 1883 Native of Thomaston,
Maine

PHILIPPS

1860 Census #486

A. J. Philipps	age 26	Farmer	born Indiana
Pierre Columbus	28	Farmer	Canada East

PHNISILLIN

1855 Census

Z. G. Phnisillin 1-1-2

PIERCE

1875 Census #11

Edward White	age 36	born Maine
Maria "	27	"
Nathan P. "	10	"
Cynthia "	3	"
George Pierce	24	"

PLEASANT

1880 Census #69

Heuring Andrew	age 65	Farmer	born Baden
" Margaret	68	Wife	"
" David	22	Son	"
Pleasant Joseph	50	Farmer	Canada
" Louisa	49	Wife	"
" Charles	10	Son	Minnesota
" Lewis	3	Son	"
Fesett Frederick	44	Brother-in-law	Canada

POALSON

1875 Census #51

Joseph Poalson	age 50	born Ohio
Anna "	51	Ireland

PORTER

1860 Census #494

Sennaca Porter	age 46	Farmer	born Vermont
Mary J.	" 35		"
Juliet	" 14		"
Jane	" 12		"
Alice	" 10		"
Ellen	" 6		"
Emma	" 2		Minnesota

1865 Census #70

Seneca Porter
Mary J. "
Alice "
Ellen "
Emma "
Jenny "

1870 Census #87

Porter Seneca	age 57	Farmer	born Vermont
" Mary J.	47		"
" Ellen	17		"
" Emma	11		Minnesota
" Jessie	9		"
" Charity	6		"
" Ada	2		"

1875 Census #36

Seneca Porter	age 62	born Vermont
Mary "	52	"
Emma "	17	Minnesota
Jessie M. "	14	"
Charity "	10	"
Addie "	7	"
Ellen Norton	2	"

1880 Census #43

Porter Seneca	age 66	Farmer	born Vermont
" Mary J.	56	Wife	"
" Charity	15	Daughter	Minnesota
" Addie	12	Daughter	"
" Norton Hellen	7	Grand-daughter	"

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 19	S. Porter	40 acres
" 23	" 30	S. Porter	80 acres

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Range 24	Section 34	O. H. Porter	Dec. 8, 1856
" 23	" 19	S. Porter	July 23, 1857
" 23	" 30	Seneca Porter	July 23, 1857

CemeteryPorter

Mary J. died June 23, 1883 age 59 yrs 11 mo 24 da
Seneca born 1813 died June 17, 1893 age 79 yrs 10 mo

Register of Deaths

June 21, 1883 Mary Jane Porter age 59 yrs 10 mo 9 da born Vermont Dropsy

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" . . . Directly next to the townsite, Alvah L. and Margaret Cooley sold to the trustees of the Methodist Church 5 acres for the building of a church and parsonage. The trustees, . . . Seneca Porter . . . paid \$32.00 for these five acres Oct. 6, 1860."

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Porter Seneca . . ."

Holt Diary

May 21, 1885 Miss Charity Porter and Otis Newton were married
Jan. 26, 1886 Miss Addie Porter and Ed Besion were married at Bakers
June 21, 1883 Mrs. Porter died 10 am

PRATT

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Range 23 Sections 30 and 31 Miles G. Pratt Apr. 6, 1857

1850 Census page 63

Pratte Miles	age 38	Lumberman	born Maine
" Rose	20		"
" Clara E.	2		"
" Job	28		"

PRAUGHT

1880 Census #61

Praught Angus P.	age 33	Farmer	born P. Edw. Is.
" Sarah	27	Wife	New York
" Donald	3	Son	Minnesota
" Raymond	1	Son	"

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 31	A. Praught	40 acres
" 23	" 32	A. Praught	80 acres

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 31	Angius Praught
" 23	" 31	A. F. Praught
" 23	" 32	Angus P. Praught
" 24	" 36	Angus W. & Thos. Walker & A. W. Praught

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"Angus P. Praught, farmer, Otsego township, was born in Prince Edward Island, Canada, March 26, 1847, son of Daniel and Catherine (Campbell) Praught, Natives of Prince Edward Island, both now deceased. In their family there were nine children: John, Mary, Emma and Sarah (deceased); Catherine, of Prince Edward Island; Angus P.; Frank, of Prince Edward Island; Margaret, wife of Philip Curley of Prince Edward Island; and Joseph, who is on the old home place in Prince Edward Island. Angus P. Praught came to Minnesota at the age of twenty-one years. After working in the woods some eight years he came to Silver Creek township and purchased 40 acres in section 31. This he has increased until he now owns 240 acres of highly improved land, on which he conducts general farming on an extensive scale. He is a Democrat, and the family faith is that of the Roman Catholic church. Mr. Praught was married June 14, 1876, to Sarah Walker, born in Chemung county, New York, daughter of Thomas and Marian Walker, natives of Ireland, who in the early fifties settled in Rockford township, this county, where both ended their days. In their family there were six children: John, of Minneapolis; William (deceased); Sarah, wife of Angus P. Praught; Thomas of Minneapolis; Mary; and James, who died in infancy. Mrs. Praught taught school in Wright county seven years before her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Praught have ten children: Donald J., born July 1, 1877; Raymond, born December 9, 1879; Marian C., born July 12, 1881, wife of John Talbot, of Hennepin county; Frank J., born March 11, 1883; Mark E., born April 2, 1885; James H., born April 21, 1887; Amelia J., born March 23, 1893; and Bertha D., born July 4, 1895. Raymond Praught married Clara Bean, and by this union there are two children: Clarence Harold, born August 1, 1908; and Francis Joseph, born May 13, 1910."

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"Mr. and Mrs. Angus Praught . . . are among the oldest settlers."

RECORD

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". . . Judge of Probate . . . Isreal Record took office April 9, 1855 . . . "

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Range 23 Section 18 Israel Record Dec. 18, 1856

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". . . April 6, 1858 . . . first <Otsego> officers elected were: Supervisors
. . . T. P. Record . . . justices of the peace, Isreal Record . . . "

Farnham's page 24

". . . county commissioners met . . . April 9, 1855 . . . Israel Heard? was
appointed judge of probate . . . "

Farnham's page 27

"FIRST GRAND JURY LIST: . . . Beriah T. Record . . . "

Farnham's page 355

". . . May 11, 1858 . . . elected town officers: Justices of the Peace . . .
Israel Record . . . "

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"FIRST WRIGHT COUNTY JURY . . . Perish T. Record . . . "

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". . . board of commissioners held their first meeting on the 9th of April,
1855 . . . appointed . . . Israel Heard, Judge of Probate . . . "

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", , , commissioners appointed . . . Israel Record, judge of probate . . . "

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". . . following <town> officers were chosen: . . . justices of the peace,
Israel Record . . . "

REEMS

1875 Census #96

Wm. Reams	age 30	born Virginia
Isabella"	22	New York
Frank "	2	Minnesota

1880 Census #97

Reems William	age 35	Farmer	born Virginia
" Amy A.	27	Wife	Michigan
" Benj.	7	Son	Minnesota
" Delilah	1/12	Daughter	"
Thorndyke Maria L.	28	Servant	Maine

Andreas Atlas - 1874

William Reems Range 23 Section 26 Farmer born Fayette Co., Va. Came to Minnesota 1855

Register of Deaths

Feb. 4, 1873 Charles W. Reem born Otsego age 9 mo 18 da Scarlet Fever
Parents: William and Isabell Reem born Virginia

June 9, 1877 Mary J. Reems age 24 yrs 3 mo born N. Y. Came to Minnesota 1854
Consumption Parents: Charles and Elisabeth born Vermont and Canada

Aug. 27, 1877 Clara M. Reems age 7 mo 9 da born MN Bowel Complaint
Parents: William and Mary born Virginia and N. Y.

RETZEL?

1880 Census #98

Laplant Oliver	age 32	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Nettie	22	Wife	Minnesota
Retzel? Paulina	33	Servant	Switzerland
Lane? Charles	24	Laborer	Maine

RICE

1855 Census

_____ Rice 1-0-1

1870 Census #103

Slater George	age 50	Farmer	born England
" Catherine	47		New York
" Henry	15		" "
" George	8		Minnesota
" Kate	3		"
" Isabella	2		"
Richardson Minnie?	6		"

Cemetery

Richardson Winnie A. died Dec. 13, 187? Daughter of D. S. and M. E.
age 16 yrs 3 mo

1860 Census #465

Moses Rickor	age 51	Farmer	born Maine
Mrs.	54		"
Sarah	18		"
Augusta "	20		"
Carolyn "	17		"
Albert F. Baker	33	Farmer	"

1860 Census #454

Caleb C. Chase	age 38	Farmer	born Maine
Sarah A. "	33		"
Edwin E. "	8		Michigan
Franklin E. "	3		Minnesota
Thos. Rickor	25		Maine

1865 Census #19

Moses Ricker
Elizabeth "
Augustus "
Sarah "
Caroline "

1865 Census #73

A. F. Baker
Thomas Ricker
Charles J. Carrick

1870 Census #32

Ricker Moses	age 60	Farmer	born Maine
" Eliza	61		"
" Augustus	30	Farmer	"
" Sarah E.	28		"
" Caroline A.	26		"

RICKER
(continued)

1870 Census #69

Ricker Thomas	age 27	Farmer	born Maine
" Clarence	20	Farm laborer	"
Hand Wm. H.	50	Farmer	"
" Annie D.	24	"	"
" Eugene	2	"	"
" William H.	11	"	"
" Geo. W.	5	"	"

1875 Census #70

Thos. Ricker	age 42	born Maine
Anna "	29	"
Eugene "	7	"
Chas. "	3	Minnesota
Richard "	2	"
B. "	0	"
Clarence "	25	Maine

1875 Census #72

Moses Ricker	age 65	born Maine
Eliza "	65	"
Sarah "	33	"
Augustus "	35	"
Caroline "	31	"

1880 Census #68

Ricker Thos. I.	age 47	Farmer	born Maine
" Anna D.	34	Wife	"
" Chas.	8	Son	Minnesota
" Richard	7	Son	"
" Geo. E.	5	Son	"
" May	9/12	Daughter	"
" Mattie	9/12	Daughter	"
Clark John	27	Boarder/laborer	New York

1880 Census #72

Ricker Moses	age 70	Farmer	born Maine
" Eliza	71	Wife	"
" Augustus	40	Son	"
" Sarah	38	Daughter	"
" Caroline	36	Daughter	"
McDonald John	36	Boarder/laborer	New Brunswick

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 33	M. Ricker	40 acres
" 23	" 28	Moses Ricker	80 acres
" 23	" 28	T. J. Ricker	120 "
" 23	" 33	T. J. Ricker	40 "

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 28 T. J. Ricker
 " 23 " 32 Thos. J. Ricker
 " 23 " 33 T. J. Ricker

Andreas Atlas - 1874

Moses Ricker Range 23 Section 28 Farmer born York Co., Me. Came to Minnesota 1855

T. J. Ricker Range 23 Section 28 Farmer born Penobscot Co., Maine Came to Minnesota 1857

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"Miss Sarah E. Ricker was born in the town of Bradford, Penobscot county, Maine. She came with her parents to Manomin county, now Fridley township, Anoka county, in April, 1855. The family came to Otsego township in 1856, and moved to their present farm in 1857. Miss Ricker has been teaching school for a number of years with credit to herself, but has been obliged to desist on account of ill health. She taught the first school in district number twelve in the year 1865."

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" . . . Directly next to the townsite, Alvah L. and Margaret Cooley sold to the trustees of the Methodist Church 5 acres for the building of a church and parsonage. The trustees . . . Moses Ricker . . . paid \$32.00 for these five acres Oct. 6, 1860 . . . "

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . J. Ricker . . . T. Ricker . . . "

CemeteryRicker

Alphonzo died Nov. 3, 1877 age 5 mo 17 da son of T. and A. D.
 Annie D. born Dec. 13, 1845 died Sep. 30, 1898
 Thomas S. " Dec. 22, 1833 " Apr. 6, 1900
 Catherine M. born 1828 died 1909
 Earl K. born Apr. 12, 1900
 Eunice E. " Dec. 8, 1878 died Apr. 3, 1913 Wife of Chas. H.
 Pearl M. died? Sep. 1906
 Charles R. 1899-1931
 Nellie M. 1871-1953
 Ralph R. 1865-1951
 Son of R R & N M Jan. 28, 1901-June 16, 1905

RICKER
(continued)Holt Diary

May 13, 1885 Martin Spencer shot Mr. Ricker through the leg at night
 June 8, 1885 Mart is in Buffalo awaiting his trial. They are having a great
 time at Buffalo between Mart Spencer and Mr. Ricker.
 June 18, 1885 Mart Spencer's law suit cost him some over \$300.00.

Register of Deaths

Nov. 3, 1877 Alphonze Ricker age 5 months 4 days Bowel complaint Parents:
 Thomas and Anna born Maine
 Sep. 30, 1898 Annie Ricker 52 years 9 months 17 days born Maine Consumption
 Apr. 6, 1900 Thomas Ricker born Dec. 28, 1832 Maine 67 years 3 months 9 days
 Dyspepsia - Rheumatism

RIDLEY

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Range 23 sections 30 and 31 Moses Ridley June 17, 1857

RIVET

1880 Census #116

Rivet Dennis	age 45	Brick maker	born Canada
" Matilda	30	Wife	"
" Annie	12	Daughter	Minnesota
" Joseph	10	Son	"
" Sarah	8	Daughter	"
" Mary	6	"	"
" Archie	5	Son	"
" Eliza	3	Daughter	"
" Victoria	2/12	"	"
Colter Lewis	36	Boarder/works in brick yard	born Canada

RIVIERE

1875 Census #79

Chas. Riviere	age 40	born N. Y.
Mary "	19	Canada

1880 Census #110

Riviere Chas.	age 49?	Farmer	born New York
" Mary	24	Wife	Canada
" Eliza	5	Daughter	Minnesota
" William	3	Son	"
" Edward	1	"	"

1870 Census #102

Roastein George age 29 Miller born Wurtenberg
 " Catharine 24 "

ROBACK
 (RHOBECK)

1865 Census #45

Joseph Rhobeck
 Elizabeth "
 Michael "
 Frank E. "
 Joseph Jr. "
 Mary "
 Arthur "
 Benedick "
 Matthias "

1870 Census #96

Roback Joseph age 48 Farmer born Prussia
 " Elizabeth 46 "
 " Frank 16 "
 " Joseph 9 Minnesota
 " Anthony 6 "
 " Benedict 6 "
 " Mary 7 "
 " Mathias 5 "
 " Tinsa? 1 "

1875 Census #43

Joseph Robeck age 52 born Prussia
 Elizabeth " 51 "
 Joseph " 16 Minnesota
 Mary " 14 "
 Anton " 10 "
 Benedict " 10 "
 Mathias " 9 "
 Terlasa? " 7 "

1880 Census #28

Robeck Joseph age 55 Farmer born Prussia
 " Elizabeth 54 Wife "
 " Joseph 21 Son Minnesota
 " Anthony 16 " "
 " Benedict 16 " "
 " Matthias 15 " "
 " Theresa 10 Daughter "

1879 Map

Range 24 section 34 Joseph Rohbeck 80 acres

ROBICHAN
(ROBICHAW)1880 Census #103

Robichan?	Frank	age 30	Farmer	born Canada
"	Adeline	28	Wife	"
"	Clementine	3	Daughter	"
"	Frank	1	Son	"

ROCKIEF

1855 Census

S. H. Rockief 1-0-1

RODEN
(RHODAN)1865 Census #44

Nicholas Rhodan
 Mary "
 Mary A. "
 Adam "
 John "
 Stephan "
 Mary B. "

1870 Census #94

Roden Nicols	age 52	Farmer	born Prussia
" Mary	39		"
" Adam	14		Illinois
" John	8		Minnesota
" Stephan	6		"
" Mary	5		"
" Annie	3		"
" Lizzie	2		"

1875 Census #47

Nicholas Roden	age 57	born Prussia
Mary "	45	"
Adam "	19	Illinois
John "	13	Minnesota
Stephen "	11	"
Mary "	10	"
Annie "	8	"
Lizzie "	6	"
Anthony "	4	"
Mathew "	1	"

RODEN
(continued)

1880 Census #23

Roden Nicholas	age 62	Farmer	born Prussia
" Mary	49	Wife	"
" John?	18	Son	Minnesota
" Stephen	16	Son	"
" Mary	15	Daughter	"
" Anna	13	Daughter	"
" Lizzie	11	Daughter	"
" Anthony	9	Son	"
" Martin	6	Son	"

1879 Map

Range 24 Section 34 Nicholas Roden 80 acres

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Rhoden N . . . "

Register of Deaths

Sep. 28, 1886 Agnes Roden 1 mo Parents: John and Annie born MN and Illinois

Mar 29, 1895 Anthony W. Roden 2 mo 19 da Convulsions Parents: Stephen and Anna born MN

June 8, 1896 George Alfred Roden 8 da Convulsions Parents: Stephen and Anna

Dec. 23, 1904 Adam Rodin born Nov. 24, 1855 Illinois age 49 yrs 29 da
Father: Adam Rodin born Otsego Mother: Mary Hoffman born Minnesota Tetantis

RUGG

1880 Census #10

Rugg Lorenzo	age 38	Laborer	born Wisconsin
" Janette	33	Wife	Ohio
Chase Bertie	15	Stepson	Minnesota
" Willie	7	Stepson	"

SANDERS

1875 Census #31

Thos. A. Edwards	age 33	born Canada
Irena	" 27	"
Hattie J.	" 7	"
John	" 5	"
Thos. G. Sanders	24	"
Mary Ann	" 20	"
Hezekiah	" 9	"
Albert	" 4	"

SANGANSOMINE

1855 Census

F. Sangansomine 4-0-4

SAVAGE

1870 Census #55

Bartlet Argalus	age 62	Farmer	born New York
" Catharin	58		Canada
" George	29	Farmer	Michigan
" Eliza? J.	18		Connecticut
" Catherin	2		Minnesota
" Laura A.	1		"
Savage William	11		"

SCATNEY

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Range 24 Section 35 Charles F. Scatney August 3, 1857

SCHAFNER?

1875 Census #24

Wilbur Ingersoll	age 27	born Maine
Loretta "	17	Indiana
Luther "	25	Maine
Maggie Schafner?	14	Indiana
Sidney Chadson?	22	Ohio

SCHAITLER

1855 Census

Anthony Schaitiler 1-0-1

SCHIRLING

1875 Census #27

John N. Morrell	age 55	born New Brunswick
Mary A. "	60	" "
James W. "	21	Maine
Lillie J. "	7	Minnesota
Wm. Schirling	16	Sweden

1855 Census

P. Schnider 2-5-7

1855 Census

Martin Schooler 1-0-1

1870 Census #97

Shoemaker	Nicolas	age 33	Farmer	born Prussia
"	Mary A.	24		"
"	Stephan	3		Minnesota
"	Joseph	2		"
"	John B.	1		"

1870 Census #98

Shoemaker	John	age 35	Farmer	born Prussia
"	Catharin	21		Missouri
"	John M.	3		Minnesota
"	Jacob	1		"

1875 Census #44

John Schumacher	age 40	born Prussia
Kate	" 27	Missouri
Michael	" 7	Minnesota
Jacob	" 6	"
Mary M.	" 3	"
Josephine	" 1	"

1875 Census #45

Nicholas Schumacher	age 38	born Prussia
Mary	" 29	"
Stephen	" 8	Minnesota
Joseph N.	" 7	"
John B.	" 6	"
J ? A.	" 4	"
Mary? K.	" 0	"

1880 Census #25

Schunacher	N.	age 42	Farmer	born Prussia
"	Mary Ann	35	Wife	"
"	Stephen	13	Son	Minnesota
"	Joseph	12	"	"
"	John B.	11	"	"
"	J. Adam	9	"	"
"	Mary C.	5	Daughter	"
"	A. E.	3	Son	"
"	Vincense	1	"	"

SCHUMACHER
(continued)

1880 Census #26

Schumacher	John	age 44	Farmer	born Prussia
"	Catherine	32	Wife	Missouri
"	Michael	12	Son	Minnesota
"	Jacob	11	Son	"
"	Mary	8	Daughter	"
"	Josephine	6	Daughter	"
"	Elizabeth	1	Daughter	"

1879 Map

Range 24	Section 35	Anthony Schumacher	80 acres
" 24	" 34	John Schumacher	80 "
" 24	" 34	Nicholas Schumacher	80 "

1894 Map

Range 24	Section 34	Nicholas Schumacher
" 24	" 34	John Schumacher
" 24	" 35	Anthony Schumacher

History of the Upper Mississippi Valley

"Nicholas Schumacher, a native of Germany, was born on the 13th of July, 1837. He emigrated to America in 1854, and soon after, located on his present farm in section thirty-four. He has a farm of eighty acres, sixty of which are under cultivation. His father and mother came to the town with him, but have since passed away. His mother died on the 27th of December, 1865, and his father, on the 12th of May, 1867. He married Miss Mary Ann Boden, also a native of Germany, in the year 1865. Their children are, Stephen, Joseph, Benedict, Adam, Ignatius, and Vincent."

Register of Deaths

Apr. 7, 1873 (male - unnamed) age 2 da Scarlet Fever Parents: Nicoulas and Mary Shoemaker born Prussia

Oct. 28, 1877 John M. Schumacher age 5 da Cramps Parents: John and Catherine born Germany and Missouri

Dec. 17, 1883 Joseph N. Schumacher age 16 yrs 6 da Diphtheria Parents: Nicolas and Mary born Prussia and Canada

Dec. 10, 1883 Benedict Schumacher age 14 yrs 8 mo 19 da Diphtheria Parents: Nicolas and Mary born Prussia and Canada

Dec. 1883 Mary C. Schumacher age 8 yrs 8 mo 22 da Diphtheria Parents: Nicolas and Mary born Prussia and Canada

Dec. 14, 1883 John V. Schumacher age 5 yrs 4 mo 23 da Diphtheria Parents: Nicolas and Mary born Prussia and Canada

Richard Davis Apr. 25, 1797 - Dec. 16, 1880

Hannah Spencer died July 3, 1879

Joseph Davis Apr. 25, 1825 - Nov. 25, 1906

(1) Martha Lombard

* (2) Emeline Spencer May 21, 1835 - Jan. 15, 1914 m. Aug. 30, 1853

Orion Linden Davis Apr. 23, 1857 - Nov. 29, 1883

* Sarah Jane Kay July 8, 1865

Minnie Eva Davis Sep. 23, 1897 - Jan. 13, 1991

*** Ernest Schwanbeck Nov. 13, 1896 - Sep. 4, 1984

* Ephraim (Charles?) Spencer

Belinda Marsh 1809 - 1891

Emeline Spencer

** Daughter of Richard Kay Sep. 15, 1830 York, England died May 24, 1930

*** Ernest Schwanbeck Nov. 13, 1896 - Sep. 4, 1984 m. Aug. 19, 1920

Minnie Eva Davis Sep. 23, 1897 - Jan. 13, 1991

Dorothy Minnie Schwanbeck Mar. 30, 1921 m. Leo Lemke Oct. 3, 1945

Joyce Dorothy Lemke July 5, 1946 m. (1) Terry Seaton

(2) Richard Anderson

Clyde Leo Lemke Mar. 9, 1950 m. Kathy Schuller May 23, 1970

Harriet Eleanor Lemke Dec. 12, 1953

Dennis Arthur Lemke Aug. 2, 1955

Norman Ernest Schwanbeck Aug. 5, 1924 m. Dec. 26, 1944

Gwynneth Russell

Carl Russell Schwanbeck June 10, 1947 m. June 19, 1971

Linda Rathe

Christine Mary Schwanbeck Oct. 14, 1953 m. Nicholas Vevea 1974

Clyde Allen Schwanbeck Aug. 3, 1928 m. Nov. 16, 1952

Carol Schwab

Sandra Carol Schwanbeck Aug. 20, 1953

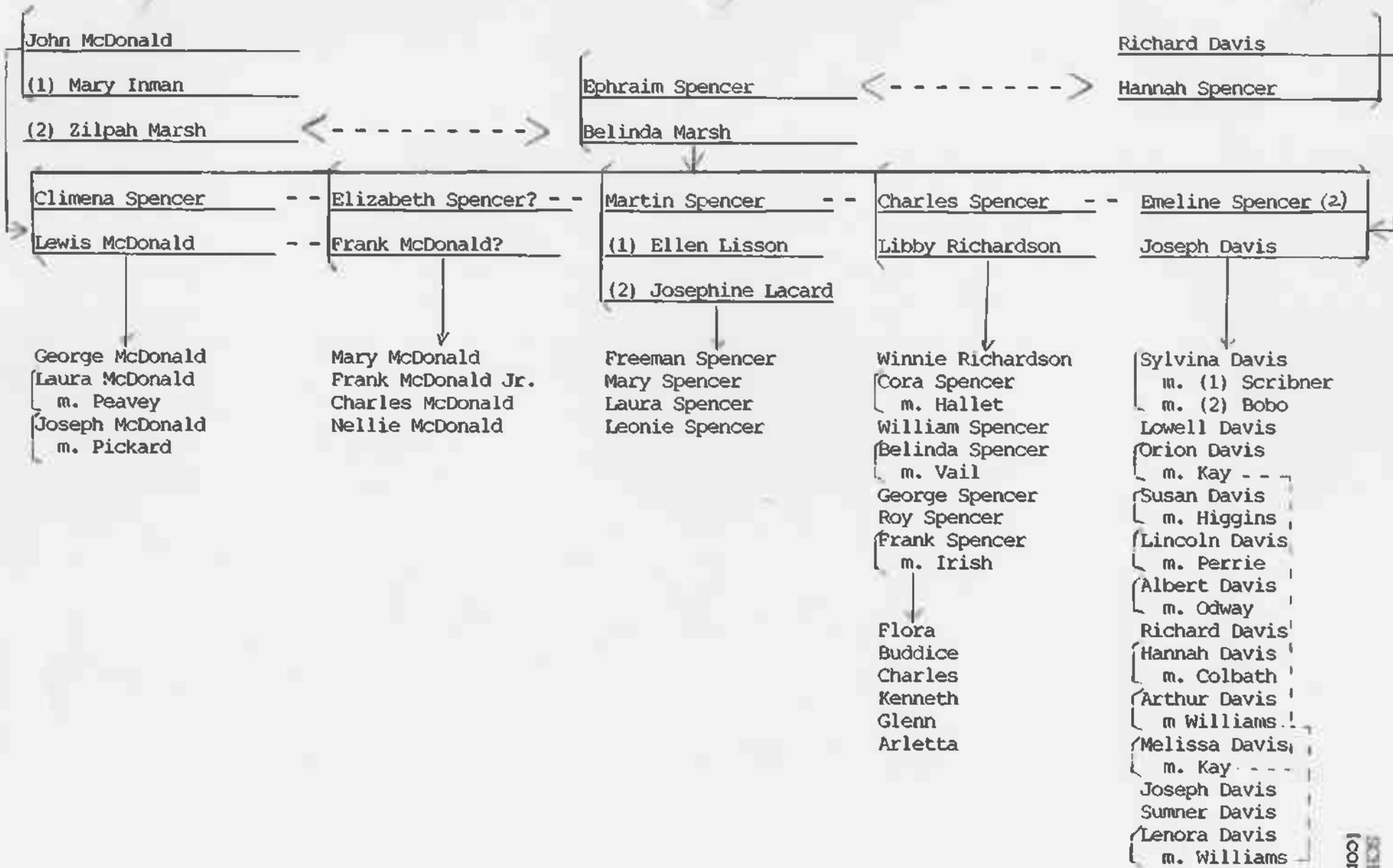
Larry Clyde Schwanbeck Nov. 13, 1957

Terry Allen Schwanbeck May 22, 1960

Register of Deaths

Johanna Schwanbeck died Jan. 11, 1905 born Oct. 6, 1835 in Germany 69 years
3 months 5 days Father: Renald? born Germany Bronchial Pneumonia

Carl Swanbeck died May 15, 1910 born Oct. 10, 1834 in Germany 75 years 9
months Father: Christian born Germany Brights Disease - Atrophy Liver



SCHEMATIC
 (continued)

1870 Census #82

Boyden Phillipp	age 48	Farmer	born Maine
" Rachal	46		"
Colbath George	9		"
Scott Geo. W.	28	Farmer	"
" Almeda	18		"
" Hattie	1		Minnesota
Boyden Gilbert	20		Maine

1875 Census #49

Chas. F. Snow	age 42	born Maine
Ada	26	New York
Leon	8	Minnesota
Lura	8	"
Harry	6	"
Chas. A.	3	"
Margaret	1	"
Len	37	Maine
Roderick Scott	17	Minnesota

1875 Census #58

Randal Thorpe	age 65	born Connecticut
Silva	63	"
Anori	39?	"
Walter	12	"
Mark Scott	31	Maine
Vernella	18	Connecticut

1880 Census #81

Scott Martin	age 34	Laborer	born Maine
" Vernella	24	Wife	Connecticut
" Eva	5	Daughter	Minnesota
" Lillie	3	Daughter	"
" Letta	1	Daughter	"

1880 Census #115

Scott Walter	age 27	Works in flouring mill	born Canada
" Minnie	25	Wife	Ohio

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SHALIFOO
(CHARLEFOI)

1850 Census page 96

Charlefoi Charles	age 46	Laborer	born Canada
" William	16		Wisconsin
" Louise	13		"
" Loway	10		"
" Narcisse	8		"
" Margaret	4		"
" Angelique	2		Minnesota

1855 Census

(Monticello Twp.) M. Shelliavieau 3-3-6

1860 Census #478

Chas. Schelefoo	age 56	Farmer	born Canada West
Emeline "	54		Wisconsin
William "	24	Farmer	"
Nricus? "	17	Farmer	Iowa
Margaret "	14		"

1870 Census #41

Schalefoo Nelson	age 26	Farmer	born Wisconsin
" Kattie?	28		England
" Nellie	11		Missouri
" Chas.?	6		"
" Franklin	4		Minnesota
" James	1		"

1879 Map

Range 24 Section 10 William Scharlafeau 89.60 acres

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Range 24 Section 10 William Shelefoo Oct. 16, 1860

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"Narcisse Shallifoo killed Lewis Osier <his brother-in-law> on the night of July 26, 1870, at the Osier residence, in Otsego township. He was indicted June 7, 1871 and on July 20, 1871, after being found guilty of second degree murder, was sentenced to the state's prison for life. June 17, 1873, he was pardoned by Governor Horace Austin upon the recommendation of many of the leading citizens of the state and county. Shallifoo was a veteran of the Civil war and had lost an arm in the service of his country. His sister was the wife of Lewis Osier. Family trouble arose, and the two men became enemies. On the night of July 26, 1870, Shallifoo went to the Osier residence and asked for some supper. The family had gone to bed, but Mrs. Osier arose and prepared supper for her brother. Osier also partly dressed and took a seat at the table. Mrs. Osier tried to smooth over matters between her husband and her brother, but a serious altercation arose, Osier hit Shallifoo with a chair, and then Shallifoo stabbed him so that he died almost immediately. Prejudice against Shallifoo in his own neighborhood ran high, and he was convicted of murder. A few years later the governor concurred in the belief of the leading citizens of the state that the circumstances of the killing were such that Shallifoo had already been more than sufficiently punished, and he was released."

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"The Civil war took many of Otsego's citizens . . . Co. G, Fourth Minn. Vol. Inf. . . . Charles Shalafoo . . . "

Farnham's page 359

"The following persons enlisted in the U. S. army during the great rebellion: . . . Charles Shalafoo Co. C 4th Reg't."

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Shalifoo Nelson . . . "

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"Fourth Minnesota Infantry - Wright county roster: . . . William Shelefoo . . . "

Condensed History page 87

"On the night of July 20, 1870, Narcisse Shallifoo killed Lewis Ossier of Otsego. He was subsequently found guilty of murder in the second degree by a jury, and July 11, 1871, he was sentenced to states prison for life. Shallifoo was a veteran of the Civil war, and had lost an arm in the service of his country. Some years later he was pardoned by the Governor on the ground that he had been sufficiently punished, as the murder was not intentional, it having grown out of a family quarrel."

Excerpts from Unpublished Book - Charles LaPlant family

"Louis Ozier was married to a quarter-breed Ojibway whose maiden name was Cleo or Noe Shallifoo, sister of Narcisse who understood and could speak the Chippewa language and often helped Louis at the trading post. At Louis' post, the Laplants and Pepins were amazed at the diversity of articles he displayed for barter or sale when the Indians brought their goods to trade . . . He evidently had worked hard and traded skilfully, using as help only his young brother-in-law, Narcisse Taliferro, who knew the Chippewa language . . . About midnight there was a sudden alarm. Eusabee was wakeful and heard someone who sounded like Louis' wife run stumbling past the window, panting with great hard breaths. She nudged Charles, for it was the wife who pounded desperately on the back door. 'Char, Char, Louis,' she gasped. 'Louis and Narcisse, they fight, Louis killed maybe, I 'fraid.' Charles was up and out to her, shoes in hand. They drew the frightened woman in and tried to guide her toward a chair, but she stood facing them, sobbing out her story, tearfully wringing her hands. 'How did it start?' Charles urged, struggling into his clothes, his quick mind already planning what should be done. 'Narcisse, he com bout eleven. Dead drunk. Asked for food. I scare, wouldn't go give. Louis come, he go give. Narcisse, he eat. They quarrel across table bout Indian land. Narcisse he angry, come at him with knife, stab quick, like that' the over-wrought woman panted, screaming, showing them how. 'Louis pick up chair, try break over Narcisse, 'tect hissself. Los' too much blood, weak, go back into hall. He fall and Narcisse, oh, oh, ohh. I come' she wailed. Charles never did tell what he found when he arrived at Louis and saw that his brother-in-law was, indeed, dead. Louis, who had always been kindness itself to them all and Narcisse whom they all loved so much. What a tragedy. Charles found the body where the wife had said, on the floor of the hall of their new house in a pool of blood, with the stout kitchen chair, broken, beside Louis. He evidently had resisted to his last drop of blood and ounce of strength.

SHALIFOO
(continued)

The murderer was gone. Charles found and helped quiet the frightened children; and then, telling his wife and the eldest child to drop the bar across the door after him, Charles left the house to arouse the Pepins and others. The posse found Narcisse in a drunken sleep, at the edge of the woods, not far north of the Pepin place and took him at once to St. Paul for trial. The ordeal and the judgment were typical of the times. Narcisse, as an honorably discharged quarter-breed, of the Civil War was shown leniency. Partly, too, because of his distinguished name, Shallifoo. For his crime he was sentenced to prison at Stillwater for the short term of seven years; later his sentence was commuted and he was soon released, but to no good purpose. Someone at Elk River reported soon afterward that Narcisse had been done to death in a St. Paul saloon . . . "

"Concerning the spelling of Louis Ozier; his name also appears as Osier. Regarding Louis Ozier's wife and her brother Narcisse Shallifoo; the name appears as Shelafoe and Taliaferro. Eusabee was spelled Auseebee and Eusabie."

<Narcisse appears age 8 in the 1850 census - Nricus? in the 1860 census age 17 - Nelson age 26 in the 1870 census>

Register of Deaths

May 5, 1878 Emeline Shalifoo age 74 born Wisconsin Came to Minn. June 1853
Appoplexy Parents: Gowyer born St. Louis, Mo.

SHERBURN

1870 Census #33

Sherburn	Samuel	age	35	Farmer	born	Maine
"	Sarah E.		28			"
"	Edwin		12			"
"	Freddie		10			"
"	Elizabeth		61			"

1855 Census

F. Shrute 1-0-1

SHUMWAY

1850 Census page 60

Shumway John	age 45	Farmer	born Maine
" Nathan	33		"
" Pennewill	70	Lumberman	"
Hopper Daniel	40		"

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Range 23 Section 30 John P. Shumway July 11, 1856

SIMMONS

1870 Census #30

McDonald John	age 64	Mill Wright	born Maine
" Zilpah	65		"
Marsh Jane	85		"
Calkins Henry	14		Norway
Simmons Chas.	19		Ohio

SLATER

1870 Census #103

Slater George	age 50	Farmer	born England
" Catharin	47		New York
" Henry	15		" "
" George	8		Minnesota
" Kate	3		"
" Isabella	2		"
Richardson Minnie?	6		"

Cemetery

Slaler Bell died Jan. 4, 1880 age 11 years Daughter of G. & G. Slaler

Note

Charles Spencer wife Libbie Slater Richardson (widow).

SMITH

1860 Census 3487

Martin H. Smith	age 40	Free Will Baptist Clergy	born New York
Mary A.	" 35		" "
Ellen C.	" 10		" "
Mabes B.	" 8		" "
Julius S.	" 6		" "
Andrew H.	" 2		Minnesota

1870 Census #68

Smith Gilbert	age 44	Farmer	born New York
" Lydia	43		" "
" ?	15		" "
" Lizzie?	13		Minnesota
" William	9		"
" Hattie	6		"
" George	3		"

1875 Census #74

G. T. Smith	age 48	born N. Y.
Lyda "	48	"
Percy A. "	20	"
Lavina "	18	Minnesota
Wm. D. "	14	"
Hattie W. "	11	"
Geo. "	8	"

1879 Map

Range 24	Section 22	J. G. Smith	40 acres
" 24	" 15	J. G. Smith	40 "

1894 Map

Range 23 Section 19 Lorenzo D. Smith

Andreas Atlas 1874

Gilbert T. Smith Range 23 Section 33 Farmer born Seneca Co., N. Y.
Came to Minnesota 1856

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Range 23 Section 33 Gilbert F. Smith Sep. 2, 1873

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" . . . among the oldest settlers . . . Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith . . . "

Farnham's page 357

"In May 1857, J. G. Smith . . . had surveyed and platted about 400 acres in sections 17 and 18 . . . as the village of Otsego . . . "

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" . . . trustees of the Methodist Church . . . E. T. Smith . . . "

Cemetery

Smith

Herman died 1985
Theodore died 1918

Holt Diary

July 17, 1883 Mrs. Smith sent fourth another boy
Mar. 19, 1888 Delana and Len had a row
Mar. 20, 1888 Delana Left Len Smith
Mar. 23, 1888 Delana Smith went back home

SMULLEN

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Range 23 section 29 and 32 Patrick Smullen Mar. 20, 1857

SNOPAUS

1855 Census

Henry Snopaus 1-0-1

SNOW

1855 Census

I. Snow 1-0-1
J. Snow 1-0-1
J. M. Snow 1-0-1

1860 Census

Martha Snow age 38 born Maine
J. Grandville 20 Farmer "
Augusta " 18 "
James A. Godfrey 42 Farmer "

1860 Census

Tileston Snow age 74 Farmer born New Hampshire
Nancy " 70 " "
J. M. " 29 Farmer Maine

SNOW
(continued)1860 Census #504

Leonard Snow	age 53	Farmer	born Maine
Hannah "	60		"
Charles "	28		"
Leonard Jr. "	24		"
Orilla C. "	21		"
Sylvester Chase	8		"

1865 Census #20

Martha Snow
Alford "
Agusta "
James Godfrey

1865 Census #36

George Snow
Rosita M. "
Pursa? "
Alicia? "

1865 Census #38

Tileston Snow
Nancy

1865 Census #71

Leonard Snow
Hannah "
Charles "
Leonard " Jr.
Ansila Hardon
Henry Hardon

1870 Census #2

Snow Tileston	age 84	Farmer	born New Hampshire
" Nancy	80		" "

1870 Census #67

Snow Alfred G.	age ?	born Maine
" Isadora? I.	22	"
" Ada H.	10/12	Minnesota
" Martha	57	Maine
" Josephine	28	"

1870 Census #84

Snow Charles	age 38	Farmer	born Maine
" Ada	21		New York
" Leon	2		Minnesota
" Nona	2		"
" Harry	1		"

1870 Census #85

Snow Leonard	age 66	Farmer	born Maine
" Hannah	70		"
Case Zenos L.	36	Farmer	New York
" Lydia	30		Michigan
" Chancy?	8		"

1870 Census #91

Snow George	age 38	Farmer	born Maine
" Maria	38		Michigan
" Perry	6		Minnesota
" Manney?	4		"
" Eb ?	2		"
" Charlie	1		"

1875 Census #15

George Snow	age 42	born Maine
Maira "	36	Michigan
Percy "	13	Minnesota
John "	11	"
Charles "	8	"
Reuben "	6	"

1875 Census #49

Chas. F. Snow	age 42	born Maine
Ada "	26	New York
Leon "	8	Minnesota
Lura "	8	"
Harry "	6	"
Chas. A. "	3	"
Margaret "	1	"
Len "	37	Maine
Roderick Scott	17	Minnesota

1875 Census #73

Granville Snow	age 34	born Maine
Isadore "	27	"
Ada "	5	Minnesota
Mabel "	4	"
Arthur "	2	"

1875 Census #104

James L. Douglas	age 55	born Maine
Charlotte "	51	"
Lenvill "	26	"
Mary G. "	23	Wisconsin
Preston J. "	18	"
Wm. A. "	16	"
Hattie E. "	14	"
Charles E. "	9	"
Hannah Snow	73	Maine

1880 Census #1

Snow Geo. J.	age 48	Farmer	born Maine
" Rosett	39	Wife	Michigan
" Percy W.	18	Son	Minnesota
" John	15	"	"
" Charles	14	"	"
" Ebbin	11	"	"

1880 Census #52

Snow Chas.	age 44?	Farmer	born Maine
" Ada	31	Wife	New York
" Leon	12	Son	Minnesota
" Lura	12	Daughter	"
" Harry	11	Son	"
" Chas.	8	"	"
" Maggie	6	Daughter	"
" Richard	4/12	Son	"
" Hannah	80	Mother	Maine
" Leonard	40?	Brother	"

1880 Census #121

Snow A. G.	age 40	Farmer	born Maine
" Martha	67	Mother	"
" Josephine	38	Sister	"
" Arthur	8	Son	"
Finlason Jerome	30	Laborer	"

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Range 24	section 23	John M. Snow	July 31, 1856
" 24	" 10	Tileston Snow	Oct. 6, 1859
" 23	" 17 and 20	Charles T. Snow	June 25, 1856
" 23	" 33	Martha Snow	Nov. 26, 1860

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" . . . Tilston Snow, grandfather of William D. Hamlet, was one of the first settlers to cross the Mississippi river into Wright county. He came in 1858 from Maine and settled in Otsego township . . . "

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" . . . Otsego village . . . Joseph McDonald, a grandson of John McDonald, . . . erected a good general store . . . sold to B. L. Hall, who in turn sold to Leon Snow, a son of one of the early settlers. Mr. Snow sold to D. B. Edwards . . . "

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Snow, Leonard; Snow, George; Snow, A. G.; Snow, Taliston . . . "

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"Joseph Bradley Hamlet . . . He was joined in marriage with Miss Charlotte M. Snow, a native of Maine, in the year 1845. They have four children; two boys, and two girls; all married . . ."

"Leonard Snow was born in Penobscot county, Maine, on the 18th of May, 1837, where he lived till twenty years of age. He and his brother came to Minnesota in 1856, and located on section seventeen, Otsego township, where he has lived since, except while in the army. Enlisted in November, 1861, in Company C, of the first Minnesota Volunteer Infantry. Soon after his enlistment he was sent to Maryland; was through the Peninsula Campaign; in the battle of Seven Oaks; at the second battle of Bull Run, and at the siege of Yorktown, Virginia. After serving for two years, was mustered out at Baltimore, when he returned to his home in Minnesota, and has since resided with his brother."

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"On January 6, 1906, Otsego was again to be the scene of another tragedy, when Williard E. Brandt murdered his young and beautiful wife and her alleged paramour . . . Coroner Moffet appointed Leon E. Snow . . . as jurymen."

Excerpts from book about Snow family

Tileston Snow born May 5, 1786 at St. Johns, Nova Scotia. Parents moved to Plymouth, NH when he was 2 years old. Married to Nancy Heath 1815 at Atkinson, Maine. She born Bridgewater, NH May 17, 1790. Tileston died in Otsego or Lily Pond MN Feb. 27 or 19, 1872; buried at Big Lake. Nancy died Sep. 19, 1874; buried at Big Lake. Tileston moved from NH to Atkinson, Maine at age 21 and took a farm; had good buildings and fine orchard of 5 to 6 hundred trees. Moved to Brownville after 28 years and stayed 21 years. At age 70 moved to MN; improved another farm. B. F. Snow says 'He was well and strong as usual up to very near the time of his death. He had a hobby to stand on his head on each of his birthdays and did that up to the time of his death' Elizabeth Payson Snow born Atkinson, Maine Mar. 15, 1817 (first child of Tileston) married Dana Hamlet June 18, 1839 at Brownville, Maine

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 34	A. G. Snow	160 acres
" 23	" 17	Charles T. Snow	80 "
" 23	" 20	Charles T. Snow	80 "
" 24	" 10	G. J. Snow	9.25 "
" 24	" 15	J. G. Snow	40.75 "
" 24	" 15	J. M. Snow	20 "
" 24	" 23	J. M. Snow	100 "
" 24	" 22	R. M. Snow	40 "

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 17	Leon E. Snow
" 24	" 10	G. J. Snow
" 24	" 15	G. J. Snow
" 24	" 22	J. G. Snow

SNOW
(continued)

Holt Diary

April 15, 1887 Old Lady Snow died
Oct. 11, 1887 Gran Snows mother was buried

Register of Deaths

Feb. 27, 1872 Tilston Snow age 86 born Maine Old Age

Apr. 23, 1873 Thurza Snow age 2 years 3 months 28 days Scarlet Fever
Parents: Geo. and Rosell Snow

Feb. 25, 1874 Leonard Snow Sen. age 66 years 11 months born Maine Arrived in
Minn. July 6, 1856 Consumption Farmer Parents: Joseph and Rebecca Snow born
Maine

Feb. 11, 1876 Alford A. Snow age 7 months 11 days born Minn. Huping Cough
Parents: A. G. and Isadora Snow born Maine

Apr. 16, 1887 Hannah Snow 87 years 7 months 25 days born Maine Came to Minn.
July 6, 1856 Old Age

Cemetery

Snow

baby died 1915

Hannah died Apr. 16, 1887

Leonard died Feb. 25, 1874

Lenard Died Aug. 21, 1912

Martha J. born Apr. 8, 1813 died Oct. 10, 1887

Thurza Ett? died Apr. 25, 1872 Daughter of G. J. and R. M.

<Myra L. Snow born Feb. 23, 1882 died Apr. 29, 1969, daughter of Charles Thomas
Snow and Ada Marie Cooley (June 3, 1849-Apr. 26, 1926), Granddaughter of Alvah
and Margaret Cooley - wrote a poetic story about her grandparents titled "Woman
In The Wilderness". A copy is available in the Heritage Room at the Otsego
City Hall.>

1855 Census

Zosekey Sohler 1-0-1

SOPER

1880 Census #138

Soper John	age 37	Laborer	born New York
" Alice	30	Wife	Vermont
" Annie	10	Daughter	Minnesota
" Ida	7	Daughter	"
" Bertie	4	Son	"
" Chas.	1	Son	"

SOUTHARD

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Range 24 Section 27 Henry D. Southard October 27, 1857

SPENCER

1850 Census

B. H. Spencer

1855 Census

Belinda Spencer 2-2-4

1857 Census #4

Malind Spencer	age 48	born Maine
Charles "	16	"
Martin "	9	"

1860 Census #501

Belinda Spencer	age 50	born Maine
Charles "	19	"
Martin "	12	"

1865 Census #1

Belinda Spencer
 Chas. H. "
 Martin "

1870 Census #28

Spencer Chas. H.	age 28	Farmer	born Maine
" Elizabeth	24		New York
" Cora	3		Minnesota
" Willie	8/12		"

SPENCER
(continued)1870 Census #29

Spencer Malinda	age 61	born Maine
" Martin	23	"
" Ellen	24	"

1875 Census #33

Martin Spencer	age 27	born Maine
Ellen "	29	N. Y.
Belinda	65	Maine

1875 Census #39

C. H. Spencer	age 34	born Maine
Elizabeth "	26	N. Y.
Cora "	9	Minnesota
Wm. "	6	"
Belinda "	3	"
Geo. "	0	"

1880 Census #136

Spencer C. H.	age 38	Laborer	born Maine
" Mary E.	34	Wife	N. Y.
" Cora A.	13	Daughter	Minnesota
" William	10	Son	"
" Belinda	8	Daughter	"
" George	5	Son	"
" Roy	8/12	Son	"
Davis A. L.	18	Boarder	"
Bouchy James	20	"	"
Johnson H.	19	"	Ireland
Gray Edw. E.	16	"	Indiana
Heath A. M.	26	"	Maine
Bagley F. L.	26	"	Iowa
Davis Sylvina	25	Servant	Minnesota
Goodman Chas. S.	22	Boarder	England

1880 Census #133

Spencer M. E.	age 32	Laborer	born Maine
" Ellen	34	Wife	N. Y.
" Belinda	71	Mother	Maine

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Range 23 Section 17 Belinda Spencer June 19, 1856

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"Lewis McDonald and Caramina E. Spencer, married December 17, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace."

Volume II page 647

"Otsego postoffice was established in 1856, near the section line between section 17 and 18, Otsego township. John McDonald was the first postmaster. The postoffice was discontinued some ten years ago <about 1905> and mail is now received from Elk River. The last postmistress was Josephine Spencer."

Volume II page 782

"The first marriage was that of Louis McDonald and Clemina Spencer, married December 25, 1856, by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace."

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Spencer, Charles . . . "

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"The first marriage was L. McDonald, a son of John McDonald, and Miss C. Spencer, a daughter of Ephraim Spencer."

"Joseph Davis . . . Mr. Davis has been twice married. His present wife was Miss Emeline A. Spencer, to whom he was married in December, 1855. She has borne him eleven children, five girls and six boys . . . "

Farnham's page 356

"The first marriage was that of Louis McDonald and Miss Clemina Spencer, married December 25, 1856 by O. H. Kelley, justice of the peace."

1879 Map

Range 23	section 20	B. Spencer	80 acres
"	24	"	13 Charles Spencer 103.62 acres
"	24	"	25 M. C. Spencer 40 acres

1894 Map

Range 24 section 13 Martin and George Spencer

Holt Diary

Sep. 7, 1880 Ellen Spencer left
 May 13, 1885 Martin Spencer shot Mr. Ricker through the leg at night
 June 8, 1885 Mart is in Buffalo awaiting his trial. They are having a great time at Buffalo between Mart Spencer and Mr. Ricker.
 June 18, 1885 Mart Spencer's law suit cost him some over \$300 dollars
 Mar. 6, 1886 Mr. Hallet and Corrie Spencer were married
 July 18, 1888 Eugene Vail and Lindy Spencer were married
 Mar. 5, 1889 Charlie Spencer is very sick he is paralyzed on one side.

SPENCER
(continued)

Cemetery

Spencer

Belinda Nov. 29, 1809-Nov. 4, 1891
 Charles 1841-Sep. 7, 1914
 Frank D. 1881-June 3, 1970
 Freeman M. Dec. 13, 1882-Apr. 22, 1896 Son of M E & D
 Glen William died July 10, 1985
 Little Eddy Son of J & N
 Martin E. Apr. 3, 1848?-Apr. 22, 1896 Civil War
 Mary 1847-1921
 Maude Ethel 1884-Dec. 10, 1951
 Nellie May Irish 1884?-June 8, 1955
 Nettie M. Mar. 11, 1886-Dec. 26, 18?? Daughter of G. H. & M. E.
 Roy S. 1879-Nov. 7, 1961
 William 1871-1874
 Sharon Faye Spencer Hiller died May 21, 1985 Daughter of Glen & Shirley

Register of Deaths

Dec. 25, 1886 Nellie M. Spencer 1 mo 14 da Croup Parents: Charles and Libbie born Maine and New York
 Nov. 4, 1891 Belinda Spencer 81 yrs 11 mo 6 da born Maine Fracture of Hip Bone Parents: Jane born Maine
 Feb. 23, 1894 William H. Spencer 24 yrs 3 mo 2 da born MN Potts Disease of Spine Parents: Charles H. and Mary E. born Maine and N. Y.
 Apr. 22, 1896 Martin E. Spencer 48 yrs 19 da born Maine Drowned Parents: Ephraim and Belinda born Maine
 Apr. 22, 1896 Freeman M. Spencer 13 yrs 4 mo 9 da born MN Drowned Parents: Martin E. and Josephine born Maine and Manitoba

Nathaniel Spenser Mar. 11, 1770

Betsey Dec. 2, 1776

Hannah Spenser Feb. 17, 1800-July 3, 1879 m. Richard Davis Apr. 15, 1815

Ephraim Spenser July 19, 1806

Belinda Marsh Nov. 29, 1809-Nov. 4, 1891

Emaline Spenser 1835-1896 m. Joseph Davis 1855

Charles H. Spenser 1841-Sep. 7, 1914

Mary Elizabeth "Libbie" Slater Richardson (widow) 1847-1921

Winnie Richardson

Cora Spenser 1867 m. _____ Hallet Mar. 6, 1881

William H. Spenser 1869-1894

Belinda "Lindy" Spenser 1872 m. Eugene Vail July 18, 1888

George Spenser 1875

Roy S. Spenser 1879-Nov. 7, 1961

Maude Ethel Durowdy? 1884-Dec. 10, 1951

Frank D. Spenser 1881-June 3, 1970

Nellie May Irish? 1884-June 8, 1955

Flora

Buddice

Charles

Kenneth

Glenn d. July 10, 1985

Shirley _____

Robert Spenser

Mae _____

Sharon d. May 21, 1985

Arletta

Nellie ?Nettie d. Dec. 25, 1886 1 mo 14 da

Clemina Spenser 1843-1932 m. Lewis McDonald 1856

Martin E. (Ephraim M.) Spenser Apr. 3, 1848-Apr. 22, 1896

(1) Ellen Lisson

(2) Josephine Lacard

Freeman Spenser Dec. 13, 1882-Apr. 22, 1896

Mary Spenser 1884

Laura Spenser 1886

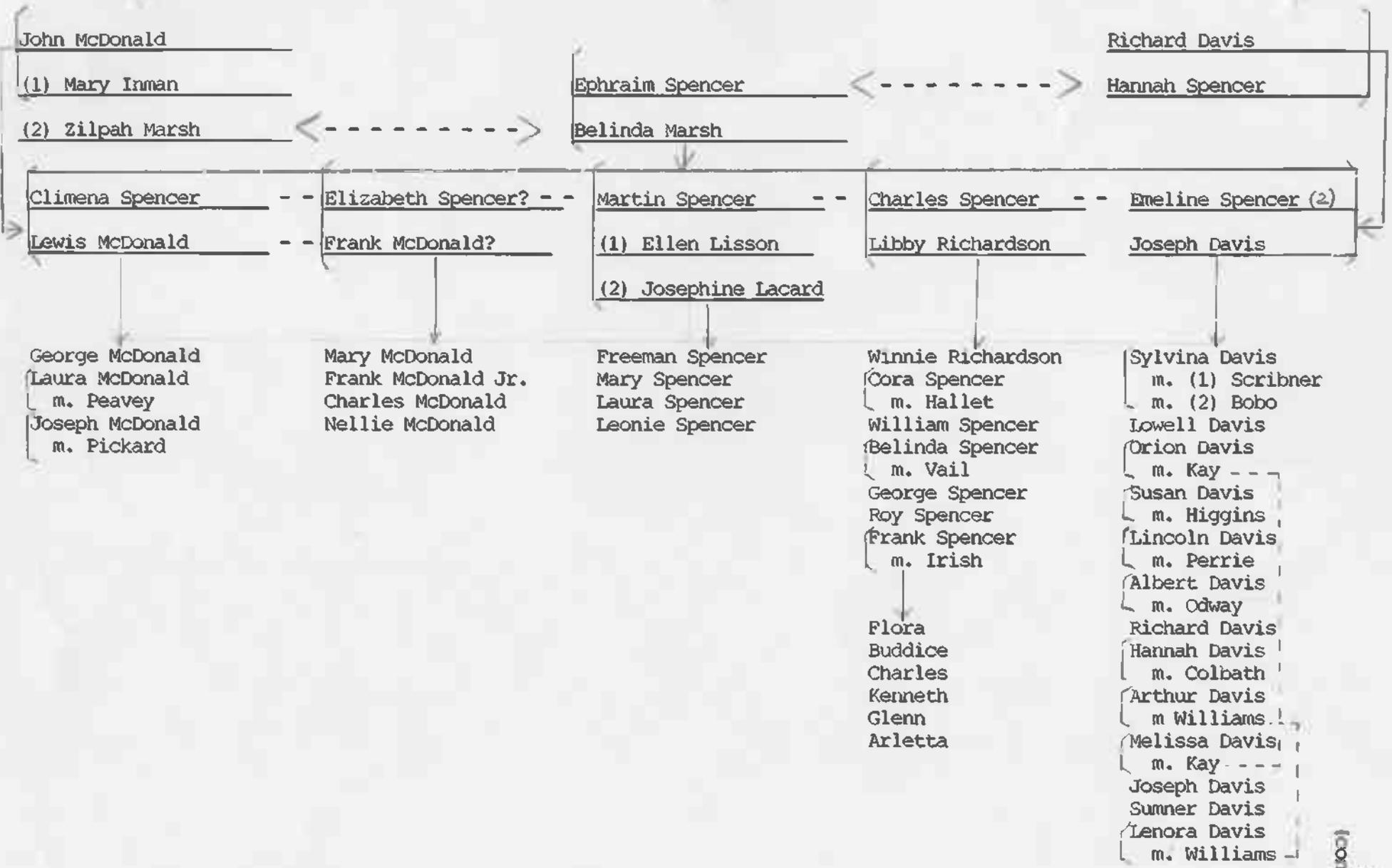
Leonie Spenser 1888



FRANK AND NELLIE SPENCER FAMILY

Frank D. Spenser and Nellie Sweet (Irish) Spenser with three of their children: Charles with Nellie, Buddice and Kenneth (Kay) with Frank. In the buggy is Frank's mother, Mary Elizabeth Spenser (wife of Charles).

Photo courtesy of Wright County Historical Society



SPENCERS
(continued)



CHARLES H. SPENCER

Pictured here in his Civil War uniform; Charles was born in 1841 in Maine, son of Ephraim and Belinda Marsh Spencer. He came to Otsego before 1855 with his widowed mother, his brother Martin and sister Climena. He enlisted August 14, 1862 at St. Anthony and served in Co. A, 9 Reg't, Minnesota Inf. He was captured by the enemy at the battle of Bryce's Cross Roads, Mississippi on June 10, 1864 and was a prisoner of war until April 18, 1865. He returned to Otsego and married Mary Elizabeth "Libbie" Slater Richardson, a widow. They raised 8 children including Libbie's daughter from her first marriage. He farmed about 100 acres in section 13.

Photo courtesy of Pamela Konvicka

STAMPS

1855 Census

J. Stamps 1-0-1

STEARNS

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Range 23 Section 27 Mrs. Eliza E. Stearns July 17, 1871

STEINBERG

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Range 24 Section 35 Adam STEinberg Dec. 9, 1857

1879 Map

Range 24 Section 35 Adam Stenberger 80 acres

STENGBEIN

1855 Census

A. Stengbein 3-3-6

STEVENS

1880 Census #95

Stevens	Geo. W.	age 30	Laborer	born Ohio
"	Georgia	24	Wife	Maine
"	Homer	6	Son	Minnesota
"	Anna B.	3	Daughter	"
"	Frank	11/12	Son	"

STINSON

1865 Census #41

William R. Stinson
 Elizabeth "
 Hurburt W. "

STRATTON
(STANTON)1865 Census #31

Samuel Carrick
 Elizabeth "
 Mary A. Perry
 John F. "
 Daniel Stratton?

SUPERIORA

1860 Census #475

John Peirson age 24 born Ohio
 Abner " 27 "
 Mary " 25 Indiana
 Carlos Superiora 4/12 "

SWEET

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Range 23 Section 31 E. W. Sweet July 10, 1856

THOMAS

1860 Census #470

J. W. Thomas age 27 Farmer born Maine
 Jonas D. " 25 " "
 Louisia Buck? 25 New York
 A. C. Thrall 12 Wisconsin
 Pelina A. Bush? 13 Minnesota

THOMPSON

1860 Census #462

Wm. Thompson age 55 Farmer born New Hampshire
 Nancy " 58 " "
 Henry " 22 Farmer " "
 Mary R. " 19 " "

1880 Census #63

Campbell Joseph age 42 Farmer born New Brunswick
 " Victoria 30 Wife Wisconsin
 " Christina 5 Daughter Minnesota
 " Joseph 3 Son "
 " Angus 10/12 Son "
 Thompson David 33 Boarder/laborer New Brunswick

1865 Census #27

William Thorpe
 Lovey "
 Rolin "
 Eliza J. "
 William C. "
 Lovey A. "

1865 Census #23

Luman Cooley
 Alvah L. "
 Jerome "
 J. F. "
 Barnet "
 Elizabeth Thorpe

1870 Census #53

Thorpe Wm. C.	age 58	Farmer	born Connecticut
" Laura	44		"
" Wm. Jr.	15		"
" Laura	8		Minnesota
Williams F ?	14		"

1875 Census #58

Randal Thorpe	age 65	born Connecticut
Silva "	63	"
Anori "	39?	"
Walter "	12	"
Mark Scott	31	Maine
Vernella "	18	Conn.

1875 Census #65

Wm. H. Thorp	age 22	born Conn.
Isabel "	23	"

1875 Census #98

Wm. Thorpe	age 64	born Conn.
Laura "	50	"
Wm. C.	20	"
Laura A.	13	Minnesota

1880 Census #80

Thorpe Randolph	age 70	Clerk in store	born Conn.
" Sylvia	66	Wife	"

1880 Census #82

Thorpe Amzi	age 44	Farmer	born Conn.
" Francelia?	24	Wife	"
" Arthur	9/12	Son	Minn.

1880 Census #94

Thorpe Wm. H.	age 37	Farmer	born Conn.
" Isabelle	29	Wife	"
" Mary	4	Daughter	Minn.
" Emma	2	"	"
" Rheuben	7/12	Son	"

1880 Census #137

Thorpe Rollin	age 39	Retail Grocer	born Conn.
" Eldora	23?	Wife	Maine
" Ida	5	Daughter	Minn.
" Charles	2	Son	"

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 21	A. A. Thorpe	120 acres
" 23	" 22	L. A. Thorpe	80 "
" 23	" 27	W. Thorpe	20 "

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Range 23 section 27 William Thorpe Feb. 1, 1873

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" . . . After the hopes of a large village had died out, Rollin Thorp kept the store and postoffice for many years, furnishing a trading point for the neighboring farmers . . . "

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" . . . At present there is only one store, Rollin Thorp, who is postmaster . . . "

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"George W. Carrick . . . has been twice married; his first wife, Miss Maryett Thorpe, of Connecticut, chosen on the 17th of August, 1863; she died in June, 1870, leaving three children; Anna, Maryett, and William S. . . . "

Holt Diary

Oct. 1, 1881 Mrs. Thorpe and Mrs. Vail very sick
 Oct. 9, 1881 Mrs. Thorpe very low
 Oct. 3, 1884 Mrs. Thorp fired a shot at Spencer's store
 Oct. 4, 1884 Joig McDonald had Mrs. Thorp arrested

Cemetery

Thorpe Amzi born 1835 died 1925
 Frances E. died Feb. 18, 1872
 Emily F. born 1856 died 1932
 Laura A. born 1825 died 1904

THORPE
(continued)

Register of Deaths

Mar. 16, 1883 (unnamed female) Thorpe age 3 da Parents: Belle and William
born Connecticut

Jan. 6, 1887 Sylvia M. Thorpe 1 yr 2 mo born MN Bronchial Pneumonia
Parents: Rollin and Eldora born Conn. and Maine

THRALL

1860 Census #470

J. W. Thomas	age 27	Farmer	born Maine
Jonas D. "	25	Farmer	"
Louisa Buck?	25		New York
A. D. Thrall	12		Wisconsin
Pelina A. Bush?	13		Minnesota

TROUGH
(TRAUCH)

1870 Census #63

Trauch H ?	age 22	Farmer	born Wisconsin
" Minerva	22		"
" Ely	5		"
" Louis	4		"
" Charlotta	1		Minnesota

1875 Census #69

Herman Trough	age 27	born Prussia
Manerva "	27	Wisconsin
Eli "	10	"
Levi "	7	"
Charlotte "	5	Minnesota
Rozerma? "	3	"
Herman "	2	"
Ida "	0	"

1880 Census #122

Trough Herman	age 33	Farmer	born Prussia
" Manerva	32	Wife	Wisconsin
" Eli	14	Son	Minn.
" Lewis	12	Son	"
" Charlotte	10	Daughter	"
" Rosanna	9	Daughter	"
" Ida May	7	Daughter	"
" Herman	3	Son	"
" Caroline	1	Daughter	"
" William	10/12	Son	"
" Mary	10/12	Daughter	"

"An altercation in Otsego township over a calf in 1881, resulted in the death of one citizen, and in a life sentence for another. Phillip Hoffman was the victim. Herman Trauch was accused by the coroner's jury, May 8, 1881, was tried before the district court in October, 1881, and was found guilty and sentenced to state's prison for life. The trouble arose over a calf owned by Hoffman. The calf got into Trauch's meadow and Trauch started to lead it away. Hoffman climbed the fence and told Trauch that he would lead the calf back to the pasture. Trauch refused to give up the animal, and Hoffman thereupon grabbed hold of the rope. Trauch then struck at Hoffman four times with a butcher knife. The man died almost instantly and Trauch started toward his own home."

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"In 1881, Otsego, which has suffered several tragedies, was once more in the lime-light. A fight over a calf between Philip Hoffman, the victim, and Herman Trauch, the killer. Trauch struck Hoffman four times with a butcher knife, the latter dying instantly. Trauch was tried in the October term of 1881. He was found guilty and sentenced to states prison for life."

Register of Deaths

Sep. 12, 1875 Herman Trough age 3 years born Minn. Lung fever Parents: Herman and Mary Trough born Germany

July 12, 1880 Nellie Trough age 3 Months 3 days born Minn. Cholera Infantine Herman and Menerva born Germany and Wis.

Holt Diary

May 7, 1881 Trough killed Hoffman

TRUE

1855 Census

O. S. True 1-0-1

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . appointed . . . Otis S. True constable."

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"Other early settlers . . . Otis T. True . . . "

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Otis T. True appointed constable . . . "

Farnham's page 353

" . . . July 1852 . . . The next settlers were . . . Otis T. True . . . "

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"In Pleasant Grove Precinct . . . appointed . . . Otis T. True constable."

1855 Census

Ezra Tubbs 1-0-1
L. Tubbs 1-0-1

1857 Census #3

Luther E. Tubbs	age 23	born Maine
Julia B.	" 23	"
Mary L.	" 1	Minnesota
Ezra	" 66	Massachusetts

1860 Census #495

L. E. Tubbs	age 26	Farmer	born Maine
Julia	" 25		"
Mary	" 4		Minnesota
Winthrop	" 2		"
Ezra	" 68	Farmer	Maine

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Ezra Tubbs . . . appointed judge of election . . . Ezra Tubbs appointed justice of the peace . . ."

Volume I page 126-7

"The board <county> for 1872 was constituted . . . District 2, William Tubbs . . . 1873 2. William Tubbs . . . 1874 . . . 2. William Tubbs . . . 1877 William Tubbs was employed to make an abstract of entries, for which he was to receive \$100 . . ."

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"COUNTY OFFICERS Auditor . . . William Tubbs took office March 1, 1875. During his illness, in 1875, his deputy, W. H. Cady, had charge of the office."

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Range 23 Section 18 and 19 Luther E. Tubbs Nov. 23, 1860

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"Other early settlers were . . . Ezra Tubbs . . ."

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"In Pleasant Grove precinct . . . Ezra Tubbs . . . appointed justice of the peace . . ."

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"FIRST GRAND JURY LIST . . . Ezra Tubbs . . ."

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"The next settlers were . . . Ezra Tubbs . . ."

Farnham's page 354

" . . . Ezra Tubbs . . . judges of the election . . . "

Farnham's page 355

"The first town meeting was held . . . May 11, 1858 . . . the following were elected town officers: . . . Constable . . . Luther Tubbs . . . "

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"On July 23, 1855, the first jury list for Wright County was selected . . . Ezra Tubbs . . . "

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" . . . meeting of the board . . . July 2d, 1855 . . . First Grand Jury list: . . . Ezra Tubbs . . . "

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"The organization of the town was completed May 11, 1858 when the following officers were chosen: . . . constable . . . Luther Tubbs . . . "

1870 Census #37

Umphry James M.	age 43	Farmer born New York
" Oliver E.	34	" "
" Frank G.	11	" "
" Celia	6	" "

1870 Census #34

Uran James	age 36	Farmer born Iowa
" Emily A.	20	New York
Dimick Harriett	54	" "

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"William James Uran was born in the state of New York, on the 22d of September, 1833, where he lived until twenty-one years of age, working on his father's farm. Came to Illinois in 1854, and lived in that state, Indiana, and Iowa, until February, 1865, when he enlisted in Company B, of the One hundred and fifty-first Indiana Volunteer Infantry, under Captain Goodwin. Was sent to Tennessee, and after serving about eight months, was mustered out of service at Nashville. Returned from the army and came to Otsego township in 1866, where he has since resided. He married Miss E. A. Dimick, a native of New York, in the year 1869. They have had four children, three of whom are living; two boys and one girl."

VADNAW?

1857 Census #2

Joseph Vadnaw?	age 30	born Canada
Margret "	30	"
Eliza "	14	"
Joseph "	12	"
Elizabeth "	11	"
Peter? "	9	"
Mary "	7	"
Maryann "	4	"
Nelson "	2	"
Bub "	1/12	Minnesota

1870 Census #86VAIL
(VEAIL)

Veail John	age 42	Farmer	born New Brunswick
" Mary	27		Vermont
" Lois?	9		Minnesota
" Tuddie	7		"
" Emmie	5		"
" Arthur	2		"
" Infant	2/12		"

1875 Census #37

John Vail	age 45	born Maine
Mary "	31	Vermont
Louisa "	14	Minnesota
Fred "	12	"
Emma "	12	"
Eugene "	7	"
Edgar "	4	"
Flora "	2	"
Mabel "	1	"

1880 Census #41

Vail John	age 52	Farmer	born New Brunswick
" Mary D.	37	Wife	Vermont
" Fred S.	17	Son	Minnesota
" Emma	15	Daughter	"
" Eugene	12	Son	"
" Edgar	10	Son	"
" Flora	8	Daughter	"
" Mabel	7	Daughter	"

1879 Map

Range 23 Section 19 J. S. Vail 80 acres

1894 MapRange 23 Section 19 Fred S. Vail
" 23 " 20 Eugene Vail

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Range 23 section 15 George T. Vail May 31, 1856

Holt Diary

Sep. 26, 1881 Mrs. Vail very sick
 Oct. 1, 1881 Mrs. Thorpe and Mrs. Vail very sick
 Apr. 9, 1886 Ernest Byron Ingersoll and Emma Vail were married
 Fred Vail and Lily Morrell were married
 July 18, 1888 Eugene Vail and Lindy Spencer were married

CemeteryVail

Edgar B. 1870-1908
 John 1827?-1908
 Mary A. 1843-1914
 Eugene Arthur 1867-1949
 Linda S. 1871-1944
 Leland Eugene 1891-1963
 Lucile A. 1899-1971
 Lee's Baby 1928
 Lee's Baby 1936

Register of Deaths

Nov. 23, 1888 Laurence G. Vail 4 days Convulsions Parents: Fred and Lillian
 Oct. 29, 1891 Lillian Irene Vail 23 years 3 months 4 days Post Partum Hemorrhage
 May 9, 1908 Edgar Vaile 1870 38 years 5 days Father: John Vaile born Maine
 Mother: Mary born Vermont Surgical Operation
 June 10, 1908 John S. Vail born May 8, 1827 age 81 years born New Brunswick
 Father: David Vail born Canada Mother: Jane Shield born Canada Cancer

John Vail 1827-1908
 Mary A. 1843-1914
 Louisa 1861
 Fred 1863 m. 1886
 Lily Morrell
 Emma 1865 m. Ernest Byron Angersoll 1886
 Eugene Arthur 1867-1949
 Linda (Belinda) Spencer "Lindy" m. July 18, 1888
 Blanche 1890 m. Lee Baker
 Leland "Lee E." 1892-1963
 Cecil 1898 m. Lester Baker
 Edgar 1871
 Flora 1873
 Mabel 1874

VIOLET

1880 Census #45

Violet Sylvester age 46 Farmer born Maine
 " Emily 51 Wife Canada

VOOLBRUGKT

1855 Census

J. Voolbrugkt 1-0-1

VOONEA

1855 Census

H. Voonea 2-2-4

WASHBURN



CHARLES ALBERT WASHBURN

FARMER and CONSTABLE

Mr. Washburn, son of John Ward and Mehitable Lawrence Washburn, was born in New York in 1849. He came with his parents to Otsego in 1856. He married Alma Syble Bliss in 1877, had three children and farmed two 80-acre farms in the Lily Pond area. As constable, Charles was shot and mortally wounded when serving a warrant on Granville L. Spaulding. Charles died October 29, 1884. Later, his widow married Elmer Hamlet, son of Dana and Elizabeth Snow Hamlet who came to Otsego in 1856

Photo courtesy of Kathryn Abrahamson

1857 Census

J. W. Washburn	age 48	born N. Y.
M.	46	"
Amanda?	?	"
C. W.	21	"
?	24	"
Elbridge	19	"
?	18	"
Edson	15	"
Melvin	9	"
Charles	7	"
?	4	?
?	3/12	?

1860 Census #482

J. W. Washburn	age 49	Farmer	born New York
Mahitabell	" 47		" "
E. D.	" 18	Farmer	" "
Melvin	" 14		" "
Charles	" 11		" "
Sarah E.	" 8		" "
Fred M.	" 3		Minnesota

1860 Census #490

V. L. Ingersoll	age 45	Farmer	born Maine
E. H.	" 38		"
Phebe M.	" 15		"
Wilber W.	" 12		"
Luther F.	" 10		"
Franklin	" 7		"
Ellen F.	" 5		Minnesota
Lucy E.	" 3		"
Oris R.	" 1		"
John Jile Jr.	27	Laborer	Ohio
Elbridge Washburn	22	Laborer	New York

1860 Census #491

Orson M. Washburn	age 23	Farmer	born New York
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WASHBURN
(continued)1865 Census #43

J. W. Washburn
 Mehitable "
 Edson "
 Melven "
 Charles A. "
 Sarah E. "
 Fred M. "

1870 Census 318

Washburn Edson	age 28	Farmer	born New York
" Amelia	25		" "
" Orsen M.	3		Minnesota
" Delos	1		"

1870 Census #92

Washburn Jno. W.	age 59	Farmer	born New York
" Mehitabel	57		" "
" Charles	21		" "
" Sarah E.	18		" "
" Fred M.	13		Minnesota

1870 Census #93

McLeod Thomas	age 35	Farmer	born New York
" Clara	36		" "
Washburn Melvin	24	Farm laborer	" "

1875 Census #1

E. D. Washburne	age 33	born N. Y.
A. M. "	30	"
Orison "	8	Minnesota
D. C. "	6	"
Nellie M. "	2	"
Robert M. "	0	"

1875 Census #3

J. W. Washburn	age 63	born N. Y.
Mehetabel "	62	"
M. D. "	29	"
C. A. "	26	"
F. M. "	17	Minnesota

1880 Census #17

Washburn Chas.	age 31	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Alma	21	Wife	Michigan
" Delbert	1	Son	Minnesota

1880 Census #18

Washburn J. W.	age 69	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Mahitable	67	Wife	"
" F. M.	20	Works on farm	Minnesota
" Adelia	21	Wife	"
" Ethel	1	Daughter	"

1880 Census #21

Washburn E. D.	age 35	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Amelia	31	Wife	"
" Orson	13	Son	Minnesota
" Cuyler	11	Son	"
" Nellie	8	Daughter	"
" Robert	5	Son	"
" Rhuben	3	Son	"
" Lura	1/12	Daughter	"

1880 Census #22

McLeod Thos.	age 41	Farmer	born N. Y.
" Clara	41	Wife	"
McDermid Jos.	55	Boarder/laborer	Maine
Washburn M. D.	34	Boarder/laborer	N. Y.

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Range 24	Section 22	O. M. Washburne	Nov. 23, 1860
" 24	" 23	John W. Washburne	Nov. 30, 1860

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"Edson D. Washburn, a pioneer of Otsego township, was born in Essex county, New York, January 19, 1842, son of John W. and Mahetable (Lawrence) Washburn, who brought him to Wright county in September, 1856, and located on section we, Otsego township. He spent his youth there and on August 14, 1862, enlisted under Captain Edward Hartley, in Company E, Eighth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry. He followed the fortunes of that regiment in the Northwest against the Indians and in the South against the Confederates, and was mustered out at Ft. Snelling after about three years' of hard service, having in 1864, been promoted to corporal. Then he farmed on section 13, Otsego township for some five years, after which he came to the farm which he now owns. He has been very successful and has about 300 acres of excellent land, on which is conducted general farming and stock raising. Mr Washburn has served in practically all the town offices. He was chairman of the town board two years and justice of the peace for twenty years, as well as a member of the school board for many terms. He is patriotic instructor of Sedgwick Post, No. 52, G. A. R., of Monticello; and a member of Monticello Lodge, No. 16, A. F. & A. M. The family faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Washburn was married May 26, 1866, to Amelia Wells, a native of New York state. This union was blessed with seven children. Orson M. lives at Seappoose, Oregon. D. Cuyler lives in Otsego township. He is a civil engineer and present county surveyor. Helen is dead. Robert M. is professor of dairy husbandry in the agricultural department of the University of Minnesota. R. J. is a dentist at Hope, North Dakota. He served eighteen months in the Philippines as a private in Company F, Thirteenth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry. Lura M. is the wife of C. A. Rowley, of Nortonville, North Dakota. Edson lives in Otsego."

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"Edson Washburn, farmer and dairyman, owner of "Woodland Farm," Otsego township, was born in the township where he now resides, May 5, 1886, son of Edson D. and Amelia (Wells) Washburn. He passed through the grades of the common schools, and took under-graduate and post-graduate courses in the School of Agriculture, University of Minnesota. Ever since 1906, he has been in charge of the home farm of 300 acres. It is called "Woodlawn Farm," and is regarded as the finest place in the township. The improvements are especially notable, and include a silo with a capacity of 100 tons. Mr. Washburn makes a specialty of dairying and has a splended herd of full-blooded Guernsey cattle. Mr. Washburn is a Republican in politics, and is serving the town as justice of the peace. In farmers' organizations he has been especially active. He is one of the directors of the Farmers' Club of Otsego, a member of the Farmers' Shipping Association, and agent for the Farmers' Home Mutual Tornado insurance Co. He belongs to Monticello Lodge, No. 16, A. F. & A. M., at Monticello, and the family faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Washburn was married June 8, 1910 to Edna Wooley, of Buffalo, this county, and they have two children, Ennid G., born June 12, 1911, and Annis Leola, born March 11, 1913."

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"Granville L. Spaulding of Monticello, after having considerable domestic trouble, was alleged to have made several threats, as the result of which a warrant was issued for his arrest. Charles A. Washburn, a constable, was given the warrant to serve. October 19, 1884, he went to the Konkler home, where Spaulding was stopping, three miles below Monticello, toward Otsego, and secreted himself outside awaiting the appearance of Spaulding. When Spaulding came to the door, Washburn shouted to him that he was under arrest. Shots were exchanged and Washburn was wounded. He died October 29. There was some conflict of testimony as to the exact circumstances of the exchange of shots. The case was duly tried, and on June 15, Spaulding was sentenced to be kept in solitary confinement in the Wright county jail for five months and then hanged. On December 15, 1885, judgment was vacated by the supreme court (34 Minn. 361) several women's organizations interested themselves in the matter in the belief that Spaulding was of weak mind, a new trial was held in Hennepin county, and the prisoner sentenced to two years in state's prison."

Volume II page 782

"The Civil war took many of Otsego's citizens . . . Co. E. Eighth Minn. Vol. Inf. - E. D. Washburn, E. F. Washburn . . . "

Volume II page 784

"Mr. and Mrs. EDson Washburn are the oldest settlers living here."

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"Methodist Episcopal Church of Otsego . . . The church was regularly organized in May, 1857. The members were . . . E. T. Washburn and wife . . . "

Farnham's page 49

"<Wright County War> The jury were as follows: John W. Washburn . . . "

Farnham's page 68

"Company E. of the 8th Regiment of Minn. Vol. Infantry . . . Privates . . .
Edson D. Washburne, Otsego, Elbridge F. Washburne, Otsego . . . "

Farnham's page 359

"OTSEGO IN THE WAR OF 1861 . . . The following persons enlisted in the U. S.
army during the great rebellion: . . . E. D. Washburn Co E 8th Reg't . . .
E. F. Washburn Co E 8th Reg't . . . "

Farnham's page 361

"The Methodist Episcopal church was organized in May 1857. The members were
. . . E. T. Washburn and wife . . . "

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"August 14, 1862 . . . Company E, Eighth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry . . .
PRIVATES . . . Edson D. Washburne, Otsego, Elbridge F. Washburne, Otsego . . . "

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"Edson D. Washburn, a native of Essex county, New York, was born in the year 1841.
Came with his parents to Minnesota in 1855, and soon after, located on a farm in
section twenty-seven, Otsego township. He enlisted on the 14th of August, 1862
in Company E, of the Eighth Minnesota Volunteer Infantry, under Captain Hartley.
Spent the first winter at Fort Ripley, then on a campaign after the Indians, dur-
ing the summer of 1863. In 1864, went with Sully's expedition into Montana Ter-
ritory, and was in various engagements with the Indians. Was sent south in Octo-
ber 1864; was in an engagement at Murfreesboro, and several other places, and mus-
tered out at Fort Snelling after nearly three years of continued service. He
was joined in marriage to Miss Amelia Wells, who was born in New York, in the
year 1866. They have a family of six children. His parents live with him on
the same farm which he selected in 1855."

1879 Map

Range 24	Section 22	C. A. Washburn	40 acres
" 24	" 23	E. D. Washburn	20 "
" 24	" 27	E. D. Washburn	80 "
" 24	" 23	J. W. Washburn	140 "

1894 Map

Range 24	Section 22	C. A. Washburn
" 24	" 22	Amelia Washburn
" 24	" 23	M. D. Washburn and E. E. Washburn
" 24	" 27	E. D. Washburn

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . M. W. Washburne, E. D. Washburne . . ."

Condensed History page 31

"In the years that have passed there have been among Otsego citizens men who have exerted a marked influence in the political life and development of the county. The following are deserving of mention: . . . Edson Washburn (civil war veteran), a man of influence in his township and keenly interested in public affairs."

Condensed History page 79

"Eighth Minnesota Infantry This regiment was organized August 1, 1862 . . . Wright county roster: . . . Otsego: Edson D. Washburn . . . On the morning of December 7, they started with many other regiments to meet the Confederate army under Hood. They participated in the two days' battle of the Cedars, were in the front, and did good service. In this battle Ellet P. Parcher and Elbridge F. Washburne were killed . . ."

Condensed History page 88

"Granville L. Spaulding, of Monticello, who had been having domestic trouble and had made threats, was served with a warrant for arrest. Constable Charles A. Washburn was given the warrant to serve. In trying to serve it, Spaulding shot him, Washburn dying ten days later. Sentenced to be hanged after he had served five months in solitary confinement in the Wright county jail. The Supreme Court vacated the judgment, and he was given a new trial, resulting in a verdict of guilty of manslaughter in the fourth degree. He was sentenced to states prison for two years. The second trial was held in Hennepin county."

Condensed History page 154

"In the life of every community there have been some persons of outstanding quality and worth who have had the best interest of their community at heart and through whose loyalty and devotion these communities have obtained recognition. In the early days of Wright county amid its pioneering hardships it needed such leadership. Looking back we recall some of these pioneers . . . Edson D. Washburn of Otsego. He was a farmer and dairyman of unusual ability. One of the pioneers of 1856. A soldier in the Civil war, prominent in political and civil affairs, a man of much force and character."

Holt Diary

Sep. 21, 1882 Rosco Washburn buried
Oct. 15, 1882 Adelia Washburn died
May 16, 1884 Mrs. Washburn very low
Oct. 19, 1884 Charlie Washburn got shot
Oct. 29, 1884 Charlie Washburn died about noon
Oct. 31, 1884 Charlie Washburn's funeral
Dec. 19, 1885 Charlie Washburn's widow and Elmer Hamlet were married
Dec. 10, 1888 Ciler<Cuyler> Washburn is teaching at the Otsego school

Register of Deaths

Sep. 21, 1882 Roscoe Morton Washburn age 2 yrs 1 mo 7 da Teething Parents:
Fred and Adelia born MN

July 29, 1883 (unnamed female) Washburn Stillborn Parents: Edson and
Amelia born N. Y.

Oct. 30, 1884 Charles A. Washburn age 35 yrs 5 mo 27 da born N. Y. Shot
Parents: Ward and Mehitabel born N. Y.

Feb. 19, 1892 Nahetabel Washburn 79 yrs 23 da born N. Y. LaGrippe and
Paralysis Parents: ?

Feb. 9, 1894 John W. Washburn 82 yrs 9 mo 5 da born N. Y. Cerebral Hemorrhage
Parents: John and Jenima born Mass and N. Y.

Cemetery

Washburn

Mona died 1990

Abelia died Oct. 15, 1882 age 24 yrs Wife of F. M.

Roscoe Morton died Sep. 20, 1882 age 2 yrs son of Fred & Abelia

Alma Hamlet born 1858 died 1931 Wife of Chas. A. Washburn & Elmer A. Hamlet

Charles A. died Oct. 29, 1884 age 35 yrs

Mehitable born 1812 died 1892 Wife of J. W.

Melvin D. died 1921

Mona Leighton died 1985

WASHBURN
(continued)

John Washburn 1782-1834

Jemima Horton

Hope Washburn

Sarah Washburn

John Ward Washburn 1811-1894

Mehitable Lawrence 1812-1892

Rosanna Washburn 1830 died in infancy

Clarinda (Clara) Washburn 1834-1914 m. Thomas McLeod 1858

Mandana (Manda) Washburn 1835-1929 m. Nathaniel Mooers 1858

Orson Monroe Washburn 1836-1862 died in Civil War

Elbridge Fisk Washburn 1837-1864 died in Civil War

Lurancy (Lura) Washburn 1839-1895 m. Egbert Blood

George Washburn 1840-1843

Edson Dean Washburn 1842

Amelia Maria Wells 1845 m. 1866

Orson Washburn 1867

Delos Cuyler Washburn 1869-196?

Helen (Nellie?) Washburn 1872

Robert Washburn 1875

Reuben J. Washburn 1877

Lura Washburn 1879 m. C. A. Rowley

Edson Dean Washburn II 1886 m. 1910

Edna Wooley

Hope Washburn

Jerome Washburn 1844 died in infancy

Melvin Decker Washburn 1846-1921

Charles Albert Washburn 1849-1884

Alma Syble Bliss 1859-1931 (widow - m. 1877 Elmer Hamlet)

Delbert Washburn 1879

Mildred Washburn

Charles Washburn

Sarah Elmina (Mina) Washburn 1852-1944 m. Mahlon Seward Hoblitt 1869

Frederick Milton Washburn 1857-1928

(1) Adelia King died 1882

Ethel Genevieve Washburn 1879

Roscoe Morton Washburn 1880-1882

(2) Anna McLeod m. 1893

Frederick Milton Washburn II

Jesse Washburn

Rachel Washburn

Thomas Washburn

Reuben Washburn

1865 Census #14
 John H. Waterbury
 Sarah E. "
 John A. "
 George S. "

WATKINS

1865 Census #39

Hiram Harper
 Elmira "
 Elisha K. "
 D. T. "
 Frances G. "
 Benjamin "
 Ida L. Watkins

WATRONS

1860 Census #473

Wm. Watrons	age 28	Farmer	born New York
Laura "	26		" "
Olive "	6		" "

1860 Census #474

Ansel Butler	age 35	Farmer	born New York
Mrs. "	35		" "
Mary "	6		" "
Wm. Patterson	27		" "
Mary Watrons	20		" "
John Watrons	25		" "

WEAVER

1875 Census #110

Isaiah Weaver	age 47	born N. B.
Elizabeth "	42	Kentucky
Edmond "	19	Minnesota
Nettie "	17	"
Gertie "	0	"

1880 Census #125

Weaver Isaiah	age 51	Farmer	born New Brunswick
" Elizabeth	48	Wife	Kentucky
" Gertie	5	Daughter	Minnesota

WEAVER
(continued)Andreas Atlas 1874

Isaiah Weaver Range 23 section 16 Farmer and Bricklayer born New Brunswick
Came to Minnesota 1848

Register of Deaths

Sep. 18, 1881 Elisebeth A. Weaver age 48 years 8 months 16 days born Kentucky
Came to Minn. 1864? Cancer of Stomach Parents: Elisebeth? born Virginia

Holt Diary

Sep. 18, 1881 Mrs. Weaver died

WEIGLE
(WEIZEL)1870 Census #99

Weigle Frank	age 37	Millowner	born Hesse	Damstadt
"	Margarette	36		Prussia
Smucker? Alice	14			Indiana
Holland Louise	6			Minnesota
Harett James	26	Farm laborer		Ireland
McKiser Ellick	30	Works in sawmill		Nova Scotia
McIntyre James	26	"	"	"
Lenke August	23	"	"	Prussia

1870 Census #101

Weigel Jacob	age 72	born Hesse	Damstadt
"	Catharine	70	"

1875 Census #89

Frank Weizel	age 44	born Hesse
Margaret "	42	Prussia
Louisa Hollan	11	Minnesota
Joseph Weizel	11	Massachusetts
Anna "	19	Minnesota
Phillip Dolheismer	19	"

1875 Census #90

Jacob Weizel	age 76	born Hesse
Katrina "	75	"

1880 Census #111

Weizel Frank	age 49	Farmer	born Prussia
"	Margaret	48	Wife "
Holland Louisa	17	Adopted Daughter	born Minnesota
Weizel Joseph	15	Son	born New York
"	Catharine	79	Mother Prussia

Register of Deaths

July 2, 1879 Jacob J. Weizel age 80 years 4 months 12 days born Germany Came to
Minn. July 12, 1832? Old Age Parents: Jacob and Helene born Germany

WEIGLE
(continued)

Andreas Atlas 1874

Frank Weizel Dayton City Mills Flour and Saw Mill and Furniture Factory
born Germany Came to Minnesota 1854

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"The board for 1876 was . . . District 2, Frank Weigel . . . "

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"The mills generally called the Dayton Mills, are in the town of Otsego. On the 7th day of August, 1856, the first stick of timber was laid in the Dayton dam. In December of that year a saw mill was built, the owners were Lyman Dayton and Frank Weizel. The dam went out the next spring and several times afterwards, and a large amount of maney was spent up to 1860 on the Dayton dam . . . In 1860 a flouring mill was built by the same parties with four run of burrs . . . W. F. Hurlburt purchased a half interest in the mill in 1877 and R. R. Hurlburt purchased the other half interest in 1879 . . . The Hurlburts went out of business in February, 1882, and Frank Weizel now runs the flouring mill . . . "

WELCH
(WELSH)

1860 Census #485

Joshua Welch	age 27	Farmer	born New York
Jemima "	29		Maine
Wm. H. "	3		Minnesota
Lucinda "	1		"

1865 Census #58

Joshua Welsh
Jemima "
William H. "
Mary L. "
Emma "

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Range 23 Section 17 Joshua Welsh Mar. 5, 1857

1875 Census #66

David Whitcomb age 26 born Pennsylvania
 Lydia " 20 Wisconsin

1880 Census #65

Whitcomb David age 35 Farmer born Maryland
 " Lydia 26 Wife Wisconsin
 " Iola 3 Daughter Minnesota
 " Joseph 2 Son "
 " Alfred 2/12 Son "

Register of Deaths

Dec. 6, 1886 Ralford R. Whitcomb 6 yrs 9 mo 24 da born MN Membranous Croup
 Parents: David and Lydia born Maryland and Wisconsin

Information furnished by Arnold C. Whitcomb

Lucius Holt 1808 born Connecticut
 Louise Holt 1818 "

Miles Holt 1850

Lydia Louisa Holt Jan 20, 1852-Mar. 21, 1916 born Kenosha, Wis.

David Daniel Whitcomb Apr. 10, 1845-Mar. 27, 1914 born Goldsborough, Pa.
 m. Dec. 11, 1870 Buffalo, MN

Iona Amelia Whitcomb July 9, 1877

* Joseph Clinton Whitcomb Oct. 10, 1878-Jan. 15, 1965

Ralford Rolin Whitcomb Mar. 12, 1880-Dec. 6, 1886

Archable David Whitcomb Sep. 14, 1881

Etta Louisa Whitcomb Apr. 16, 1883

** A. B. Miles Whitcomb Sep. 29, 1884

Benjamin Franklin Whitcomb Aug. 28, 1886-Feb. 10, 1909

Geo. Harrison Whitcomb Aug. 23, 1888

Lilly Whitcomb Sep. 23, 1890

* Grandfather of Arnold C. Whitcomb, Mille Lacs County Historical Society

** Author of book of poetry about Otsego and Wright County

1875 Census #11

Edward White	age 36	born Maine
Maria "	27	"
Nathan P."	10	"
Cynthia "	3	"
George Pierce	24	"

1875 Census #16

Dana Hamlet	age 61	born Maine
Elizabeth "	58	"
Clarence "	30	"
Elmer E. "	25	"
Milton T. "	17	Minnesota
Katie M. White	13	England

1880 Census #9

White Daniel	age 35	Farmer	born Maine
" Hellen	24	Wife	"
" Robert	4/12	Son	"

1880 Census #14

White Edward	age 40	Farmer	born Maine
" Maria	32	Wife	"
" Nathan	16	Son	"
" Cynthia	8	Daughter	"
" Catherine	1	"	Minnesota
Knight Albert	55	?	Maine

Holt Diary

Apr. 23, 1888 Miss Georgie White commenced teaching school in French town

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" . . . among the oldest settlers . . . Mr. and Mrs. Daniel White . . . "

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"Ephraim P. White, a native of Belmont township, Waldo county, Maine, was born on the 22d of November, 1823. When he was seven years of age, his parents moved to Penobscot county, where he lived till 1861, when he enlisted in Company K, of the Eighth Maine Volunteer Infantry, under Captain Conant. Was at Fortress Monroe at the time of its capture, and also at Fort Pulaski. After serving fourteen months in Company K, was transferred to Company H, of the First South Carolina Colored Infantry, and promoted to First Lieutenant, where he served for two years, and was mustered out of service at Hilton, South Caroline, on the 9th of March, 1864. He re-enlisted in September, 1864, in the Ninth Maine Regulars, serving until September, 1865. He married, on the 14th of February, 1847, Miss Emeline M. White, by whom he had seven children, six of whom are living. His two sons, Henry and Buell S., served in the late civil war. He died in Greenbush, on the 8th of January, 1878."

WHITE
(continued)

1879 Map

Range 24 section 15 D. W. White 38.5 acres
 " 24 " 14 E. K. White 50 "

1894 Map

Range 23 section 22 Augusta White

WILLIAMS

1865 Census #8

Thomas Williams
 Mary A. "
 John F. "
 Frances F. "
 Alice M. "
 Charles H. "

1870 Census #53

Thorpe Wm. G. age 58? Farmer born Connecticut
 " Laura 44 "
 " Wm. Jr. 15 "
 " Laura 8 Minnesota
 Williams Frances 14 "

1870 Census #59

Williams Thomas? age 41 born England
 " Mary A. 32 New York
 " John T. 15 Ohio
 " Frances S. 14 Minnesota
 " Alice 11 "
 " Chas. E. 7 "
 " Albert E. 3 "

1880 Census #92

Carrick Jas. age 45 Farmer born Maine
 " Lucy 38 Wife "
 " George 10 Son Minnesota
 " Emma 11 Daughter "
 " Lemuel 82 Father New Brunswick
 Williams Leonard 18 Servant Wisconsin
 Carrick Minnie 18 Cousin/teacher Minnesota

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Range 23 sections 34 and 35 Charles Williams Dec. 8, 1856
 " 23 " 35 Thomas Williams Dec. 13, 1856

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Williams Thos. . . ."

1855 Census

William Wilmont 1-0-1

WIND

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Range 24 Section 25 William Wind March 24, 1857

WOOD

1855 Census

(Monticello) A. W. Wood 1-0-1

1860 Census #508

Adam J. Wood	age 48	Farmer	born Canada West
Catherine "	42		" "
Alexander "	16	Farmer	" "
Nancy M. "	15		" "
Stephen "	12		" "
Wm. "	10		" "
Adam "	8		" "
James "	6		" "
Alfred "	10/12		Minnesota

1865 Census #65

A. J. Wood
 Catherine "
 Alexander "
 Nancy M. "
 Stephen "
 William "
 A. J. Jr. "
 James R. "
 Charles H. "
 John F. "
 Edwin N. "
 Leonard "

1870 Census #76

Wood Adam J.	age 54	Farmer	born Canada
" Catharine	51		"
" William	20		"
" Adam	18		"
" James	15		"
" Charles	13		Minnesota
" Alfred	10		"
" Edwin	8		"
Clark? Jenny	15	Domestic servant	"
Bessell Emily	33	Domestic servant	Illinois

WOOD
(continued)

1870 Census #77

Wood Stephan	age 22	Farmer born	Canada
" Columbia	20		Maine
" Benny?	11/12		Minnesota

1875 Census #56

A. J. Wood	age 59	born	Canada
Catharine "	57	"	"
Adam J. "	23	"	"
James R. "	20	"	"
Charles H. "	18	Minnesota	
Alfred J. "	15	"	"
Edwin N. "	13	"	"

1880 Census #55

Wood Stephen	age 32	Laborer born	Canada
" Columbia	29	Wife	Maine
" Benjamin	10	Son	Minnesota
" Harrold	1	Son	"

1880 Census #57

Wood Adam	age 27	Farmer born	Canada
" Ella	22	Wife	Minnesota
" Horace	2	Son	"
" Fred	7/12	Son	"
" Edwin	18	Brother	"
Holt Alice	17	Servant	"

1880 Census #139

Wood Adam	age 64	Retired farmer born	Canada
" Nancy	62	Wife	Maine

1879 Map

Range 23	Section 30	Adam Wood Sr.	60 acres
" 23	" 31	Adam Wood Sr.	20 "
" 23	" 30	Adam Wood Jr.	60 "
" 23	" 31	Adam Wood Jr.	20 "

1894 Map

Range 23	Section 29	Adam J. Wood
" 23	" 30	Adam J. Wood - C. H. Wood
" 23	" 31	Adam J. Wood - C. H. Wood

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"LIST OF VOTERS IN TOWNSHIP OF OTSEGO . . . Wood, A. J. . . ."

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(continued)

"ADAM JOHN WOOD, a native of Canada, was born on the 9th of March, 1816, where he lived until 1855, when he came to Minnesota, and the following year located on a farm in this township, which was his home for twenty-one years. He now lives in the village of Otsego where he has a fine residence, and still owns part of his farm in section thirty. He married Miss Catharine Wood on the 26th of January, 1841, who died on the 10th of November, 1876. He has ten children; eight sons and two daughters. His present wife was Mrs. Nancy Pierce. His son, Adam Jr., was born in Canada West, on the 9th of May, 1852. He came with the family to Otsego, in 1855, and has lived in the town ever since. He has a farm of one hundred and twenty acres in section thirty, eighty of which is part of the original homestead of his father. He married Miss Sarah E. Fleming on the 4th of July, 1857. They have two children; Harris Walter and Frederick."

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Range 23 Sections 26 and 35 Adam Wood Jan. 15, 1857

Volume II page 781

"Other early settlers were . . . A. J. Wood . . . "

Volume II page 782

"The Civil war took many of Otsego's citizens . . . Co. B, Sixth Minn. Vol. Inf. . . . Alexander Wood . . . "

Volume II page 1097

"Adam J. Wood, farmer, born in Canada, March 9, 1816; came to Minnesota in 1855, settling in Otsego township, this county; was a representative in the legislature, 1903-5."

Farnham's page 353

" . . . The next settlers were . . . A. J. Wood."

Farnham's page 359

"OTSEGO IN THE WAR OF 1861. The following persons enlisted in the U. S. army during the great rebellion . . . Alex. Wood Co. B 6th Reg't . . ."

Condensed History page 31

"Among the territorial pioneers were . . . A. J. Wood . . . "

Condensed History page 78

"The Sixth Infantry was organized in August, 1862 . . . Wright county roster: . . . Alexander Wood, Otsego . . . "

Condensed History page 89WOOD
(continued)

"On January 6, 2906, Otsego was again to be the scene of another tragedy, when Williard E. Brandt murdered his young and beautiful wife and her alleged paramour . . . Coroner Moffet appointed . . . A. J. Wood . . . as jurymen . . ."

Andreas Atlas 1874

"A. I. Wood Range 23 section 30 Farmer born Canada West Came to Minn. 1855"

Holt Diary

Sep. 12, 1881 Ed Wood went in the woods
 July 10, 1882 Bill Wood married
 Apr. 7, 1883 Charlie Wood was married
 July 11, 1889 Fred Wood was buried
 Mar. 23, 1890 Adam Wood died

Register of Deaths

Oct. 7, 1875 Catherine Wood age 57 years 8 months 8 days born Canada Came to Minn. Oct. 1, 1855 Bone Erysipelis Parents: Roger and Margaret Wood born Canada West
 July 9, 1889 Freddy Wood 9 years 8 months 20 days born Minn. Inflammation of Bowels Parents A. J. and Sarah E. born Canada and Minn.
 Mar. 23, 1890 Adam Wood age 74 years 14 days born Ontario or Canada Cancer of Stomach and Liver Parents: Nathaniel and Nancy born England
 Apr. 3, 1911 Adam J. Wood born May 9, 1852 Canada 58 years 10 months 24 days Father: Adam J. Wood Canada Heart Failure

CemeteryWood

Adam J. died Mar. 28, 1889
 Harriet J. 1859-1920
 Leonard died Sep. 13, 1866
 Charles H. died 1936

WOODARD

1865 Census #52

George Woodard
 Charles "
 Miron? "
 Mary "
 Thurston? "

WOOLF

1855 Census

August Woolf 1-0-1
 Christian " 1-0-1
 Henry " 1-0-1

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Range 23 Sections 28 and 33 Frederick Worcester July 16, 1857

WRY

1855 Census

Phoelix Wry 1-0-1

YOUSON?

1880 Census #91

Youson?	Frank	age 38	Farmer	born Canada
"	Louisa	34	Wife	Vermont
"	Phillip	14	Son Works in sawmill	born R. I.
"	Geo. W.	7	Son	Massachusetts
"	Edward	5	Son	"

YONKER?

1870 Census #48

Yonker?	Jonathan	age 28	Farmer	born Canada
"	Lucinda	26		Pennsylvania
"	Frederick	7		Illinois
"	Hattie	1		Minnesota

ZACKMAN

1855 Census

John Zackman 2-2-4

1894 Map

Range 24 Section 36 J. P. Zackman - Philip Zackman

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" . . . The district court of the 4th judicial district convened at Monticello, March 27th, 1859 . . . jury were as follows: . . . John Zackman . . . "

ZISULAR

1855 Census

W. Zisular 1-0-1



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