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The FOUR DRIVE, a genealogy newsletter brought to you for promoting genealogy of our ancestors and their descendants.

SPECIAL NOTE

The scope of this newsletter is not limited to just the ancestors of the editor. While the editor will be preparing articles relating to his ancestors and their siblings and descendants we encourage others to submit information for inclusion in future issues.

Additionally we will be including tips and information for research. We also want to keep subscribers informed of the research efforts of others. Many of us have common relatives but we may also be able to assist each other with some of your specific areas also. In future issues I will include names of genealogists and their interests. Please send your name to the editor using the format shown with my listing elsewhere in this issue.

Recent Acquisitions

Birth Certificates

(Certified Copies)

Harriett Cecilia Lano

#BXBY 040181 dated 18 Sep 1996

bd. 17 Jul 1849

bp. Village of reform, Isle of Portland, Dorset Co., England

f. Richard Lano occ.. Stone Merchant

m. Martha Weston Fudge

relationship-great grandmother of Donald Chinnery.

Rebecca Watts

#BXBY 040092 dated 17 Sep 1996

bd. 9 June 1842

bp. Parish of St. James, 3rd Ward, Colchester, Essex Co., England

f. Robert Watts occ.. Gardener

m. Mary Ward

relationship- great grandmother of Donald G. Chinnery

Mary Anne Gerrans Eplett

#BXBY 040079 dated 17 Sep 1996

bd. 31 Jan 1838

bp. Great Torrington, Devon Co., England

f. Joseph Eplett occ..... Watch Maker

m. Charlotte Creede

relationship-great grandmother of Donald Chinnery. Special note, there is some question with this record. While the birth date confirms previously known information, the parents are in conflict with previously known information. f. James Eplett and m. Mary Ginner. More confirmation is required before accepting this information.

CURRENT RESEARCH EFFORTS

DONALD CHINNERY has on order from National Archives the Homestead Entry Packet for the homestead of John H. Fitch in Antrim County. As this is our first effort of this sort we will give a report in a future issue of the type information included in this packet.

DONALD CHINNERY is researching the Richard Lano family and the siblings of Harriett Lano. Current research here in Mesa has been review of English Census records for Dorset Co. We have located the Richard Lano family in the 1851 Census. Additionally we are confident we have located the parents of Martha Fudge (Richard Lano's wife and mother of Harriett Lano Fitch). We think we have also located Richard Lano's grand-mother. We need further confirmation of these latter two pieces of information.

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CHRISTOPHER DIXON is working through the National Archives to obtain pension records for Andrew J. Rose.

IMPORTANT DATES:**JULY 1837**

England started centralized Civil registry of Births, Marriages, and Deaths. Prior to this date all records were maintained by the local parishes. Organization is alphabetical by quarters by year. Salt Lake City has indices on both microfilm and microfiche. Once the name is located you record the civil district and reference number. Certified copies may be ordered using this index information.

1850-Federal Census

The Federal Census of 1850 is the earliest census to list names of household members. Earlier census list head of household name only.

1867

Michigan County records of births and deaths began in 1867 and was generally complied with by 1915. We have found though that the standard for indexing and recording can vary considerably from county to county.

Ontario, Canada started central registry of all vital records. Births, marriages, and deaths are all recorded. Index is well organized and computer generated so very easy to read. Information obtained from index is then utilized to locate the detail record in referenced film.

1890-CENSUS

The Federal census for 1890 was lost in a fire. We only have available the special veterans census of 1890 and some regular census of limited areas.

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Fitch - Rose, Lano, Heath, Boncrotz, Fudge, Firman(Sherman or Hennan), Geer
Computer program is MacRoots II on a Macintosh LC III with capability for file exchange of text files to and from DOS disks.

internet, e-mail address for Donald Chinnery.

Your editor travels full-time with his wife Martha in a 34 ft motor home. We do not have a phone. At some locations we are able to use amateur radio for accessing gateways for sending and receiving e-mail. Currently we have good access to a gateway "azgate" The following address is only valid until first week of January 1997. **wu9t@azgate.nj7p.ampr.org**

Also note that in order to comply with Federal Communication rules these messages cannot contain any reference to matters of commercial nature.

ANTHONY CHINNERY - Mystery Solved

What happened to Anthony Chinnery and who is John Chinnery?

We reported in our first issue of The FOUR DRIVE that my grand father gave me the names of James A. Chinnery's sons as Eli, H.K., Anthony, Alfred, and Isaac. During research of vital records in Mason County we never found a reference to Anthony. Notes from my mother further indicated that Anthony moved to Nebraska.

Federal census records for 1870 and 1880 listed a John Chinnery and wife Susan. We did find a record of a John Chinnery and his marriage to Susan Flora. Marriage date 4 Jan 1868 performed at home of James Chinnery. Subsequently we found birth records for their children Paulina, James A, Lucy B., Chrisla, Albert D., and Addie L., So we now had a mystery who was John Chinnery and was he a member of our family?

The first inkling I had that Anthony and John were one and the same was when John's daughter Lucy was married 27 Nov 1890 to Byron Hazzard, the courthouse record listed her father as Anthony. Thus we begin to suspect that John and Anthony were one and the same.

Our research in Salt Lake City this past fall located the James A. Chinnery family in Van Buren County in 1860. A son John A., age 16 was listed as part of the family group.

Several land transactions in Mason Co., Michigan were recorded for members of James's family including transfers to John. John and Susan sold land in 1883 . {Was this in preparation for moving to Nebraska??} Reviewing Register of Deeds records we found

several land transfers. Reviewing the actual deed recordings we found name recorded as John Anthony Chinnery. Further review we found the recording of a probate court document appointing Susan Chinnery as guardian for the children of John Chinnery, deceased late of Nebraska

Now that we have confirmed that Anthony and John were one and the same it would be nice if we could trace his descendants. Additionally what ever happened to John Anthony when he was in Nebraska? As far as we can determined he died abt 1885 just barely 40 years old. They left Michigan late 1883 or 1884. A son Willie was born to them in Nebraska.

Susan was reported as marrying on 20 Nov 1886 to William Cowin. We have not been able to locate any information of Susan or her children after this date.

ORGANIZATION?

Or how to make some semblance of order with the rapidly accumulating pile of documents and references. The computer and our genealogy program helps to summaries family data. But, how does one keep track of the photocopies we accumulate?

I have a pretty good system for keeping track of my research efforts. I use spiral bound note-books. The first thing I do is number the pages. I identify the notebook and I log all my efforts and results. Entering data in the computer I also reference the notebook/page for future retrieval.

I am looking for ideas and suggestions on how you organize your files of information

RESEARCHING**The HENRY ROSE FAMILY**

Henry and Matilda Rose were born in New York. Son, Andrew J. Rose was reported to have born in Lockport, Shelby Co., OH. I have not been able to locate a Lockport in Shelby County. We first located the family in the 1840 Federal Population Census.

Census 1840 Washington twp, Shelby Co., OH Film #20176 line 1 sheet 255

Henry Rose age 20-30

female age 20-30 conclude this is wife

male child <5 yrs probably Andrew

female child <5

I concluded from above this is the Henry Rose family group we are looking for. dgc.

We could not find Henry Rose in any of the indices for the 1850 Census, but using the location for 1840 we review-ed the census entries for Shelby Co., Washington Twp, one by one until we located the family. The index had him listed as Henry Rese.

Census 1850 Washington Twp., Shelby Co., OH Use of index failed to locate this record because the name was spelled Rese not Rose.

Henry age 37 grocer bp NY

Matilda age 33 NY

Jackson age 11 OH

Lewis age 8 OH

Mary E. age 6 OH

Susan M age 4 OH

Note: The use of Jackson his middle name as the listing.

Christopher Dixon advised us of the existence of a daughter Nancy E. Her age conforms to the female < 5 yrs listed for the 1840 census but for some reason daughter Nancy E was not listed in the 1850 census.? Where was Nancy during this census? Maybe visiting grandparents at the time?????. If so this would be a good way to track down

The HENRY ROSE family came to Michigan sometime after the 1850 Federal Population census. We next located them in the 1860 Census

Census 1860 Chesterfield Twp, Macomb Co., MI #477

line 29

Henry Rose age 49 grocer bp NY

Matilda age 41 bp NY

Lewis age 18 bp OH

Elizabeth age 16 bp OH

{See Mary E in 1850 census}

Susan age 13 bp OH

Anna age 7 bp OH

Harriett age 4 bp MI

Mary Rose age 2 bp MI

We located the Henry rose family in the Macomb County, MI Census index of 1870 but we were not able to read the films for Macomb County neither the first or 2nd filmings. By the 1880 census they were empty nesters. The 1880 Soundex only lists names for those having under age children. We found their names in a Osceola County index. Apparently they followed or went with son Andrew to Osceola County as this is where we located the death record of Matilda that indicated Henry was still alive. Thus we now show for Henry that his death occurred after 1885. Burial for Matilda was in new Baltimore, Macomb County.

C. Dixon has provided information regarding several land transfers in Macomb Co. Chris has also provided us with a listing of resources available at the Mt. Clemens library. Contact Chris or the editor for a copy.

Locating Matilda's parents is very difficult as we have three conflicting last names. Matilda's last name has always been somewhat confused. Family history has used Firman, Sherman, and recently I found the death record in Mason Co., Michigan for son Andrew wherein his father was listed as Henry rose and his mother as Matilda Hennan. Judith Stock a g-g grand daughter of Henry and Matilda has the last name as Forman
