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EARLY CALIFORNIA ENGINEERS

It may be the oldest kitchen sink in California. On San Nicolas Island (one of the Channel Islands off the coast of Southern California), there is an efficient, albeit tiny, aqueduct made of two inch wide grooves - one 38 feet long, the other five - that begin at opposite ends of a sandstone bluff and converge into a waterway before spilling over the edge of the shelf. Eight shorter cracks feed the system, and a shallow, one and one-half foot wide circular basin acts as a sink.

Archeologists believe the series of cracks was carved by an ancient Indian tribe to capture the island's scant seven inches of annual rainfall and provide a constant source of water. In addition, the aqueduct was constructed over an underground aquifer, so water percolated up into the waterways, and any unused water circulated back to the foot of the bluff and was reabsorbed.

The Nicolinos - so named after Spanish explorer Sebastian Vizcaino discovered the island in 1602 and named it San Nicolas - are believed to have inhabited the island for as long as 9,000 years. But their ingenious piece of engineering probably took only a matter of days to carve into the island's soft sandstone, even though they used simple prehistoric tools. Archaeologists agree it is an important find: no other island tribe is known to have used this system, and it suggests a fairly sophisticated culture.

Although nearly dry today, when discovered 30 years ago, the waterway's collection rate was a quart every 90 seconds. Archaeologists can only speculate on how many people the aqueduct supplied - anywhere from a family to a small settlement - but it was fairly immune to drought, and probably provided a valuable source of water, rather than simply a convenience in collection.

Drought and a reliable water supply were constant problems for Nicolinos. Although they hadn't developed pottery, they did weave bottles out of grasses, and coated the insides with asphalt to make them watertight. More than 500 archaeological sites on the tiny island have turned up thousands of artifacts - suggesting an advanced, although fairly isolated, fishing-based culture.

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1ST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SANTA BARBARA CA		MARRIAGES TO 1925		
GRNAME	GRMAGE	BRIDENAME	BRAGE	DATE
PRETTY, ALBERT EDW	--	LINDIG, MARGARET	--	07 AUG 1887
PROBST, MARENTINO A+	39	CLARK, OLIVE GRACE	23	30 JUN 1919
RAMSEY, HENRY A	33	MCNEALY, AMY	31	14 FEB 1900
RANDOLPH, THOMAS	52	COOLEY, MISS MARY	46	29 APR 1878
RATLIFF, DAVID V	23	BARLOW, MARGARET	22	21 OCT 1919
RAUL, W H	20	MOYER, LEONORA	18	11 JAN 1897
RAWLES, BROWN		MCCOY, JULIA A E		01 JAN 1870
RAY, GEO A	35	LANE, NORA L	37	13 FEB 1907
RAY, VERN IRVIN	20	NIDEVER, IRENE	20	09 FEB 1916
READY, HARRY PARINA	21	STRAND, EDNA	21	15 APR 1917
REE, WM CHEYNE	27	VANNATTA, CECILA M+	20	24 MAY 1913
REELS, JAS ERNEST	33	BEAL, ELVERA EDITH	33	15 MAY 1907
REEVES?, GEO J	57	CURRIER, FRANC	44	02 APR 1897
REID, CHAS	30	SPURR, MABEL	25	15 MAR 1910
REID, WM M	26	EVERETT, ELLA B	20	15 APR 1888
REMLING, NORMAN L	21	PETERSON, BESSIE	21	08 NOV 1911
RESEIGH, DAVID S+	37	EWERT, MARY B	35	29 JUN 1895
REYNOLDS, JAMES A	49	LINCOLN, MARY E	44	02 JAN 1912
RICE, ARCHIBOLD		BIRMINGHAM, MARY A		09 JAN 1869
RICE, HENRY C	36	KERMAN, ANNA-L	26	04 SEP 1901
RICH, HUDSON	--	LANE, LORA	--	10 MAR 1891
RICH, JOSEPH A	32	HOLCOMB, PLUMA	26	31 MAY 1870
RICHARDSON, BEN+ A	22	EVANS, JESSIE	18	08 NOV 1896
RICHMOND, CHAS P+	27	BROWN, JESSIE LOUISE	25	25 JUL 1907
RINSCHLER, JULIUS H+	38	KAHN, AMELIA CLARA +	30	05 APR 1920
RIPLEY, FRANK LEROY	28	VANCE, MARY BELLE	27	27 NOV 1913
ROBBINS, PHILLIP	27	WILLIAMS, MABEL	28	01 MAR 1909
ROBERTSON, R F		HAWKINS, SARAH I		17 OCT 1872
ROBINSON, S M	35	GALLWAS, CHRISTINE	22	26 JUN 1889
ROBINSON, CHASE D GAR	46	PAXTON, KATE ELLA	32	10 NOV 1906
ROBINSON, M+ MATTHEW	54	GALVIN, MARG JENNIE	40	15 MAR 1919
ROBINSON, MICHAEL M	--	COATS, EMILINE	--	25 DEC 1888
ROGERS, WILMER W+	41	CLAUSER, CORA ALICE	36	09 NOV 1906
ROSS, ALTON ELMER	35	GRAVES, ELLEN	35	05 AUG 1914
ROUGH, WM HENRY	42	DRYDEN, DEE FERN	31	28 FEB 1920
ROWE, DAVID KING	21	RAINEY, VIVIAN BOYD	19	20 AUG 1919
RUDOLPH, HARVEY D	72	NICHOLS, PASTORIA?	62	19 OCT 1916
RUMBOLD, JOHN HENRY	48	SIMPON, VONIE	43	09 NOV 1910
RUTHERFORD, FRANK	26	GRANT, SUSAN	19	30 APR 1892
RUTHERFORD, WM J	22	JOHNSON, ABBIE L	24	27 MAR 1898
SALZMAN, WM H	31	LOWE, MARG BELLE	31	23 JUN 1912
SANE, JOSEPH	20	ROGERS, JANE	18	19 OCT 1871
SAUNDERS, HARRY C+	21	HOBSON, GRACE BELLE	19	10 OCT 1906
SAVAGE, WESLEY	37	MABE, JOSEPHINE	32	05 JUN 1917
SAWYER, THOMAS IRAM	22	HIGGINSON, ALICE	21	31 JUL 1898
SCHNEIDER, CHAS J L	42	FLOOD, IDA ODESSA	31	18 NOV 1911
SCHNYLER?, WM H	59	HOFFMAN, MARY A	54	14 DEC 1904
SCHOEPF, JOHN ALEX+	29	ELLIOT, ADA MAE	21	17 FEB 1920
SCHOONOVER, JACOB C	86	BELDING, JANE	79	13 OCT 1909
SCHROFF, RUD+ EDW	22	MCCAULEY, EDITH MAUD	20	17 MAR 1907
SCHURR, PERRY NELSON	38	FOSTER, LYDIA	34	10 MAR 1920
SCHWARTZBERG, E+A+	21	DISHARON, PEARL	21	04 SEP 1919

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SCOFIELD, BURR LE+	25	HELTMAN, GRACE ELZ	25	15 NOV 1906
SCOTT, L L	47	WOODRUFF, S B	47	13 FEB 1894
SCOTT, MOODY EDGAR	30	HAY, MYRTLE	28	08 SEP 1914
SCULL, ABLE C	62	SHERWOOD, SARAH J	29	24 JAN 1869
SEELEY, ROCOE GR+	24	BAKER, MABEL ROSE	20	07 JUN 1905
SETTLES, J EDGAR	25	GUTCHES, MATTIE B	21	08 FEB 1889
SEXTON, JOSEPH	25	FOSTER, LUCY A		18 NOV 1869
SHARP, ROYSYLVESTER	30	MAILEN, LAURA MAY	22	27 SEP 1920
SHELTON, JAS LESLIE	32	HURST, JENNIE	25	06 JUN 1917
SHOULTS, JOHN W		ALVORD, MARY E		22 NOV 1869
SHOUP, JACOB Y		LACY, EMMA L		01 JAN 1876
SIACH, I B		STEVENS, I F		10 SEP 1873
SIEBOLD, JOSEPH	39	SPOERRI, CLARA	29	27 AUG 1920
SIMPSON, C C	29	SNODGRASS, EDNA	23	20 AUG 1889
SKELTON, J I		ELLSWORTH, MRS E R		11 JUL 1872
SLUTO?, SEBAM	46	WILLSON, DEBORAH J	34	09 SEP 1890
SMALLEY, HARVEY C	22	SCHLEKAN, CLARA B	22	23 APR 1909
SMITH, ARTHUR VIC+	21	HEYL, ROSE ESTHER	19	01 JUN 1905
SMITH, AUGUSTINE		ELLIS, GERALDINE		19 JAN 1872
SMITH, DUDLEY A	26	MILLER, HARRIET K	26	25 NOV 1897
SMITH, ELIJA	40	LINN, MINNIE	32	17 JUL 1881
SMITH, ELWOOD	35	SAVITZ, MARY A	28	28 MAY 1884
SMITH, F S	30	DEWITT, ANNA H	30	09 MAR 1910
SMITH, HARRY BURCH	21	KELLY, KATHERINE F+	16	04 MAY 1914
SMITH, HENRY A	23	KELLOGG, LILLIE B	18	17 JAN 1894
SMITH, HENRYNELSON	-	BURKHART, MARY S	-	15 AUG 1882
SMITH, J H	27	TAYLOR, AGNES ROSE	23	18 NOV 1917
SMITH, J MILTON		OGAN, KATIE S		16 AUG 1874
SMITH, OTIS GLENN	35	BOYLE, MAUDE	39	13 AUG 1918
SMITH, PERRY B	37	RIEL, ELIZABETH	21	06 MAR 1883
SMITH, REX O	29	PRIESTLEY, DOROTHEA	25	21 JUN 1909
SMITH, S F	23	JOHNSON, BESSIE	24	15 OCT 1899
SMITH, SHERMAN L	31	KENNEDY, JEAN	32	11 OCT 1913
SMITH, WALTER L	33	COLLINS MARG+ I	20	02 JUN 1910
SMITH, WILLIAM H	38	CLARK, GRACE D	31	27 FEB 1904
SMITH, WM GEO	29	ZUCKWEILER JENNIED	18	19 OCT 1898
SMITH, ROBT DAYMENT	25	BARR, HAZEL	21	14 JAN 1911
SMITH, SIDNEY LEROY	21	BURK, MARY REBECCA	24	24 JUN 1919
SMITHERAM, RCHD WM	34	WILLIAMS, KATHN A+	38	22 MAR 1920
SMITHERAM, THOS J	32	HARRINGTON, NORA L	30	15 OCT 1902
SMITHERAM, ROBERTC+	31	CROWELL, ANNEBENSON	27	18 SEP 1920
SNOW, HUBBARD H		WILLIAMS, MARY S		07 JUL 1869
SPANGLER, WILLIAM	50	STARR, MABEL E	41	27 NOV 1907
SPARKS, W C	23	LYNDALL, GULLA	23	20 AUG 1885
SPRAGUE, F+SYLVESTR	25	SCOTT, MARIE	28	11 DEC 1917
SPROUT, WILLIAM P		NANDELL, AUGUSTA+		12 MAR 1871
ST ORR, JAMES	30	FEAZER, A J	27	20 AUG 1888
STATLER, E+HOPEWELL	43	GODWIN, OLIVEMARIAN	40	09 JUL 1918
STATTS, LEMUEL P	31	WALBRIDGE, ARY L	26	17 JAN 1895
STEBBINS, CLAUDE F	--	EVERETT, CORA B	--	14 NOV 1888
STEELE, WILLIAM L	19	BRINKERHOFF, LAURA	18	11 DEC 1883
STEVENS, EDGAR		GARDNER, MOLLIE		14 NOV 1872

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WADE, A B	25	CHARLSON, JENNIE	24	25	MAR 1900
WADE, CLAUDE RAYMND	41	WORK, HELEN MAR	33	04	DEC 1919
WADI, PETER	31	NELSON, ANNA	21	03	MAR 1901
WAGNER, HARVEY G+	27	OLNHAUSEN, CLARA L+	27	31	JUL 1911
WALKER, WILLIAM G	29	HARDING, M ADDIE	21	16	APR 1895
WALKER, WILLIAM H+	25	OWEN, LIZZIE L	23	29	NOV 1884
WALL, ELMER M	30	RAY, MAUD	23	15	OCT 1902
WALLACE, DYER	74	CHURCH, ANNA M	58	13	MAY 1900
WALTON, RICHARD	65	LILLIE, ELLEN	53	07	SEP 1898
WALTON, SAMUEL J	35	THROP, JESSIE	20	17	APR 1898
WARD, ARCHIE LEVY	37	QUICK, EDITH MABEL	45	29	JUL 1913
WARNER, JOHN OTTO	26	WESTBERY, NELLIE M+	21	18	JAN 1905
WATERBURY, MARK	23	HAMMER, JENNIE	22	24	SEP 1910
WATSON, ALEX+ R	23	GUNTERMAN, FLORENCE	22	24	JAN 1884
WEAVER, EMERY AUS+	34	HUFFINE, BERTHA MAY	28	09	SEP 1917
WEBB, ERNEST FRANK	35	MYALL, MAUD MAY	28	16	SEP 1907
WEBB, JOHN H	31	HUGHES, CATHARINE E	27	25	DEC 1898
WEBSTER, ANSON E	20	ARMSTRONG, GRACE S	17	15	SEP 1897
WEBSTER, CHAUCEY E		SMITH, ADAH		16	SEP 1875
WEIGHT, ORLANDO H	24	MIPPLE, GENEVIEVE	24	08	FEB 1903
WELCH, D M	--	WELCH, M B	--	09	SEP 1890
WELD, W C	48	SMITH, MARY F	42	03	AUG 1905
WELLS, ARCHIE DAVIS	22	CONRAD, HELEN EVA	20	12	MAY 1906
WERTH, EUGENE HENRY	26	OLSEN, MARGARET	18	28	JUN 1919
WESNER, ORCAL RAY	22	CREDE, GRACE SYBIL	28	23	JUL 1920
WEST, EARL MACON	27	HENDRICKS, CADDIE L	29	05	JUN 1912
WESTBURY, LUTHER S	22	PALMER, MARIE MOODY	19	03	MAY 1919
WHEELER, RAY	27	BRANT, BLANCHE	26	06	DEC 1908
WHITE, WM ALFRED	68	BATES, LUCY	68	05	FEB 1907
WHITNEY, JOHN E	23	BUTTS, ANNIE	20	29	DEC 1900
WHITTAKER, T C H	28	MOFFSTETTER, MRS MC	27	14	MAY 1892
WICKERSHAM, HARRY P+	22	BAGLEY, EDNA MAE	22	11	AUG 1920
WIDNEY?, FRANK T	24	HURSEY, ETTA L	20	20	SEP 1897
WILLE, HENRY CHAS	32	KANT, AGN+DONCASTER	23	17	MAR 1920
WILLIAMS, DR W A	35	STILES, MRS LOTTIE	33	20	JAN 1884
WILLIAMS, FRANK A+	22	MCLAUGHLIN, DELLAH+	18	12	AUG 1918
WILLIAMS, LOYAL W+	38	JONES, HATTIE DELLA	28	23	DEC 1906
WILLIAMS, PETER U+		SPRAGUE, JULIA ETTA		13	OCT 1873
WILLIAMS, AMO CLIF+	31	FREPS, F+ HOLLAND	31	14	FEB 1919
WILLIS, LAURENCE M+	21	LAUFMAN, RUTH	19	14	AUG 1920
WILSEY, LEWIS	32	JONES, ELLA FRANCES	34	13	AUG 1896
WILSON, CHARLES L	28	GRIFFITH, NELLIE J	21	25	DEC 1898
WILSON, FRANCIS L	29	VICK, HATTIE A	31	19	JUL 1893
WILSON, ROBT HUGH	26	CHADWICK, C+M'DELL	22	12	JAN 1920
WINKLER, JACOB M M	27	SAMPSON, ELLA	27	09	DEC 1911
WITHERON, WILLIAM	--	WHITE, LINDA	--	10	OCT 1888
WOLLETT, DURA A+	53	WILBER, ELIZABETH	46	17	JUN 1917
WOOD, WM THOS	36	LUTZAK, HAMITTE	25	09	NOV 1905
WOODS, CLAYTON F	29	NEWBERY, VIOLA R	20	13	FEB 1884
WRIGHT, ALBERT V	25	HEDRICK, SARAH E	17	26	DEC 1970
WYMOUTH, ALBERT B	59	BROWNE, MARIA P	57	14	JUN 1898
YARBROUGH, JOHN G	25	LEWIS, MYRA ROBAH	24	30	MAY 1914

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STEVENS,ARTHUR EDW	35	LANR, LOLA EDNA	22	06 NOV 1906
STEVENS. ARTHUR E	31	JOHNSON, EUNICE J	22	10 DEC 1902
STEWART, JESSE E+	21	SHARP, EMMA VIOLA	19	24 OCT 1912
STEWART, WILLIAM	54	WINCHESTER,ALICEB+	34	11 NOV 1915
STINP?, GEO HARVEY	27	HARDY, HAZEL KIRK	19	09 SEP 1908
STONE, FRANK M	35	FRENCH, ELIZA	48	25 AUG 1896
STORY, DEWITT O		SHORT, CLARA E		19 AUG 1873
STOW, OSCAR M	27	FRAZER, HATTIE MAY	20	04 JAN 1905
STRAIN, ALBERT T+	22	WILCOX, VIOLA FLO+	18	07 MAR 1917
STRAUB, HENRY CHAS	35	ADAMS, NELLIE ELIZ	37	15 SEP 1913
STRAW, WALTER	51	DELVIN, CORA	34	24 NOV 1895
STRAW, I+DEMONSFORT	32	BONILLA, L+ BAINE	34	05 JUN 1919
STRAWN, JESSIE EV+	20	MCCALEB, MAY MAR+	18	17 SEP 1913
STRONACH,F+ WATSON	22	CASE, MALINDS	22	22 MAY 1920
STUART, GEO DAYTON	28	KIGER, ETHEL	33	12 JUN 1920
STUTZMAN, HARVY D+	36	KENT,MABEL LUCETTA	22	15 MAY 1912
SUMMONS, JOHN JUL+	23	SAWYERS, SARAH M+	22	12 AUG 1908
SUPLER, R W	31	FOSTER, HELEN B	27	01 NOV 1917
SUTTON, AMOS B?	29	HIGGINS, ELIZABETH	22	20 AUG 1884
SVESOVITCH, VICTOR	29	CRAWFORD, IDA EVA	34	09 APR 1917
SWAIN, MAXWELL H+	26	BEAN, EMILY MAY	20	14 MAY 1906
SWANSON,E+GUSTAVUS	44	MACKIE, JEAN	36	22 NOV 1918
SWIFT, CHAS E		PETTIT, LAURA V?		11 NOV 1875
SWORRLIN,WALTER T+	38	HILTON, MYRTLE MAY	-	24 APR 1915
SYLVESTER,VICTOR M	24	PEARCE, IRENA M.	29	01 DEC 1917
TELFORD, GEORGE	23	SHOUBE, MAGGIE E	23	14 JUL 1884
TERHUNE?, WILL H	43	MITCHELL, MRS B C	32	07 JUN 1886
THALMAN, LAURIE H	23	KELLY, FLORENCE M	17	20 JUN 1904
THERMANCE,WMRHODES	22	HUTCHINSON, JEAN	23	02 JUL 1918
THOMAS, HENRY LEE	58	RUDOLPH,EMMA CATHR	52	01 JUL 1919
THOMAS, JACK	28	MACKENZIE, MABLE	23	24 DEC 1906
THOMAS, MAX MORTON	34	ROSE, BERNICE JO+	30	01 DEC 1919
THOMPSON, GEO H+	23	SNOW, RUBY REBECCA	19	10 JAN 1916
THOMPSON, LEX W	22	TUNNELLO, ELSIE	20	17 MAR 1902
THOMPSON,GEOALFRED	31	PETERSON,RUTH ELIZ	26	29 DEC 1919
THORPE, GEORGE C	25	TUNNELL, NYRTLE	21	19 SEP 1904
THORPE.JOS ALBERT	59	SHRODE, MYRTLE H+	47	25 AUG 1920
TOLIVER, WOOD ORIN	47	SCHLIRBTZ, AUGUSTA	43	29 MAY 1914
TOMLINSON, G N	--	RUSEN, EMILIA M	-	09 MAY 1889
TOMLINSON, HERBERT	33	LYMER, ELIZABETH	27	09 OCT 1895
TORRENCE, JOHN T	27	HAILS, MARY A	25	03 OCT 1883
TRACE, VICTOR E	26	BISH, LULU E	24	05 AUG 1899
TRAUTZ, CARL	22	BROWN, FLORENCE B+	19	05 JUN 1920
TRYHOM. ALBERT	31	JOHNSON, ETTIEL?	26	20 FEB 1904
TUCKER, EARL R	28	DORN, JULIA	22	05 DEC 1911
TURNER, C L	38	GOLAND, HATTIE	21	03 AUG 1882
VAN DENBERGH, J+F+	20	BROCK,RUTH JOSEPHI	20	02 JUL 1919
VAN EPPS. F L	21	RICH. FLORENCE I	21	15 MAY 1901
VANDENBERGH.FRANKS	29	SCHRODER, NELLIE H	26	05 FEB 1896
VEIRS. EARLE E	26	EVANS, ELLIE T	25	29 JUN 1909
VERDON, JOSEPH P	39	BOAS, MARTHA	26	06 AUG 1909
VINCENT, ARTHUR L+	26	CHURCHILL, GRACEL+	22	22 JUN 1905

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YATES, ALBERT E	24	HILL, LELIA	24	17 DEC 1886
YORK, GEORGE	84	LEHMAN, ISABEL	26	23 JUL 1901
YOUNG, THOMAS J	21	ORE, SARAH ELLEN	17	01 JUN 1871
ZEHANDLAAR, FELIX J	48	PERRYMAN, MARY E	29	06 APR 1901
ZIMMERMAN, FRANK	33	GILMAN, MIRIAM	33	24 AUG 1908

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Still, a clear picture of Nicolinos is lacking. Scientists don't know, for instance, whether the Nicolinos were related to the other island cultures. Because the U.S. Navy has controlled the island since 1946, there has been little research on the culture. Plans are underway, however, to build an interpretive center on the island, as well as to study existing finds, excavate new sites and solve the mysteries of the Nicolinos.

by Diane Bailey
from the FEDCO REPORTER, July 1992

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SLAVE SHIP MYSTERY

By Marjory Ann (Pierce) Friestad

Harold Leroy Pierce gave an inlaid checkerboard to his daughter Margory in 1947 telling her that the hinges were broken because it had been used to quell an uprising on a slave ship. He had been told that the slaves were not the problem but that was all he knew about the incident. Inside the checkerboard were the playing pieces and the picture of the elderly man (below) with inscription on the back as shown.

Several examinations of the Pierce Genealogy by Frederick Clifford Pierce failed to reveal but one Delos Pierce living during the wrong time period. (The Delos on the back of the picture was b. 12 July 1820, m. 1 February 1848 Theodosia Collins, Brookfield, Madison Co. N.Y.) Finally, a section of the book, containing unproved information, revealed a similar story and the first name of Capt. Briggs. The following information was given the author by Eliza Ellen Saxton, granddaughter of Sarah Pearce.

"Ezekiel Pierce, b. 24 March 1760, d. 10 May 1838. Sarah Pierce b. 4 February 1766, d. 24 July 1848. They married about 1785. Resided at Clayville, N.Y. Sarah's father, Nathaniel Pierce, settled near Newport, R.I., before the Revolutionary War. Nathaniel had six children. Betsy married a sea Captain by the name of Arnold Briggs. They had one son, George, who accompanied his father on a voyage when only eleven years old. They had a cargo of slaves who, instigated by two passengers, attempted to kill the crew, but were over-powered after wounding the Captain, killing his son George and the first mate. The object of the strangers was to get the cargo. Captain Briggs then retired from a sea-faring life."

Captain Briggs gave
George Pierce
this checkerboard.
George Pierce gave this
to Delos Pierce, father
of John Pierce.



SB DAILY PRESS

microfilmed from originals in the Bancroft Library,
Univ CA, Berkeley

[first pages are unnumbered and no date, and are ads.]

MICROFILM AT SB PUBLIC LIBRARY. 1872-1887

Agassiz	[wife]	VRD	Alex Agassiz, 23Dec	DP24Dec1873	2:5
Agassiz	[Prof]	VRD	Funeral in Boston	DP19Dec1873	3:4
Ames	O.M.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Atkinson	J.P.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Bell	F.W.	Item	Fire Member	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Bell	F.W.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Bentley	Rev. Robt	Item	Minister MethChurch	DP19Dec1873	3:1
Boust	E.B.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Bradbury	Emily C.	VRD	9Dec, VanBuren, ARK*	DP12Dec1873	3:2
Brady	W.H.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Brady	W.H.	Item	Fire Officer	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Brewster	[prof]	Soc	move to SB; teacher	DP22Dec1873	3:1
Brown	BWC	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Brown	W.R.C.	Item	Fire Officer	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Buchanan	A.W.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Buck	H.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Bush	P.M.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Carrillo	Juan	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Church	Mrs.	Acc	Hurt at Patera	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Clark	Charles	Item	Convicted, to jail	DP18Dec1873	3:1
Collins	G.N.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Cook	Mortimar	Item	Fire Member	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Cook	M.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Cosgrove	Felix	Item	Trial for robbery	DP23Dec1873	3:1
Covarrubius	O.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Curtis	L.	Item	Mine in Monterey Co	DP19Dec1873	3:1
DeLa Guerra	-----	Pol	Judge, District*	DP12Dec1872	3:1
Dibble	C.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Fawcett	Eugene	Item	Arrived on "Mohongo"	DP18Dec1873	3:1
Fernald	Charles	item	death of dau Edith	DP12Dec1873	3:2
Fernald	Edith EG	VRD	23Dec; young dau*	DP12Dec1873	3:2
Gray	Clarence	Item	Fire Officer	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Gray	Clarence	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Hardenbergh	[commiss]	item	Bribe case*	DP12Dec1873	2:1
Harn	James	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Hays	John	Item	Burglery, pardoned	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Heacock	Josiah	VRM	25Dec; to MF Perin*	DP12Dec1873	3:2
Hough	Rev. J.W.	Item	Minister CongChurch	DP19Dec1873	3:1
Hunt	John	Item	mine in Monterey Co	DP19Dec1873	2:2
Jackson	Mrs.	VRD	Buried in Stockton*	DP12/27/1873	3:2
Kaeding	Otto	Item	Fire Officer	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Kaeding	Otto	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Keyser	T.J.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Leyba	Francisco	Item	Fire Member	DP25Oct1872	1:1

Lobero	Senor	Soc	Christmas Ball	DP19Dec1873	3:1
Maris	W.S.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Martin	T.S.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Martinez	J.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
McCall	A.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
McCloud	William	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
McGouldrick	James	Item	Robbed; trial	DP23Dec1873	3:1
McGouldrick	James	Item	Robbed; soldier	DP22Dec1873	3:1
McNulta	T.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
McShaw	W.L.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Miller	R.D.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Miller	F.H.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Miller	I.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Morgan	John P.	Bus	School, voice	DP23Dec1873	3:1
Morgan	[son]	VRB	26Dec/ John & Virg*	DP12Dec1873	3:2
Morris	Lena	VRD	21 Dec; child*	DP22Dec1873	3:2
Norway	W.H.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Norway	W.H.	Item	Fire Member	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Oge	Rev. WL	Item	La Patera minister	DR19Dec1873	3:1
Orr	Jas. E.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Orton	Robert	Item	mine in Monterey Co	DP19Dec1873	3:1
Peacock	Edwin R.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Perin	Mary F.	VRM	25Dec; to J.Heacock*	DP12Dec1873	3:2
Platt	A.R.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Powell	R.C.	Soc	Dancing sch party	DP19Dec1873	3:1
Powell	R.C.	Soc	Dancing school soc	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Rice	Archie?	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Rich	J.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Rich	Joseph A.	Item	Fire Foreman	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Richards	J.T.	POL	Judge*	DP12Dec1872	3:1
Rosenberg	J.H.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Rosenberg	T.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Russell	W.F.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Sefton	A. Wayne	Bus	Manager of Press	DP22Dec1873	3:3
Seymour	CJ, Dr	VRD	Dec 30 of, NY*	DP25Oct1872	2:2
Shaw	James	Item	Fire Member	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Shedd	W.W.	Item	Arrested	DP22Dec1873	3:1
Smith	J.F.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Snow	Daniel	Pro	Creditor notice*	DP12Dec1873	1:3
Solamon	T.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Solomon	----	Item	Fire Treas.	DP25Oct1872	1:1
Sproul	Wm	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Stevens	E.R.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Thomas	G.W.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Thompson	D.W.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Tomlinson	[Prof]	Item	Lecturer	DP19Dec1873	3:1
Tompkins	W.R.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Twist	S.R.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Washburn	Sam	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1
Woodworth	H.T.	item	Pioneer Fire Co mem	DP12Dec1873	3:1

To be Continued...

CITY FATHERS WRITE GRINGO LAW

In 1850 city fathers of the newly formed Santa Barbara town had to formulate laws to govern the city, as well as to govern the Council itself. One of the first acts of the City Council was to provide funds for carrying on the municipal government. "An ordinance concerning licenses" was their first official act. Licenses were exacted from every kind of business and served as the mainstay of the City Treasury.

At that time there was not a printing press. The Clerk of the Council was required to draw up two copies of all measures, one to be posted on the "eastern corner of Luis T. Burton's house", which occupied the mound where later the famous Potter Hotel was built, the other was posted on the front of Gaspar Orena's billiard parol.

From 1854 through the 1860s the Council was busy pressing its claim for land with the United States Land Commission and through the Courts. On May 31, 1872, President Ulysses S. Grant issued a patent granting the city four leagues. There were hundreds of petitioners seeking land. Carpinteria land was sold for about twenty-five cents an acre. John Coats purchased a large parcel in Montecito for seventy-five cents per acre in 1863. Tomas Romero was granted ninety-six acres at fifty cents per acre. That same year Thomas Hope petitioned for a two hundred acre tract on the Mesa, "bounded by the lighthouse land", and secured it for seventy-five cents an acre. Swampy land located near the beach brought similar prices. Although the city became an American town on the records, Castilian was still the language on the street, home and City Council. There was no permanent meeting place. Sometimes the Council met in a rented room, in one adobe or another. In 1856 they had the free use of a room in Don Joaquin Carrillo's home. It was several years before the town had a permanent place to conduct business.

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ITALIAN SAYING; I came to America because I heard the streets were paved with gold. When I get here, I found out three things: First, the streets weren't paved with gold; second, they weren't paved at all; and third, I was expected to pave them.

Phyllis Ann NELSON Ahnentafel

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1 : Phyllis Ann NELSON (1) b. 8 Jun 1922, Marion, Indianapolis, Indiana

2nd Generation - Parents

- 2 : Arthur Lewis. NELSON (25) b. 6 Apr 1892, Fayette Co., Connersville, Indiana
n. 24 Nov 1914, Clark Co., Spfld., Ohio, 215 W.McCreight
d. 5 Dec 1957, Franklin Co., Columbus, OH, State Hosp.
- 3 : Ruth Mae. RHODERICK (24) b. 30 Mar 1892, Clark Co., Springfield, Ohio
d. 25 Aug 1975, Wayne, Wooster, OH, Wooster Comm.Hospital

3rd Generation - Grandparents

- 4 : Walter Lincoln NELSON (26) b. 4 Dec 1864, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN
n. 24 Apr 1889, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN d. 9 May 1943, Indianapolis, IN
- 5 : Anna May LEWIS (27) b. 12 Nov 1866, Rush Co., Glenwood, IN d. 1956, Marion Co., Indianapolis, IN
- 6 : George Carlton RHODERICK (299) b. 24 July 1862, Clark Co., Springfield, OH m. 4 Apr 1889, Cincinnati, OH
d. 4 Apr 1925, Clark Co., Springfield, OH
- 7 : Ida Mae (Marion) DAILEY (300) b. 24 Apr 1868, Hamilton Co., Cincinnati, OH
d. 15 Jan 1962, Clark Co., Springfield, OH

4th Generation - Great Grandparents

- 8 : George Milton NELSON (28) b. 27 Nov 1828, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN m. 26 Nov 1863,
d. 19 Aug 1911, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN
- 9 : Anna MULLIKIN (29) b. 10 Oct 1833, Orange Twp., Fayette Co., Connersville, d. 1922,
- 10 : Moses LEWIS (47) b. 5 Feb 1830, Franklin Co., n.Andersonville, IN m. 17 May 1855, Fayette Co., IN
d. 14 Apr 1909, Connersville, IN
- 11 : Eliza Jane. CARTER (48) b. 23 Jan 1837, Fayette Co., IN d. 25 Feb 1900, Connersville, IN
- 12 : Henry Fenton RHODERICK (305) b. 14 Mar 1837, Frederick, MD m. 12 Sept 1861, Clark Co., OH
d. 7 Apr 1912, Springfield, OH
- 13 : Maria Abigail DALIE (306) b. 13 Oct 1841, Clermont Co., OH d. 15 Jan 1893, Springfield, OH
- 14 : John L. DAILEY (307) b. 25 April 1843, Hamilton Co., Cincinnati, OH d. 10 May 1879,
- 15 : Harriet E. 'Hattie' WHITE (308) b. 1846, OH d. 8 Nov. 1899, Covington, KY

5th Generation - 2nd Great Grandparents

- 16 : Joseph NELSON (31) b. 1796, Pennsylvania m. Appl.11 Nov 1822, Lewis Co., KY/No record of marriage
d. 9 Aug 1874, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN
- 17 : Jane Honeman FEARIS (32) b. 1800, Lewis Co.?, Kentucky
- 18 : Josiah MULLIKIN (182) b. 27 Sep 1807, Talbot Co., Trappe, MD
n. 6 May 1830, Old Rd.Top Bapt., Baltimore, MD, d. 14 Nov 1884, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN
- 19 : Helen MORRISON (183) b. 24 Oct 1810, Atlantic Ocean, on ship Stafford,
d. 7 May 1895, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN
- 20 : John LEWIS (66) b. 17 Oct 1792, Sullivan Co., TN m. 5 Jan 1817, Franklin Co., IN
d. 7 Apr 1861, Franklin Co., Andersonville, IN
- 21 : Susannah BARBER (67) b. 1793, Tennessee d. 8 Aug 1864, Franklin Co., Andersonville, IN
- 22 : Enos CARTER (301) b. VA
- 24 : Mahlon RHODERICK (309) b. 22 Dec 1810, Frederick Co., MD m. 20 May 1834, Frederick Co.? MD
d. 24 Dec 1880, Frederick Co., MD
- 25 : Mary FLOOD (310) b. 19 Dec. 1811 - d. 12 Apr 1898, Frederick Co., MD
- 26 : George Washington DALIE (311) b. 18 Apr 1814, Brunswick, ME m. 6 June, 1839, Clermont Co., OH
d. 20 Oct 1896, Clark Co., Springfield, OH
- 27 : Abigail D(avis?) FOWLER (312) d. 30 June 1844, near Anelia, Clermont Co., OH
- 28 : Benjamin DAILEY (313) m. 10 Feb 1836, Hamilton Co., OH by R.A. Madison JP
- 29 : Louisa Dennis RUE, * (314)
- 30 : Thomas J. WHITE (315) b. 1818 m. 6 Feb 1839, Medina Co., OH d. 26 Apr 1863
- 31 : Phoebe (Fabia) A. SANDERS (316) b. 24 Jan 1819, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN
d. 19 Aug 1902, Fayette Co., Connersville, IN

6th Generation - 3rd Great Grandparents

- 34 : George FEARIS (135) d. 1 Oct 1849, Lewis Co., Clarke Twp., KY

- 35 : unknown FEARIS (136)
 36 : Edward P. MULLIKIN (217) b. 6 Mar 1776, m. 17 Dec 1798, d. 16 Jul 1847,
 37 : Nancy UNKNOWN? (218) b. 18 Apr 1781, d. 2 Mar 1816,
 38 : James MORRISON (274) b. 1787, Dysart, Scotland m. 14 Nov 1807, St.Andrews Par., Edinborough, N.B.,
 d. 9 Dec. 1851
 39 : Euphemia MCLEOD (275) b. 1787, Edinborough, N.B. d. 10 Jan 1904 ?
 40 : David LEWIS (84) b. 1758, Wales m. 1789, TN d. 1819, Franklin Co., IN
 41 : Elizabeth (Mary)? HAWKINS (85) b. 1760, d. 1821, Franklin Co., IN
 48 : Benjamin RODERICK (466) b. 7 Oct 1788, Washington Co., MD m. 30 Jan 1810, prob. MD
 d. 21 May 1867, Frederick Co.MD
 49 : Susanna FINK (467) b. 25 July 1791 d. 8 Apr 1852, Middletown Valley, MD
 52 : Silas DALIE (478) m. 9 Aug 1798, Topshan, ME d. 25 Aug 1841, prob.OH
 53 : Cynthia(na) COOMBS (479) b. 26 May 1778, Topshan, ME
 d. 21 June 1863, Clark Co.,Springfield, OH (85 yrs.old)
 54 : Jacob FOWLER, Capt. (480)
 55 : Susan DAVIS? (481)
 62 : William A. SANDERS (494) m. 1819
 63 : Fannie PAROU (495)

7th Generation - 4th Great Grandparents

- 72 : Samuel MULLIKIN (232) b. 12 Nov.1723, m. 21 May 1750, d. 8 May 1777,
 73 : Ruth PARROT (233) b. 8 Jun 1732, d. 12 Jul 1802,
 76 : Capt. James MORRISON (304)
 78 : Daniel (or Donald) MCLEOD (450) b. Scotland
 80 : Nathan LEWIS (170) b. 1724, Wales m. Nov 1743, Lancaster, PA, by J.B.Rieger d. 1807, Sullivan Co. TN
 81 : Mary WEBB (171) b. Wales ? d. 1816, Sullivan Co. TN
 96 : Ludwig (Ludwick) ROTHRUCK (ROTRUCK) (468) b. 1723, Leiselheim,(now Worms), GE
 d. 28 Oct 1797, Washington Co., MD
 97 : Catherine MILLER (469)
 98 : Philip FINK (470) b. abt 20 Nov. 1759 m. m.abt 1790 d. 26 Dec 1832, Frederick Co., MD
 106 : Ebenezer COOMBS, Capt. (482) m. 26 Aug 1773, Topshan, ME d. 8 Oct 1783, at sea, Topshan, ME
 107 : Abigail THOMPSON (483)

8th Generation - 5th Great Grandparents

- 160 : David LEWIS (350)
 161 : Eleanor UNKNOWN (351)
 192 : Johannes ROTHRUCK (ROTRUCK) (473) b. 1684, Leiselheim (now sub/Worms), GE m. 1708, GE d. 1743, PA
 193 : Anna Margaretha UNKNOWN (474) b. 1690, Leiselheim,(now sub/Worms),GE d. 1731, GE
 196 : Philip FINK, Sr. (471) d. abt 5 Sep 1803, Frederick Co., MD
 197 : Elizabeth UNKNOWN (472)
 212 : Joshua COOMBS (484) b. 23 Jul 1706,Rochester,Plymouth Co.,MA m. abt 1736, Prob. Rochester,Plymouth Co.,MA
 d. 1789, Cath,Sagadahoc Co., ME (Will)
 213 : Elizabeth (Mary) PRATT (485) b. 4 Mar 1707, Plympton,Plymouth Co., MA
 d. prob. New Meadows, Cumberland Cor., ME
 214 : Reuben TOMSON (486)
 215 : Mary Thomson THOMPSON (487)

9th Generation - 6th Great Grandparents

- 384 : Michel ROTHRUCK (475) b. 1639, Leiselheim?, GE m. 1684 d. 1702, Leiselheim?, GE
 392 : Nicholas FINK (476)
 424 : Anthony COOMBS (488) b. 1642, Normandy, France m. 5 Feb 1688, York, ME
 d. 1728, Rochester, Plymouth Co., MA
 425 : Dorcas WOODEN (WOODIN) (489) b. 10 Feb 1661, of Salem, Essex Co.,MA
 d. aft 1722, prob.Rochester, Plymouth Co., MA

426 : Eleazer PRATT (490)

427 : Hannah CANNEDY (491)

10th Generation - 7th Great Grandparents

768 : Hanns? ROTROCK (477)

850 : John WOODIN (492) b. abt 1627

851 : Mary UNKNOWN (493) b. abt 1631

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JEWS REMOVED FROM IGI

On May 31, 1995, an historic agreement was signed between the Church of Latter Day Saints and representatives of the Jewish community, led by the American Gathering of Jewish Holocaust Survivors, regarding posthumous baptisms of Jews by members of the LDS church. The agreement provides:

1. That all posthumously baptized Jewish Holocaust victims who are not direct ancestors of living members of the Church will be removed from the IGI; some 360,000 persons.
2. The Church will reaffirm the policy and issue a directive to all officials and members of the Church to discontinue any future baptisms of deceased Jews, except if they are direct ancestors of living members of the Church or the Church has written approval of the family.
3. The Church will confirm this policy in all relevant literature produced by the Church.
4. The Church will remove from the IGI in the future the names of all deceased Jews who are so identified if they are known to be improperly included counter to Church policy.

Note that the agreement refers to "Jews" not "Holocaust victims."

From Solono Co. May 1995



GETTING TO KNOW YOU
By Jayne Craven Caldwell

Merna Wallace McClenathen, our "Help Wanted" gal, was born in Inglewood, CA, and grew up across a beanfield from the present day LAX airport. "I guess that tells you how long ago THAT was! Merna laughed.

She graduated from Inglewood HS and says, "I disliked history classes but loved math and science and playing flute and piccolo in the school band and orchestra. She graduated from UCSB with a degree in Foods and Nutrition, and hers was the second class to graduate from the "new" Goleta campus. It was there she met her future husband, Gordon. The first year out of college was spent completing a hospital dietetics internship at the Alameda County Hospital in Oakland, CA.

Gordon and Merna married the year after he finished a stint in the Air force and they lived in Long Beach for nine years.

Their three children were born there. They moved back to Goleta in 1967, where Gordon became the electronics teacher at the new Dos Pueblos HS, and Merna soon became interested in the local area history. She joined the docent program at the SB Historical Society about 1975, and a project on the genealogy of the Carrillo family caught her eye and interested her in her own roots. "I haven't been the same since."

Merna has been a volunteer librarian at the LDS Library for at least fifteen years and retired from her hospital dietetics position at Cottage Hospital two years ago to have more time for her hobbies, which are many and varied. She is involved in genealogy, music, needlework, sewing, knitting, weaving, gardening, reading historical novels and mysteries, and tending their cat and four desert tortises. "I guess I am a diversified person and maybe 'scattered' would be a better term! I am currently working on the Great American Novel, aka The Family Genealogy.

Gordon and Merna's eldest son and family, and their daughter live in Goleta. A second son and his family are in Paso Robles. "We currently have three grandsons with a fourth grandchild due in October...and so the lineage doth continue."

P.S. I would be remiss if I did not say Merna is the most knowledgeable person ever I've known, and she graciously and generously shares anything that will help others in their genealogical pursuit. We research eleven common lines, though they are those of her husband.

Notes on Thomas Jefferson's Sally and Her Children

By Jayne Craven Caldwell

Thomas Jefferson was an extraordinary man with very ordinary feelings. He abhorred slavery, yet, in his lifetime, owned four hundred slaves. Since he didn't approve of slavery, why then did he have these slaves? Jefferson considered that he could sell them, but knew, too, that he treated "his family" well, and were they sold, they might not fair as well. He bought or sold slaves only to keep that slave family in tact.

One such slave was Betty Hemmings of a family of slaves who for generations were house servants. Jefferson had inherited her and 134 other slaves from his father-in-law, and thought so highly of her that she was given her own plot of ground. He bought from Betty the eggs her chickens produced. She had a daughter named Sally, and therein lies a tale....

When Jefferson went to Paris, Sally, at age fourteen, brought to him his youngest daughter. Nine months later, after returning to Monticello, Sally gave birth to a son whom she named Thomas. In September 1802, twelve years later, the Richmond Recorder published a story which prompted "the scandal of the day." Cartoons of President Jefferson (now fifty-six years old) and Sally appeared in newspapers throughout the country. A parody sung to the tune of Yankee Doodle Dandy ridiculed the two and referred to Sally as his "concubine." (Their relationship obviously had continued.) Jefferson had been attacked because in public statements he had condemned "the mixing of the races", and he was considered a hypocrite. It was a black cloud over his presidency. He absolutely refused to comment.

About Sally's son, Thomas, it was said his features bore a striking resemblance to those of the President, and he was, at the time of the scandal, sent to the Woodson Plantation. Thomas took the name of Woodson, and in the years that followed, four generations of Woodson Blacks scattered to parts of Pennsylvania, Ohio, Tennessee and Texas. Though few of them could write to record this story, and even though they lost track of each other, their oral history kept the story alive that Thomas Jefferson was indeed the father of Thomas Woodson.

It is believed that all five of Sally's children (Beverly, Harriet, Esbon and Madison) were also fathered by Jefferson, for records put him at Monticello each time, nine months

before Sally's babies were born. And her son, Madison, always told that Thomas Jefferson was his father.

The story has even further intricacies. Betty Hemmings had become pregnant with Sally by John Wales who was Jefferson's father-in-law. That is considered to be a fact. Betty Hemmings herself was half white, which made Sally three-quarters white. (Sally was described as "mighty near white, handsome, having long straight hair.") Sally's son, if indeed fathered by Thomas Jefferson, was then seven-eighth's white.

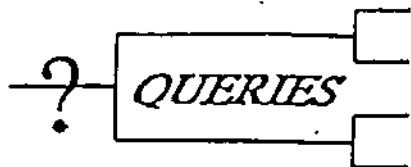
This complicated picture perhaps weighed heavily upon Jefferson for he worked out a formula to determine just when descendants of mixed blood could return to "full white." "His theory? "Two crosses with pure white, and a third with any degree of mixture, however small, clears the issue of Negro blood." Thomas Woodson, by Jefferson's own calculations would then have been "white."

This argument about Thomas Jefferson's relationship to Sally has raged for two-hundred years. The unmistakable truth, either one way or the other, may never be realized, but the story is not necessarily implausible. In his lifetime, Thomas Jefferson freed only three of his slaves. Sally, who was his wife's half sister, was not one of them.



FACTS AND FUNNIES

A modern mother explaining to her little girl the pictures in the family photo album: This is the genecticist with your surrogate mother, and here's your sperm donor and your father's clone. This is me holding you when you were just a frozen embryo. The lady with the very troubled look on her face is your aunt, a Genealogist!



- SCOTT Seek info on William Scott, wife Elizabeth and children. Found item by Frances Scott Benes, 1020 Palermo Dr., SB in "Ohio, The Cross Road of Our Nation", Jan-Mar 1966 publication.
- (Helen Rydell has researched this query and searched death records 1970-86 CA without success. F.S.Benes appeared in SB City Directory 1971. We have copy of Scott-Griffen Family Records item from above publication. Will provide copy for SASE. Bea McGrath)
- Fred Mayer, c/o Wilson's Flowers, Inc., 237 S. Third St. Columbus, OH 43215
- PONCE DE LEON Seek info re ancestor, Ponce de Leon. Possible first governor of CA. Bancroft's HISTORY OF CALIFORNIA states he was a clerk in SB 1838-39. Would also like similar info on others of same name. Are there books that would help in search?
- Gay Schonene, 7 Jackson Wy, Plum Island, Newbury, MA 01951
- BROWN Seek info re John Brown who deserted ship O'Cain at San Diego CA in January 1804. ?First Black in California?
- CALLAHAN Seek info re Isaac Callahan d. ca 1851 in CA. Mar in 1849 to VALDES M.P.Dolores Vales in SB. She was mar 2nd time to George M. STONE Stone.
- CAMPBELL Seek info re Richard Campbell, b 1800, d.1860 in New Mexico. GRIJALVA Mar. 1828 in Taos to Maria Rosa Grijalva. Arr. CA in 1827.
- CARPENTER Seek info re Lemuel Carpenter, b 1807 in Kentucky, d. 1859, LA CA. Mar with children. Arr. CA in 1831
- CHAPMAN Seek info re Joseph Chapman, b. 1785, Boston, MA, d. 1849, SB, CA. ORTEGA Mar. 1822 at Santa Ines Mission, CA, to Maria Guadalupe Ortega, eleven children. Arr. CA 1818 from Hawaii
- CHARD Seek Info. re William George Chard, b 1808, New York. d. 1877 Red Bluff, CA, Mar. _____ Robles. Arr. CA 1831, LA 1836, Santa Cruz 1838
- DAY Seek Info re Benjamin Henry Day, b 1810, US, d 1889. Arr CA in 1831, resided in San Diego Co.
- DITTMAN Seek info re Carl Dittman, b 1822 in Prussia, d 1878. Mar MENDINES Francisca Mendines, two children. Arr CA 1844, lived in SB Co.
- Jim Norris, P.O.Box 99, Los Olivos, CA 93441



Christiana Methodist Episcopal Church: Its History...Its People. Compiled & edited by Barbara Bryant White. 1994. Paper, 159 pp. \$23.00; \$3.50 shipping per order. Heritage Books, 1-800-398-7709, 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite #300, Bowie, MD 20716.

For those with ancestry in the Christiana, Delaware area, this marvelous book is the perfect genealogist's resource. The author has carefully sought out scattered records for this early congregation of Methodists and compiled them into one easy-to-use, fully indexed book. Thoughtful introductions to each record source explain not only where the original may be found, but also point out the possible value to those not familiar with this type of source material. The introduction to "Class Records", for instance, states that, "The lists serve well as a substitute membership list, since no complete membership list has been found. Marital status is frequently shown. . . Though it may seem redundant to copy each page, study will show there are enough changes to make it worthwhile."

Records published here include: Trustee, Mite Society, Social, Circuit Register, individual Charge records (containing baptisms and marriages) and Cemetery records. A bonus is provided in a group of loose, miscellaneous marriage records, including some licenses issued in Maryland (thought possibly to be the legacy of a pastor who had previously served in that state).

Reviewed by Ada Alice Bosomworth

Documents Relating to the Colonial History of the State of New Jersey, Volume XXXII. Calendar of New Jersey Wills, Administrations, Etc., Volume III, 1751-1760. By A. Van Doren Honeyman. (1924) reprint 1994. Soft cover, 469 pp. \$42; \$3.50 shipping per order. Heritage Books, 1-800-398-7709, 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite #300, Bowie, MD 20716.

Skip to the middle of this inordinately long title to discover the true subject of this important volume for those with early New Jersey ancestry. Not only are wills, administrations and guardianship records abstracted here, but frequently there are abstracts of the estate inventory, as well as the posting of administrators' bonds.

Recorded wills and administrations are identified by the book and page where they may be found, while other unrecorded wills are noted by the number of the filing case in which the original papers are located.

Reviewed by Lucinda Chenoweth

Monongalia County. (West Virginia, Records of the District, Superior and County Courts, Volume 7: 1808-1814. (Compiled by Melba Pender Zinn. 1994. Paper, 440 pp. \$30.00; \$3.50 shipping per order. Heritage Books, 1-800-398-7709, 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite #300, Bowie, MD 20716.

With an index which lists surnames this handy volume can provide a great service to the genealogist doing research in Monongalia Co. during this period. The author, by presenting the court proceedings exactly as they had been deciphered, provides just the correct sampling throughout of newspaper articles and signatures to lend interest to the formal.

Perhaps being able to view military rifle specifications or personal property tax lists is not that extraordinary. Especially intriguing, however, is to be able to discover that an ancestor travelled 14 1/2 miles to be a witness at a trial, was assaulted, had a stray bull appraised or a wolf scalp recorded.

This volume provides a fascinating window of opportunity to learn about the activities of numerous residents of this area.

Reviewed by Pamela Jameson Boehr

Poor Relief in Durham, Lee, Madbury, New Hampshire, 1732-1891. By Timothy Dodge, 1995. Paper, 137 pp. \$14.00; \$3.50 shipping per order. Heritage Books, Suite #300, 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Bowie, MD 20716. 1-800-398-7709.

In this study, Mr. Dodge has given us an explanation of poor relief practices in three small communities, Durham, Lee, Madbury in Strafford County, New Hampshire, from the dates of their incorporation, 1732, 1766, and 1768, respectively, down through the years to the 1890's.

The author explains several kinds of relief - "outdoor" relief, being the custom of taking care of individuals in their own homes, or boarding them with private families in the town, and "indoor" relief which meant placing the person in a local institution, or "home" facility, such as a "poor house". Original town records have been studied - town meeting records, account books, day books, financial statements - in order to gain a true and accurate picture. Stories on individual cases are outlined giving details of the problem and its solution. Informative charts have been compiled for all three towns so we can understand the costs of this care and the number of people involved.

Along the way attitudes of town citizens toward the poor and their problems are examined which although concern these three towns, mirrors the general attitude of the entire country, moving such relief from a local concept to a central authority at county and state levels.

Reading this book can help the family genealogist/historian see what was happening economically and socially in our country. This would give the written family history more depth and meaning. Whether or not we ever find one of our ancestors on a poor relief roll, it would help us understand the times and the lives of all our ancestors.

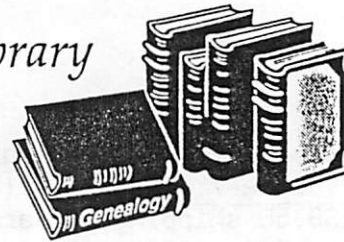
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