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"a ROSE is a ROSE, is a ROSE"

Henry and Matilda Rose Families

Editor Note: This issue of *The FOUR DRIVE* is dedicated to reviewing the information that we have on the **ROSES**. Their immediate family and descendants.

Henry Rose born abt 1811 in NY. The only specific information we have regarding his birth is from the death certificate of daughter Harriett that shows his birthplace as New York, NY. Matilda Rose [nee Furman, Firman, Forman or Hennan] Matilda's maiden name has never been confirmed. Various references have used one of the names shown above. Matilda was born 11 May 1818. Her birthplace has not been confirmed we have conflicting reports of New York and Ohio.

Our earliest finding of the Henry Rose family was in the Federal Census of 1840.¹ The location Washington Twp, Shelby Co., Ohio. We were guided to looking in Ohio because the birthplace for our great grandfather was given as Lockport, OH.² We first found the family listing the Census of 1840 for Shelby County.³ Then we followed up with the Census of 1850.⁴ The 1850 census is the first census to list family members by name. The 1840 Census only listed the name of the head of the

household. The family members were enumerated by age brackets for male and female. Locating the record for the 1850 census was difficult because Henry Rose was not listed in any of the indices. We were only able to locate the entry by review all entries for the township of Washington. They were mistakenly enumerated as Henry Rese.

We have located several land transactions for Shelby County, OH relating to Henry Rose, but at the time we only had the index of deeds available on Film at the FHL of Mesa AZ. We have not researched the deeds them selves. Some of the transactions appear to be early purchases and subsequent sales of property in Lockington after they had relocated to Michigan. These will have to be reported at a later time.

The family moved to Michigan in the late 1850's. On the 6 November 1855 Arthur Millspaugh sold a parcel of land to Henry Rose.⁵ This parcel was in Ray Twp., Macomb Co., MI E1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 30, T4NR13 comprising 80 acres. This parcel of land was later sold to Gray on 25 Nov 1859.⁶

On 16th April 1860 Henry Rose of Ray purchased a lot, Lot 6 of Section 7 within the Village of Ashley.⁷ On the 6th July 1863 Henry Rose purchased a certain lot within the Village of Ashley from Sylvester F.

¹ *The FOUR DRIVE, A Genealogy Newsletter*. Vol I, Issue No. 2, page 4. November 23, 1996

² Alice Rose Fitch Chinnery, *Genealogical Notes and Information*

³ Federal census of 1840, Washington Twp, Shelby Co., OH LDS Film # 20176, line 1 sheet 255

⁴ Federal Census of 1850, Washington Twp, Shelby Co., OH. LDS Film #444722, page 263

⁵ Macomb County Deeds, Vol30/179.

⁶ *Ibid*, Vol 36/528

⁷ *Ibid* Vol 37/39

Atwood.⁸ Lot #3 in Block #7 of the plat of Ashley⁹

The Federal Census of 1860¹⁰ enumerated the family in Chesterfield Twp, Macomb Co., MI. Henry's occupation was listed as a grocer. We are not familiar enough with the layout of Ashley to know whether property subsequently purchased was for commercial or residential purposes. But in any event after selling the property in Ray (1859) he was established as a Grocer by the time of the 1860 census.

The death certificate for daughter Hattie listed his birth as New York, NY. We have not been able to confirm the date or place of his death. By reference at the time of Matilda's death we know that Henry was still living.¹¹ Matilda died in Osceola County (Ewart) Michigan and was taken back to New Baltimore for burial. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, New Baltimore, MI. Matilda's obituary & death certificate indicate that she was born in New York State.¹² This information is in conflict with the birthplace listed for Matilda on her daughter Hattie's death certificate that indicated the bp as being Ohio.

We do not know the parent names for Henry or Matilda. Nor, do we know marriage date or location. Oldest daughter Nancy was born 1 September 1837 in Shelby Co., OH. Andrew Jackson Rose was born 24 July 1839 in Washington Twp {Lockport, now Lockington}, Shelby County, OH. Son Lewis was born in Piqua, Miami Co., OH 7 Jul 1844. We have no record of the family ever living in Miami County. At the time

of his birth Henry was in the grocery business in Lockport.

We could conclude that Matilda could very well have been born in OH and that they married about 1836. Why was Lewis born in Miami Co.? Was Matilda having problems carrying Lewis and she went to Piqua to be with family for the birthing? Initial review of Miami County has failed to provide any confirmation one way or another.

Children born in Ohio

Nancy Ellen Rose
Andrew Jackson Rose
Lewis Wesley Rose
Mary Elizabeth Rose
Susan M. Rose
Anna E. Rose

Children born in Michigan

Harriet "Hattie" Rose
Mary Rose

Occupations:

Henry Rose's was a grocer. Early census records confirm this fact. Andrew was a sailor in early years, served in the US Navy during the Civil War and in later years listed as an engineer and eventually a farmer. Lewis was initially a sailor but in later years a grocer like his father. His relocation to Mason County, MI found Lewis operating a store in Summit township. Lewis married Mary E. French and adopted her son Clarence. Susan and Hattie operated a bakery in later years. Susan never married and Hattie was widowed (spouse- Rudolph Kandt, grocer and business man) in early years and had no children.¹³ Twenty years {1920} later she was a cook in local restaurant in Wayne County.¹⁴

Andrew J. Rose was town clerk for Chesterfield Twp. 1863-1864 and 1866; Lewis Rose served in 1870.¹⁵

⁸ Ibid, Vol 43/12.

⁹ Village Ashley, see related article in this issue of *THE FOUR DRIVE*.

¹⁰ Federal Census 1860, Macomb County, page 449, line 29

¹¹ Ewart Review Obituary, 22 May 1885, pg 5, col #4 and death certificate for Matilda Rose.

¹² Ewart Review, Obituary

¹³ Federal Census of 1900. Utica, Shelby Twp., Macomb County MI. 47/ED66 /16/50

¹⁴ Federal Census of 1920, Wayne County, Detroit. 105/ED115/1/41

¹⁵ *History of Macomb County Michigan*, M.A. Lesson & Co., Chicago. 1882.

Daughter Anna E. Rose, bd. abt 1853, died as a teenager in 1869. Another daughter Mary was born abt 1858. No other information available.

Nancy Ellen Rose, b. 1 Sep 1837-Washington Twp, Shelby Co., OH. d. 25 May 1893 in New Baltimore, Macomb Co., MI. marriages- Mr. Unknown Stone bef 1860 and Alfred Ashley, 24 Oct 1871 in Chesterfield Twp, Macomb Co., MI. The Census of 1870 found Nancy with her two children, Frank and Mary Stone living in same household with Henry and Matiulda.¹⁶

Andrew Jackson Rose b 24 Jul 1839 in Washington Twp, Shelby Co., OH. d. 5 Jan 1908 in Summit Twp, Mason Co., MI. married Mary Melissa Heath 29 Oct 1863 in New Baltimore. They had 4 children: Mabel A. , Estella M., Cecil Harold, and Ethel Vivian. Original family information regarding Andrew's birthplace was Lockport OH. We were never able to locate Lockport on current maps. Eventually we determined that Lockport was renamed Lockington, OH. they sunsequently relocated to Osceola County and then to Mason County, Michigan. The Census of 1880 found the family in Oseola County while in 1900 Census they were in Summit Twp of Mason County.^{17 18}

Mary E. Rose b. April 1844 in Washington Twp, Shelby County, OH. m. Louis Henry Lansing. They had four children. Levinus, bd. Mar 1865; Nellie, bd. 9 Apr 1868; Hellen, bd. Oct 1872; and Annie, bd. abt 1873. The Census of 1870, Louis and Elizabeth were living in Chesterfield Twp, Macomb County.¹⁹ The Census of 1880 found Mary Lansing living with her 4 children in Osceola Twp,(Ewart), Oseola County, MI.²⁰ This location was not too far away from brother Andrew and family.

Introducing

Judith Ann Stock

Judith Ann Stock is a great-great granddaughter of Henry and Matilda Rose. Her great-grandmother was Mary Elizabeth Rose(mar. Louis Henry Lansing). The Lansing's had four Children: Levinus, March 1865; Nellie, April 9, 1868; Hellen Lansing, October 1872; and Annie Lansing, 1873; Nellie Lansing married Samuel Stock, Jr. 16 June 1897. Their son Harold L. Stock married Imogene M. VanCourt 27 Mar 1899 in Chicago Illinois. Harold and Imogene are Judy's parents. Judy graduated from Birmingham, MI High School and Los Angeles Pierce College. She has three children Jon Robert Martin Seghi(31 Oct 1962); Robert Sheldon Seghi (02 Jul 19965); and Gina Andrea Seghi (19 Jan 1971). All three were born in Detroit.

[Ed. Note: The following bio was recently prepared by Judy and submitted for publication in *Sennit- a Great Lakes Literary Journal* . in February 1997. I though it would be appropriate to include.]

I grew up in Birmingham, Michigan and for everyone who knows geography of the state, you know Birmingham is not on the water. We did have a lot of small lakes around, like Cass, Walnut, and Walled. As high school students my friends and I used to enjoy summers either on the beach or in the water. I did the usual thing after high school and got married. My husband and I had always wanted a cottage and so we bought a lot that was 360 x 100 on Lake Huron near Port Hope and Grindstone City, two hours away from Birmingham. We spent a year in construction, having the frame of the cottage built and then finishing the construction, making the cottage a year-round home. We went to the lake almost every other weekend in the summer and less frequently in the winter. One winter, I remember, it was 50 degrees below zero and you couldn't go outside without covering your mouth. Then the lake had a stillness that was comforting yet imposing at the same time. No waves, no birds flying over to hunt for fish only a frozen counterpane of snow as far as you could see.

¹⁶ Federal Census 1870, Chesterfield Twp., Macomb County. page 349, dwelling #254.

¹⁷ Federal Census of 1880, Oseola County, page 152, line 39.

¹⁸ Federal Census 1900, Mason County Vol 51/ED54/4/45

¹⁹ Federal census of 1870, page 353 dwelling # 142.

²⁰ Federal Census of 1880, Oseola Twp, Oseola County, MI. ED #225, page 18, Dwelling # 179.

Three years later we moved to Bay Village, Ohio, outside of Cleveland and had to sell the cottage. Bay Village was infamous for the Dr. Sam Sheppard murder case, as the real estate agent who showed us houses so gleefully noted. Our house was only two streets away from the shores of Lake Erie. Every chance we got we would spend time at Huntington Park on the lake. There were picnic tables and a light house and the Huntington Playhouse. I enjoyed our nine months on Lake Erie and then we moved to Los Angeles, California in 1975.

Currently, I am the newsletter editor for a hospice and for a non-profit organization aiding people with brain injuries. As a writer, I was the co-editor of the L A Pierce College publication, Direction and member of the poetry writers round table. I have been writing poetry since I was nine years old and I continue to share my impressions of life through poetry. I have written short stories, children's picture books, inspirational non-fiction, and I have contributed to children's magazines.

I live three thousand miles from the Great Lakes now and must rely on memories to capture the essence of my perception of that vast body of waters. JAS

The Rose Family Association

Your editor has recently joined The Rose Family Association. Membership in this group is limited to those that have a "Rose" somewhere in their family tree. They publish a quarterly bulletin as well as a newsletter 6 times a year. Additionally they have available results of research of Roses in various areas of the United States. We are allowed to post queries regarding our ancestors with the proviso that the name ROSE must appear in the query. I will report from time to time on information gleaned from the publications of this group. If you have any particular interest that I can help with please let me know. For further information contact: The Rose Family Association, 1474 Montelegre Drive, San Jose, CA 95120

Ashley, Michigan

Your first response was probably where is Ashley or Ashleyville? Well, if you try to find it on a modern day map, no such luck.

The locality of Ashley, Michigan now known as New Baltimore was first settled by Pierre Yax in 1796.²¹ Macomb County was formed in 1818. Fabian Robertjean made the first government land purchase in 1820.²²

Alfred Ashley came here in 1845 from Mount Clemens at which time he built the first sawmill and dock. In 1851 he platted the village as Ashley. He was Ashley's first postmaster. The first post office being Ashleyville on September 20, 1851. Ashley(ville) was renamed New Baltimore on March 7, 1855, incorporated as a village in 1867 and as a city in 1931.²³ New Baltimore is within the township of Chesterfield, Macomb County, Michigan but did incorporate a portion of Ira township of the county of Saint Clair.

In 1859 the business men of New Baltimore included A.J. Heath and Alfred Ashley. [Jr.]²⁴ Alfred Ashley the founder of Ashley[ville] died in 1857.

How did Ashleyville subsequently become New Baltimore? early history tells of a man named Belhemeur who came to this area and carried on extensively in trapping and hunting. lived in the as yet unnamed village. Mr Belhemeur being a man of strong character attracted many people for his sound advice and counsel. They would say, "*I am going to Belhemeur*". After the town was named Ashleyville, Mr Belhemeur resented this and insisted that regardless the name would eventually be Belhemeur Hence in the growth that did take place the town was named New Baltimore. The name being the French version of Belhemeur, the New added because it was the "New" Belhemeur or Baltimore. The area at the time was predominately inhabited by French and Indian settlers.²⁵

²¹ Walter Romig, L.H.D, *Michigan Place Names*. Wayne University Press, 1986 edition. page 392

²² Ibid

²³ Post Office Archives, Eldredge.

²⁴ *Past and Present of Macomb County*, Eldredge, page 658

²⁵ An affidavit by Peter Caillet, b 1860 in New Baltimore, relating the story as told to him by his father John Caillet an

The Escapee Genies

We are writing this just a few days after attending the 26th Escapade at Chico CA.. What is an Escapade you say? Well an Escapade is a rally, convention, or get together of RV'ers who are members of the Escapees. And if you say Escapees fast you get SKP. Members regularly refer to themselves as Skips. Any way it is a real nice group of very friendly individuals.

Escapades are now held twice a year, one each spring in the west and the other in the fall somewhere east of the Mississippi River. This was our 5th Escapade and we were parked on Co - Op Row representing our campground Co-Op from Florida. But, I digress.

Within the Escapees there are several dozen or so special interest groups one of which is the Genies. The Genies as you have surmised is the special interest group of genealogists. We call these special interest groups "B O F 's" as in Birds of a Feather. At the Escapade two genealogy seminars were held that were very well attended. This gives us a chance to get acquainted with other Genies and exchange information. There are several Co - Op campgrounds and Rainbow Campgrounds within the organization and at several of them Genies hold weekly meetings and sessions. I especially enjoyed attending the sessions and meeting other Genies.

The Escapade was held on the fairgrounds at Chico. Along the fence where we were park were some very nice Rose bushes. The blossoms were very beautiful and being able to report on them makes a very nice tie in to the *Rose* theme of this issue

Recent Acquisitions.

Your recent acquisitions of family history should be recorded here. Let us know what important piece of information you have recently found and or received from someone.

Received from Judith Stock

Judith sent me family group sheets for herself and her two sisters, Jean Oliver

Stock Payne and Janice Lucille Stock Heidler. Additionally she provided the autobiography include in this issue of *The FOUR DRIVE*.

Received from Carrol and Nellie Larson

The Heaths, From England, 1632 to Nebraska, 1883. 250 Years - Nine Generations by Warren Blair Heath. This small booklet begins with the arrival of William Heath in Boston harbor September 16, 1632. Also included were several family group sheets of Heaths descended from William. Nellie Larson lives in Nebraska and is daughter of Clyde Heath. Thank you Nellie for this information.

Your ancestors too!

This newsletter is not limited to reports of your editor's ancestors. We would very much like to hear from you and have reports of your ancestors for publication. This is especially important when your report provides 10 new information on utilizing different resources during your research efforts. So please help in the continued success of this newsletter by submitting articles and information for inclusion in future issues. Tell us about your ancestors.

Suggestions

We are looking to hear from you with your suggestions to help make this a great newsletter.

HELP WANTED

Christopher Dixon is planing a revised issue of "**John Henry Fitch, Biography**". He is looking for any information including but not limited to pictures, maps, and articles. Contact Chris at 3034 Albacore Circle, Apt#E-3, Silverdale, WA 98315-9709. phone 360.697.3279

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