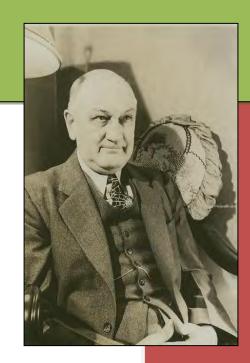
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# McNelley Family History

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For Terry, my Love This is his story. There is a history in all men's lives. Shakespeare

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# Introduction

This family history begins with Oscar McNelley who married Louise Mikkelsen in Chicago, Illinois about 1909. Their children were Theodore Thomas and Alta Adele. Theodore was my husband's father.

Oscar's father was Thomas Lawrence McNelley who married Sarah Amelia Lamb, grand-daughter of Joseph Lamb and Clora Willard. The Lambs and the Willards have been traced back to eighteenth-century Vermont in the years following the American Revolution. Joseph Lamb was born in Rhode Island in 1763 and served in the Revolutionary War before settling in Vermont. His Lamb forebears had settled in New London, Connecticut in the late 1600s. Clora Willard was in all probability a descendant of Major Simon Willard, who was born in Kent County, England and immigrated to Newtown (Cambridge) Massachusetts in 1634.

Oscar's grandfather was Thomas T. McNelley, who was born in Canada about 1820. At some point, Thomas immigrated to the United States and settled in Cleveland, Ohio before 1850. There he married Mary Sarah Miller. What is known about Thomas and his family is told in the next chapter.

Louise was the daughter Theodore Mikkelsen and Emily Holmes, Danish immigrants who settled in Chicago in the 1870s. These individuals have been traced back to Hjerpsted and Fredericia, Denmark, respectively. Much has been learned about the Holmes family in particular. The Danish State Archives website has been a wonderful resource for research in Denmark, offering Danish church, census and emigration records online.

Compiling a family history is a detailed process of tracing the family back one generation at a time, looking at a variety of documents and other resources. There are not infrequent discrepancies in information reported, in particular, on census records and death records. Family lore often provides leads, but the details may be inaccurate. Genealogical research necessitates careful weighing of the information and coming to conclusions, based on the preponderance of evidence. A variety of resources have been utilized in the compilation of this family history. These include census records, birth and death certificates, cemetery records, emigration records, baptism records, and, finally, written records and recollections from family members who have long-since died.

This effort has been a labor of love. It is exciting to expand upon what is known of the forebears of Oscar and Louise (Mikkelsen) McNelley of Chicago and to pass that information along to future generations. This is a good place to start, but it doesn't end here. The search into these family lines continues.

Susan McNelley, wife of Terry Robert McNelley who is the son of Theodore Thomas McNelley

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# Thomas T. and Mary Sarah (Miller) McNelley of Nineteenth-Century Cleveland, Ohio

What We Know and What We Don't



Family Bible of Thomas T. and Mary Sarah (Miller) McNelley; now in the possession of great-granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.

It began with a desire to identify the parents of Thomas Lawrence McNelley, who married Sarah Amelia Lamb on March 30, 1881 in Canton, Ohio. The couple moved to Chicago, Illinois in 1883, where they settled and raised their family. Thomas' marriage and death records do not name his parents; a birth record for Thomas Lawrence has yet to surface. Finding out about his parents and siblings proved to be quite a challenge!

There were a couple of family letters that provided some vital clues. In a letter dated October 28, 1958, Lulu McNelley (Thomas Lawrence's daughter, known in the family as Aunt Lou) wrote to Theodore Thomas McNelley (Thomas Lawrence's grandson), "I do know that your greatgrandmother McNelley was a Pennsylvania Dutch (German) woman and a great, great Uncle McNelley a Captain of a ship on Lake Erie." In another letter written in 1971, she mentions a cousin "Dorothy Rice in Cleveland, daughter of Bertha Rice." There was also a brief biographical sketch of Thomas Lawrence McNelley in the Eagle Flyer, stating that he had been born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1856. (Source: Eagle Lodge Publication in the possession of Terry McNelley; date of publication unknown. Presumably, this Eagle Lodge was

located in Chicago, as the bio sketch states that Thomas McNelley came to Chicago in 1883 and was initiated into the lodge in 1900.)

The next piece of information to come to light was in the U.S. census of 1860 for the Fifth Ward (Cleveland) of Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Listed are Thomas "McNally" (40) and Sarah (33), along with their children Mary E (7), Thomas L (5) and Isabella (2). It gives Thomas' place of birth as Canada. The place of birth for Sarah is given as Pennsylvania. Thomas' occupation is listed as "laborer" in this census.

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From the U.S. Census of 1860 for the Fifth Ward (Cleveland) of Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Letters of inquiry were sent out to current residents of Chicago with the surname of McNelley. Sharon McNelley Angelo, great-granddaughter of Thomas Lawrence McNelley, and a great, great-granddaughter of Thomas T McNelley, was eventually located. In 2010, she was living in the Chicago suburbs and had a large family bible in her basement. "Mary McNelly" is printed in gold letters on the red cover of this large, old bible. The bible listed the deaths of Thomas T. McNelley on January 3, 1869 and Sarah D. (?) McNelley in September, 1866. Documents discovered later indicate that the wife of Thomas T. McNelley

was known as both Mary and Sarah. At some point the bible came into the hands of their son, Thomas Lawrence McNelley, and his wife, Sarah Amelia Lamb. Their births and marriage, as well as the births of their six children and the death of three of their daughters are recorded in the book. The marriage of Thomas Lawrence's sister Sarah to Byron Rice is recorded in the bible as well, along with the birth of their child Maud. There is also a notation of the death of a Charley McNelley on January 24, 1878.

# Thomas T. McNelley and Mary Sarah Miller

It is only in piecing together small pieces of information from a variety of sources that we are able to develop any picture at all of this family. Family letters and the family Bible guided our search for public documents. From the records noted above and in the paragraphs that follow, it appears that Thomas T. McNelley was born in Canada about 1820 and moved to Cleveland sometime before 1845. Mary Sarah Miller was born in Pennsylvania about 1827. The couple married in Cleveland, Ohio in 1853 where their three children, Mary Eleanor, Thomas Lawrence, and Sarah Isabella, were born. Both parents died at an early age. Mary Sarah (Miller) McNelley was forty when she died of consumption in September of 1866. Thomas T. died a little over two years later, in January of 1869. He was 49 years old. Their children were left orphans at the ages of 16, 14, and 11, respectively. Mary Eleanor and Sarah Isabella grew up, married, had children, and died in Ohio, not far from Cleveland. Thomas T. and Mary Sarah's son, Thomas Lawrence, moved to Chicago with his wife, also named Sarah (Sarah Amelia Lamb), and their infant son Oscar in 1883.

Thomas T. McNelley appears in the records of Cleveland, Ohio from 1845 to 1870. In the records of Thomas, the surname is spelled variously as McNelley, McNally, McNelly or McNalley. His brother William's surname is usually spelled McNelley. Adding to the confusion is the fact that there was more than one Thomas McNelley in Cleveland in the mid-nineteenth century. Also, Mary Sarah Miller, wife of Thomas T., sometimes used the name Mary; at other times she used her middle name of Sarah.

In the U.S. Census of 1850, both a Thomas McNelly (27) and a Wm McNally (21) are listed as living in a boarding house. The birthplace for Thomas, a "bar keeper," is given as Germany. William is listed as a sailor. His birthplace is listed as Canada. These men are probably "our" Thomas and William. The landlord no doubt provided the information to the census taker and was not too concerned about its accuracy.

, Cuyahoga County, ss. I hereby certify, that on the 16 day of April A. D. 1353, I duly sleemnized the Marriage Con The State of Ohio, Cuyahoga County, ss.

Marriage record for Thomas T. McNalley and Mary S. Miller; Cuyahoga County, Ohio

The Cuyahoga County archives list a marriage between Thomas T. McNalley and Mary S. Miller on April 16, 1853. Note that the name is spelled "McNalley" in this record. Other than the name of the officiant, no other information is provided on the marriage record. The record was available online at FamilySearch.org under Ohio Marriages 1800-1958 in July 2011.

It is stated that Thomas was born in Canada and his wife in Pennsylvania in the U. S. Census record of 1860. In the U.S. census records of 1910 and 1920 for Chicago, IL, son Thomas Lawrence also gave his father's place of birth as Canada and his mother's place of birth as Pennsylvania. However, in the U.S.

Census of 1900 for Chicago, Thomas Lawrence's parents are listed as born in Ohio; perhaps his wife was the one answering the questions for the census taker.



A portion of the death record from the "Mary McNelly Bible" showing the deaths of Sarah (Mary Sarah) and Thomas T. McNelley

Thomas T. McNelley had various jobs in the course of his life. In the U.S. Census of 1850, he is listed as a bar keeper. On the census ten years later, he is listed simply as a "laborer." Apparently, he was also a clerk and a "measurer of hay." Clues are found in notices which appeared in 1857 and 1858 in the *Cleveland Plain Dealer*, a newspaper published in Cleveland Ohio. On July 1, 1857, there was an article reporting the proceedings of the City Council meeting on Tuesday evening, June 30. Petitions presented included "Of Thomas T.

McNally, asking that provision be made for the repairing of the city hay scales and the office occupied by him. Referred to Committee on Markets." In a notice dated February 17, 1858, concerning the proceedings of the City Council, a T. McNally is listed as from the "office of weigher of hay." Later in the year, on June 23, 1858, also in the proceedings of the City Council, is the comment, "Also requesting the mayor to employ counsel to propose answers and make a defense to the suits of Thos. McNally against the city." (Newspaper articles found online at GenealogyBank.com in July, 2012.) There is also a "Thomas T. McNelley" listed in the City Directory of 1865 for Cleveland, OH. He is identified as a clerk, living at 50 Cross Street. (Source: Cleveland City Directory of 1865 found on Ancestry.com and was downloaded on 2/12/2012.)

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*Guardianship papers for Sarah I. McNalley, dated February 3, 1870* 

The only record of Thomas' death on January 3, 1869 is the bible notation and the guardianship papers for his youngest child Sarah Isabella. The latter is a Cuyahoga County Probate Record, dated February 3, 1870, providing a guardian for Sarah I. McNelley, a 12-year-old minor. She is listed as a child of "Thomas McNelley, deceased, late of Cleveland" (Source Cuyahoga Probate Court). The place of burial and cause of death for Thomas are unknown.

Mary's death is also noted in the family bible and was later found on the Register of Internments for Woodlawn Cemetery in Cleveland, OH. (Prepared by the City of Cleveland, OH; Department of Parks and Public Property, Division of Cemeteries). On the latter record, she is listed as "Sarah McNelly," age 40. Date of death: September 15, 1866. The cause of death was listed as consumption. Sarah is buried in Section 29, Lot # 17, Grave #2. Nothing is known of Mary Sarah's parents.

Thomas T. and Mary Sarah are mentioned as the parents on the death records of their daughters Mary E. and Sarah Isabella. On Mary's record, her parents are listed as Thos. McNelly and Sarah Miller. Place of birth is listed as

"unknown." On Sarah's record, her parents are listed as Thos. McNelley and Mary Miller, both from Scotland. (It is believed that Scotland was the place of origin of the immigrant ancestor, rather than the place of birth for Thomas T.) On their son Thomas Lawrence's death record, the names and place of birth for his parents are listed as "unknown."

Thomas T. and Sarah (Miller) McNelley were both deceased by the U.S. Census of 1870. Thomas and Sarah's son, Thomas Lawrence, does appear in that census, which was enumerated in June of 1870. In the census for Ashtabula, Ashtabula County, Ohio, is a listing for a Thom L. McNelly, age 14, living in the household of John Peru (Perew). Ashtabula is some 60 miles east of Cleveland, and is a shipping port on Lake Erie. Thomas' occupation is listed as farm laborer. The occupation of John Peru, head of the household, is listed as a lake engineer. Thomas T.'s brother William H. McNelley, ship captain, worked for Frank Perew, wealthy owner of a Great Lakes shipping company, the People's Line of Cleveland, Ohio. William married a woman named Mary E. Perew. It appears that young Thomas Lawrence, son of Thomas T. McNelley, was living with the family of his aunt Mary (Perew) McNelley in 1870.

### More on the Children of Thomas T. and Mary Sarah McNelley

Thomas T. and Mary Sarah had three children:

(1) **Mary E. (Eleanor)** was born on August 17, 1853 and died on August 25, 1937 in Berlin Heights, Erie County, OH. She married Madison Karr and the couple had four children: Charles H. (November 22, 1882); Alice Eleanor (February 26, 1888); Irma (December 30, 1894) and Dortha (About 1898).

(2) **Thomas Lawrence** was born on July 13, 1855 and died on March 14, 1936 in Chicago, II. He married Sarah Amelia Lamb on March 31, 1881 in Cuyahoga County, OH. The couple had six children: Oscar James (April 12, 1882); Clara Isabelle (January 20, 1885); Emma Laura (September 11, 1889); Lulu May (January 31, 1893); Mary Ellen (July 10, 1894); and Thomas Lawrence (December 8, 1897).

(3) **Sarah Isabella** was born on December 22, 1858 and died on November 25, 1922 in Rocky River, Cuyahoga County, OH. She married Byron Rice on May 20, 1879. The couple had four children: Maud (May 15, 1880); Thomas Oliver (August, 1886); Hamilton Oscar (September 15, 1890) and William Frederick (April 1898). Cousin Dorothy Rice, mentioned in Aunt Lou's letter of 1971, is the daughter of Thomas O. and Bertha Rice and granddaughter of Byron and Sarah Rice.

### **Origins of Thomas T. McNelley remain a Mystery**

Although the documentation is thin, it appears that Thomas T. McNelley was born in Canada.

We know nothing about his parents. Apparently, at some point they crossed the border into the United States. Sidelines, that is records of siblings, can often yield valuable information. In this case, they add to the confusion. There are a number of records which provide information on Thomas T.'s brother, William H. McNelley, who as noted earlier, was a ship captain. William appears in the U.S. Census records for Cleveland, OH for 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1900, as well as in a number of Cleveland, Ohio city directories. His career as a sailor and lake captain is well documented in census records, city directories, and in his obituary, among other records.

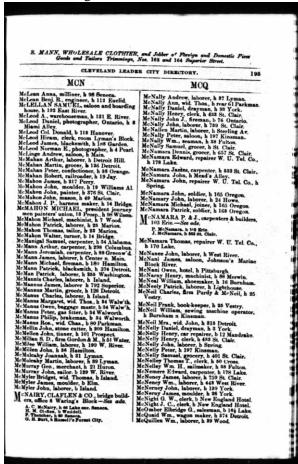
Unfortunately, the place of birth for William cannot be determined with any certainty. It is listed as Massachusetts, New York and Canada on the various census records and on the death records of William's children. (There is a place on the certificate asking for the birthplace of the deceased person's parents.) As a ship captain, William was probably away from home much of the time and his wife and his children were likely unsure where he was born. In the 1860 census, William's birthplace is listed as Massachusetts. In the 1870 census, William's birthplace is listed as Canada. In the 1880 census, his birthplace is again listed as Massachusetts. (Place of birth for William's father is listed as Scotland; his mother's as Ireland.) In the 1900 census, William's birthplace is listed as New York. On William's death

record, place of birth is listed as Scotland. In the U.S. Census of 1900, under William's son George McNelley (spelled Geo McNalley), the place of birth for George's father is listed as Scotland. I suspect that this information applies to the immigrant ancestor, rather than to George's father. William's birthplace is listed as Ohio on George's death certificate. On his daughter Ellen's death certificate, William's place of birth is listed as Boston, Massachusetts. At the very least, family members were unclear about the birthplace of William!

Putting it all together and placing more weight on earlier records which tend to be more accurate, it is most likely that Thomas T. was born in Canada, while his younger brother William H. was born in Massachusetts. Records suggests that their father was Scottish, their mother Irish, and they immigrated to Canada prior to 1820. That would also make the McNelley name Scottish.

#### Other McNelleys living in Cleveland, Ohio in the Mid-nineteenth Century

There are no known ties between Thomas T. and William H. McNelley and the following individuals; however, it seems likely that at least some of them were related. A "Mrs. E. McNelley" is listed as the head of household in the U.S. census of 1840 for Cleveland, Ohio. This is the only listing for McNelley (McNally, McNelly, or McNalley) in Cleveland in the 1840 census. In this household of 9 individuals, there is a female between the age of 40 and 50 (presumably Mrs. McNelley) and 8 males. Six males are between the ages of 20 and 30. One is between the age of 15 and 20 and one male is under the age of 5.



Cleveland Leader City Directory of 1865, in which Thomas T. McNelley is listed as a clerk. A number of other McNally/ McNelly/ McNelleys are listed as well.

Was this a widow running a boarding house to make ends meet? Were these men her sons? Was Mrs. E. McNelley's first name Eleanor and did Thomas T. McNelley name his oldest daughter after her? All of this is only speculation at this point.

It is more certain that "our" Thomas and William (and perhaps other family members) were living in Cleveland, Ohio by 1845. In that year, a Thomas McNelley (laborer) is listed as living at 53 Parkman Street in Cleveland. A William McNelley and a Peter McNelley are living at 16 Dock North in 1846. Peter's occupation is listed as grocer; William's occupation is "n.a." If this is "our" William, he would have been 15 or 16 in 1845 and might not have been working. (Source: Peet's General Business Directory of the City of Cleveland, 1845 and 1846)

In 1848, there is a Charles McNelley listed as a laborer living at 53 Parkman St, the same address as Thomas McNelley three years earlier. (Source: Smead and Cowles' General Business Directory of the City of Cleveland, 1848. Information from these directories is available online in the Ohio Name Index to 1850.) Could this be the same "Charley McNelley" who died on January 24, 1878 according to a notation in the Bible of Mary McNelly (and now in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo)?

In the J. H. Williston and Co Directory for the city of Cleveland 1859-60, on p. 126, there are listings for Mrs. McNelley, widow of Thomas, living at 61 Parkman; Peter McNelley, fancy store, living at 98 Kinsman; and Thomas McNelley, living at 84 Kinsman.

On the tax lists of 1865 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Peter McNelley is listed as having a house on Kinsman; Thomas "McNally" is listed as having property on Parkman. A Peter McNalley, age 51, appears in the US Census of 1870 for Cleveland. His occupation is given as bar keeper. Place of birth is listed as Ireland.

There is a record of a death of a Thomas McNalley on May 2, 1878 in the Cuyahoga County, Ohio Archives. He is listed as age 68, born in Canada. This man died in the 5th Ward of Cleveland; the cause of death is recorded as "consumption" (tuberculosis). No other information is provided. This man was not our Thomas T. McNelley and he would have been too young to be his father. It appears that there were at least three Thomas McNelleys living in Cleveland at mid-nineteenth century: one who died before 1859, our Thomas T. who died in 1869, and one who died in 1878.

# Background Information on the Scots-Irish who settled in Cleveland, Ohio

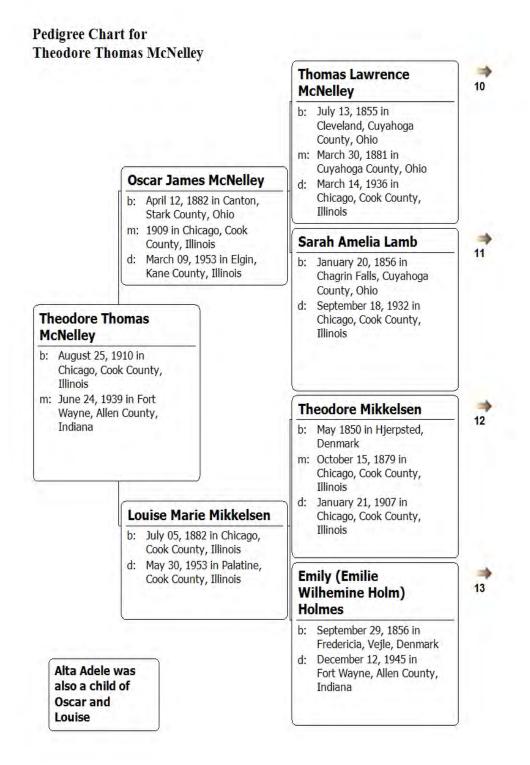
In the fall of 2013, Margaret Lynch, Executive Director of the Irish American Archives Society, compiled a report titled "Cleveland and the Ohio and Erie Canal" (A PDF report downloaded from the web on May 14, 2015). She notes that work on the Ohio and Erie Canal began in 1825. "The first notable influx of Irish immigrants was prompted by the need for laborers to dig the canal." According to Lynch, early settlers with last names like McMurphy and McIntost, indicate that these settlers might well have been Scots-Irish, that is Scottish Presbyterians sent to Northern Ireland by the English in the early 17<sup>th</sup> Century. Many of these Scots-Irish immigrated to the United States a few generations later. Lynch observes that "Toiling for \$5 a month under wretched conditions, most left little, if any, trace in public records. . . . Look for a sampling of [Irish] names in Cuyahoga County in the 1830 United States census, or in the first Cleveland City Directory in 1837, and the search is fruitless."

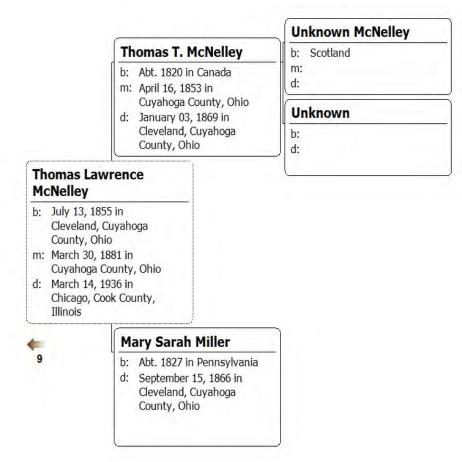
There is a plaque posted by the State of New York in 1969 along the St. Lawrence River in the Chippewa Bay Area which reads in part: "This area was settled early in the 1800's by immigrants from Scotland. They were encouraged to come here by agents of George Parish, a large landholder in the North Country. These conscientious farmers and tradesmen came up the St. Lawrence River from Montreal with true pioneer determination." Might members of this group of people have also traveled to Cleveland a few years later?

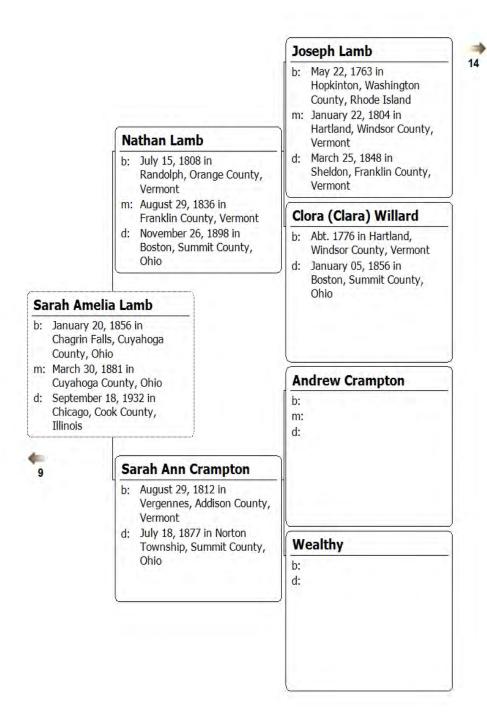
Nothing more is known about the origins of Thomas T. and his brother William H. McNelley who settled in Cleveland, Ohio in the mid-nineteenth century. Maybe someday, someone, somewhere will have a key piece of information that can link these McNelleys to others by that name who settled not only in Cleveland, Ohio but also Canada, Maine, Massachusetts, and Tennessee in the early nineteenth century.

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# Theodore Mikkelsen

- b: May 1850 in Hjerpsted, Denmark
- m: October 15, 1879 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
- d: January 21, 1907 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois

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#### Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) Holmes

- b: September 29, 1856 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark
- m: October 15, 1879 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois
- d: December 12, 1945 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana

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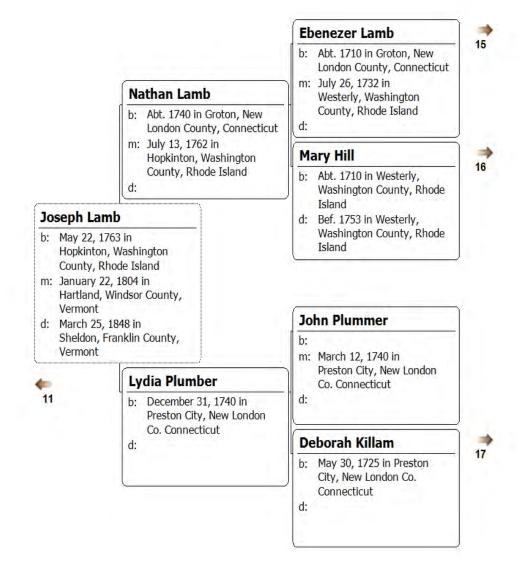
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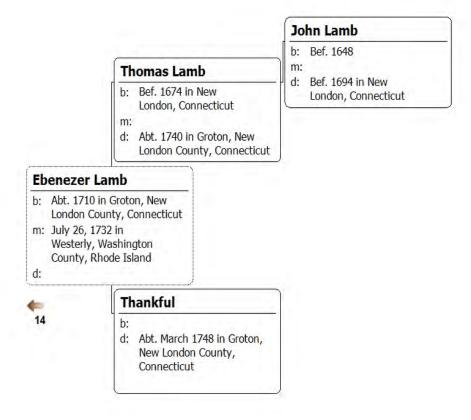
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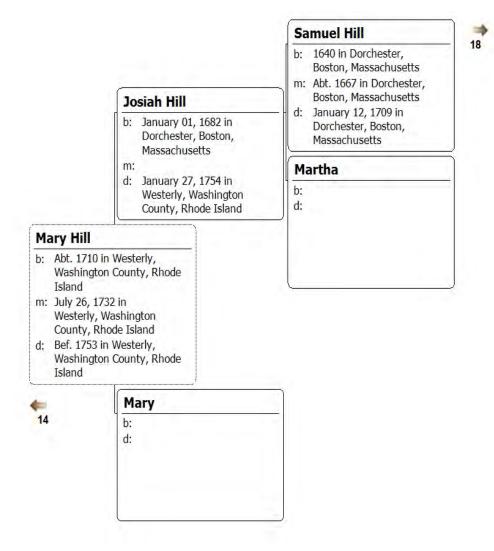
- b: January 17, 1826 in Copenhagen, Denmark m: November 1852 in
- Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark
  d: February 15, 1909 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois

# Anne Margrethe Frandsen

- b: January 31, 1833 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark
- d: February 15, 1917 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois







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n:	March 12, 1740 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut	Elizabeth
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# Samuel Hill

- b: 1640 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts
- m: Abt. 1667 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts
- d: January 12, 1709 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts

# John Hill

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- m: d: March 31, 1664 in Dorchester,
- Boston, Massachusetts

# Frances

d: November 18, 1676 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts



# McNelley Family Photos and Documents

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# Norma Katherine Johnston and Theodore Thomas McNelley Wedding Portrait



Ted and Norma wed on June 24, 1939 in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

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# Fun at Big Long Lake, Indiana



*Photo above: Theodore Thomas and Alta McNelley, brother and sister* 

Photo on right: Alta with husband-to-be Bob Hutchinson standing behind her and Norma Johnston, with husband-to-be, Theodore standing behind her

Theodore Thomas McNelley helped his father to build a log cabin on Big Long Lake, which is about 35 miles north of Ft. Wayne, Indiana. These photos were taken cerca 1938. The McNelleys and the Hutchinsons spent many happy weekends at the lake in the summer.



# The Baptism of Suzanne McNelley in Ft. Wayne, Indiana in 1942: A Four-Generation Family Affair



Suzanne Marie McNelley was baptized at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana in the spring of 1942. She is shown here with her parents, Theodore Thomas and Norma Catherine (Johnston) McNelley.

# A Four-Generation Family Photo --

Suzanne, in the arms of her father, is shown here with her paternal grandmother, Louise (Mikkelsen) McNelley. Louise was the daughter of Theodore and Emily (Holm) Mikkelsen of Chicago. Also shown is Suzanne's paternal great-grandmother Emily (Holm) Mikkelsen. Emily and her husband Theodore were emigrants from Denmark who settled in Chicago in the 1870s. Emily came from Fredericia, Denmark with her parents, Antonius and Anne Margrethe (Frandsen) Holm, and eight siblings.

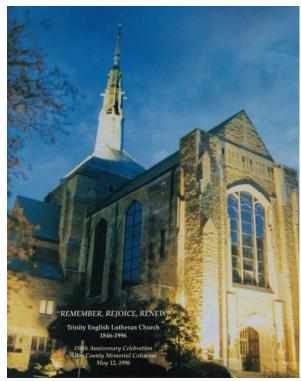




The family on the steps of the church. Suzanne is shown with her parents and grandparents. From the left: Louise McNelley, Theodore McNelley, Oscar McNelley, the infant Suzanne, Norma McNelley, Anna Johnston, and Edward R. Johnston. The last two named are Suzanne's maternal grandparents.

# Baptism of Terry Robert McNelley Fort Wayne, Indiana, 1945





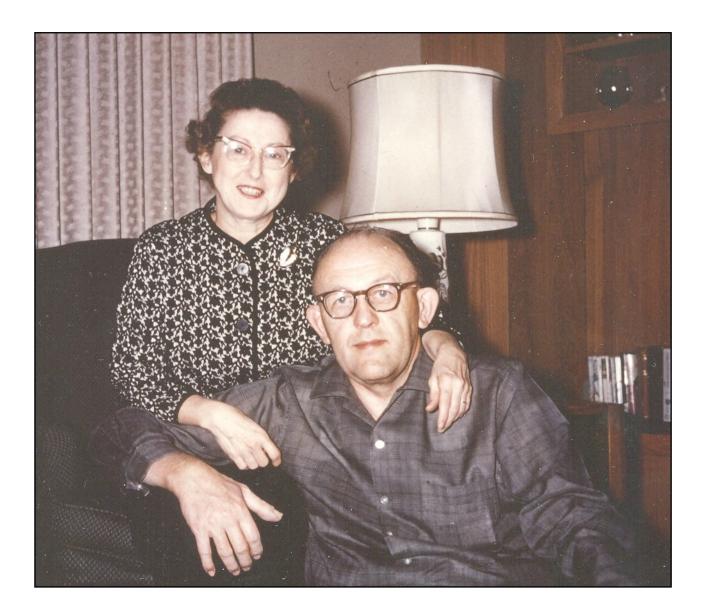
Taken on the occasion of the baptism of Terry Robert McNelley at Trinity Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne, Indiana

Adults pictured from L to R: Alta (McNelley) Hutchinson, Louise (Mickelsen) McNelley, Edward and Anna (Weber) Johnston, Robert Hutchinson, Gerald Johnston and Theodore McNelley.

Children from L to R: Alan and Robert Hutchinson, Suzanne and Terry (in the arms of his father).

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# Theodore and Norma McNelley, c 1962



Both Ted and Norma moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1924, at the age of fourteen. Ted and his family moved from Chicago. Norma and her family moved from Indianapolis. This photo was taken in the family home at 4312 Dodge Avenue in Fort Wayne. This, their final home, was built in 1958. Ted planned the design of the home and did much of the cabinetry himself, as woodworking was a beloved hobby.

# Certificate of Birth for Theodore Thomas McNelley

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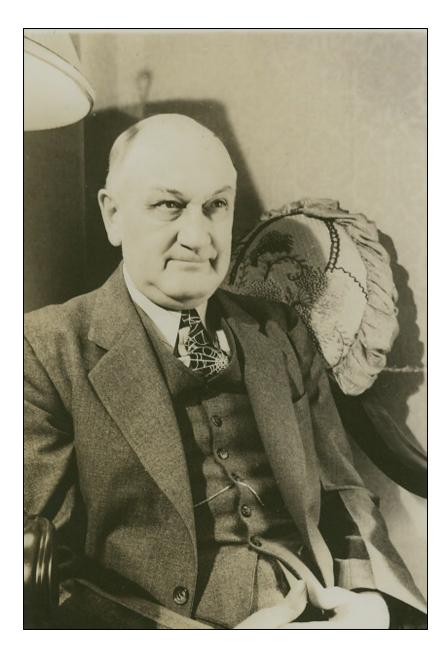
Theodore Thomas McNelley was born on August 25, 1910, in Chicago, Illinois. In 1924, he moved with his family to Ft. Wayne, Indiana, where he spent the rest of his life.

# Theodore T. and Norma K. (Johnston) McNelley Certificates of Death

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# **Oscar J. McNelley Portrait c 1940**



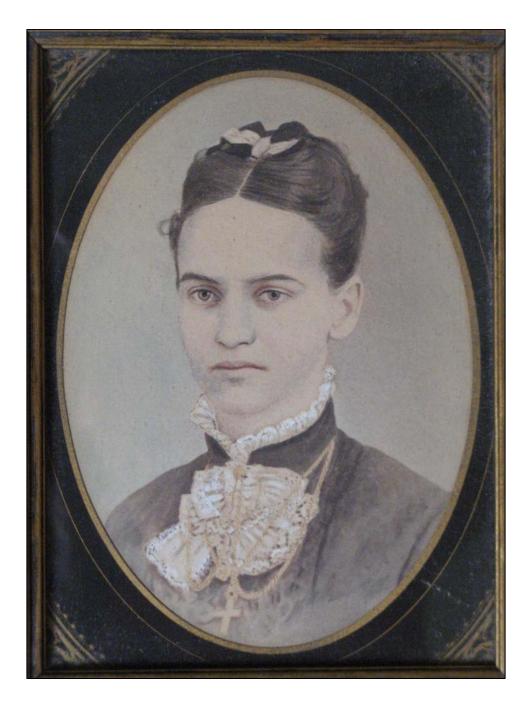
Oscar was born in Canton, Ohio in 1882, shortly before his parents moved to Chicago in 1883. In 1924, he moved to Ft. Wayne, Indiana. He died in 1953 at the home of his daughter, Alta McNelley Hutchinson, who lived in the Chicago suburb of Arlington Heights.



# Oscar and Louise (Mikkelsen) McNelley c 1945

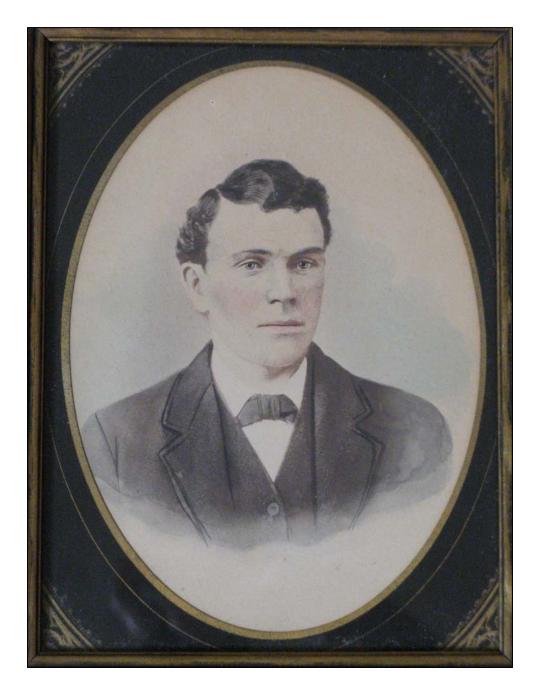
Louise and Oscar married in Chicago in 1908. They were married for forty-five years.

# Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley 1856-1932



Undated portrait of Sarah as a young woman. The original is in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo, Sarah's great-granddaughter.

# Thomas Lawrence McNelley 1855-1936



Undated portrait of Thomas as a young man. The original is in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo, Thomas' great granddaughter.

# Marriage Record of Thomas McNelley and Sarah Amelia Lamb, March 30, 1881

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Thomas and Sarah were married in Cuyahoga County, Ohio in 1881. Their son Oscar was born in 1882 and the young family moved to Chicago in 1883. According to granddaughter, Alta McNelley, Thomas Lawrence and his wife Sarah had a bakery on Logan Square in Chicago.

# Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Portrait



Taken in Chicago in 1931

Top row from left: Oscar and Louise McNelley, Lulu, Thomas Lawrence, Jr., Alta and Theodore (children of Oscar and Louise McNelley), and Blanch (wife of Thomas Lawrence, Jr.)

Bottom row, Sarah and Thomas are flanked by grandsons, Thomas (l) and Donald (r) (children of Thomas Lawrence Jr. and Blanche McNelley)



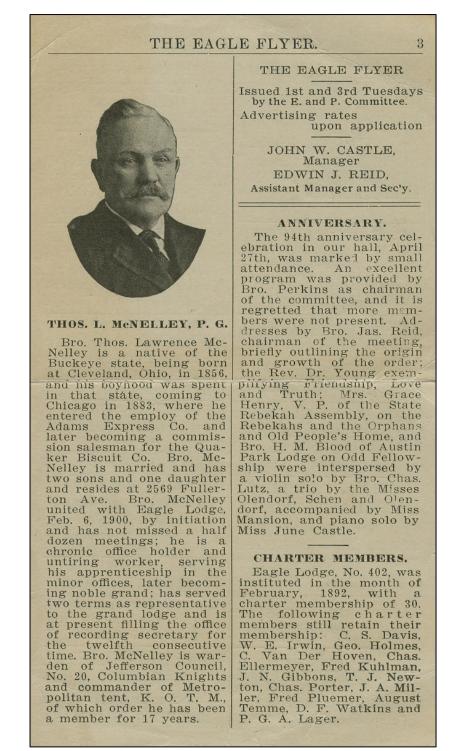
# Last Home of Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley 4718 Hamilton Avenue, Chicago IL

Chicago was home to Thomas and Sarah for some fifty years. Thomas and Sarah had one apartment in this building. Their daughter Lulu had the apartment next door.

*These photos were taken in 2003. Photo at right shows the entrance.* 



# Thomas Lawrence McNelley Biographical Sketch

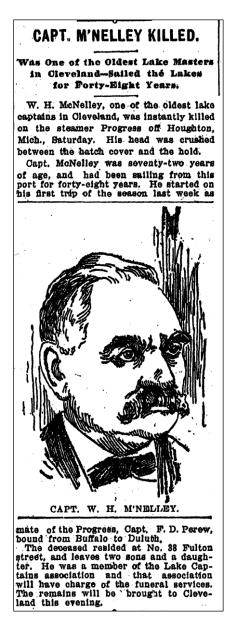


Source: Eagle Lodge Publication; date of publication unknown. Presumably, this Eagle Lodge was located in Chicago, as the article above states that Thomas McNelley came to Chicago in 1883 and was initiated into the lodge in 1900.

## Captain William H. McNelley (Abt. 1830-1902) of Cleveland, Ohio

An Accident on Lake Superior Takes the Life of the Old Lake Captain Death: April 12, 1902/ Obituary & Tributes

(William H. McNelley was the brother of Thomas T. McNelley of Cleveland, Ohio.)



# LAKE CAPTAIN KILLED. W. H. M'NELLEY, OF THIS CITY, IS CRUSHED TO DEATH BY A FALLING HATCH. Word was received in the city Saturday night of the death of Captain W. H. McNelley, a well-known Cleveland lake captain. Captain McNelley lived at No. 38 Fulton street, and his death was the result of an accident that occurred on April 12 at Eagle Harbor, on Lake Superior. Captain McNelley was in the hold of of the steamer Progress when he was struck and instantly killed by a falling hatch. Captain McNelley was one of the best known marine men in Cleveland. He was seventy-two years old and had been on the lakes during the greater part of his life. He leaves two sons and a daughter, George F., Ellen E., and O. H. McNelley. The remains are expected to arrive in Cleveland this evening at 5 o'clock. The Lake Cap-tains' Association will have charge of the services.

#### TRIBUTES TO THE DEAD.

#### Many Floral Pieces at the Funeral of Captain W. H. McNelley.

The funeral of the late Captain W. H. McNelley was held from his late home, No. 38 Fulton street, yesterday afternoon. Services at the house were conducted by

Services at the house were conducted by Rev. John Malcolm, of the First Congre-gational Church. 'The interment was at Riverside Cemetery. Rev. Mr. Malcolm made a few feeling remarks in reference to the high esteem in which Captain McNelley was held by his old friends and associates. The little home on Fulton street was crowded with mourning friends, almost every one of whom brought a floral tribute. So profuse were the floral offerings that the dead captain's home resembled a veritable concaptain's home resembled a veritable conservatory. A beautiful set piece was sent by the Lake Captains' Association. A funeral car took the remains to the final resting place.

Source of newspaper articles: Left: Printed in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Cleveland, OH; April 14, 1902; Right Top: Printed in the Cleveland Leader, Cleveland OH; April 14, 1902 Right Bottom: Printed in the Cleveland Leader, Cleveland OH; April 17, 1902

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Certificate of Death for Thomas Lawrence McNelley 1855-1936

According to census records, Thomas Lawrence McNelley's parents were Thomas McNelley, born in Canada, and Sarah, born in Pennsylvania. In 1881, Thomas Lawrence married Sarah Amelia Lamb in Cuyahoga County, Ohio.

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Certificate of Death for Sarah Amelia Lamb McNelley, 1856-1932

Sarah was the granddaughter of Joseph Lamb, a soldier who served in the American Revolution with troops from Massachusetts and Connecticut. She lived well into the twentieth century.

# Death of Sarah Ann (Crampton) Lamb in 1877 Excerpt from Handwritten Lamb Family Record

Transcription of above record: "Mrs. Sarah Ann Lamb, daughter of Andrew and Welthy Crampton and wife of Nathan Lamb, son of Joseph Lamb, Sr. died at her residence in Norton Township, Summit County, Ohio, Wednesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> 1877 at 1 o'clock and 25 minutes A.M. of liver complaint. She was 64 years, 10 months and 20 days old."

Sarah Lamb was the mother of Sarah Amelia who married Thomas Lawrence McNelley in 1881. Much of the information on the family of Nathan and Clora Lamb comes from an undated, handwritten family record. This record is currently in the possession of Terry McNelley, descendant of Nathan and Clora's tenth child, Sarah Amelia. The document consists of several small, obviously old, pages hand-sewn together into a "book." In this record are listed the dates of birth of all ten children of Nathan and Sarah, as well as a number of family marriages and deaths. Some of the more intimate details suggest that the information came from a family bible. The information in the family record is corroborated by census, cemetery and other records.

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# Joseph Lamb (1763-1848), Soldier in the American Revolution

Joseph Lamb's service in the American Revolution is summarized in a letter dated September 3, 1924 from a commissioner in the "Revolution and 1812 War's Section" addressed to Mrs. Pearl S. Weaver of Fostoria, Ohio. It states that, according to papers filed in the Revolutionary War Pension Claim W9105, Joseph Lamb "enlisted in Ashford, Connecticut, in July 1779 [at the age of 16] and served as a private eight months in Captain Dana's Company, Colonel Wills' Connecticut Regiment. In July 1780 he enlisted and served six months as a private in Captain Shumway's Company, Colonel Starr's Connecticut Regiment. He enlisted in Pelham, Massachusetts, in January 1781 and served as a private in Captain Wade's Company, Colonel Michael Jackson's Massachusetts Regiment, was afterwards transferred to Captain Woodbridge's Company, Colonel Greaton's Massachusetts Regiment, and was discharged December 23, 1783. He was allowed pension on his application executed March 29, 1818, while a resident of Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont. He died March 25, 1848, in said Sheldon. Soldier married January 22 or 29, 1805 in Hartland, Windsor County, Vermont, Clara [Clora] Willard who was allowed pension on her application executed November 2, 1853, while a resident of Boston, Summit County, Ohio, aged 78 years."

The discharge certificate and letter cited above are found in the Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files, State of Connecticut, National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). (Downloaded from Fold3 on January 8, 2014) There are a total of 81 pages in the file. Unfortunately, Joseph's original application for a pension (Pension Claim W9105) is not there and appears to have been misplaced or lost. His war record is pieced together from other papers in the file.

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# US Census of 1860 for Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Listed on the above census sheet are Thomas McNally, age 40, his wife Sarah, age 33, and children Mary E. (7), Thomas L (5), and Isabella (3). Thomas is listed as born in Canada. His wife was born in Pennsylvania. The children were born in Ohio.

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# Certificate of Death for Louise Mikkelsen McNelley, 1882-1553

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Listed are Theodore and Emilie Mikkelsen, along with their five children: Adele, Louise, Oliver, Harry and Elsie. Theodore Mikkelsen immigrated to the United States in 1868. Emily came with her family in 1870. Her date of immigration is listed as 1868 in this census and is incorrect.

## Emily Holmes Mickelsen 1856-1945



Emely W. Mikkeleen

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at D. O. McComb & Sons' Funeral Home for Mrs. Emely W. Mikkelsen, 89, who died Wednesday at 3:15 p.m. at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Oscar J. McNelley, 2001 Bayer Ave., with whom she had made her home 23 years. She was a member of the Danish

Trinity Lutheran Church, Chicago. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. McNelley and Mrs. Fred B. Fiedler, Chicago; a son, Oliver W. Mikkelsen, and a sister, Mrs. Ernst Mikkelsen, Chicago, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Friends may call at the funeral home. The body will be taken to Chicago for burial Saturday.



Emily was born in Fredericia, Denmark, immigrated with her family to the United States in 1870, and settled in Chicago, Illinois. On October 15, 1879, she married Theodore Mikkelsen who had come to Chicago from Denmark in 1868. They had five children, who were all raised in Chicago. Theodore was just 56 years old when he died. Emily spent the remaining years of her life with her daughter, Louise McNelley. Emily's sister Emma was married to Ernst Mikkelsen, brother of Theodore.

# Certificate of Death for Theodor Mikkelsen, 1850 – 1907

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Theodore Mikkelsen and his brother Ernst immigrated to America in 1868 (according to US Census records). In 1879, Theodore married Emily Holmes, who had also emigrated from Denmark and settled in Chicago. In 1883, Theodore's brother Ernst married Emily's sister Emma.

# Certificate of Death for Ernest Mikkelsen, 1857 – 1939

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*Ernst (Ernest) Mikkelsen was the brother of Theodore Mikkelsen. Ernst's death certificate (above) supplies the name of the boys' parents and their place of birth in Denmark. The brothers immigrated to the United States in 1868. It is not known whether the parents immigrated as well.* 

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## Certificate of Death for Emma Mickelsen 1863-1949

Emma was the sister of Emily Holmes, our ancestor. Emma married Ernst Mikkelsen; Emily married Ernst's brother Theodore Mikkelsen. Emma's death certificate (above) provides the name of the sisters' father and their place of birth in Denmark. A search of the church records found in the Danish State Archives, and available on the internet, located baptism records for the girls at St. Michaelis Church in Fredericia, Denmark. Emma was baptized Emma Alvine Holm.

## Danish Emigration Records for Emily Holmes (Emilie Holm) and Her Parents

Name:	Holm, Antonius	Occupation:	Blikkenslager
Age:	44	Destination:	N. York
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Emily Holmes, along with the rest of the Holmes (Holm) family, emigrated from Fredericia, Denmark in 1870 and settled in Chicago. There, Emily met and married a fellow Danish emigrant, Theodore Mikkelsen, who had immigrated to the United States a couple of years before. The emigration records for Emily and her parents are shown above, as downloaded from the DDD Emigration Database, available through the online Danish State Archives. The emigration records for Emily's eight siblings are also there. The word "Indirekte", next to "name of ship" is not the name of the ship. Rather, it means that they did not leave directly from a Danish port. They may have left via Hamburg, Germany or sailed from an English port. The records for Theodore and his brother Ernst have not been found. According to U.S. Census records, Theodore Mikkelsen emigrated in 1868. The Danish Emigration Database begins in May of 1868. Possibly, the two Mikkelsen brothers immigrated to America earlier in the year.

# Antonius and Anna (Frandsen) Holm Family of Fredericia, Denmark

The Holm family sailed from Hamburg on the ship "Bavaria." A portion of the Hamburg Passenger List, dated May 7, 1870 is shown here.

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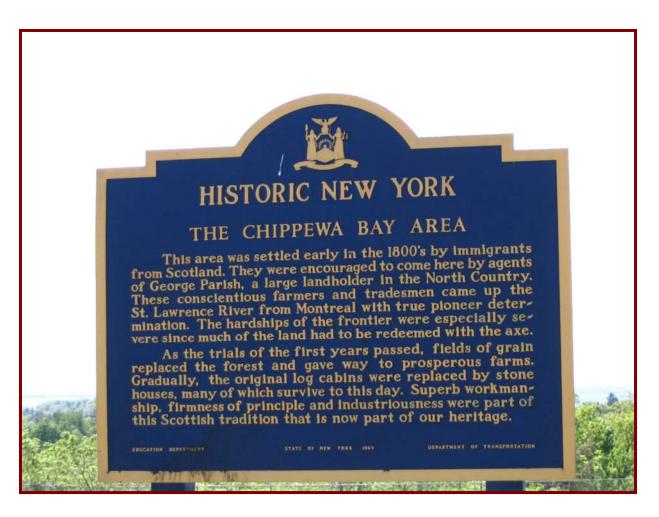
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# St. Michaelis Church in Fredericia, Denmark

This was the church in Denmark where Emily Holmes Mikkelsen was baptized as Emilie Wilhemine Holm in 1856. Emily's daughter Louise married Oscar McNelley. The church dates back to 1687. It was originally a garrison church and has a low tower because Fredericia was a fortress town and nothing was allowed to be seen over the ramparts. (Source of photo: Rune Magnussen, Published online in April 2005)

# Scottish Immigrants to the St. Lawrence River Valley



Although definitive proof has yet to be found, it is probable that our pioneer McNelley ancestors were among the many Scotch-Irish immigrants who settled along the Canadian-American border in the early part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century.



## MCNELLEY FAMILY HISTORY McNelley Family Forebears -- Their Stories

# **Generation 1**

 Theodore Thomas MCNELLEY (son of Oscar James MCNELLEY and Louise Marie MIKKELSEN) was born on August 25, 1910 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>1</sup>. He died on May 17, 1963 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana<sup>2-4</sup>. He married Norma Katherine JOHNSTON (daughter of Edward Reymer JOHNSTON and Anna Philippina WEBER) on June 24, 1939 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana. She was born on April 25, 1910 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana<sup>5</sup>. She died on May 24, 1981 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana<sup>6-8</sup>.

Notes for Theodore Thomas MCNELLEY:

Theodore Thomas McNelley was the eldest child of Oscar and Louise Mikkelsen McNelley. His younger sister, Alta, was born in 1913. According to his son, Terry, one of Ted's earliest memories was the fear generated by the Spanish flu which hit Chicago in the fall of 1918, at the time of the Armistice which ended the First World War. He was at home with the flu and remembered distinctly watching a celebration on the street from his bedroom window before going back to sleep. He recovered within days but remained home because the schools were closed at the height of the epidemic. His favorite memory of growing up in Chicago was of riding around town in his Uncle Harry's car at Halloween with a pumpkin on the hood ornament. Harry was a brother of Louise.

The family moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana in 1924 after Oscar was told of good job opportunities there by his cousins, Bert and Lottie Hathaway. They moved into a new two-story home at 2001 Bayer Avenue and also acquired two adjacent lots on Big Long Lake, north of Fort Wayne. Ted helped his dad build a log cabin on one of these lots. This lake cottage was the center of his family's life for many summers in the 1920s and 30s despite the Great Depression. Ted's pastimes included sailing; he had a sailboat named the "Jeep." He was also an avid fisherman. Ted was a member of the first graduating class in 1928 from the new North Side High School in Fort Wayne. There he met his future wife, Norma Johnston, who was in the same class. After high school, Ted went to Purdue University, where he affiliated with the Triangle fraternity and received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering in 1932. In 1934, he joined the International Harvester Company, and he remained with IH until his death.

Ted and Norma became engaged but delayed setting their marriage date for years because of the economic situations of their families. They married on June 25, 1939 at Norma's family home on Archer Avenue and moved into their own home, a bungalow at 2805 Central Drive in Fort Wayne. Their first child, Suzanne was born in 1941 and Terry came along in 1945. Ted worked in war production during the Second World War and had a one-year assignment in Moline, Illinois during 1942. Over the years Ted advanced to Chief Inspector for the Fort Wayne Works and, eventually, to Manager of Product Quality at Fort Wayne for the Motor Truck Division of IH.

In 1949, Ted and Norma bought the house on Bayer Avenue from his parents. Ted was a passionate woodworking enthusiast and model railroader. His first project was to build new kitchen cabinets for the home and projects continued until Ted and Norma sold the house in 1958. He made furniture for rooms throughout the home and designed and built an O-gage model railroad that took up over half of the basement. Ted's greatest do-it-yourself project was to design and build a new family home. He drafted the floor plan and contracted the construction of the home at 4312 Dodge Avenue in Fort Wayne and the family moved into the new home during November, 1958. This

project gave him the opportunity to build still another set of kitchen cabinets among many other projects. At the same time Ted and Norma decided to sell the cottage on Big Long Lake because the lake cottage was becoming a major maintenance problem just as they were undertaking the new home on Dodge Avenue.

For his 10th birthday, Terry, his son, asked for an airplane ride to Chicago to see a White Sox baseball game and then a train ride home to Fort Wayne. It was an idle idea, but Ted made the arrangements and Terry's birthday wish came true!

The family was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church on Wayne Street in Fort Wayne and Ted served as an usher for many years. His son can recall him dressed in a suit bringing forward the collection during Sunday morning services. The Church is a beautiful Gothic structure designed by the same architect who did the Rockefeller Cathedral on the University of Chicago campus and the Cadet Cathedral at West Point, among other commissions.

Ted died suddenly of a heart attack on the evening of Friday, May 17, 1963 at the age of 52. He was buried at the Greenlawn Memorial Park in Fort Wayne. Norma remained in the house on Dodge Avenue until her death in 1981. She is buried next to her husband.

[Source: Terry Robert McNelley, Theodore's son; written in August, 2008]

#### Notes for Norma Katherine JOHNSTON:

Norma Katherine Johnston was the second child born to Edward and Anna Weber Johnston. Their firstborn died as a young child. Norma had two younger brothers, Edward, born in 1913, and Gerald, born in 1917. The Johnston family lived in Indianapolis, Indiana until 1924, when they moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana. Anna and the children spent summers visiting the Weber and Johnston family homes in Plymouth and nearby Shelby, Ohio.

The family moved into an older home on Archer Avenue in the northern part of Fort Wayne and Norma enrolled in the new North Side High School. There, she was in the same 1928 graduating class as Theodore (Ted) McNelley, the young man she would eventually marry. After high school, she attended Indiana University in Bloomington, Indiana for three years and affiliated with the Delta Zeta sorority. By 1931, the country was deep into the Depression and the Johnston family finances had become constrained. Norma had to leave school so that her younger brother, Edward, could attend college. In those days, teachers did not need to have a four year degree. Norma passed an examination in 1931 which allowed her to teach in the public schools and Norma taught at Harrison Hill school in Fort Wayne until her marriage in 1939. At that time, she was obliged to quit, as teachers were not allowed to be married. While she was teaching, she continued her studies over summers and through extension courses. By 1937, she had earned 96 credits toward a degree in education.

Norma and Ted were acquaintences during high school, and only began to date after both had gone away to college. They traveled between Bloomington and West Lafayette to visit each other several times during each school year and continued to see each other at times during summers in Fort Wayne. Norma loved to travel and also used her summers to travel around the country. One trip included a cruise from Montreal to New York and return travel from Newark to Fort Wayne by air - certainly an adventure in the 1930s. Other trips included travel with girl friends to Wyoming, where she had cousins, and travel all the way to the West Coast and San Diego. One summer trip included a stay at the University of Colorado at Boulder where she also took courses toward her degree. Along the way, Norma accumulated enough money to invest in Fort Wayne real estate. She bought a house that was occupied for many years by the Strasser family; the property was only sold in 1958 at the time when Ted and Norma built a new home at 4312 Dodge Avenue in Fort Wayne.

Norma and Ted were married on June 25, 1939 in a ceremony at the Johnston family home on Archer Avenue. They moved into a bungalow at 2805 Central Drive in Fort Wayne. Their two children were born while they were living there. In 1949, they moved into a home on Bayer Avenue and in 1958, they moved for the last time, to their newly-built home on Dodge Avenue. For the most part, Norma was a stay-at-home mom. She often spoke of family get-togethers for birthdays and holidays as well as trips to the McNelley family cottage on Big Long Lake. By the time Terry, her youngest child, was ten years old, the rules on teaching and marriage had been relaxed and Norma went back to work, with occasional substitute teaching.

Life changed after Ted's untimely death in 1963 at the age of 52. Norma's mother and brother moved in with her to help out with expenses and home maintenance; Norma took a clerical administration job with the Fort Wayne Community Schools, in the Adult Education office.

From high school onward, Norma formed solid friendships with many women and maintained these friendships throughout her life. Bridge was often the activity which brought these women together. Norma traveled frequently during these years to visit her children and her brother Edward in California. In 1980, Norma and her daughter, Suzanne, traveled to England to visit her son, Terry, and his family who were spending a year in the village of Blunsdon, near Swindon, England.

Norma suffered a heart attack while working in the garden on May 24, 1981. She died in the emergency room a few hours later. At her funeral her son, Terry, remembers meeting women who had been Norma's friends since high school - a span of more than fifty years. Many recounted the support that Norma, long a widow, gave to her friends as they, too, became widows.

(Sources: Mariage announcement, obituary, recollections of Terry R. McNelley, son)

# **Generation 2**

- Oscar James MCNELLEY (son of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) was born on April 12, 1882 in Canton, Stark County, Ohio<sup>9-11</sup>. He died on March 09, 1953 in Elgin, Kane County, Illinois<sup>12-13</sup>. He married Louise Marie MIKKELSEN (daughter of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) in 1909 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>14</sup>.
- Louise Marie MIKKELSEN (daughter of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) was born on July 05, 1882 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>15-16</sup>. She died on May 30, 1953 in Palatine, Cook County, Illinois<sup>17-18</sup>.

#### Notes for Oscar James MCNELLEY:

The obituary printed in the Journal Gazette of Ft. Wayne, IN on March 10, 1953, states that Oscar was visiting his daughter Mrs. R.W. Hutchinson in Arlington Heights, IL when he suffered a heart attack and died on March 9. It notes that he was born in Chicago and had been a resident of Ft. Wayne since 1924. He was employed as a salesman before retiring about five years before his death. The article also reports that he was a member of the Maumee Lodge No. 725 F and A.M.

and the Trinity English Lutheran Church. He was survived by his wife Louise, his daughter Mrs. Hutchinson, son Theodore, sister Lulu McNelley and a brother, Thomas L. Siblings Lulu and Thomas are listed as from Chicago.

In fact, Oscar was born in Canton, Ohio, as he himself reported on his son Theodore's birth certificate. He is listed in the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook Co. IL in the household of Thomas and Sarah McNelley. Oscar is listed as age 18. The date of his birth is given as December, 1882. The place of birth is Ohio. In an article on his father, found in an Eagle Lodge Publication, it states that Thomas Lawrence McNelley moved from Ohio to Chicago in 1883. Oscar would have been an infant at the time.

In the U.S. Census of 1910 for Chicago, Oscar and Louise were living in the same household as Louise's mother Emily Mikkelsen and Louise's siblings Harry, Elsie and Oliver. Also living in the household are LeRoy Hubbard, his wife Anna, and infant daughter Virginia. There is no known relationship to the Hubbards.

In the U.S. Census of 1920, "O. J. McNeilley," Louise, and their children, Theodore and Alta, were living in the household of Louise's mother on Olive Avenue in Chicago. Harry and Oliver, Louise's brothers are also living with them.

In 1924, Oscar moved his family to Fort Wayne, Indiana. Louise's cousins Bert and Lottie Hathaway had suggested that there were more employment opportunities there. Lottie (Assens) Hathaway was the daughter of Louise's Aunt Mathilda Holm (Holmes) who married Villas Assens in 1883. In 1929, the "Great Depression" hit the nation. Alta related that she had never seen her father cry until the day during the Depression when he received notice of a layoff from his company and he became jobless. The family survived the Depression years, in large part because the income from Theodore and Alta's jobs helped to cover household expenses. (Source: Notes from a conversation Terry McNelley had with (Aunt) Alta McNelley Hutchinson in June of 1998)

In the U.S. Census of 1930, Oscar and Louise, together with their children, Theodore and Alta, were living in Fort Wayne, Allen Co. Indiana, on Bayer Avenue. Emily Mikkelsen, Louise's mother, age 73, is living with them.

Oscar registered for the draft for World War I and World War II, but apparently he was never called to duty. (Source: Draft registration cards downloaded from Ancestry.com in May, 2010. No family record of military service.)

Oscar and Louise shared a home with Louise's mother, Emily Mikkelsen, for much of their married lives. (Louise's dad, Theodore Mikkelsen, died in 1907.) They were living in her household in the census records of 1910 and 1920. By 1930, Oscar and Louise had moved to Fort Wayne, and Emily had moved with them. Emily Holmes Mikkelsen died in 1945, just eight years before Oscar and Louise's deaths in 1953. (Source: Census records)

In spite of some difficult times, Oscar had a successful career and provided well for his family. He sent his two children to college and he was able to purchase property at Big Long Lake, north of Fort Wayne. With the help of his son, he built a log cabin at the lake. It became the setting for happy family gatherings over many years. (Source: Recollections of Terry McNelley, grandson)

In a note written by Alta McNelley Hutchinson to Terry McNelley about 1980, she stated that "On McNelley side (Scotch-Irish) descent), first know they were in Canton, Ohio. Oscar, Lulu and Tom came to Chicago and the parents had a bakery on Logan Square. Mikkelsens also lived there and Louise and Oscar married." (In fact, Lulu and Tom were born in Chicago. Only Oscar was born in Ohio.)

Oscar and his wife Louise are buried in Greenlawn Cemetery, in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Louise Marie MIKKELSEN and Oscar James MCNELLEY had the following children:

- Theodore Thomas MCNELLEY (son of Oscar James MCNELLEY and Louise Marie MIKKELSEN) was born on August 25, 1910 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>1</sup>. He died on May 17, 1963 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana<sup>2-4</sup>. He married Norma Katherine JOHNSTON (daughter of Edward Reymer JOHNSTON and Anna Philippina WEBER) on June 24, 1939 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana. She was born on April 25, 1910 in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana<sup>5</sup>. She died on May 24, 1981 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana<sup>6-8</sup>.
  - ii. Alta Adele MCNELLEY (daughter of Oscar James MCNELLEY and Louise Marie MIKKELSEN) was born on June 25, 1913 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>19-20</sup>. She died on November 12, 1998 in Lincolnshire, Lake County, Illinois<sup>21</sup>. She married Robert W. HUTCHINSON about 1938<sup>22</sup>. He was born on July 17, 1912 in Unknown<sup>23</sup>. He died in March 1980 in North Carolina<sup>24</sup>.

Notes for Alta Adele MCNELLEY:

Alta was eleven when the family moved to Ft. Wayne, Indiana. After graduating from North Side High School, she followed her brother to Purdue University. There she met Robert (Bob) Hutchinson, who would eventually become her husband. It would be a few years before they married, however, because these were the 30's, the years of the Great Depression. Alta's father, like many others, had lost his job and Alta's income was needed to help with her family's expenses. Alta and Bob often double-dated with Alta's brother Ted and his girlfriend Norma McNelley. In the summer, they enjoyed outings at Big Long Lake, north of Ft. Wayne.

After their marriage, the young couple lived in Indiana and in Kentucky before eventually settling in Arlington Heights, northwest of Chicago. There, they raised their two children, Alan and Robert. For many years Alta worked as a proofreader for a local newspaper. Alta liked playing bridge and going to the Arlington Park Race Track. Horse racing in Chicago had been popular since the early days of the city in the 1830s.

Bob and Alta continued to enjoy Ted and Norma's company. For many years, the two families spent Christmas together, alternating between Chicago and Ft. Wayne. They also enjoyed summer trips to the cabin at Big Long Lake, a short distance from Ft. Wayne. This was the log cabin that Alta's father and brother had built.

When Bob retired, the two enjoyed traveling to points throughout the United States. After Bob's death in 1980, Alta continued to travel. She would meet her son Bob and his family in Las Vegas, or travel there with girlfriends. She spent several

winters in Winter Park near Orlando. The last few years of her life were spent in Deer Park, where she enjoyed the attentions of Alan and Alice, her son and daughter-in-law. In 1998, she died of a brain tumor. She was 85 years old at the time of her death.

Notes for Robert W. HUTCHINSON:

Robert (Bob) and Alta McNelley met while they were both attending Purdue University. They were in college when the Great Depression hit. Even though times were difficult, Robert succeeded in graduating from Purdue with a degree in engineering. Bob and Alta dated several years and eventually married when they were both in their mid-twenties. In the early years of their marriage Bob's work took them to different cities. They lived for a time in Ft. Wayne, IN and in Louisville, KY. Eventually they settled in Arlington Heights, a suburb of Chicago, 25 miles northwest of the downtown area. Bob had a position with Marsh McClennen Insurance Company and he stayed with that company until he retired. During this time he worked in the Loop of downtown Chicago, commuting by train from home every day.

In retirement, Bob enjoyed playing golf and duplicate bridge. He was an avid Chicago White Sox fan. He and Alta enjoyed traveling to various parts of the United States. It was on one of these trips, while they were in North Carolina, that Bob suffered a heart attack and died suddenly. He was sixty-eight at the time of his death.

(Source: Recollections of nephew, Terry McNelley, 2008)

# **Generation 3**

- 4. Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY (son of Thomas T. MCNELLEY and Mary Sarah MILLER) was born on July 13, 1855 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>25-26</sup>. He died on March 14, 1936 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>27-28</sup>. He married Sarah Amelia LAMB (daughter of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) on March 30, 1881 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>29</sup>.
- Sarah Amelia LAMB (daughter of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on January 20, 1856 in Chagrin Falls, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>30</sup>. She died on September 18, 1932 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>31</sup>.

## Notes for Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY:

Thomas Lawrence was born in Cleveland, Ohio on July 13, 1855 to Thomas T. and Mary Sarah Miller. He had two sisters: Mary Eleanor, born on August 17, 1853, and Sarah Isabella, born on December 22, 1858. The children were left orphans at an early age. Thomas' mother died of consumption on September 15, 1866. Three years later, his father died on January 3, 1869. (Sources: U.S. census record of 1860 for Cleveland, OH; McNelley Family Bible, Cemetery record for Mary McNelley, Death record for Sarah McNelley and guardianship papers for Sarah Isabella, filed in Cuyahoga County, OH)

Thomas Lawrence is listed in a number of U.S. census records. In the 1860 U.S. census for Cleveland, Ohio, Thomas L., age 5, is listed in the household of Thomas and Sarah McNally. In the 1870 U.S. Census for Ashtabula, Ashtabula County, Ohio, there is a listing for a Thom L. McNelly, age 14, living in the household of John Perew. Ashtabula is some 60 miles east of Cleveland, and is

a shipping port on Lake Erie. Thomas' occupation is listed as farm laborer. The occupation of John Perew, head of household, is listed as a lake engineer. Thomas Lawrence's father, Thomas T. had a brother named William H. McNelley, a ship captain who worked for Frank Perew, owner of a Great Lakes shipping company. This William married a Mary E. Perew. It appears that young Thomas Lawrence, son of Thomas T. McNelley, was living with the family of his Aunt Mary Perew in 1870. There is also a Thomas McNelley, age 24 and single, listed as a farm laborer/ hireling on the U.S. Census of 1880 for Copley, Summit County, Ohio. Copley is about 30 miles from Cleveland and about 16 miles from Boston Township where Sarah, his future wife, was raised. No doubt they met while Thomas was working in Summit County.

Sarah Amelia Lamb was born on January 20, 1856 in Chagrin Falls, Ohio. She was the tenth and last child born to Nathan Lamb and Sarah Ann Crampton. Her parents were both born in Vermont. The Nathan Lamb family moved to Ohio sometime between 1850 and 1853. Sarah, who lived well into the twentieth century, was the granddaughter of Joseph Lamb, a soldier who served as a private in the American Revolution. Joseph was forty-four when Sarah's father Nathan was born in 1808. Nathan, in turn, was forty-eight when Sarah was born in 1856. Sarah's oldest brother, Alden (Allen) was a Union soldier in the Civil War. He died in 1862 on the battlefield at Winchester, Virginia, fighting against the troops of General Stonewall Jackson. A civil war uniform, presumably Alden's uniform, was a family heirloom and was passed down from Thomas and Sarah to their daughter Lulu. It's current location is unknown. Sarah's lineage goes all the way back to the Willard, Hill and Lamb families who were 17th and 18th-century settlers in the colonies of Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Thomas Lawrence McNelley married Sarah Amelia Lamb on March 30, 1881 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Thomas and Sarah had six children, but only three would survive to adulthood: Oscar James (1882-1953), Clara Isabella (1885-1886), Emma Laura (1889-1896), Lula May (1893-1973), Mary Ellen (1894-1897), Thomas Lawrence (1897-1957).

Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley arrived in Chicago in 1883. They had been married two years and had an infant son. Chicago must have seemed like a good place to find work and establish a home. Chicago was a relatively young city. When Thomas and Sarah moved there, it had only been fifty years since its founding in 1833.

According to his granddaughter, Alta McNelley, and great-granddaughter, Sharon Angelo, Thomas Lawrence, Sr. and his wife Sarah had a bakery on Logan Square. In the Chicago City Directory of 1900, Thomas is listed as a baker at 434 W. Fullerton Avenue. In an Eagle Lodge Publication (published in Chicago, date of publication unknown), it states that Thomas was first employed by Adams Express Company and later became a commission salesman for the Quaker Biscuit Company. At the time of this publication, Thomas was living at 2569 Fullerton Avenue, about a mile east of Logan Square. Sarah's youngest brother Willard lived, at least for a time, with Thomas and Sarah. He is listed in their household in the U.S. census records of 1900 and 1910. Willard's occupation is listed as baker. Apparently he never married and helped out in the family bakery.

In 1931, Thomas and Sarah celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary, in the presence of their children Oscar, Lulu, and Thomas Lawrence, Jr. The wives and children of Oscar and Thomas Lawrence, Jr. were also present. (A Golden Wedding Anniversary photo is in the possession of descendant Sharon Angelo.)

In their later years, Thomas and Sarah lived at 4718 N. Hamilton Avenue in Chicago. Their daughter Lulu lived in the same building in the apartment next door. Sarah Amelia died in Chicago on September 18, 1932 at the age of 76. Thomas died there on March 14, 1936 at the age of 80. Both are buried in the Rosehill Cemetery next to their young daughters Emma Laura and Mary Ellen. (Emma and Mary have grave markers, but the parents do not.)

Thomas and Sarah, along with their children, are listed in the U.S. Census records of 1900, 1910, 1920, and 1930 for Chicago, IL. In the 1930 census, the birthplace for Thomas' mother is listed as "Northern Ireland." This is not correct: Thomas' mother was Pennsylvania German. His father (Thomas T.) was born in Canada. Thomas T.'s brother, William H. McNelley, a lake captain based in Cleveland, reported in the U.S. Census of 1880 that his father was from Scotland and his mother was Irish; hence the family belief that the McNelley forebears were Scotch-Irish.

(Sources: U.S. census records of 1860, 1870, 1880, 1900, 1910, 1920 and 1930 for Ohio and Chicago, IL; Eagle Lodge Publication (published in Chicago, date of publication unknown, a copy in the possession of great-grandson Terry McNelley); Chicago City Directory for 1900, accessed through Ancestry.com; McNelley family bible; death and cemetery records for Chicago, IL; letters from Aunt Lou to her great-grandchildren; letter from Sharon Angelo, great-granddaughter.)

Sarah Amelia LAMB and Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY had the following children:

- i. Oscar James MCNELLEY (son of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) was born on April 12, 1882 in Canton, Stark County, Ohio<sup>9-11</sup>. He died on March 09, 1953 in Elgin, Kane County, Illinois<sup>12-13</sup>. He married Louise Marie MIKKELSEN (daughter of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) in 1909 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>14</sup>. She was born on July 05, 1882 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>15-16</sup>. She died on May 30, 1953 in Palatine, Cook County, Illinois<sup>17-18</sup>.
  - Clara Isabelle MCNELLEY (daughter of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) was born on January 20, 1885 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>32</sup>. She died on June 20, 1886 in Trigo County, Kansas<sup>33</sup>.

Notes for Clara Isabelle MCNELLEY:

We might never have known about Clara Isabelle McNelley, but for the McNelley Family Bible. She did not show up in census records because she was born and died in the years between the U.S. Census records of 1880 and 1900. (As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo; Sharon is the great-granddaughter of Thomas Lawrence McNelley and Sarah Amelia Lamb.)

From the family birth record in the bible, in her mother's own writing, we learned that "Clara Isabelle McNelley, [was born on] Jan 20, 1885 at 8 ½ o'clock [8:30] A.M. on Tuesday. Weighed 8 lbs. in Chicago."

Clara died when she was eighteen months old. From the family death record in the bible, again in her mother Sarah's handwriting, we have the following: "Clara Isabelle, daughter of Thomas L. and Sarah McNelley, died on Monday, June 28, 1886, at 10:30 AM in Kansas, Trego Co. [where Sarah's sister lived] with whooping cough." (In the margin is written "4 mon." Could it be that she was sick for four months?) (Family bible in the possession of descendant Sharon McNelley Angelo)

As of 2014, no other birth or death record has been found.

 iii. Emma Laura MCNELLEY (daughter of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) was born on September 11, 1889 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>34</sup>. She died on May 07, 1896 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>35</sup>.

Notes for Emma Laura MCNELLEY:

In the Rosehill Cemetery, in Chicago, Illinois, in the plot belonging to Thomas Lawrence McNelley and Sarah Amelia Lamb are the stone markers for the graves of two little girls, identified as their daughters: Emma L. (1889-1896) and Mary E. (1894-1897).

According to the record in the McNelley Family Bible, "3rd [Child] Emma Laura McNelley, [was born on] Sept 11, 1889 at 6 PM in Chicago. Weight 10 lb." "Emma Laura McNelley [died] on May 7, 1896 on Thur. at 4 A.M. of paralysis of heart as result of diphtheria. Sick 4 wks. in Chicago." Emma had died at the age of six.

Emma Laura McNelley does not show up in census records because she was born and died in the years between the U.S. Census records of 1880 and 1900. A record of her birth and death is found in the McNelley Family Bible in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo, the great-granddaughter of Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley.

A record of the birth and death of Emma Laura McNelley is also found in the Cook County, IL Birth Certificates Index, 1871-1922, and in the Cook County, IL Death Index 1878-1922. These index records were accessed on Ancestry.com in January of 2015. The dates of birth and death match those found in the family bible.

 iv. Lulu May MCNELLEY (daughter of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) was born on January 31, 1893 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>36-37</sup>. She died on December 11, 1973 in Orlando, Florida<sup>38</sup>. She married Unknown JEFFREY.

Notes for Lulu May MCNELLEY:

Aunt Lou, as she was known in the family, was a jovial sort of person. Oscar and Thomas' grandchildren remember their [great] Aunt Lou with much affection. Lulu remained single until late in life, living in Chicago in the same apartment building as her parents. Apparently among her family keepsakes was a Civil War uniform. More than likely it belonged to her mother's brother Alden who died on the battlefield March 23, 1862 at Winchester, VA. fighting against Stonewall Jackson's troops. (Source of information on Alden: hand-written family record (undated), now in the possession of Terry McNelley.)

On March 14, 2008, Sharon Angelo (grand-daughter of Lulu's brother Thomas) wrote " Aunt Lou did marry for the first time when she was 72 years old. She had worked for the Boy Scouts her entire life and then moved to Florida to take care of a very dear friend of hers who was ill, along with her husband. After the woman died, Aunt Lou stayed on in Florida, and this good friend's widower [surname Jeffrey]

married her when she was 72 and he was 80. [...] They enjoyed a year of wedded bliss before he passed on. Aunt Lou was the family historian and I'm told she had a trunk full of McNelley family history. My grandmother, however, refused to contact her husband's relatives to ask that it be shipped back to us when Aunt Lou passed on, and all unfortunately was lost."

v. Mary Ellen MCNELLEY (daughter of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) was born on July 10, 1894 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>39</sup>. She died on June 26, 1897 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>40-41</sup>.

Notes for Mary Ellen MCNELLEY:

In the Rosehill Cemetery, in Chicago, Illinois, in the plot belonging to Thomas Lawrence McNelley and Sarah Amelia Lamb are the stone markers for the graves of two little girls, identified as their daughters: Emma L. (1889-1896) and Mary E. (1894-1897).

According to the records in the McNelley Family Bible, "Mary Ellen McNelley, [was born on] July 10, 1894."

"Mary Ellen McNelley [died] June 26, 1897 at 8 A.M. in Chicago. Sick 9 wks with Bronchitis w. comp [complications]."

Mary Ellen McNelley does not show up in census records because she was born and died in the years between the U.S. Census records of 1880 and 1900. A record of her birth and death is found in the McNelley Family Bible in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo, the great-granddaughter of Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley.

A "Mary McNally" is listed in the Cook County, IL Death Index 1878-1922, accessed on Ancestry.com in January of 2015. In this record, birth is listed as "abt 1894." This Mary died at "age 3" on June 26, 1897 and was buried in Rose Hill Cemetery the following day. Parents are not listed in the Index record. The dates of birth and death agree with those found on the gravestone and in the family bible, so it may be assumed that this is the death record for Mary Ellen McNelley, daughter of Thomas L. and Sarah A. McNelley.

vi. Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY (son of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) was born on December 08, 1897 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>42-43</sup>. He died about 1957 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>44</sup>. He married Blanche J. BARETTA (daughter of Koloman BARETTA and Emily CIVIS). She was born on May 23, 1897 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>45-46</sup>. She died on March 26, 1940 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>47</sup>.

Notes for Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY:

According to his WWI Draft Registration Card, Thomas Lawrence was working at the time as a Switch tender for Galwood Yards, Chicago Terminal. (WWI Registration Card downloaded from Ancestry.com.)

In the U.S. Census of 1930 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, Thomas L Lawrence (32) and Blanch (32) are listed, along with Donald (12) and Thomas (7). Thomas' birthplace is listed as Illinois. His father's birthplace is listed as Ohio. Mother's

place of birth given as Kansas (error). Blanche's birthplace is listed as Illinois. Her father's birthplace is listed as Bohemia. Thomas Lawrence's occupation was listed as "tile setter" on this census record.

- 6. Theodore MIKKELSEN (son of Niels MIKKELSEN and ADELE) was born in May 1850 in Hjerpsted, Denmark<sup>48-51</sup>. He died on January 21, 1907 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>52</sup>. He married Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) on October 15, 1879 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>53</sup>.
- Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on September 29, 1856 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>54-56</sup>. She died on December 12, 1945 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana<sup>57-58</sup>.

#### Notes for Theodore MIKKELSEN:

Theodore Mikkelsen was eighteen years old when he emigrated from Hjerpsted, Denmark to America in 1868. Hjerpsted is a tiny coastal community facing the North Sea in southern Jutland. It is not far from the German border. The details of Theodore's emigration have long been lost. He is not listed in the online Danish Emigration Database, maintained by the Danish State Archives. The Danish did not register emigrants prior to mid 1868, which may explain the reason he is not on the list. No trace of him has been found on passenger lists maintained by the Castle Garden Immigration Center in New York or by other online resources.

In the U.S. Census of 1880 for Chicago, Cook Co. IL, Theodore Mikkelsen's name is spelled Theadore Mikelsen. Emma Holmes, sister-in-law, age 17, is also listed in the household. In the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Theodore, Emilie and their five children are listed. They are living on Humbolt Blvd in the "West Town" district of Chicago. The date of Theodore's immigration is listed as 1868 in the Census of 1900.

According to family lore, Theodore had at least one brother, Ernst, who also came to the United States. The Mikkelsen brothers married sisters Emily and Emma Holmes. These girls emigrated from Denmark with their parents and siblings in 1870 and had also settled in Chicago. The U.S. Census of 1900 gives 1880 as the year of immigration on the record for Ernst, meaning that Ernst came between 10 and 12 years after his brother. The boys' parents were Niels and Adele, according to the death record for Ernst. There is no evidence that they or any other family members emigrated with the boys; however, there is a Niels Mikkelson who also emigrated from Denmark in about 1866 and settled in Chicago. This Niels was born in 1833 and it is possible that he could have been an older brother of Theodore and Ernst. More research must be conducted to establish a relationship between Theodore and Ernst, known brothers, and Niels.

Theodore worked as a tailor and raised a family of five children. (Their son Arthur had died in early childhood.) Theodore spent the rest of his life in Chicago, dying in 1907 at the age of 56. After his death, his wife Emily went to live with their daughter Louise. According to his death certificate, Theodore Mikkelsen was buried at the Mt. Olive Cemetery in Chicago.

(Sources of information: census records, death records, newspaper obituary for Emily Holmes Mikkelsen)

Notes for Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES: Emily was one of ten children born to Antonius Holm and Anne Margrethe Frandsen. She was born in Fredericia, Denmark and baptised Emilie Vilhelmine Holm in the pretty St. Michaelis Church. Emily was a young girl of thirteen when her family immigrated to America on May 5, 1870. (Sources of information: Danish emigration record, baptism record from St. Michaelis Church; Her death record states she was born September 29, 1856 in Fredericks (Fredericia), Denmark.)

From a note written by Alta McNelley Hutchinson, granddaughter of Emily Holmes, to Terry McNelley c. 1980: "Emily Mikkelsen was 13 years old when they came to Chicago. Her name was Holmes. She and her sister married brothers Mikkelsen. Emily was your father's grandmother. She had 5 children: Adele, Louise (your grandmother), Elsie, Harry and Oliver. [...] Emily's husband died young and she lived with Oscar's family the rest of her life. According to Emily, back in her line the king of Denmark was riding in the country and saw a pretty dairymaid and stopped and had an affair with her. That resulted in the line of descent to Emily." (Actually Emily had six children; the third child, Arthur, died in 1887 at the age of three.)

Emily (Holmes) Mikkelson is listed in the U.S. census records of 1880, 1900 and 1910 for Chicago, Cook Co, IL. In 1910, she is listed as a widow age 55, living in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Louise and Oscar McNelley.

On December 12, 1945, Emily Mikkelsen died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Oscar J. McNelley, at 2001 Bayer Ave [in Ft. Wayne, Indiana], with whom she had lived for the last 23 years of her life. She was 89 years old. According to her obituary, she was a member of the Danish Trinity Lutheran Church in Chicago. She was survived by two daughters: Mrs Oscar McNelley and Mrs. Fred E. Fiedler of Chicago, a son Oliver W. Mikkelsen and a sister, Mrs Ernst Mikkelsen of Chicago, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. (Source: Newspaper obituary record, published in Dec of 1945, name of pub unknown, found in the McNelley records of great grandson Terry McNelley)

Emily was buried beside her husband on December 15, 1945, at Mount Olive Cemetery in Chicago, Illinois. (Source: McComb & Sons (Ft Wayne Indiana) Funeral Home Records, 1926 - 1950. Downloaded on August 29, 2008 from www.friendsofallencounty.org)

Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES and Theodore MIKKELSEN had the following children:

 Adele A. MIKKELSEN (daughter of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) was born on July 04, 1880 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>59-60</sup>. She died on May 24, 1910 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>61</sup>. She married MCCORQUODALE.

Notes for Adele A. MIKKELSEN:

Adele was listed as a stenographer, living in the home of her parents on the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago. She died on May 24, 1910, at the age of 29 and was buried at Mt. Olivet. According to her death certificate, she was married and her last name was listed as McCorquodale. However, a husband is not listed on the death record and no marriage record has been found. Only her parents are listed on her death record.

3. ii. Louise Marie MIKKELSEN (daughter of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) was born on July 05, 1882 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>15-16</sup>. She died on May 30, 1953 in Palatine, Cook County, Illinois<sup>17-18</sup>. She married Oscar James MCNELLEY (son of Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY and Sarah Amelia LAMB) in 1909 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>14</sup>. He was born on April 12, 1882 in Canton, Stark County, Ohio<sup>9-11</sup>. He died on March 09, 1953 in Elgin, Kane County, Illinois<sup>12-13</sup>.

iii. Arthur MIKKELSEN (son of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) was born in 1883. He died in 1887.

Notes for Arthur MIKKELSEN:

Arthur Ernst Mikkelsen was born in 1884 and died at the age of three, on August 29, 1887. (Source: Cook County, IL Death Index, accessed through Ancestry.com on Aug. 1, 2015.) He also has a marker on the gravestone of his parents, Theodore and Emily Mikkelsen, at the Mount Olive Cemetery in Chicago. (Source: Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com on Aug. 1, 2015.)

 Oliver MIKKELSEN (son of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) was born in February 1884 in Michigan<sup>62</sup>.

Notes for Oliver MIKKELSEN: According to the U.S. Census of 1910, Oliver was still living in Chicago, with his widowed mother and siblings.

v. Harry Antonius MIKKELSEN (son of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) was born on June 14, 1886 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>63-65</sup>. He died on December 30, 1936 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>66</sup>.

Notes for Harry Antonius MIKKELSEN:

According to his death record, Harry Antonius Mikkelsen was a mechanical engineer with a Machine Manufacturing Company. He was born in Chicago and spent his life there, dying in 1936, at the age of fifty. He was buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Chicago on Jan 2, 1937. His parents are listed as Theodore Mikkelsen of "Jerpstad" Denmark and Emily Holmes of "Fredritcia" Denmark.

vi. Elsie MIKKELSEN (daughter of Theodore MIKKELSEN and Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES) was born in October 1888 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>67</sup>. She died after 1945. She married Fred B. FIEDLER.

Notes for Elsie MIKKELSEN:

According to the obituary of her mother Emily Holmes Mikkelsen, her daughter Elsie was married to a man by the name of Fred B. Fiedler and lived in Chicago. Elsie survived her mother, who died in 1945.

# **Generation 4**

- Thomas T. MCNELLEY (son of Unknown MCNELLEY and UNKNOWN) was born about 1820 in Canada<sup>68</sup>. He died on January 03, 1869 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>69-71</sup>. He married Mary Sarah MILLER on April 16, 1853 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>72-73</sup>.
- 9. **Mary Sarah MILLER** was born about 1827 in Pennsylvania<sup>74</sup>. She died on September 15, 1866 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>75-78</sup>.

Notes for Thomas T. MCNELLEY: It is only in piecing together small pieces of information from a variety of sources that we are able

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to develop any picture at all of this family. Family letters and the family Bible guided our search for public documents. From the records noted above and in the paragraphs that follow, it appears that Thomas T. McNelley was born in Canada about 1820 and moved to Cleveland sometime before 1845. Mary Sarah Miller was born in Pennsylvania about 1827. The couple married in Cleveland, Ohio in 1853 where their three children, Mary Eleanor, Thomas Lawrence, and Sarah Isabella, were born. Both parents died at an early age. Mary Sarah (Miller) McNelley was forty when she died of consumption in September of 1866. Thomas T. died a little over two years later, in January of 1869. He was 49 years old. Their children were left orphans at the ages of 16, 14, and 11, respectively. Mary Eleanor and Sarah Isabella grew up, married, had children, and died in Ohio, not far from Cleveland. Thomas T. and Mary Sarah's son, Thomas Lawrence, moved to Chicago with his wife, also named Sarah (Sarah Amelia Lamb), and their infant son Oscar in 1883.

Thomas T. McNelley appears in the records of Cleveland, Ohio from 1845 to 1870. In the records of Thomas, the surname is spelled variously as McNelley, McNally, McNelly or McNalley. His brother William's surname is usually spelled McNelley. Adding to the confusion is the fact that there was more than one Thomas McNelley in Cleveland in the mid-nineteenth century. Also, Mary Sarah Miller, wife of Thomas T., sometimes used the name Mary; at other times she used her middle name of Sarah.

In the U.S. Census of 1850, both a Thomas McNelly (27) and a Wm McNally (21) are listed as living in a boarding house. The birthplace for Thomas, a "bar keeper," is given as Germany. William is listed as a sailor. His birthplace is listed as Canada. These men are probably "our" Thomas and William. The landlord no doubt provided the information to the census taker and was not too concerned about its accuracy.

The Cuyahoga County archives list a marriage between Thomas T. McNalley and Mary S. Miller on April 16, 1853. Note that the name is spelled "McNalley" in this record. Other than the name of the officiant, no other information is provided on the marriage record. A digital image of the record was available online at FamilySearch.org under Ohio Marriages 1800-1958 and downloaded in July 2011.

Listed in the U.S. census of 1860 for the Fifth Ward (Cleveland) of Cuyahoga County, Ohio are Thomas "McNally" (40) and Sarah (33), along with their children Mary E (7), Thomas L (5) and Isabella (2). It gives Thomas' place of birth as Canada. The place of birth for Sarah is given as Pennsylvania. Thomas' occupation is listed as "laborer" in this census. In the U.S. census records of 1910 and 1920 for Chicago, IL, son Thomas Lawrence also gave his father's place of birth as Canada and his mother's place of birth as Pennsylvania. However, in the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Thomas Lawrence's parents are listed as born in Ohio; perhaps his wife was the one answering the questions for the census taker.

Thomas T. McNelley had various jobs in the course of his life. In the U.S. Census of 1850, he is listed as a bar keeper. On the census ten years later, he is listed simply as a "laborer." Apparently, he was also a clerk and a "measurer of hay." Clues are found in notices which appeared in 1857 and 1858 in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, a newspaper published in Cleveland Ohio. On July 1, 1857, there was an article reporting the proceedings of the City Council meeting on Tuesday evening, June 30. Petitions presented included "Of Thomas T. McNally, asking that provision be made for the repairing of the city hay scales and the office occupied by him. Referred to Committee on Markets." In a notice dated February 17, 1858, concerning the proceedings of the City Council,

a T. McNally is listed as from the "office of weigher of hay." Later in the year, on June 23, 1858, also in the proceedings of the City Council, is the comment, "Also requesting the mayor to employ counsel to propose answers and make a defense to the suits of Thos. McNally against the city." (Newspaper articles found online at GenealogyBank.com in July, 2012.) There is also a "Thomas T. McNelley" listed in the City Directory of 1865 for Cleveland, OH. He is identified as a clerk, living at 50 Cross Street. (Source: Cleveland City Directory of 1865 found on Ancestry.com and was downloaded on February 12, 2012.)

In 2009, letters of inquiry were sent out to current residents of Chicago with the surname of McNelley. Sharon McNelley Angelo, great-granddaughter of Thomas Lawrence McNelley, and a great, great-granddaughter of Thomas T McNelley, was eventually located. In 2010, she was living in the Chicago suburbs and had a large family bible in her basement. "Mary McNelly" is printed in gold letters on the red cover of this large, old bible. The bible listed the deaths of Thomas T. McNelley on January 3, 1869 and Sarah D. (?) McNelley in September, 1866. Documents discovered later indicate that the wife of Thomas T. McNelley was known as both Mary and Sarah. At some point the bible came into the hands of their son, Thomas Lawrence McNelley, and his wife, Sarah Amelia Lamb. Their births and marriage, as well as the births of their six children and the death of three of their daughters are recorded in the book. The marriage of Thomas Lawrence's sister Sarah to Byron Rice is recorded in the bible as well, along with the birth of their child Maud. There is also a notation of the death of a Charley McNelley on January 24, 1878. (As of 2015, this Charley McNelley has not been further identified.)

The only records of Thomas' death on January 3, 1869 are the bible notation and a comment in the guardianship papers for his youngest child Sarah Isabella. The latter is a Cuyahoga County Probate Record, dated February 3, 1870, providing a guardian for Sarah I McNelley, a 12-year-old minor. She is listed as a child of "Thomas McNelley, deceased, late of Cleveland" (Source Cuyahoga Probate Court). The place of burial and cause of death for Thomas are unknown.

Mary's death is also noted in the family bible and was later found on the Register of Internments for Woodlawn Cemetery in Cleveland, OH. (Prepared by the City of Cleveland, OH; Department of Parks and Public Property, Division of Cemeteries). On the latter record, she is listed as "Sarah McNelly," age 40. Date of death: September 15, 1866. The cause of death was listed as consumption. Sarah is buried in Section 29, Lot # 17, Grave #2. Nothing is known of Mary Sarah's parents.

Thomas T. and Mary Sarah are mentioned as the parents on the death records of their daughters Mary E and Sarah Isabella. On Mary's record, her parents are listed as Thos. McNelly and Sarah Miller. Place of birth is listed as "unknown." On Sarah's record, her parents are listed as Thos McNelley and Mary Miller, both from Scotland. (It is believed that Scotland was the place of origin of the immigrant ancestor, rather than the place of birth for Thomas T.) On their son Thomas Lawrence's death record, the names and place of birth for his parents are listed as "unknown."

There were a couple of family letters that provided some vital clues. In a letter dated October 28, 1958, Lulu McNelley (Thomas Lawrence's daughter, known in the family as Aunt Lou) wrote to Theodore Thomas McNelley (Thomas Lawrence's grandson), "I do know that your great-grandmother McNelley was a Pennsylvania Dutch (German) woman and a great, great Uncle McNelley a Captain of a ship on Lake Erie." In another letter written in 1971, she mentions a cousin "Dorothy Rice in Cleveland, daughter of Bertha Rice." There was also a brief biographical

sketch of Thomas Lawrence McNelley in the Eagle Flyer, stating that he had been born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1856. (Source: Eagle Lodge Publication in the possession of Terry McNelley; date of publication unknown. Presumably, this Eagle Lodge was located in Chicago, as the bio sketch states that Thomas McNelley came to Chicago in 1883 and was initiated into the lodge in 1900.

#### Notes for Mary Sarah MILLER:

The death records of Mary McNelly Karr and her sister Sarah Isabella McNelley Rice provides their mother's maiden name of Miller. Mary's death record lists her mother's first name as Sarah, which matches information on the 1860 census. Sarah's record lists her mother's first name as Mary. The name on the marriage record is Mary S. On Thomas Lawrence McNelley's death record, the names and places of his parents' birth are listed as unknown. Sarah McNelley's death is recorded in the family bible of Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley. The name on the red cover of the bible is "Mary McNelly," so perhaps this was her bible to begin with. In this bible, on the page recording deaths, her name is given as Sarah D. McNelley. Date of death is listed as September, 1866.

Mary Sarah MILLER and Thomas T. MCNELLEY had the following children:

 Mary Eleanor MCNELLEY (daughter of Thomas T. MCNELLEY and Mary Sarah MILLER) was born on August 17, 1853 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>79-80</sup>. She died on August 25, 1937 in Berlin Heights, Erie County, Ohio<sup>81-82</sup>. She married Madison KARR on January 22, 1882 in Berlin Heights, Erie County, Ohio<sup>83-84</sup>. He was born on June 13, 1856 in Warren, Warren County, Pennsylvania<sup>85</sup>. He died on January 24, 1928 in Berlin Heights, Erie County, Ohio<sup>82, 86</sup>.

Notes for Mary Eleanor MCNELLEY:

What we know of the life of Mary E. McNelley (birth, marriage, death and children) comes from piecing together information obtained from the 1860, 1910, 1920, and 1930 U.S. census records and from family death records. (Sources: Census records accessed through Ancestry.com and FamilySearch.org; death records from "Ohio Deaths from 1908-1953", available online at the FamilySearch.org and downloaded September, 2008.)

Mary's name is usually listed as "Mary E." However, on the birth record of her daughter Alice E. (or Eleanor), she is listed as Mary Eleanor.

Mary McNelly Karr's death record gives the name of her parents, as well as her husband. Her date of birth is listed as August 17, 1853. Birthplace is Cleveland, Ohio. Father's name is Thos. McNelley. Mother's name is Sarah Miller. This information corroborates and adds to what is found in the 1860 census. Birthplace for both parents is listed as unknown. She is listed as the wife of Madison Karr. (Source: Ohio Deaths from 1908-1953)

Mary E, age 7, is found in the 1860 census for Cuyahoga County, Ohio. She was born in Ohio. Her parents are listed as Thomas and Sarah McNelley. Younger siblings are listed as Thomas L and Isabella.

Mary E. McNelley has not been found in the U.S. Census records of 1870, 1880,

and 1900. Both of her parents were deceased by 1870 and Mary would have been 17 that year. Perhaps she was working as a domestic and her last name was misspelled. Or maybe she was married to someone other than Madison Karr at that point.

In January of 1882, Mary married Madison Karr in Berlin Heights in Eric County. On this record, Mary's name is given as "Mary McMillen."

Mary E. is listed as the wife of Madison Karr in the U.S. Census record of 1910 for Berlin Township, Erie Co, OH. There are four children in the household: Charles (27), Alice (22), Irma (15) and Dortha (12). Mary and the children are listed as born in Ohio. Mary's father is listed as born in "Canada-English"; her mother is listed as born in Pennsylvania. The census record states that Madison and Mary E. have been married for 28 years. Mary reports that she had given birth to 8 children, of whom 5 are alive.

The family is found again in the U.S. Census of 1920 for Berlin Township in Erie Co, OH under "Mat" Karr. Mat is listed as age 68; Mary is listed as age 66. Children in the household are Charles (37), Irma (29) and Dortha (22). Clara is not mentioned. Mary and the children are all listed as born in Ohio. Mary's parents are also listed (erroneously) as born in Ohio.

In the U.S. Census of 1930 for Berlin Heights, Erie, OH, Mary is living in the household of her son Charles, along with her daughter Alice, son-in-law, John St. Albin and granddaughter Eleanor, age 10.

The death records of Mary McNelly Karr and her sister Sarah Isabella Rice provides their mother's maiden name of Miller. Mary's death record lists her mother's first name as Sarah, which matches information on the 1860 census. Sarah's record lists her mother's first name as Mary Miller. There is a marriage record in the Cuyahoga County archives for a Thomas T. McNalley and Mary S. Miller.

The death record for Madison Karr states that his wife was Mary E. Karr. The death record for Irma Mingus lists Irma's parents as Madison Karr and Mary McNally. Mary was 41 when Irma was born in 1893. Madison is listed as a mechanic on his death record.

Madison J. and Mary E. Karr are buried in a family plot in the Riverside Cemetery in Berlin Heights, Erie County, OH. The following information is engraved on the family headstone: Madison J. Karr (June 13, 1856 - Jan 24, 1928); Mary E. Karr (August 17, 1853 - Aug 25, 1937); Charlie H. Karr (Nov 22, 1882 - Mar 15, 1969); John H. St. Aubin (Oct 6, 1887 - May 13, 1964); Auge F. St. Aubin (Feb 26, 1888 -Jan 28, 1975); Eleanor L. St. Aubin (June 16, 1909 - July 19, 1988; R. L. Skeeter Hunt (Jan 29, 1952); Randy G. Mingus (June 9, 1958 - Jan 4, 1989) and E. Alan Perkins (Feb 5, 1926 - Oct 8, 1990). The exact relationship of some of the individuals to one another isn't clear at this point. (Source: Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com in Jan 2015)

4. ii. Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY (son of Thomas T. MCNELLEY and Mary Sarah MILLER) was born on July 13, 1855 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>25-26</sup>. He

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died on March 14, 1936 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>27-28</sup>. He married Sarah Amelia LAMB (daughter of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) on March 30, 1881 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>29</sup>. She was born on January 20, 1856 in Chagrin Falls, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>30</sup>. She died on September 18, 1932 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>31</sup>.

iii. Sarah Isabella MCNELLEY (daughter of Thomas T. MCNELLEY and Mary Sarah MILLER) was born on December 22, 1858 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>87-88</sup>. She died on November 25, 1922 in Rocky River, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>89</sup>. She married Byron RICE on May 20, 1879 in Ohio<sup>90</sup>. He was born on December 05, 1859 in Brownhelm, Ohio. He died on October 28, 1945 in Norwalk, Huron County, Ohio<sup>91</sup>.

Notes for Sarah Isabella MCNELLEY:

Sarah Isabella McNelley was the youngest of three children born to Thomas T. and Mary Sarah (Miller) McNelley. A picture of the life of Sarah Isabella McNelley (birth, marriage, children, and death) emerges from piecing together information obtained from the 1860, 1880, 1900, 1910, and 1920 U.S. census records for Ohio and from family marriage and death records, available at FamilySearch.org and Ancestry.com. (Accessed and downloaded in Sept 2008 and Jan 2015.)

On June 5, 1904 a short notice appeared in the Cleveland Leader (newspaper published in Cleveland, OH) that Sarah I. "McNelly" and Byron Rice celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary. It was the "First Anniversary in the McNelley family." Seventy-five guests were present. (Newspaper article found at GenealogyBank.com in July 2012.) No marriage record has been found to date. However, according to this article the couple married in 1879.

In the 1860 U.S. census for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, OH, Sarah is listed as Isabella, age 2 or 3 (difficult to read), born in Ohio, in the household of Thomas and Sarah McNelley.

In the 1870 U. S. Census for Cleveland, there is a "Sarah McNally," age 11, listed as a domestic servant in the household of George Norton, teamster. Could this be the same Sarah? The age is correct and both of her parents were deceased in 1970.

In the 1880 U.S. census record for Vermillion, Erie County, Ohio, Sarah Rice, age 21 and born in Ohio is listed as the wife of Byron Rice, age 20. They have a 1-month-old daughter named Maud. On this census record, the place of birth for Sarah's mother and father has been left blank.

In the U.S. census of 1900 for Dover, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Sarah I is listed as the wife of Byron Rice. Birthdate is listed as December, 1858. Sarah is listed as born in Ohio. Her father's place of birth is partially obliterated: "or Eng." Her mother is listed as born in Ohio. (Sarah's mother was actually born in Pennsylvania.) Three children are listed: Thomas O., born in August, 1886, Hamilton, born in September, 1890, and William F. born in April, 1897. Byron Rice's occupation is listed as farmer. (Presumably, Maud was already married by this time.) In the U.S. Census of 1910, Byron, Sarah I, and children Thomas Oliver, Hamilton O., and William Fred are living in Strongsville, Cuyahoga County, OH. Under the place of origin for the parents of Sarah, the enumerator has written "doesn't know."

In the U.S. Census of 1920, Byron Rice (67) and Sarah (61) are living in Lakewood City, Cuyahoga County, OH. Sarah's father's birthplace is listed as Ohio. Her mother is listed as born in Canada. Both of the birthplaces are incorrect. Sarah was a young child when her parents died. At least she remembered that one had been born in Canada. Thomas O. (33 and single) and William F. (22 and single) are listed on the census record as the sons of Byron and Sarah.

Sarah McNelley Rice's death record provides a lot of information. Her date of birth is listed as December 22, 1858; the birthplace is Cleveland, Ohio. Her father's name is Thomas McNelley. Her mother's name is Mary Miller. Both parents are listed as born in Scotland.

From other family documents, we know that Sarah's father, Thomas T. McNelley, was born in Canada. Her mother was Sarah (Mary S) Miller and she was born in Pennsylvania. Scotland comes up fairly regularly in family documents as the origin for the parents of Thomas and his brother William H., lending credence to the belief that the family of Thomas McNelley had its roots in Scotland.

On the death certificate for Maude Baldwin of Cuyahoga, Ohio, dated Feburary 24, 1933, Maude's parents are listed as Byron Rice and Sarah Isabell McNelley. Sarah Isabell's birthplace is listed as Cleveland, Ohio. Maud Baldwin was born May 15, 1880 in Ohio.

Sarah's husband Byron lived some twenty-three years beyond the death of Sarah. According to his death record, he died on October 28, 1945 in Norwalk, Huron County, Ohio. The date of birth is given as December 5, 1859. Apparently he had re-married. His wife is listed as Florence. His occupation is listed as farmer.

- Nathan LAMB (son of Joseph LAMB and Clora (Clara) WILLARD) was born on July 15, 1808 in Randolph, Orange County, Vermont<sup>92-93</sup>. He died on November 26, 1898 in Boston, Summit County, Ohio<sup>94</sup>. He married Sarah Ann CRAMPTON (daughter of Andrew CRAMPTON and WEALTHY) on August 29, 1836 in Franklin County, Vermont<sup>95</sup>.
- Sarah Ann CRAMPTON (daughter of Andrew CRAMPTON and WEALTHY) was born on August 29, 1812 in Vergennes, Addison County, Vermont<sup>92</sup>. She died on July 18, 1877 in Norton Township, Summit County, Ohio<sup>96-97</sup>.

Notes for Nathan LAMB: Nathan and Sarah had 10 children. All were born in Vermont, except the youngest two: Willard and Sarah Amelia.

Much of the information on the family of Nathan and Sarah (Crampton) Lamb comes from an undated, handwritten family record. This record is currently in the possession of Terry R. McNelley, descendant of Nathan and Sarah's tenth child, Sarah Amelia. The document consists of several small, obviously old, pages hand-sewn together into a "book." On the first page is the name

Dorcas Lamb. As of 2015, the identity of Dorcas Lamb is unknown. Could this be a reference to the first wife of Joseph Lamb (Nathan Lamb's father)? Her name was Dorcas, maiden name Marcy. On the following pages of the record are listed the dates of birth of all ten children of Nathan and Sarah, as well as a number of family marriages and deaths. Some of the more intimate details suggest that the information came from a family bible. The information in the family record is corroborated by census, cemetery and other records.

In the 1850 U.S. Census for Sheldon, VT are listed Nathan Lamb (42), his wife Sarah (38) and children Alden C (12), Clora (9), Andrew (8), Nathan (6), Orris P (5), David C (3) and Mary E (1). In this census, Clora Lamb, age 74 and William Lamb, age 44, are living with Nathan and Sarah. Presumably, these are the mother and brother of Nathan Lamb. There is also a Lovina Willard, age 32, living with the family. Nathan's mother was a Willard. Might Lovina be a cousin of Nathan? George Lamb (35), presumably the brother of Nathan, and his family are also listed in the 1850 census for Sheldon, VT. Living in their household is 12 year-old Charles Crampton. Nathan's wife was Sarah Crampton. Charles was probably related to her in some way. Another family listed in the 1850 census of Sheldon, VT is that of George Willard, age 50. Living with him are his wife Lyda and children George, Maria, Sophia, Olive, Joshua, Sarah, Eunice, and Alexander. Also living in George's household is Anna Willard, age 70. Anna is listed as born in Massachusetts. The others were born in Vermont. It is quite possible that this Willard family is related to Nathan's mother Clora Willard. All of these families were farmers in the small township of Sheldon.

Nathan and his family moved to Ohio sometime between 1850 and 1853. Nathan and Sarah's youngest two children were born in Ohio. In the 1870 U.S. Census for Norton Twp, Summit County, Ohio, Nathan Lamb (62) is listed, along with wife Sarah (58), and children Nathan (26), Orris (24), Mary E (20), William (should be Willard) (16), and Sarah A (14). Nathan is listed as a farmer. All but the youngest two are listed as born in Vermont. According to the U.S. Census of 1870, Anson Lamb, another brother of Nathan, was also living in Ohio by 1852. Anson was born in Vermont, but his wife and all of their children were born in Ohio, including George, who was 18 at the time of the census.

Apparently, an extended Lamb family migrated from Vermont to Summit County, Ohio. The Nathan Lamb family had a burial plot in the Fairview Cemetery in Boston Township, Summit County, Ohio. Buried there in Lot 85 are Nathan Lamb (d. Nov 26, 1898, aged 90 y 4 m 11 d); Sarah Ann Lamb, "his wife" (d. July 18, 1877, aged 64 y 10 m 9 d); Glora (Clora), "wife of Joseph" (d. Jan 5, 1856, aged 79y, m/o Nathan and Joseph). Tombstone mentions their father was in Revolutionary War. David Crampton Lamb, son of Nathan and Sarah, is also buried there. Buried in the next lot are George M. and Malinda Lamb. George M. died on Feb 16, 1854 at the age of 25, and is listed as the son of Joseph and Malinda (Ozmun) Lamb. Malinda Lamb (Aug 27, 1809 to Apr 17, 1884) would be the mother of George M. There are references to Joseph Lamb on the above markers, but apparently no tombstone was found for Joseph Lamb. (However, Joseph and Malinda Lamb are listed in the 1870 U.S. Census for Boston Twp, OH.) Joseph was a half-brother of Nathan. (Source: Fairview Cemetery; Boston Twp. Summit County, OH; Avail online at www.acorn.net. Downloaded 2/2008)

After his wife's death, Nathan lived for a time in Kansas. In 1880, according to the U.S. Census, he was living with his daughter, Mary Kepler, in Trego, Kansas.

In 1883, Nathan received 160 acres of land in Kansas as a benefit of his father's revolutionary war

service. (Source: Land Office Record Warrant No 19762, as cited in the DAR application of granddaughter Florence Lamb Peterson in 1926. She was the daughter of Orris Pier Lamb.)

Sarah Ann CRAMPTON and Nathan LAMB had the following children:

- Alden (Allen) C LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on January 18, 1838 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>98</sup>. He died on March 23, 1862 in Winchester, Frederick County, Virginia<sup>99</sup>.
- Clora Welthy LAMB (daughter of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on July 04, 1839 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>100</sup>. She died on November 27, 1839 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont.
- iii. Clora LAMB (daughter of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on October 29, 1840 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>101</sup>. She died on September 08, 1875 in Streetsboro, Portage County, Ohio<sup>102</sup>. She married Levy Sawyer WALLIS on July 07, 1858 in Northfield, Summit County, Ohio<sup>103</sup>. He was born in Northfield, Summit County, Ohio<sup>104</sup>.
- iv. Andrew Joseph LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on August 27, 1842 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>105</sup>. He died on June 10, 1930 in Rocky River, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>106</sup>. He married Ellen INGERSOLL on February 23, 1869 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>107</sup>.
- v. Nathan LAMB Jr. (son of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on April 11, 1844 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>108</sup>.
- vi. Orris Pier LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on December 27, 1845 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>109</sup>. He married Anna Maria SCHNEIDER on May 11, 1875 in Norton Township, Summit County, Ohio<sup>110</sup>. She was born on November 17, 1843<sup>111</sup>.
- vii. David Crampton LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on April 22, 1847 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>112</sup>. He died on February 15, 1853 in Boston, Summit County, Ohio<sup>113-114</sup>.
- viii. Mary Eliza LAMB (daughter of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on August 15, 1849 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>115</sup>. She married Uriah KEPLER on March 17, 1875 in Norton Township, Summit County, Ohio<sup>116</sup>.
- ix. Willard Amos LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on November 03, 1853 in Boston, Summit County, Ohio<sup>117</sup>.

Notes for Willard Amos LAMB:

Willard is listed in the U.S. Census records of 1900 and 1910 as a boarder in the home of his sister Sarah Lamb and her husband Thomas Lawrence McNelley. He was a pie-baker and apparently helped out in the family's bakery business. In both records, he is listed as "single."

 x. Sarah Amelia LAMB (daughter of Nathan LAMB and Sarah Ann CRAMPTON) was born on January 20, 1856 in Chagrin Falls, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>30</sup>. She died on September 18, 1932 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>31</sup>. She married Thomas Lawrence MCNELLEY (son of Thomas T. MCNELLEY and Mary Sarah MILLER) on March 30, 1881 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>29</sup>. He was born on July 13, 1855 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>25-26</sup>. He died on March 14, 1936 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>27-28</sup>.

# 12. **Niels MIKKELSEN**<sup>118</sup> was born in Hjerpsted, Denmark<sup>119</sup>. He married **ADELE**.

13. **ADELE** was born in Denmark<sup>119</sup>.

Notes for Niels MIKKELSEN:

Niels Mikkelsen and Adele (surname unknown) are listed as the parents of Ernst (Ernest) Mikkelsen on Ernest's death certificate in 1939. Ernest and Theodore were brothers who emigrated from Denmark to America and married the Holmes sisters.

ADELE and Niels MIKKELSEN had the following children:

- 6. i. Theodore MIKKELSEN (son of Niels MIKKELSEN and ADELE) was born in May 1850 in Hjerpsted, Denmark<sup>48-51</sup>. He died on January 21, 1907 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>52</sup>. He married Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) on October 15, 1879 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>53</sup>. She was born on September 29, 1856 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>54-56</sup>. She died on December 12, 1945 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana<sup>57-58</sup>.
  - ii. Ernst MIKKELSEN (son of Niels MIKKELSEN and ADELE) was born on December 29, 1857 in Hjerpsted, Denmark<sup>120-121</sup>. He died on October 10, 1939 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>122</sup>. He married Emma (Emma Alvine Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) on June 15, 1883 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>123</sup>. She was born on January 13, 1863 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>124-125</sup>. She died on April 28, 1949 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>126</sup>.

Notes for Ernst MIKKELSEN:

Refer to the notes under Theodore Mikkelsen, Ernst's brother, for a history of the brothers' immigration to the U.S. and subsequent marriage to the Holmes sisters.

Ernst appears in five U.S. census records for Chicago, Cook County, IL. In the census of 1880, Ernst is living in the household of John Fredrickson and working in a tailor shop. In the census record of 1900, Ernst is listed with Emma and their four children. Only Richard is living with his parents by 1910. By 1930, the parents are living alone and they are living on Fullerton Avenue.

Ernst lists his occupation as tailor in all five of the U.S. Census records. In the 1930 U.S. census for Chicago, it states that he owns his own shop.

In the U.S. Census of 1910 for Chicago, IL, Ernst lists his date of immigration as 1880. In the census of 1920, date of immigration is listed as 1888. In the census of 1930, the year of immigration is given as 1879. The date of 1888 is inaccurate, as Ernst appears in the U.S. census record of 1880. It is reasonable to assume that Ernst immigrated in 1879 or early in 1880. To date, no immigration record has been found. In the U.S. Census of 1920, Ernst states that he was naturalized in 1896.

Notes for Emma (Emma Alvine Holm) HOLMES: Emma emigrated from Denmark with her parents and siblings and arrived in America on May 28, 1870. All are registered under the same emigration contract number (98800) and registration date of 5/5/1870.

- Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES was born on January 17, 1826 in Copenhagen, Denmark<sup>127-131</sup>. He died on February 15, 1909 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>132</sup>. He married Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN in November 1852 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>133-134</sup>.
- Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN was born on January 31, 1833 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>135-136</sup>. She died on February 15, 1917 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>137</sup>.

Notes for Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES:

Antonius and Anne Margrethe (Frandsen) Holm are the pioneer Danish immigrant ancestors of the McNelley family line. In May of 1870, Antonius emigrated from Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark to America, bringing with him his wife and eight of his ten offspring. The children ranged in age from fourteen years to ten months. Andres, the oldest child of Antonius and Anne Margrethe, was not with them when they emigrated; he had come to New York six months earlier. There is an emigration record for Andres Holm, age 18, from Fredericia who emigrated in December of 1869.

The Antonius (Anton) Holm family is found on both Danish emigration records and U.S. immigration records, as well as on New York and Hamburg Passenger lists. The Danish emigration records for the Holm family state that the family was headed for New York State. The occupation for both Antonius and his son Andres is given as Blikkenslager, or plumber, on the Danish emigration records. According to the U.S. Immigration Record, the family arrived in New York on May 28, 1870, on the ship Bavaria, which sailed from Hamburg, Germany and Le Havre, France. Antonius Holm was immigrating with his wife Anna and 8 children: Louise, Emilie, Marie, Mathilda, Emma, Anna, Theodore and Ida.

Prior to coming to America, the family lived in the small city of Fredericia on the eastern coast of Jutland in Denmark. This city was founded in 1650 as a garrison town and named in honor of King Frederick III who fortified the site so that the community was better able to defend itself and Jutland against invaders. St. Michaelis Church in Fredericia was established in 1687 as a German church to serve the many German immigrants in the settlement. It also served as a military serviceman's church.

During much of the nineteenth century, bloody wars were waged in Central Europe. Denmark saw its share of warfare. In 1849, during the First War of Schleswig, Danish troops won a victory in Fredericia over Schleswig-Holstein rebels who had laid siege to the city. (Schleswig-Holstein is the northernmost of the German states.) Perhaps it was the economic and social devastation that accompanied the wars which compelled Antonius to decide to take his large family to America. The actual reasons for his emigration are not known. Certainly there must have been a measure of both desperation and hope in the decision.

Baptism, marriage, and census records of Fredericia (available online through the Danish State Archives) provide more information on the family. The marriage record of Antonius Holm and Anne Margrethe Frandsen, along with the baptism records of eight of the ten children, have been found in the records of St. Michaelis Church. According to these records, Antonius and Anne Margrethe were married there in November of 1852 (the day of the marriage is not discernible). Records for daughters Mathilda, Anne Margrethe, and Ida were not found in Fredericia. Later, the baptism record for Anne Margrethe was found in Asperup, Odense, Denmark. Apparently, the parents were not in Fredericia when the infant Anna Margrethe was baptised.

Antonius and Anne Margrethe had the following children:

1. Andres Holm, baptized on December 28, 1852

2. Louise Dorthea Christine Holm, baptized on February 19, 1855

3. Emilie Wilhemine Holm, baptized on September 29, 1856

4. Marie Antoinette Holm, baptized on September 23, 1858

5. Mathilda E. Holm, born on September 5, 1860 (according to U.S. Census of 1900 and her death certificate)

6. Johannes Vilhelm Holm, baptized on November 18, 1861

7. Emma Alvine Holm, baptized on January 13, 1863

8. Anne Margrethe Holm, baptized on February 14, 1864

9. Theodor Antonius Holm, baptized on May 16, 1867

10. Ida Frederikke Holm, born in June of 1868 (according to the U.S. census of 1900)

In addition to the church records, the family is also found in Fredercia's census records. Antonius, his wife and four of his children are listed on page 169 of the 1860 census record for the city. Antonius is listed as age 35, Anne age 28, Andres age 8, Louise age 6, Emilie age 4 and Marie age 2.

Antonius, his wife and 8 children are found in the 1870 census for Fredericia, enumerated in February of that year. Their oldest child, Andres, is not listed with him. (He had immigrated to New York in December of the previous year.) The record lists a child named Mathilda Elise, age 9, and it does not list Johannes Vilhelm, born to the couple and baptized on November 18, 1861. No further record of Johannes has been found. It appears that this boy died sometime in childhood. According to the 1870 census record for Fredericia, Antonius was born in Copenhagen.

Other Holm and Fransen families appear in the church and census records for Fredericia. However, no linkage to these families can be determined. No record of the birth of Anne Margrethe Frandsen (wife of Antonius Holm) has been found in the church records of Fredericia; the quality of the older church records is very poor.

The Holm family moved to Chicago shortly after coming to the United States and Antonius Holm became Anton or Anthony Holmes. The children also used the surname "Holmes." In the U.S. Census of 1880 for Chicago, "Anton Holmes" is listed, along with his wife Anna and children: Mary (21), Anna (16), Theodore (13), and Ida (11). They are living on Rucker Street in Chicago. Anton is working as a stencil cutter. His daughter Mary is working as a dressmaker. By 1880, his daughter Emily was married to Theodore Mikkelsen, another Danish immigrant, and living elsewhere. Emily's sister Emma was living with her. Emma would later marry Theodore Mikkelsen's brother Ernst. Louise had married Christian Hanson in 1872. This couple and their three children were living in the Lakeview district of Chicago. Louise's sister Mathilda was living with her.

In the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, "Anton Holmes" is listed as age 75 and still working as a stencil cutter. Anna, age 67, is listed as the mother of nine children, eight of them living. Three children are still residing with their parents: Anna, age 35 and a school teacher; Theodore, age 33 and a steel engraver, and Ida, 31. No occupation is given for Ida. The family is living on N. Campbell Avenue in Chicago. The oldest son Andrew also appears in the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, in a separate household, with his wife and two children. He lists 1870 as his year of immigration to the United States.

Antonius was 83 years old when he died on February 15, 1909. He was 44 years old when he left Denmark. According to his death certificate, Antonius had lived in Chicago for 39 years. His wife, Anne Margrethe, died on the same day eight years later, on February 15, 1917. She was 87 years old and living with her youngest son, Theo, in Chicago. In the U.S. Census of 1910, she is listed as a widow, living with her three youngest children.

At least five of the children married: Andrew, Louise, Mathilda, Emily, and Emma. Apparently the youngest three, Theodore, Anna, and Ida, never married. Mary (Marie Antoinette) disappears from the records after 1880.

(Sources of information: Church, census, and emigration records from the online Danish State Archives, Hamburg and New York Passenger Lists compiled by Ancestry.com; death records from the online Illinois death index, U.S. Census records, Online articles on Fredericia, Denmark)

Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN and Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES had the following children:

 Andrew (Andres Holm) HOLMES (son of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on December 28, 1852 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>138</sup>. He married MAREN in 1880<sup>139</sup>. She was born in October 1854 in Denmark<sup>140</sup>.

Notes for Andrew (Andres Holm) HOLMES:

Andrew is listed as the eight-year-old son of Antonius and Ane Holm in the 1860 Danish census records for Fredericia. Andres, the oldest child of Antonius and Anne Margrethe, was not with the family when they emigrated in 1870; he had come to New York six months earlier. There is an emigration record for Andres Holm, age 18, from Fredericia who emigrated in December of 1869. The occupation for both Antonius and his son Andres is given as Blikkenslager, or plumber, on the Danish emigration records.

A record of Andrew has not been found in the U.S. Census of 1880. Andrew appears in the U.S. Census of 1900 for West Town in the City of Chicago. In this census, he is living with his wife Maren and two children: Jennie (7) and Elmer (6). Jenny was born in Nebraska, indicating that Andrew and Maren were living in Nebraska for some period of time. Andrew's occupation in the 1900 census is listed as bookkeeper. He lists his date of birth as December 1852 and place of birth as Denmark. He also lists 1870 as his year of immigration to the United States. According to the census record, Andrew and Maren had been married for 20 years.

In 1910 and 1920, Andrew appears in the U.S. Census records for Pelican Rapids, Otter Trail, MN. In 1910, his wife Maren and children, Jennie and Elmer, are living with him. In 1920, Andrew is a widower, living with his daughter Jennie. In both census records, Andrew is listed as a retail merchant.

 Louise (Louise Dorthea Christine Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on February 19, 1855 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>141-142</sup>. She married Christian H. HANSON on June 27, 1872 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>143</sup>. He was born in July 1843 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>144</sup>.

Notes for Louise (Louise Dorthea Christine Holm) HOLMES:

Louise emigrated from Denmark with her parents and siblings and arrived in America on May 28, 1870. All are registered under the same emigration contract number (98800) and registration date of 5/5/1870.

Notes for Christian H. HANSON:

Christian H Hanson (38) and his wife, Louisa C. (25), along with children Alice E (6), Ella L (5) and Henry J (3) are found in the U.S. Census of 1880 for Lakeview, Cook County, IL. Louise's sister Matilda E. Holmes (19) is living with them. Christian's occupation is listed as engraver.

Twenty years later, Christian and his wife are still living in Lakeview, Cook County, IL, as listed in the U.S. Census of 1900. Five children are listed in the household: Ella, Henry, Stella, Charles, and Ralph. There are also two servants living with them. Christian's occupation is listed as manufacturer of stencils. According to this census, Christian immigrated to the U.S. in 1860.

- Emily (Emilie Wilhemine Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on September 29, 1856 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>54-56</sup>. She died on December 12, 1945 in Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana<sup>57-58</sup>. She married Theodore MIKKELSEN (son of Niels MIKKELSEN and ADELE) on October 15, 1879 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>53</sup>. He was born in May 1850 in Hjerpsted, Denmark<sup>48-51</sup>. He died on January 21, 1907 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>52</sup>.
  - iv. Mary (Marie Antoinette Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on September 23, 1858 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>145</sup>.

Notes for Mary (Marie Antoinette Holm) HOLMES:

Marie Antoinette Holm emigrated from Denmark to the United States in 1870 with her parents and siblings. (The DDD Emigration Database of the Danish State Archives contains the emigration records for Antonius Holm, his wife and nine children). She appears in the U.S. Census of 1880 with her parents and siblings. Her age is listed as 21; her occupation listed as dressmaker. Nothing more is known of her. She has not been found on any other U.S. Census records. She does not appear in the household of her family in the Census of 1900. By that date, she might well have been married.

v. Mathilda (Mathilda Elise Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on September 05, 1860 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>146-147</sup>. She died on October 22, 1918 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>148</sup>. She married Villas K. ASSENS on September 05, 1883 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>149</sup>. He was born in January 1854 in Denmark.

Notes for Mathilda (Mathilda Elise Holm) HOLMES: No baptism record was found for Mathilda Holm in Fredericia, Denmark. However, Antonius, his wife and 8 children are found in the 1870 census for Fredericia, Denmark, enumerated in February of that year. The record lists a child named Mathilda Elise, age 9. Mathilda came to America with the family; she is listed in both the family's emigration and immigration records. Matilda E. Holmes (19) is living with her sister Louise and Louise's husband Christian Hansen in the U. S. Census of 1880.

"V.K." and Matilda Assens appear in the U.S. Census of 1990 for Jefferson Township, Chicago, Cook County, Illinois, along with children Mattie (age 15), Robert (age 14), and George (age 10). Matilda's date of birth is listed as September, 1860. Place of birth is Denmark.

Her death record, as found in the Cook County, IL Deaths Index, lists her date and place of birth as September 5, 1860, Denmark. She is listed as the daughter of Antonius Holmes and "Anna E. Hathaway," both of Denmark. The surname of the mother is incorrect; Hathaway is the surname of Mathilda's son-in-law. This is an error in either the death record or in the index.

 vi. Johannes Vilhelm HOLM (son of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on November 18, 1861 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>150</sup>.

Notes for Johannes Vilhelm HOLM:

The baptism record for Johannes Vilhelm Holm, son of Antonius and Anne Margrethe, was found in the Birth Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Antonius, his wife and 8 children are found in the 1870 census for Fredericia, enumerated in February of that year. The census record does not list Johannes Vilhelm with the family. It is presumed that Johannes Wilhelm died in childhood. No further record of Johannes has been found; he did not immigrate to America with the rest of the family in May of 1870. Andres, the oldest child of Antonius and Anne Margrethe, is also not listed in the 1870 census of Fredericia; he had immigrated to New York in December of the previous year.

vii. Emma (Emma Alvine Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on January 13, 1863 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>124-125</sup>. She died on April 28, 1949 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>126</sup>. She married Ernst MIKKELSEN (son of Niels MIKKELSEN and ADELE) on June 15, 1883 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>123</sup>. He was born on December 29, 1857 in Hjerpsted, Denmark<sup>120-121</sup>. He died on October 10, 1939 in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois<sup>122</sup>.

Notes for Emma (Emma Alvine Holm) HOLMES:

Emma emigrated from Denmark with her parents and siblings and arrived in America on May 28, 1870. All are registered under the same emigration contract number (98800) and registration date of 5/5/1870.

Notes for Ernst MIKKELSEN:

Refer to the notes under Theodore Mikkelsen, Ernst's brother, for a history of the brothers' immigration to the U.S. and subsequent marriage to the Holmes sisters.

Ernst appears in five U.S. census records for Chicago, Cook County, IL. In the census of 1880, Ernst is living in the household of John Fredrickson and working in a tailor shop. In the census record of 1900, Ernst is listed with Emma and their four

children. Only Richard is living with his parents by 1910. By 1930, the parents are living alone and they are living on Fullerton Avenue.

Ernst lists his occupation as tailor in all five of the U.S. Census records. In the 1930 U.S. census for Chicago, it states that he owns his own shop.

In the U.S. Census of 1910 for Chicago, IL, Ernst lists his date of immigration as 1880. In the census of 1920, date of immigration is listed as 1888. In the census of 1930, the year of immigration is given as 1879. The date of 1888 is inaccurate, as Ernst appears in the U.S. census record of 1880. It is reasonable to assume that Ernst immigrated in 1879 or early in 1880. To date, no immigration record has been found. In the U.S. Census of 1920, Ernst states that he was naturalized in 1896.

viii. Anna (Anne Margrethe Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on February 14, 1864 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>151-152</sup>.

Notes for Anna (Anne Margrethe Holm) HOLMES:

Anna emigrated from Denmark to the United States in 1870 with her parents and siblings. (The DDD Emigration Database of the Danish State Archives contains the emigration records for Antonius Holm, his wife and nine children). The family settled in Chicago, IL and Anna is listed in the U.S. Census records of 1880, 1900, 1910, and 1920 for that city. In the first two census records, she is listed in the household of her parents. In 1910, she is living with her widowed mother, along with Theodore and Ida. All three siblings are listed as single. It appears that Anna Holmes never married. In the U.S. Census of 1920 for Chicago, IL, Anna (age 55), along with her sister Ida, is living as a boarder in the household of Charlotte Bauer on Pine Avenue. Anna is listed as single and working as a teacher in a public school.

 ix. Theodor (Theodor Antonius Holm) HOLMES (son of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born on May 16, 1867 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>153-154</sup>.

Notes for Theodor (Theodor Antonius Holm) HOLMES: Theodore emigrated from Denmark to the United States with his parents and siblings. (The DDD Emigration Database of the Danish State Archives contains the emigration records for Antonius Holm, his wife and nine children, including Theodor. The family registered 5/5/1870 and traveled indirectly to America; that is, they did not leave from a Danish port. (They may have left from Hamburg, Germany or from an English port.) Last residence was listed as Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark; destination given as New York State, USA.

Theodore Holmes appears in the U.S. Census records of 1880, 1900, 1910, and 1920 for Chicago, Cook County, IL. In the U.S. Census of 1880, Theodore is listed in the household of Anton and Anna Holmes. All were born in Denmark. Theodore is age 13 and a student. In the U.S. Census of 1900, Theodore, age 33, is still listed in the household of his parents. He is single and working as a steel engraver.

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In the Census of 1910, Theodore, along with his sisters Anna and Ida, is listed in the household of his widowed mother. They are still living on North Cambell Ave. Theodore's occupation is listed as "teacher in a public school" and Anna's occupation is listed as "steel engraver." It appears that the census taker reversed the occupations of Theodore and Anna. In the Census of 1920 for Chicago, Theodore is living as a roomer in the household of John Peterson. He is listed as age 53, single, and working as an engineer in a shop.

 Ida (Ida Frederikke Holm) HOLMES (daughter of Anton (Antonius Holm) HOLMES and Anne Margrethe FRANDSEN) was born in June 1868 in Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark<sup>155</sup>.

Notes for Ida (Ida Frederikke Holm) HOLMES:

Ida emigrated from Denmark to the United States in 1870 with her parents and siblings. (The DDD Emigration Database of the Danish State Archives contains the emigration records for Antonius Holm, his wife and nine children).

The family settled in Chicago, IL and Ida is listed in the U.S. Census records of 1880, 1900, 1910, and 1920 for that city. In the first two census records, she is listed in the household of her parents. In 1910, she is living with her widowed mother, along with Theodore and Anna. All three siblings are listed as single. It appears that Ida Holmes never married. In the U.S. Census of 1920 for Chicago, IL, Ida (age 50), along with her sister Anna, is living as a boarder in the household of Charlotte Bauer on Pine Avenue. Ida is listed as single and working as a hairdresser in a beauty shop.

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16. Unknown MCNELLEY was born in Scotland<sup>156</sup>. He married UNKNOWN.

## 17. UNKNOWN.

Notes for Unknown MCNELLEY: Nothing is known about the parents of Thomas T. and William H. McNelley of Cleveland, OH.

Below summarizes the results of my research to date (September 2016):

Other McNelleys living in Cleveland, Ohio in the Mid-nineteenth Century

There are no known ties between Thomas T. and William H. McNelley and the following individuals; however, it seems likely that at least some of them were related. A "Mrs. E. McNelley" is listed as the head of household in the U.S. census of 1840 for Cleveland, Ohio. This is the only listing for McNelley (McNally, McNelly, or McNalley) in Cleveland in the 1840 census. In this household of 9 individuals, there is a female between the age of 40 and 50 (presumably Mrs. McNelley) and 8 males. Six males are between the ages of 20 and 30. One is between the age of 15 and 20 and one male is under the age of 5. Was this a widow running a boarding house to make ends meet? Were these men her sons? Was Mrs. E. McNelley's first name Eleanor and did Thomas T. McNelley name his oldest daughter after her? All of this is only speculation at this point.

It is more certain that "our" Thomas and William (and perhaps other family members) were living in Cleveland, Ohio by 1845. In that year, a Thomas McNelley (laborer) is listed as living at 53

Parkman Street in Cleveland. A William McNelley and a Peter McNelley are living at 16 Dock North in 1846. Peter's occupation is listed as grocer; William's occupation is "n.a." If this is "our" William, he would have been 15 or 16 in 1845 and might not have been working. (Source: Peet's General Business Directory of the City of Cleveland, 1845 and 1846)

In 1848, there is a Charles McNelley listed as a laborer living at 53 Parkman St, the same address as Thomas McNelley three years earlier. (Source: Smead and Cowles' General Business Directory of the City of Cleveland, 1848. Information from these directories is available online in the Ohio Name Index to 1850.) Could this be the same "Charley McNelley" who died on January 24, 1878 according to a notation in the Bible of Mary McNelly (and now in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo)?

In the J. H. Williston and Co Directory for the city of Cleveland 1859-60, on p. 126, there are listings for Mrs. McNelley, widow of Thomas, living at 61 Parkman; Peter McNelley, fancy store, living at 98 Kinsman; and Thomas McNelley, living at 84 Kinsman.

On the tax lists of 1865 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Peter McNelley is listed as having a house on Kinsman; Thomas "McNally" is listed as having property on Parkman. A Peter McNalley, age 51, appears in the US Census of 1870 for Cleveland. His occupation is given as bar keeper. Place of birth is listed as Ireland.

There is a record of a death of a Thomas McNalley on May 2, 1878 in the Cuyahoga County, Ohio Archives. He is listed as age 68, born in Canada. This man died in the 5th Ward of Cleveland; the cause of death is recorded as "consumption" (tuberculosis). No other information is provided. This man was not our Thomas T. McNelley and he would have been too young to be his father. It appears that there were at least three Thomas McNelleys living in Cleveland at mid-nineteenth century: one who died before 1859, our Thomas T. who died in 1869, and one who died in 1878.

Background Information on the Scots-Irish who settled in Cleveland, Ohio

In the fall of 2013, Margaret Lynch, Executive Director of the Irish American Archives Society, compiled a report titled "Cleveland and the Ohio and Erie Canal" (A PDF report downloaded from the web on May 14, 2015). She notes that work on the Ohio and Erie Canal began in 1825. "The first notable influx of Irish immigrants was prompted by the need for laborers to dig the canal." According to Lynch, early settlers with last names like McMurphy and McIntost, indicate that these settlers might well have been Scots-Irish, that is Scottish Presbyterians sent to Northern Ireland by the English in the early 17th Century. Many of these Scots-Irish immigrated to the United States a few generations later. Lynch observes that "Toiling for \$5 a month under wretched conditions, most left little, if any, trace in public records. . . . Look for a sampling of [Irish] names in Cuyahoga County in the 1830 United States census, or in the first Cleveland City Directory in 1837, and the search is fruitless."

There is a plaque posted by the State of New York in 1969 along the St. Lawrence River in the Chippewa Bay Area which reads in part: "This area was settled early in the 1800's by immigrants from Scotland. They were encouraged to come here by agents of George Parish, a large landholder in the North Country. These conscientious farmers and tradesmen came up the St. Lawrence River from Montreal with true pioneer determination." Might members of this group of people have also traveled to Cleveland a few years later?

Nothing more is known about the origins of Thomas T. and his brother William H. McNelley who settled in Cleveland, Ohio in the mid-nineteenth century. Maybe someday, someone, somewhere will have a key piece of information that can link these McNelleys to others by that name who settled not only in Cleveland, Ohio but also Canada, Maine, Massachusetts, and Tennessee in the early nineteenth century.

UNKNOWN and Unknown MCNELLEY had the following children:

- Thomas T. MCNELLEY (son of Unknown MCNELLEY and UNKNOWN) was born about 1820 in Canada<sup>68</sup>. He died on January 03, 1869 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>69-71</sup>. He married Mary Sarah MILLER on April 16, 1853 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>72-73</sup>. She was born about 1827 in Pennsylvania<sup>74</sup>. She died on September 15, 1866 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>75-78</sup>.
  - William H MCNELLEY (son of Unknown MCNELLEY and UNKNOWN) was born on October 27, 1828 in Massachusetts<sup>157-158</sup>. He died on April 12, 1902 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>159</sup>. He married Mary E PEREW on January 05, 1853 in Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>160</sup>. She was born in January 1831 in New York or Canada<sup>161-162</sup>. She died on December 22, 1900 in Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio<sup>163</sup>.

Notes for William H MCNELLEY:

The names and origins of the parents of William H. McNelley are unknown. The place of birth for both William and his wife Mary cannot be determined with any certainty. For William, it is listed as Massachusetts, New York and Canada on the various census records and on the death records of William's children. (There is a place on the certificate asking for the birthplace of the deceased person's parents.) For Mary, her place of birth is listed as New York and Canada on the various documents. As a ship captain, William was probably away from home much of the time and his wife might not have been sure where he was born.

William was living in Cleveland by 1845. At that time he would have been about 15 years old. A William and Thomas McNelley are listed in Cleveland City directories in 1845 and 1846. There were other McNelleys living in Cleveland at the same time who may have been related. Refer to the notes under Thomas McNelley.

In the marriage record of William H McNelley and Mary Perew, dated January 5, 1853, William's surname is spelled "McNalley."

William H. McNelley is listed in the U.S. Census records of 1850, 1860, 1870, 1880, and 1900 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. Ohio.

In the U.S. Census of 1850, William and his brother Thomas are also listed as single men living in a boarding house. William's occupation is listed as sailor. His brother Thomas is listed as a bartender.

In the U.S. Census of 1860 for the 9th Ward, Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co, Ohio, William, age 31, is listed along with his wife Mary (26), and children Geroge F (6), Ellen E (4), Oscar H (2), and Estelle (7 mo). William's occupation is listed as sailor, captain. Birthplace for William is Massachusetts. Birthplace for Mary is New York.

In the U.S. census of 1870 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio, William McNally, age 40, is listed along with his wife Mary (34), George (16), Ella (13), Oscar (12), and Estella (10). William's occupation is listed as Lake Captain. Place of birth for both William and Mary is listed as Canada. (This information conflicts with what is stated on other documents.) The children are all listed as born in Ohio.

The U.S. Census of 1880 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co. Ohio, lists William's age as 50 and place of birth as Massachusetts. The place of birth for his father is given as Scotland. The birthplace of his mother is listed as Ireland.

In the 1900 census, William is listed as age 71, with date of birth given as October, 1828. In this census, it is stated that William was born in New York and that his father came from England and his mother from Vermont. His occupation is listed as sailor, captain. Again, information on place of birth for William and his parents in this census conflicts with other records. In the U.S. Census of 1900, under William's son George McNelley (spelled Geo McNalley), the place of birth for George's father is listed as Scotland. His mother's birthplace is listed as France.

On William's death record, place of birth is listed as Scotland. William's birthplace is listed as Ohio on George's death certificate. On his daughter Ellen's death certificate, William's place of birth is listed as Boston, Massachusetts. At the very least, family members were unclear about the birthplace of William and Mary! Putting it all together and placing more weight on earlier records which tend to be more accurate, it is most likely that William was born in Massachusetts and Mary was born in New York. Both had family ties to Canada. It appears certain that William's immigrant ancestors were originally from Scotland and Ireland. Mary's were from France.

Dot Stetson, a great great grand-daughter of William and Mary McNelley wrote that, according to information found in a family bible, William and Mary were married in 1853, the family came from Canada and William was a lake captain. She notes further that the family settled in the New York and Ohio areas. (Source: Message posted online on the RootsWeb message board on September 20, 2004.) This information supports that suppled by census records and death certificates.

William's career as a sailor and a lake captain is well documented. It is listed in all of the census records. In the Cleveland Plain Dealer (newspaper) dated May 15, 1856, is the following notice: The Propeller Indiana is taking her cargo for Buffalo today. She has been put into first rate order, and will run during the season. Master: Captain Frank Perew; William "McNally" sails as first mate and John Perew as first engineer" (Newspaper article found on GenealogyBank.com in July of 2012). William's name also appears in some of the historical records of shipping on the Great Lakes. On June 6, 1858 the steamship Indiana foundered and sank in Lake Superior. Its captain was William H. McNelley, who would have been about 30 years old at the time. This steamship, a 146-foot long, wooden, propeller-driven vessel was among the early steamships operating on Lake Superior. It belonged to

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Frank Perew of Buffalo, NY, owner of a lake-shipping company, the People's Line, based in Cleveland, Ohio. At the time of the accident, the ship was carrying a load of iron ore. One of the propeller seals blew and split the sternpost, causing a large volume of water to rush into the stern. Before it sank, the captain, crew and four passengers including the owner escaped in lifeboats and made it to the shores of Northern Michigan. The sinking of the Indiana is noted in Great Lakes history for two reasons in particular: it was carrying the first load of iron ore to be lost on Lake Superior and its engine is said to be the oldest marine engine built in North America in existence. The engine was recovered in 1978 and now rests in the Smithsonian. (Sources: (1) Foundering of the Indiana by James L. Donahue, downloaded from the website perdurabo10.tripod.com. Donahue is the author of several books on Great Lakes shipwrecks and shipping history. (2) The Great Lakes Shipwreck File by David Swayze, downloaded from greatlakeshistory.homestead.com on 1/22/2009)

William's wife, Mary E. Perew, must have been connected in some way to the ship's owner. She was probably not his daughter. In a biography of Frank Perew, his children are listed as Frank, Alice, Robert and Beatrice. (Source: Memorial and Family History of Erie County, New York, Vol II, Published by the Genealogical Pub Co, 1906-8 and available online through Google Books) She was also very likely related in some way to John Perew, a shipping engineer living in Ashtabula, OH. William's 14 year-old nephew Thomas Lawrence McNelley is listed in the household of John in the 1870 census. There is an article appearing in the New York Times on June 25, 1884 with the dateline Cleveland, Ohio, June 24, noting that on April 6 the tugboat Peter Smith exploded and sank on Lake Erie. All men on board drowned, including "John Perew, engineer and nephew of Frank Perew, the wealthy Buffalo vessel owner." It is possible that this John Perew is the same as the John Perew who sailed on the Propeller Indiana as first engineer in 1856 and the John Perew, 50 year-old ship engineer living in Ashtabula, Ohio in 1870. Interestingly, one of Frank Perew's other ships was named the Mary E. Perew. According to James Donahue, author of "Steaming Through Smoke and Fire", William McNelley was the captain of that ship in 1871.

In 1900, Captain William H McNelley was living at 38 Fulton St, along with his daughter Miss Ellen E McNelley, a dressmaker. His wife Mary is not listed in the directory, although she is mentioned in the U.S. Census of 1900. (Source: 1900 Directory for Cleveland, OH, downloaded from distantcousin.com on Oct 13, 2008)

William's death record, obtained from the Cuyahoga County Archives notes that he died from a crushing injury at Copper Harbor, MI. He was 72 years old. No other details are given. His residence is listed as 38 Fulton Street (Cleveland, OH) on the death record. William's obituary appeared on April 14, 1902 in the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Cleveland, OH. The headline read, "Capt. McNelley Killed: Was one of the oldest Lake Masters in Cleveland - Sailed the lakes for forty-eight years." The article goes on to state that, "W.H. McNelley, one of the oldest lake captains in Cleveland, was instantly killed on the steamer Progress in Houghton, Mich. Saturday. His head was crushed between the hatch cover and the hold. Capt. McNelley was seventy-two years of age and had been sailing from this port for forty-eight years. He started on his first trip of the season last week as mate of the

Progress, Capt. F. D Perew, bound from Buffalo to Duluth. The deceased resided at No. 38 Fulton street, and leaves two sons and a daughter. He was a member of the Lake Captains association and that association will have charge of the funeral services. The remains will be brought to Cleveland this evening.

No public record of Mary's death has been found. Dot Stetson, a descendant of William H. McNelley and Mary Perew, found the date of death (December 22, 1900) in a family bible in her possession that lists the dates of death of a number of McNelleys and Perews. (Information from Dot Stetson received in an email, dated February 15, 2017.) The date of death fits with other known information. Mary is listed with William on the U.S. Census of 1900. In the obituary for Captain McNelley, dated April 14, 1902, it states that William was survived by two sons and one daughter. There is no mention of his wife in the obituary.

- 20. Joseph LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Lydia PLUMBER) was born on May 22, 1763 in Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>164-169</sup>. He died on March 25, 1848 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>92</sup>. He married Clora (Clara) WILLARD on January 22, 1804 in Hartland, Windsor County, Vermont<sup>170-171</sup>.
- 21. **Clora (Clara) WILLARD** was born about 1776 in Hartland, Windsor County, Vermont<sup>172-174</sup>. She died on January 05, 1856 in Boston, Summit County, Ohio<sup>175</sup>.

### Notes for Joseph LAMB:

Joseph was born and grew up in the colony of Rhode Island. His birth, along with that of a brother Nathan, as well as the marriage of his parents, is recorded in the archives of Hopkinton, RI. Joseph was a lad of thirteen when American Independence was declared. At the age of 16, he joined the Revolutionary forces as a private in the Continental army and served for four years.

Joseph Lamb's service in the American Revolution is summarized in a letter dated September 3, 1924 from a commissioner in the "Revolution and 1812 War's Section" addressed to Mrs. Pearl S. Weaver of Fostoria, Ohio. It states that, according to papers filed in the Revolutionary War Pension Claim W9105, Joseph Lamb "enlisted in Ashford, Connecticut, in July 1779 and served as a private eight months in Captain Dana's Company, Colonel Wills' Connecticut Regiment. In July 1780 he enlisted and served six months as a private in Captain Shumway's Company, Colonel Starr's Connecticut Regiment. He enlisted in Pelham, Massachusetts, in January 1781 and served as a private in Captain Wade's Company, Colonel Michael Jackson's Massachusetts Regiment, was afterwards transferred to Captain Woodbridge's Company, Colonel Greaton's Massachusetts Regiment, and was discharged December 23, 1783. He was allowed pension on his application executed March 29, 1818, while a resident of Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont. He died March 25, 1848, in said Sheldon. Soldier married January 22 or 29, 1805 in Hartland, Windsor County, Vermont, Clara [Clora] Willard who was allowed pension on her application executed November 2, 1853, while a resident of Boston, Summit County, Ohio, aged 78 years."

The above letter is found in the Revolutionary War Pension and Bounty-Land Warrant Application Files, State of Connecticut, National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). (Downloaded from Fold3 on January 8, 2014) There are a total of 81 pages in the file. Unfortunately, Joseph's original application for a pension (Pension Claim W9105) is not there and appears to have been misplaced or lost. His war record is pieced together from other papers in the file.

Shortly after the war, Joseph and Nathan moved north to Vermont. There are references to a Joseph

Lamb in the Vermont Archives as early as January 19, 1783. On that date, there is an order on Commissary General Joseph Farnsworth. The record has not been viewed but would appear to be related to military affairs. (Record series SE-118. Vol 8. P. 46) Both brothers married and settled in Randolph, Orange County, VT. Joseph married Dorcas Marcy in 1786 and lived in Randolph, VT for at least 25 years. His name appears a number of times in the Land Records, 1785-1810 of Randolph, VT. He either bought or sold land there in 1785, 1787, 1788, 1789, 1794, 1800, and 1810. In 1800, he sold land to Zebediah Marcy (father of Dorcas); in 1809 the heirs of Zebediah Marcy sold the same tract of land back to Joseph. Joseph and his brother Nathan are recorded in the 1790 census for that town. Joseph is listed as head of household. There are no other males, but four females listed in the household, presumably his wife and three young daughters. (In the 1790 census, only the name of the head of the household is given.) His wife Dorcas Marcy died in 1803, when their youngest child Charles was just an infant. Joseph married Clora Willard, our ancestor, in Hartland, VT in 1804. Joseph's first wife Dorcas had family connections in Hartland. By 1820, Joseph and Clora had settled in Sheldon, Franklin Co, VT. Joseph is listed on the Census records of 1820, 1830 and 1840 as a resident of that town and would remain there until his death. According to family records, Joseph died on March 25, 1848.

Joseph's children by his first wife included Dorcas Marcy (1787); Lucinda (Lucy) (1789); Lovina (1791); Lydia (1792); Thomas (1794); Joseph (1795); Polly (1797) and Charles (1803). (Source: Index to Births and Marriages 1773-1904; Book A, Page 65, Town Hall, Randolph, VT, accessed in June, 2009.) Joseph had at least 4 more children with Clora: Nathan, William, George and Anson.

Another reference to Joseph Lamb is found in a short biographical sketch of Charles Lamb, a son of Joseph by his first marriage: "Charles Morris Lamb, son of Joseph and Dorcas (Marcy) Lamb, b. Apr 6, 1803, Randolph; d. May 20, 1891 [...] His father Joseph was a soldier in the Revolutionary army, enlisting at the age of sixteen and serving during the last four years of the war. His grandfather Nathan was a native of Wales (This conflicts with other information on Nathan Lamb, father of Joseph; perhaps this refers to a maternal grandfather of Charles.) His mother died when he was an infant, and he was taken by friends in Claremont, N.H. where he remained until 1826..." (Source: Lovejoy, Evelyn M. Wood. *History of Royalton VT with Family Genealogies 1769-1911*, Part 2. Burlington, VT: Free Press Printing Co. 1911. Digitized by Google and available online. Information retrieved on 3/4/2009)

Joseph Lamb is listed in the Patriot Index of the Daughters of the American Revolution. According to the DAR records, Joseph served as a private with the Massachusetts and Connecticut troops. Both he and his wife received a pension. The DAR record notes that Joseph was married twice. His first wife was Dorcas Marcy. His second wife was Clara Willard. (Source: Patriot Look Up Service. National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Information received 2/19/2008.)

Records noting Joseph's Revolutionary war service are found in documents in the General Land Office, Book 2, p. 400 and Vol. 501, p 340, and in the "Sixth Census of Pensioners for Revolutionary or Military Service" published in Washington D.C., 1841. (Source: DAR application submitted by Florence Lamb Paterson on Feb 23, 1926.)

Joseph Lamb of Sheldon VT also appears on a list of revolutionary soldiers who are buried in Vermont. (Source: Proceedings of the Vermont Historical Society, 1905-1906. List compiled by Walter H Crockett of St. Albans, Secretary of the Vermont Society, Sons of the American

Revolution, and published as an appendix to the proceedings. Available online and downloaded on 2/9/2009)

Joseph Lamb appears in an 1840 Census of Pensioners in VT with Revolutionary or Military Service. He is listed as eighty years old and living in the household of Nathan Lamb in Sheldon, Franklin Co VT. (Source: 1840 Census of Pensioners Revolutionary or Military Services returned by the Marshalls of the several judicial districts under the Act for Taking the Sixth Census, typed and reformatted by K. Leigh in March 11, 2001. Available online and downloaded on 10/21/2008.)

Clora Lamb received a pension as a widow of a revolutionary war patriot and apparently Clora and Joseph's son, Nathan, also received land as a benefit. In the DAR record establishing Joseph Lamb's revolutionary war record, it states "Deposited in General Land Office, Warrant No. 19762 for 160 acres in Kansas, in favor of Clara Lamb, widow of Joseph Lamb, Private Revolutionary soldier, assigned to Nathan Lamb, under date of October 5, 1883. Recorded in the General Land Office, Vol 501, page 340; Original instrument of assignment filed for record on Nov 20, 1884 recorded in book 2, page 400." (Source: Application for DAR membership made by Florence Lamb Paterson in March 1926.) This document was downloaded from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management website in January of 2011. The land was located in Wakeeny, Kansas, the county seat of Trigo County. Nathan Lamb is listed as living in Trigo County in the household of his daughter Mary Kepler in the U.S. Census of 1880.

In an undated letter written by Joseph's grand-daughter, Sarah Amelia Lamb (the youngest daughter of Joseph and Clora's son Nathan), sometime before her death in 1932, she writes, "Found Grandpa Lamb died in Vermont in 1848, so he must have been 90 when he died in order to have been a boy of 18 in the war. There was no mention of his birth or age. I was mistaken about that warrant of Grandma's. The original one was deposited in Washington in the land office. They gave pa another one signed by Chester Arthur, President and it reads that the warrant given the widow of Joseph Lamb, private Revolutionary Soldier, is deposited there in the land office. Father was given this one I have. It was signed in 1882 and was recorded in Kansas in 1884. Father you see had to get Uncle Anson to sign it over to pa."

#### A note on the settlement of Vermont:

"During the French War, from 1755 to '60, many soldiers and scouting parties passed from the older New England States to and from Canada. [...] The reports of soldiers aroused the love of adventure incident to pioneer life, and an excitement was manifested in Connecticut and Massachusetts and on the banks of the lower Hudson, to secure an interest in the cheap lands and rich hunting grounds of the northern wilderness. In 1761 sixty towns were chartered in Vermont." (Source: Smith, H.P., Ed. *History of Addison County, Vermont.* Syracuse: D. Mason & Co., Publishers, 1886. p. 640-641.)

#### Notes for Clora (Clara) WILLARD:

Clora (Clory) Willard married Joseph Lamb in Hartland, VT on June 22, 1804. She is listed as his second wife in the undated, handwritten, and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record (in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015). The names of her parents were not listed. To date, nothing more has been confirmed regarding Clora Willard's family ancestry. There are no records for Clora Lamb in Hartland, VT, other than the record of her marriage to Joseph Lamb.

However, Willards were prominent in this town from its very beginnings. The town of Hartland

was originally granted by New Hampshire under the name of Hertford on July 10, 1761. On July 23, 1766, the charter of the town was confirmed by New York to Oliver Willard and the grantees associated with him. The first settlers were emigrants from Massachusetts and Connecticut. (Source: Benjamin Homer Hall. History of Eastern Vermont from Its Earliest Settlement to the Close of the Eighteenth Century. Pub: Appleton, 1858. Digitized by Google. Downloaded on 3/3/2009)

According to Willard genealogists, an Aaron Willard moved to Hartland, VT in 1755. This Aaron was a descendant of Major Simon Willard, who was born in Kent County, England and immigrated to Newtown (Cambridge) Massachusetts in 1634. In 1664, he was commissioned commander-in-chief of the forces of Massachusetts in the Ninigret and Philips wars. He died at Charlestown, Massachusetts on April 24, 1676. This Major Simon Willard was married 3 times and had at least 17 children: 9 sons and 8 daughters. Some of his descendants migrated from Massachusetts to New Hampshire and later to Vermont. (Source: "The History of Charlestown, N.H. - The Old (Fort) No 4 by Rev. Henry H. Saunderson, 1876, excerpted by Janice Farnsworth and placed online as part of the USGenWeb project, downloaded 2/12/2009)

The names of individuals on the original land grant in Hartland included Joseph, Sampson, Wilder, Levi, William, Nathan and Caleb Willard. (Downloaded from the Hartland Historical Society website on 3/3/2009.) The first census of the United States, taken in the year 1790, identified heads of families and the number of individuals in each household. In that census, the town of Hartland, Vermont had 270 households, including 8 households headed by a Willard: Aaron, Edward, Ely, James, Wilder, and three households headed by an Oliver Willard. When the number of individuals living in each of these households is added up, it comes to 59 Willards living in Hartland in 1790. (Source: U.S. Census of 1790 for Hartland, Windsor County, VT, abstracted by Ann Mensch, available online at Rootsweb and downloaded in 2/2009.) It is reasonable to assume that Clora grew up in one of these households.

There are many records for Willards in the probate files of Windsor County, located in Woodstock, VT. However, Willards who died before 1815 were intestate and listed as insolvent. No records listing the children of the first Willards to settle in Hartland, VT were found in either the city hall of Hartland or the county courthouse of Windsor, VT.

In the U.S. Census of 1850 for Sheldon, Franklin Co. VT, Clara Lamb (age 74) is listed in the household of her son Nathan, his wife Sarah and their children. She was a widow then, her husband having died in 1848. Also living in the household are William Lamb (44) and Lovina Willard (32). William would have been Clora's son. Perhaps Lovina is a niece of Clara (Willard) Lamb.

As noted above, Clora Willard is listed in the 1850 census for Sheldon, Franklin County, VT. Also living in Sheldon in 1850 is the farmer George Willard (50), his wife Lyda (42), and 8 children: George (18), Maria B (16), Sophia (14), Olive L (12), Joshua W. (9), Sarah (6), Eunice (3), Alexander (7 mo) and Anna (70). Anna is listed as born in Massachusetts; the others were born in VT. Sheldon was a small settlement; it is quite possible that Clora Willard and this family are related.

In the U.S. Census of 1870 for Richford, Franklin Co, VT, a Lovina Willard, age 49 and wife of the farmer William Willard, is listed along with their children Oscar (23), William (15), Cora (13) and Etta (7). Next door are Caleb and Dolly (Polly ?) Willard, both age 74. All are listed as born in VT.

In the U.S. Census of 1900 for Richford, Lovina (B April 1820) is listed, along with her son William (B May 1855) and her daughter Etta (B Oct 1864). All are listed as born in VT. Parents are also listed as born in VT. In another document, it is stated that Caleb Willard was a native of Hartford and his wife, Polly of Hartland, VT. Caleb was a soldier in the War of 1812 and came to Richford soon after. William Willard, only child of Polly and Caleb, was born in Richford on April 16, 1822 and married Lavina (Davis) and had seven children: Oscar, Emma Jane, Sophronia, William D., Cora and Etta. (Source: History of Franklin and Grand Isle Counties, VT, Ed. Lewis C. Aldrich. Syracuse, N.Y., D. Mason and Co. Publishers; 1891, transcribed by Linda Pingel for Franklin Co. VT GenWeb, downloaded on 3/3/2009.) It is possible that this Lavina (Davis) Willard is the same Lovina listed in the household of Nathan and Sarah Lamb in 1850; she might have been staying there temporarily.

In 1876, an Archibald M. Willard painted the now famous "Spirit of "76." This painting was hung in the Town Hall in Marblehead, Massachusetts. The old man in this familiar picture is said to be a portrait of the artist's father, Samuel Willard. According to family lore, this Samuel was the brother of Clora Willard, whom Joseph Lamb married (Source: Louise McNelley, great-granddaughter of Clora Willard). Archibald's ancestry has been traced by other Willard family genealogists. According to these individuals, Archibald's father, the Rev. Samuel Willard, was born in 1791 in Pawlett, VT. Jonathon Willard, the father of Samuel Willard, was born in 1770. If this is true, he would not have been old enough to be the father of Clora, who was born about 1776. (Source: www.willardgenealogy.com) To date, there is no documentation confirming any relationship between Clora, the Willards of Pawlett, VT and the painter Archibald Willard.

Clora (Clara) WILLARD and Joseph LAMB had the following children:

- i. William LAMB (son of Joseph LAMB and Clora (Clara) WILLARD) was born about 1806<sup>176</sup>.
- 10. ii. Nathan LAMB (son of Joseph LAMB and Clora (Clara) WILLARD) was born on July 15, 1808 in Randolph, Orange County, Vermont<sup>92-93</sup>. He died on November 26, 1898 in Boston, Summit County, Ohio<sup>94</sup>. He married Sarah Ann CRAMPTON (daughter of Andrew CRAMPTON and WEALTHY) on August 29, 1836 in Franklin County, Vermont<sup>95</sup>. She was born on August 29, 1812 in Vergennes, Addison County, Vermont<sup>92</sup>. She died on July 18, 1877 in Norton Township, Summit County, Ohio<sup>96-97</sup>.
  - George LAMB (son of Joseph LAMB and Clora (Clara) WILLARD) was born on February 02, 1815 in Vermont<sup>177</sup>. He married Sarah K. She was born about 1817 in Vermont.

Notes for George LAMB:

George W Lamb (35), his wife Sarah K (34), along with children Sarah C (10) and George C (4) are listed in the U.S. Census of 1850 for Sheldon, Franklin County, VT. George is listed as born in VT. His occupation is given as millwright. (Also in the household is 12 year old Charles Crampton. George's brother Nathan was married to a Sarah Crampton, daughter of Andrew and Wealthy Crampton. It is quite possible that Charles is related to Sarah.)

Apparently, George and Sarah moved from Sheldon, VT to Ohio, as did George's brothers, sometime between 1853 and 1860. Sarah and their son Lorin are listed in the Census of 1860 for Montgomery Twp,

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Wood Co, Ohio. George and the older children have not been found anywhere in the U.S. Census of 1860. (Did George Sr. and George Jr. have military duty?) George W. Lamb (65) and Sarah K (63), along with their son Lorin (27), and grandchildren George L (6), and Ida L. (8) appear in the U.S. Census of 1880 for Montgomery, Ohio. George, Sarah and Lorin are all listed as born in VT. The grandchildren were born in Ohio. George is listed as a farmer in the 1880 census.

- iv. Anson LAMB (son of Joseph LAMB and Clora (Clara) WILLARD) was born about 1819 in Vermont<sup>178-179</sup>. He married MARANTHA. She was born about 1826 in Ohio.
- 22. Andrew CRAMPTON<sup>180</sup>. He married WEALTHY.

# 23. WEALTHY<sup>181</sup>.

Notes for Andrew CRAMPTON:

An Andrew Crampton appears in the Vermont Archives in 1781. On October 17 of that year, he filed a petition for a township, location undesignated. (Source: Vermont Archives NYE Database, downloaded on 2/6/2009).

In the 1810 census of Franklin County, Vermont, Andrew Crampton of Vergennes is listed on pg. 70. An Andrew Crampton of Franklin County is listed on pg 87 of the 1830 census and on pg 131 of the 1840 census. (Source: Census Records for Franklin County, available online at Franklin County GenWeb site; information obtained 2/2009.)

WEALTHY and Andrew CRAMPTON had the following children:

 Eliza A. CRAMPTON (daughter of Andrew CRAMPTON and WEALTHY) was born on August 14, 1808 in Vergennes, Addison County, Vermont<sup>182</sup>. She died on March 31, 1901 in Franklin County, Vermont<sup>183</sup>. She married Mr. DAWSON.

Notes for Eliza A. CRAMPTON:

On her death record, Eliza is listed as the daughter of Andrew and Wealthy Crampton and the widow of Mr. Dawson. Her place of birth and her place of death are also given in this record. (Source: Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908)

11. ii. Sarah Ann CRAMPTON (daughter of Andrew CRAMPTON and WEALTHY) was born on August 29, 1812 in Vergennes, Addison County, Vermont<sup>92</sup>. She died on July 18, 1877 in Norton Township, Summit County, Ohio<sup>96-97</sup>. She married Nathan LAMB (son of Joseph LAMB and Clora (Clara) WILLARD) on August 29, 1836 in Franklin County, Vermont<sup>95</sup>. He was born on July 15, 1808 in Randolph, Orange County, Vermont<sup>92-93</sup>. He died on November 26, 1898 in Boston, Summit County, Ohio<sup>94</sup>.

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- 40. **Nathan LAMB** (son of Ebenezer LAMB and Mary HILL) was born about 1740 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>184-185</sup>. He married **Lydia PLUMBER** (daughter of John PLUMMER and Deborah KILLAM) on July 13, 1762 in Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>186-187</sup>.
- 41. **Lydia PLUMBER** (daughter of John PLUMMER and Deborah KILLAM) was born on December 31, 1740 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut<sup>188</sup>.

Notes for Nathan LAMB:

Nathan Lamb was living in Hopkinton, RI between 1762 and 1766. Nathan Lamb's marriage record to Lydia Plumber in 1762 is found in the records located at the Town Hall of Hopkinton, RI. The birth records of sons Joseph (1763) and Nathan (1766) are also found there. No other records of Nathan were found in the vital records or probate records located in Groton, CT, New London, CT, Westerly, RI, or Hopkinton, RI.

Some Lamb family researchers assert that Nathan Lamb who married Lydia Plumber in Hopkinton, RI in 1762 is the same man as Nathan Lamb of Palmer, CT. As yet, no evidence has been found to link the two men. There is a marriage record of Nathan Lamb of Palmer and Abiah Preston on April 8, 1772 in Ashford, Windham County, CT. (Presumably Nathan's first wife had died.) (Source: Bailey, Frederick. Early Connecticut Marriages Prior to 1800. The marriage is found in the records of the Second Church at Westford, organized February 11, 1768. Record downloaded from the website New England History and Genealogy by Ray Brown on 2/10/2009) A Nathan Lamb is listed in the Census of 1790 for Ashford in Windham County, CT. (In his household are 3 men and 5 women.) (Source: Windham County CT Genweb Project, contributed by Jan Harris.)

There is also a death and burial record for Nathan and Abiah Lamb of Ashford, CT: "Mrs Abiah, wife of Mr. Nathan Lamb died April 24, 1816. age 67... Nathan Lamb who died August the 10th, 1812. Aged 72. (Source: Eno, Joel N. "Connecticut Cemetery Inscriptions: Ashford, Westford Hill Cemetery." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Boston: Historical Genealogical Society. 1915. Vol LXIX. p. 334. Book digitized by Google and available online.)

Lydia PLUMBER and Nathan LAMB had the following children:

- i. Joseph LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Lydia PLUMBER) was born on May 22, 1763 in Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>164-169</sup>. He died on March 25, 1848 in Sheldon, Franklin County, Vermont<sup>92</sup>. He married Clora (Clara) WILLARD on January 22, 1804 in Hartland, Windsor County, Vermont<sup>170-171</sup>. She was born about 1776 in Hartland, Windsor County, Vermont<sup>172-174</sup>. She died on January 05, 1856 in Boston, Summit County, Ohio<sup>175</sup>. He married Dorcas MARCY (daughter of Zebediah MARCY and Priscilla MORRIS) on February 01, 1786 in Randolph, Orange County, Vermont<sup>189</sup>. She died in 1803 in Randolph, Orange County, Vermont<sup>190</sup>.
  - Nathan LAMB (son of Nathan LAMB and Lydia PLUMBER) was born on January 15, 1766 in Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>191-192</sup>. He married Dorothy SHAFTER on January 18, 1787 in Randolph, Orange County, Vermont<sup>193</sup>.

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- 80. Ebenezer LAMB<sup>194</sup> (son of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) was born about 1710 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>195-196</sup>. He married Mary HILL (daughter of Josiah HILL and MARY) on July 26, 1732 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>197</sup>.
- Mary HILL (daughter of Josiah HILL and MARY) was born about 1710 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>198</sup>. She died before 1753 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>199</sup>.

#### Notes for Ebenezer LAMB:

The life of Ebenezer Lamb can be pieced together from what appears in land and vital records of towns in Connecticut and Rhode Island.

Ebenezer appears in the land records of Groton, Connecticut between 1741 and 1771. The following land record provides documentation that Ebenezer was a son of Thomas: "John Lamb and Ebenezer Lamb both of Groton for natural affection and love we bare unto Caleb Lamb our Brother of Groton ... quit claim ... right to tract of land laid out to our Honoured Father Thomas Lamb late of Groton deceased for his second division in the Common land as may appear by a survey 26 Feb 1730/31...Dated 25 Jan 1739/40,,, Signed John X Lamb his marke, Ebenezer Lamb...Wit: Humphrey Avery, Samll Morgan." (Source: Fourth Book of Records #4294 for Groton, New London Co, CT, # 4:182, as published online at the New London County CT Gen Web and downloaded on 2/10/2009)

By 1750, Ebenezer was doing business in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island, as well as in Groton. Westerly is only about 18 miles from Groton, CT. He appears in the following deeded land records:

Cycrus Button of Westerly, laborer, to Ebenezer Lamb of Groton, January 31, 1750. Witnesses: Hannah Deake and John Deake.

Nathan Tanner and Mary his wife to Ebenezer Lamb of Groton, February 27, 1751. Witnesses: Rous Potter and Ebenezer Hill.

Ebenezer Burdick to Ebenezer Lamb of Groton, February 28, 1750/51. Witnesses: Cyrus Button and Ebenezer Hill.

Ebenezer Lamb to Cyrus Button, November 29, 1752. Witnesses: Joseph Reynolds Jr. and Hannah Reynolds.

Ebenezer Lamb of Westerly, Laborer to John Braman Jr. of Westerly, Cordwainer, February 12, 1753. Witnesses: Ebenezer Hill and Daniel McCoon. (Source: Westerly, Rhode Island Deeds. Vol VII. pp. 252, 256, 257, 416, 435. FHL Film # 940224. Downloaded from the internet on 2/9/2009)

The above land records also confirm that Ebenezer Lamb of Westerly and Ebenezer Lamb of Groton are one and the same person.

On May 5, 1752, Ebenezer Lamb of Westerly was admitted as a freeman in the Colony of Rhode Island. (Source: Supplement to the Rhode Island Colonial Records Comprising a List of the Freemen admitted from May, 1747- May, 1754. Providence: Sidney S. Rider. 1875. p. 40. Book digitalized by Google, available as a PDF file, downloaded 2/2009)

Ebenezer Lamb also appears in a deed record of Hopkinton, Rhode Island: "Ebenezer Lamb of Hopkinton, County Washington, State of Rhode Island and Providence Plt, yeoman, for 90 pounds sold to Asa Tanner of Hopkinton bounded by heirs of Amos Lewis, deceased, Daniel Crumb, George Thurston, the whole of the lands the widow Sarah Hill had used. Signed Eben Lamb 3 Oct 179?." (Source: Hopkinton Deeds Vol 4. p. 735. LDS FHL Film # 0931562. Downloaded from the internet on 2/10/2009) Hopkinton is about 9 miles north of Westerly. At one time it was considered part of the town of Westerly.

No other record of Ebenezer Lamb was found in the probate or land records of Hopkinton, RI when searched at the Hopkinton Town Hall in June of 2009. No will of Ebenezer was found in the records of Groton, CT, New London, CT, Westerly, RI or Hopkinton, RI.

## Notes for Mary HILL:

According to her marriage record, found in the Westerly, RI archives, Mary was the daughter of Josiah Hill.

The Will of Josiah Hill of Westerly bequeathed to "son-in-law" Ebenezer Lamb five shillings in money ... and the reason I give him no more is because I have given his wife her portion already." (Source: Council and Probate No. 3 1745-1762, Westerly Book 5X p. 385.)

Mary HILL and Ebenezer LAMB had the following children:

- i. Nathan LAMB (son of Ebenezer LAMB and Mary HILL) was born about 1740 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>184-185</sup>. He married Lydia PLUMBER (daughter of John PLUMMER and Deborah KILLAM) on July 13, 1762 in Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>186-187</sup>. She was born on December 31, 1740 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut<sup>188</sup>.
  - Thomas LAMB (son of Ebenezer LAMB and Mary HILL) was born on December 01, 1735 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>200</sup>.
  - Samuel LAMB (son of Ebenezer LAMB and Mary HILL) was born on December 03, 1748 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>201</sup>.
- 82. **John PLUMMER**<sup>202</sup>. He married **Deborah KILLAM** (daughter of Samuel KILLAM and ELIZABETH) on March 12, 1740 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut<sup>203</sup>.
- 83. **Deborah KILLAM**<sup>204</sup> (daughter of Samuel KILLAM and ELIZABETH) was born on May 30, 1725 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut<sup>205</sup>.

Deborah KILLAM and John PLUMMER had the following child:

 Lydia PLUMBER (daughter of John PLUMMER and Deborah KILLAM) was born on December 31, 1740 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut<sup>188</sup>. She married Nathan LAMB (son of Ebenezer LAMB and Mary HILL) on July 13, 1762 in Hopkinton, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>186-187</sup>. He was born about 1740 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>184-185</sup>.

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- 160. **Thomas LAMB** (son of John LAMB) was born before 1674 in New London, Connecticut<sup>206</sup>. He died about 1740 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>207</sup>. He married **THANKFUL**.
- 161. THANKFUL<sup>208</sup>. She died about March 1748 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>209</sup>.

# Notes for Thomas LAMB:

Thomas Lamb was a pioneer settler of Groton, CT. Groton lies just across the river from New London CT. It was settled by the English who came to the area after John Winthrop, Jr. of Massachusetts Bay founded the Pequot Plantation at the mouth of the Thames in 1646. By 1705, the settlement had grown sufficiently for the inhabitants to incorporate as a separate town. They named their place Groton, in honor of the Winthrop estate in England.

There are a number of references to Thomas Lamb in the early records of Groton, New London County, CT which help to establish family relationships and timelines. These references include:

1:743 my Father Edward Colver of New London deceased did sell a piece of land lying and being in the Town bounds of New London ... about 14 A unto John Lamb of New London Deceased & ye deed for the same being not to be found, Now Know ye by these presents that I John Colver ye Eldest Son of sd Edward Colver Deceased do Confirm unto Thomas Lamb ye Eldest son of ye sd John Lamb of New London Deceased... Acknowledging that my father Edwd. Colver deceased Did receive of ye above mentioned John Lamb full satisfaction for ye same ... John Colver's NW corner of his land where he now lives ... 26 Nov 1694. Signed: John Colver...

1:744 Thomas Lamb of New London, Eldest Son to my Late father John Lamb of New London Deseased do for good & valuable considerations ... assign over unto my Loving Brother Samll. Lamb of New London all my right title a& interest of this deed of sale as it is mentioned on the other side to ye said Samll. Lamb ... 10 Dec 1695. Signed: Thomas Lamb his marke. Ack 10 Dec 1695 and recd 13 Apr 1721.

1:584-585 Thomas Lamb of Groton farmer ... for 20L ... paid by Ezekiel Turner Carpenter ...sold ... my common lot in ye first division ... 3 Jul 1721. Signed Thomas X Lamb his mark

1:659 We whose names are under Written being a Committee to lett the Common according to the voat of ye town Land in Groton 16 Apr 1719 ... have layed out 5 Apr 1722 to Ezekiel Turner for two wood lots which he purchased the one of being originally Thos Lamb of sd Groton ye other it being originally John Lambs son to sd Thos. Lamb ... received 7 Feb 1722/3.

(Source of above records: First Book of Records 1705-1723 Part Three for Groton, New London Co, CT, as published online at the New London County CT Gen Web and downloaded on 2/10/2009)

2:276 Thomas Lamb of Groton natural affection to my son John Lamb ... part of the farm whereon I now dwell... Dated 27 Jun 1726 Signed Thomas X Lamb his mark.

2:544 Thomas Lambe of Groton for 5L by Humphrey Avery of Groton ... land called the Indian land at Mashuntucksitt in Groton ... Dated 1 Mar 1731...Signed Thomas X Lambe his mark.

4:113 We the subscribers Committee ... in Groton ... second division in sd undivided land have laid out to John Lamb of sd Groton five second divisions in sd undivided land ... laid out to the estate or heirs of Liuet. William Gallup Decd ... north with sd John Lambs own land ... Samuel Morgans Land ... to Thomas Lamb's land ... Daniel Morgan's land...Entered for Record 13 Feb 1737/8.

4:182 John Lamb and Ebenezer Lamb both of Groton for natural affection and love we bare unto Caleb Lamb our Brother of Groton ... quit claim ... right to tract of land laid out to our Honoured Father Thomas Lamb late of Groton deceased for his second division in the Common land as may appear by a survey 26 Feb 1730/31...Dated 25 Jan 1739/40,,, Signed John X Lamb his marke, Ebenezer Lamb...Wit: Humphrey Avery, Samll Morgan.

(Source of above records: Second and Fourth Book of Records #4294 for Groton, New London Co, CT, as published online at the New London County CT Gen Web and downloaded on 2/10/2009)

Another record was found at the Town Hall in Groton, CT in June, 2009: "Laid out for Thomas Lamb the tenth day of December, 1710, seventy acres of land, fifty of it is that which the town promised him for his work about the meeting house and twenty acres which were granted to his father... entered to be recorded January 2, 1711." (Source: Groton Land Records Vol 1, pg 89)

Also living in Groton at the same time, but apparently unrelated, was Isaac Lamb, his wife

Elizabeth, and sons Jacob and Daniel. There is no indication that Isaac was a son of John or a sibling of Thomas, John and Samuel. There are a number of references to Isaac Lamb and his sons in the land records of Groton, CT.

THANKFUL and Thomas LAMB had the following children:

i. John LAMB (son of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) was born before 1700 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>210-211</sup>. He died after 1755<sup>212</sup>.

Notes for John LAMB: John Lamb is mentioned as owning land in Groton, CT, as early as 1721:

1: 759 -760 John Lamb of Groton Husbandman ... for 2L ... paid by Ezekieal Turner ... all common or undevided land by estimation 20 A ... 9 Mar 1721/2. Signed: John X Lamb his mark.

2:276 Thomas Lamb of Groton natural affection to my son John Lamb ... part of the farm whereon I now dwell... Dated 27 Jun 1726 Signed Thomas X Lamb his mark.

4:19 Samuel Morgan of Groton for 50L in bills of credit from John Lamb of Groton ... corner of Mr. Mumford ... Deacon Morgan's land ... survey dated 17 Apr 1729 ...Dated 4 Jun 1736 ...recd 9 Jun 1736 ...Signed Samuel Morgan ... wit: Elijah Morgan, Abijah Morgan.

4:212 John Lambe of Groton for 115L ... of Jedidiah Baley of Groton ... 5&3/4A ... Dated 20 Jan 1755...Signed John Lamb X his mark.

(Source of above records: First, Second and Fourth Book of Records for Groton, New London Co, CT, as published online at the New London County CT Gen Web and downloaded on 2/10/2009)

- 80. ii. Ebenezer LAMB<sup>194</sup> (son of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) was born about 1710 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>195-196</sup>. He married Mary HILL (daughter of Josiah HILL and MARY) on July 26, 1732 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>197</sup>. She was born about 1710 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>198</sup>. She died before 1753 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>199</sup>. He married Sarah LARKIN on April 27, 1753 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>213</sup>.
  - iii. Caleb LAMB (son of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) was born in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>214-215</sup>.
  - iv. Samuel LAMB (son of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) was born in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>216</sup>.
  - v. Martha LAMB (daughter of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) was born in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>217</sup>. She married Unknown LEWIS.
  - vi. Mary LAMB (daughter of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) was born in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>218</sup>. She married Unknown COLLVER.
- 162. Josiah HILL (son of Samuel HILL and MARTHA) was born on January 01, 1682 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>219</sup>. He died on January 27, 1754 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>220</sup>. He married MARY.

## 163. MARY.

#### Notes for Josiah HILL:

Josiah Hill was a landowner in Westerly, Rhode Island in the first half of the eighteenth century. Westerly, incorporated on May 13, 1669, is located on the south shore of Washington County. This was the fifth town to be established in the New England colony of Rhode Island.

According to proceedings of the General Assembly held for the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence plantation at Newport, Josiah Hill of Westerly, RI was admitted as a freeman on April 30, 1723. (Source: Bartlett, John Russell, Ed. Records of the Colony of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations in New Enland. Vol IV 1707-1740. Providence, RI: Knowles, Anthony and Co, State Printers, 1859. p. 326. Book digitalized by Google and made available as a PDF file, downloaded on 3/2009)

The name of Josiah Hill appears numerous times between 1721and 1743 in the land records of Westerly, RI. Some of these records also mention Josiah's sons by name: Josiah Hill, Jr., John Hill, and Samuel Hill. Other men and women with the Hill surname mentioned in these early records include John, Elizabeth, Hannah, James, Caleb, Ebenezer, Sarah. (Source: Westerly, Rhode Island Deeds. Vols 4-9. Information obtained from the Washington Co. RI U.S. GenWeb website on 3/11/2009.)

Josiah and Mary had 5 children: Mary, Samuel, Josiah, John and Ebenezer. (Source: Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by the Society, 1904. p. 163.)

The Last Will and Testament of Josiah Hill of the Town of Westerly, RI, dated December 25, 1753, lists wife Mary, and sons Samuel, Josiah, Ebenezer and John. It also mentions son-in-law Ebenezer Lamb. (Source: Council and Probate Vo. #3 1745-1762 Westerly Book 5X, p. 385) An inventory of Josiah's possessions in also given: "A true inventory of the estate of Josiah Hill, late of Westerly... presented to us on the 13th day of February 1754. The value of the estate was listed as 970 pounds. (Source: Council and Probate Vo. #3 1745-1762 Westerly Book 5X, p. 387)

Genealogists have made a good case for linking Josiah Hill of Westerly, RI to Samuel and John Hill of Dorchester, MA. Although there does not appear to be any clear documentation linking this Josiah to the Hill families of Dorchester, there are common names and the timeline fits. In the New England Historical and Genealogical Register of 1904, there is an article on "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass., and His Descendants." According to this report, Josiah Hill was born on January 1, 1681-2, the son of Samuel Hill. He was the grandson of John Hill, who is first mentioned in the records of Dorchester, Massachusetts in 1633. The article states that Josiah "appears no further in Dorchester records [...] and that he was probably the Josiah Hill of Westerly, RI who died there January 27, 1754." It is noted that Josiah's brother John also disappears from Dorchester records and is likely the John Hill of Westerly, RI. Under John Hill, the author comments that "about 1700, several Dorchester families removed to the vicinity of Stonington, Conn." (Stonington is about 10 miles from Westerly, RI.) According to this article, Josiah and Mary Hill had the following children: Mary, Samuel, Josiah, John, and Ebenezer. Mary Hill is listed as the wife of Ebenezer Lamb. (All of these children appear in the Westerly RI records, either in the vital records or in the deeded land records.) (Source: Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by

the Society, 1904. p. 157-163)

MARY and Josiah HILL had the following children:

- 81. i. Mary HILL (daughter of Josiah HILL and MARY) was born about 1710 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>198</sup>. She died before 1753 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>199</sup>. She married Ebenezer LAMB (son of Thomas LAMB and THANKFUL) on July 26, 1732 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>197</sup>. He was born about 1710 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>195-196</sup>.
  - Samuel HILL (son of Josiah HILL and MARY) was born on December 11, 1712 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>221</sup>.
  - iii. Josiah HILL (son of Josiah HILL and MARY) was born on October 28, 1714 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>221</sup>. He died on January 05, 1754 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>222</sup>.
  - iv. John HILL (son of Josiah HILL and MARY) was born on November 10, 1717 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>221</sup>.
  - v. Ebenezer HILL (son of Josiah HILL and MARY) was born on April 08, 1719 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>221</sup>.
- 166. Samuel KILLAM<sup>223</sup>. He married ELIZABETH.

# 167. **ELIZABETH**<sup>224</sup>.

ELIZABETH and Samuel KILLAM had the following child:

 Deborah KILLAM<sup>204</sup> (daughter of Samuel KILLAM and ELIZABETH) was born on May 30, 1725 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut<sup>205</sup>. She married John PLUMMER on March 12, 1740 in Preston City, New London Co. Connecticut<sup>203</sup>.

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320. John LAMB was born before 1648<sup>225</sup>. He died before 1694 in New London, Connecticut.

John LAMB had the following children:

- 160. i. Thomas LAMB (son of John LAMB) was born before 1674 in New London, Connecticut<sup>206</sup>. He died about 1740 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>207</sup>. He married THANKFUL. She died about March 1748 in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>209</sup>.
  - ii. Samuel LAMB (son of John LAMB) was born in Groton, New London County, Connecticut<sup>226</sup>.
- 324. Samuel HILL (son of John HILL and FRANCES) was born in 1640 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>227</sup>. He died on January 12, 1709 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>228</sup>. He married MARTHA about 1667 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>229</sup>.

# 325. MARTHA<sup>230</sup>.

Notes for Samuel HILL: Samuel and Martha's children included: Martha, John, Thankful, Mary, Samuel, Israel, Josiah, George (perhaps) and Thomas. Samuel "appears to have been in poor circumstances most of his life, as there are several records of assistance given him by the town." Although his primary residence was Dorchester, according to Suffolk Co. Deeds, Samuel lived for a couple of years on Spectacle Island in Boston harbor. He died without a will. His estate was handled by Suffolk County probate and his son-in-law Charles Redman was appointed administrator in 1717. (Source: Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by the Society, 1904. p. 160)

MARTHA and Samuel HILL had the following child:

 Josiah HILL (son of Samuel HILL and MARTHA) was born on January 01, 1682 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>219</sup>. He died on January 27, 1754 in Westerly, Washington County, Rhode Island<sup>220</sup>. He married MARY.

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- 648. John HILL. He died on March 31, 1664 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>231</sup>. He married **FRANCES**.
- 649. **FRANCES**. She died on November 18, 1676 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>232</sup>.

# Notes for John HILL:

John Hill first appears in the records of Dorchester, MA as a property owner in 1633. His will, probated on April 30, 1664, mentions his wife Frances, sons John and Samuel, and daughter Mary. At his wife's death, the estate was to be divided to the 'nine youngest children' or so many as may survive''' Other children listed for John and his wife Frances (apparently from other records) include: Hannah, Mercy, Ebenezer, Martha, Mehitabel, Mary, Ruth, Rebecca. (Source: Charles Henry Pope, The Pioneers of Massachusetts. Boston, Mass: Published by Charles H. Pope, 1900, p. 229-230.)

It is presumed that John was born in England, but his English ancestry has not been firmly established. In addition to the property mentioned in 1633, records show that John Hill was granted land in Dorchester on February 18, 1636; January 2, 1638; and again on March 18, 1638. John died on May 31, 1664. His will, made 11 April 1660, is found in the Suffolk Co. Probate records. It mentions "eldest son John Hill, son Samuel, who had been helpful to him in his infirm days, daughter Mary who had received her portion, and friends Thomas Tilestone and John Minot. The bulk of his estate was left to wife Frances 'for her maintenance and for the bringing up of my children'; at her death the property was to be divided among the nine youngest children, or such of them as survive. Inventory mentions horses, cattle, swine, crops, and 'husbandry tools'; value of estate 287 pounds." John and Frances had thirteen children: John, Frances, Rebecca, Mary, Samuel, Jonathan, Hannah, Mercy, Ruth, Ebenezer, Israel, Martha and Mehitable. (Source: Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by the Society, 1904. p. 157-158.)

FRANCES and John HILL had the following child:

 Samuel HILL (son of John HILL and FRANCES) was born in 1640 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>227</sup>. He died on January 12, 1709 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>228</sup>. He married MARTHA about 1667 in Dorchester, Boston, Massachusetts<sup>229</sup>.

# Sources

1 Family Notes, Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son.

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- 2 Family Notes, Theodore Thomas McNelley died of a heart attack. Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son.
- 3 Obituary Notice, Journal Gazette of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, published on Sunday, May 19, 1963. The obituary stated that Theodore T. McNelley died on Friday, May 17. It states that he was a native of Chicago, but had resided in Fort Wayne most of his life. His occupation was listed as manager of product quality control at International Harvester Co. He was a member of Trinity English Lutheran Chruch and Maumee Lodge 725 F. and A.M. Survivors include his wife, Norma, a son Terry R., a daughter Suzanne M. and a sister, Mrs Alta A Hutchinson.
- 4 Death Certificate, recorded by the County Department of Public Health, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Cause of death listed as coronary occlusion.
- 5 Marriage Record, Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son. Date of birth also listed on Norma's application for a marriage license.
- 6 Family Notes, Norma Johnston McNelley died of a heart attack. Information provided by Terry R. McNelley, son.
- 7 Obituary Notice, Journal Gazette of Ft. Wayne, IN, pub. on May 27, 1981. The obituary states that Norma K. McNelley died on Sunday, May 24. Her occupation was listed as an employee of the Fort Wayne Community Schools Adult Education office and a former teacher. It notes that she was born in Indianapolis. Surviving are a son, Terry R. of Monterey, CA, a daughter, Suzanne Johnson of Tempe, AZ and two brothers, Gerald Johnston of Fort Wayne and Edward W. Johnston of Tustin, CA.
- 8 Death Certificate, recorded by the County Department of Public Health, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Cause of death listed as massive myocardial infarction.
- 9 Listed in the 1900 U.S. census for Chicago, IL in the household of Thomas and Sarah McNelley. Oscar is listed as age 18. Date of birth given as December, 1882. Place of birth is Ohio. On the death certificate for Oscar J. McNelley, date of birth is given as April 12, 1882. Place of birth on the death certificate is given as Chicago, IL. (Informant on death certificate is son, Theodore Thomas McNelley.)
- 10 Death Certificate, lists date of birth as April 12, 1882. Place of birth listed as Chicago, IL. This contradicts the U.S. census data for 1900. Parents are listed as Thomas L. McNelley and "unknown" Lamb.
- 11 Birth Record, On the birth certificate for Theodore Thomas McNelley, Oscar J. McNelley, informant, states that he (Oscar) was born in Canton, Ohio. Oscar gives his age as 29 at the time of his son's birth.
- 12 Death Certificate, issued by the State of Illinois. Lists date and place of death and burial in Greenlawn Cemetery, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.
- 13 Obituary Notice, Published in the Journal Gazette of Ft. Wayne Indiana on March 10, 1953. States that Oscar J. McNelley died on Monday, March 9, 1953 in Elgin, IL.
- 14 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1910 for Chicago, Illinois. Oscar and Louise are stated to have been married for one year.
- 15 Death Certificate, gives date and place of birth for Louise. Parents are listed as Edward Mikelsen and Emily Holmes. Month and year of birth are also listed on the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago.
- 16 Birth Record, Birth certificate for Louise Mikkelsen, born to Theodore and Emily (Holmes) Mikkelsen on July 5, 1882 in Chicago, Cook County, IL. Both parents are listed as born in Denmark. Theodore's age is given as 31; Emily's age is listed as 26. Theodore's occupation is listed as taylor. Birth certificate obtained from the Collection of Cook County IL Birth Certificates 1878-1922, available online at Family Search Record Search and downloaded on February 24, 2009.
- 17 Death Certificate, issued by the State of Illinois. Lists date and place of death and burial in Greenlawn Cemetery, Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Parents are listed as Edward Mikkelsen and Emily Holmes. Father's name is an error. Louise's father was Theodore Mikkelsen.
- 18 Obituary Notice, Journal Gazette of Fort Wayne, IN, published on June 1, 1953. The obituary states that Louise Marie McNelley died on Saturday, May 30 at the home of her daughter Mrs. R. W. Hutchinson in Arlington Heights, IL. Also surviving are a son Theodore T of Fort Wayne, a sister, Mrs Elsie Fiedler of Chicago, a brother Oliver Mikkelson of Chicago and four grandchildren. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and the Trinity English Lutheran Church.
- 19 Social Security Death Index, Date of birth also provided by son Robert.
- 20 Birth Record, obtained from the Collection of Cook County Birth Certificates 1878-1922, available online at Family Search Record Search and downloaded 2/2009. Record of Alta Adele McNelley lists parents as Oscar James and Louise Marie (Mikkelsen) McNelley. She was born on June 25, 1913 in Chicago, Cook County, IL. Alta's father is listed as born in Canton, Ohio. Her mother is listed as born in Chicago, IL.
- 21 Social Security Death Index, Date of birth and death come from the Social Security Death Index. Confirmed by son Robert.

- 22 Family Notes, Date of marriage provided by nephew, Terry R. McNelley. Alta and Robert were married before Terry's parents, who married in 1939.
- 23 Family Notes, Date of birth supplied by Bob Hutchinson, son.
- 24 Family Notes, Month and year of death supplied by Bob Hutchinson, son. Place of death supplied by Terry R. McNelley, nephew.
- 25 Census Record, The 1860 U.S. Census for the Fifth Ward of Cuyahoga Co. Ohio lists Thomas L. as age 5 and living with his parents. The 1900 U.S. Census for Chicago, IL gives Thomas' age as 44, date of birth as July, 1855 and place of birth as Ohio. The 1920 U.S. Census for Chicago, IL lists Thomas L. McNelley (age 64), Sarah A. (age 64) and Lula (age 26). Thomas' place of birth is listed as Ohio.
- 26 Death Certificate, gives date of birth for Thomas Lawrence McNelley as July 13, 1855. Place of birth: Ohio.
- 27 Death Certificate, issued by the State of Illinois. Wife's name listed as Sarah A. McNelley. Date of birth listed as July 13, 1855. Place of birth listed as Ohio. Place of death is listed as Chicago.
- 28 Cemetery Record, Rosehill Cemetery, Chicago, Cook County, IL. Thomas Lawrence McNelley is buried in Rosehill Cemetery next to his wife and two daughters. His and his wife's graves are unmarked, but recorded in the plat record for the cemetery. The children's graves are marked with tombstones.
- 29 Marriage Record, Marriage date and location given on Marriage Record, Cuyahoga County, Ohio.
- 30 Death Certificate, lists date and place of birth for Sarah Amelia.
- 31 Death Certificate, gives date of death and place of burial. Sarah's grave is unmarked, but recorded in the plat record for Rosehill Cemetery in Chicago. She and Thomas are buried near their two girls, who died in 1896 and 1897. The children's graves are marked with tombstones.
- 32 Bible, A record of Clara Isabelle's birth and death was discovered in the family bible of her parents Thomas L and Sarah A. McNelley. Her name is given as Clara Isabelle McNelley. On her birth record it states that she weighed 8 pounds. On the death record, it states that she died on June 20, 1886 at 10:30 AM in Trigo, Kansas, after being sick for four months with whooping cough. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 33 Bible, A record of Clara Isabelle's birth and death was discovered in the family bible of her parents Thomas L and Sarah A. McNelley. Her name is given as Clara Isabelle McNelley. On her birth record it states that she weighed 8 pounds. On the death record, it states that she died on June 20, 1886 at 10:30 AM in Trigo, Kansas, after being sick for four months with whooping cough. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 34 Birth Record, Birth certificate obtained from the Collection of Cook County, IL Birth Certificates 1878-1922, available online at Family Search Record Search and downloaded 2/2009. Birth of Emma Laura McNelley, child of Sarah A. Lamb and Thomas Laurence McNelley, recorded in Cook County, IL. Both parents are listed as born in Ohio. Mother's age given as 33; father's age given as 34. Emma is listed as the third child of Thomas and Sarah.
- 35 Bible, A record of Emma Laura's death was discovered in the family bible of her parents Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley. Date of death is recorded as Thursday, May 7, 1896 at 4 AM in Chicago. The record states that Emma Laura died of "paralysis of the heart as a result of diphtheria." She had been sick for 4 weeks. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 36 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illnois. Lists Lulu in the household of Thomas McNelley. Her age is listed as 7, date of birth given as July 1893, and place of birth as Illinois. The 1920 U.S. Census for Chicago, IL again lists Lula (age 26) in the household of Thomas and Sarah McNelley. Her place of birth in this census is listed as Ohio.
- 37 Birth Record, Birth certificate available online at Family Search Record Search and downloaded on 2/23/2009. Birth certificate for female infant born to Sarah A (Lamb) and Thomas L McNalley registered in Cook County, Illinois. Family lived on 390 Fullerton Ave at the time. Both parents listed as age 37 and born in Ohio.
- 38 Family Notes, Date of death, as well as married name was given in a memorial record for Lou M Jeffrey, in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo. According to this record, the service was held at Drake and Son Funeral Home in Chicago. Internment was at Glen Oak Cemetery in Chicago. Place of death is given as Orlando, Florida. "Aunt Lou" had moved to Florida after retirement. She wrote to the family from Orlando, Florida in 1971. At that time she was in ill health and confined to a wheelchair.

- 39 Bible, A record of Mary Ellen's birth was discovered in the family bible of her parents Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley. Her name is given as Mary Ellen McNelley. Date of birth is recorded as July 10, 1894. The record does not list place of birth. It is presumed to be Chicago, as that is where the family was living, according to census records. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 40 Cemetery Record, Rosehill Cemetery in Chicago, IL. Mary was three years old when she died, according to cemetery records. Her stone tombstone names Mary E. as the daughter of T.L. and S. A. McNelley and lists dates of 1894 - 1897. Mary's tombstone is right next to her sister Emma's. Her parents are buried here in unmarked graves.
- 41 Bible, A record of Mary Ellen's death was discovered in the family bible of her parents Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley. Her name is given as Mary Ellen McNelley. Date of death is recorded as June 26, 1897, 8 AM. The record states that Mary Ellen had been sick for 9 weeks with bronchitis and complications. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 42 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Lists Thomas, age 2, in the household of Thomas and Sarah McNelley. His date of birth is listed as December, 1897 and place of birth as Illinois. Registration for World War I Draft (1917-1918) for Thomas Lawrence McNelley lists residence as Chicago, age as 20, date of birth as December 8, 1897 and wife's name as Blanche.
- 43 Bible, A record of the birth of Thomas Lawrence McNelley was discovered in the family bible of his parents Thomas Lawrence and Sarah Amelia (Lamb) McNelley. His name is given as Thomas Laurence. He was born on Wednesday, December 8, 1897 at 2 in the morning and weighed 9 pounds. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 44 Family Notes, On March 14, 2008, Thomas' granddaughter Sharon Angelo wrote that her grandfather died suddenly of a heart attack at the age of 60.
- 45 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1930 for Chicago, Cook Co, IL. Blanche is listed as age 32 and born in Illinois. According to the census, Blanche's father was born in Bohemia.
- 46 Death Record, "Illinois Deaths and Stillbirths, 1916-1947. Downloaded from FamilySearch.org on June 2, 2014. Lists Blanche's parents and spouse, as well as dates and places of birth and death.
- 47 Death Record, "Illinois Deaths and Stillbirths, 1916-1947. Downloaded from FamilySearch.org on June 2, 2014. Lists Blanche's parents and spouse, as well as dates and places of birth and death.
- 48 Death Record, Birth date of May, 1850 and place of birth as Denmark are given on U.S. Census for 1900, Chicago, IL Death certificate states that Theodor was 56 years old at the time of his death. This information supports the census data.
- 49 Family Notes, It is assumed that Theodore was born in Hjerpstedt, Denmark as this is listed as the place of birth for Theodore's brother, Ernest, on the latter's death certificate.
- 50 Birth Record, Collection of Cook County, IL Birth Certificates 1878-1922, available online at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on 2/2009. Birth certificate for a child born to Emily Holmes and Theodore Mikkelsen on June 14, 1886 lists father as age 36.
- 51 Death Record, Illinois, Deaths and Stillbirths Index, 1916-1947 for Theodore's son Harry Antonius Mikkelsen. His parents are listed as Theodore Mikkelsen of "Jerpstad" Denmark and Emily Holmes of "Fredritcia" Denmark.
- 52 Death Certificate, States that Theodore was 56 years old and had lived in Chicago for 37 years. His last address was 1926 Humboldt Blvd. in Chicago. Cause of death: cerebral apoplexy. Death certificate lists Theodore's place of birth as Denmark. Father and mother's birthplace also listed as Denmark. Date of birth, name of wife and parents is not given. Theodore Mikkelsen was buried at the Mt. Olive Cemetery in Chicago.
- 53 Marriage Record, Online Illinois Statewide Marriage Index, 1763-1900. Groom and bride are listed as Theodore Mikkelsen and Emelie Wilhelmina Holm. Date of marriage October 15, 1879. License # 00042755. The marriage took place in the Danish Lutheran Church of Chicago.
- 54 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Month, year and place of birth (Denmark) is listed on this census.
- 55 Miscellaneous Document, McComb & Sons (Ft Wayne Indiana) Funeral Home Records, 1926 1950. Downloaded on August 29, 2008 from www.friendsofallencounty.org. Gives date and place of birth for Emily H Mickelsen as September 29, 1856 in Fredericks, Denmark.
- 56 Birth Record, located on opslag 158 in Birth Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Emilie Wilhemine Holm was born on September 29, 1856. Parents listed as Antonius Holm and Anne Margrethe (Frandsen) Holm.

- 57 Miscellaneous Document, McComb & Sons (Ft Wayne Indiana) Funeral Home Records, 1926 1950. Downloaded on August 29, 2008 from www.friendsofallencounty.org. Gives date of death as December 12, 1945.
- 58 Obituary Notice, In an obituary record found in the McNelley records of great grandson Terry McNelley, it states that Emily Mikkelsen died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Oscar J. McNelley, at 2001 Bayer Ave. [Ft. Wayne, IN], with whom she had made her home 23 years. The obit does not list the date of death, just that she died on Wednesday at 3:15 PM. The date and name of publication is unknown. States that funeral services will be held at the D.O. McComb and Sons' Funeral Home. (The funeral home records supplied the date of death.).
- 59 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook Co. IL. Adele's date of birth (month and year) and place of birth listed on this census.
- 60 Death Record, Cook County, IL Deaths Index, 1878-1922.
- 61 Death Record, Cook County, IL Deaths Index, 1878-1922.
- 62 Census Record, U.S. Census for 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Lists Oliver's month, year and place of birth.
- 63 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Harry's date and place of birth is listed as June, 1887, Illinois.
- 64 Birth Record, from the Collection of Cook County, IL Birth Certificates 1876-1922, available online at FamilySearch.org and downloaded in 2/2009. There is a birth record for a male "Mikkelsen" born on June 14, 1886 to Emily (Holmes) and Theodore Mikkelsen, tailor, in Chicago, IL. This is the birth record for Harry. Both parents listed as born in Denmark. Father is age 36; mother is listed as age 30.
- 65 Death Record, Illinois, Deaths and Stillbirths Index, 1916-1947 gives dates of birth (June 14, 1886) and death (December 30, 1936) for Harry Antonius Mikkelsen. He was buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Chicago on Jan 2, 1937. His parents are listed as Theodore Mikkelsen of "Jerpstad" Denmark and Emily Holmes of "Fredritcia" Denmark.
- 66 Death Record, Illinois, Deaths and Stillbirths Index, 1916-1947 gives dates of birth (June 14, 1886) and death (December 30, 1936) for Harry Antonius Mikkelsen. He was buried at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Chicago on Jan 2, 1937. His parents are listed as Theodore Mikkelsen of "Jerpstad" Denmark and Emily Holmes of "Fredritcia" Denmark.
- 67 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Lists Elsie's month, year, and place of birth.
- 68 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1860 for the Fifth Ward, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Thomas' age is listed as 40 and place of birth as Canada. (The middle initial of "T" is not found in the census record; it comes from Thomas' marriage record.).
- 69 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1860 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga Co, OH. No further record of Thomas McNelley found in the census records or city directories of Cleveland after 1860.
- 70 Courthouse Records, Cuyahoga Probate Court; Probate Record, Docket E, Case # 645, dated 1870, DVD ID 011-07, Shelf ID 0129, 1st image 010, received on 3/5/2010). Cuyahoga County Probate Record, dated February 3, 1870, providing a guardian for Sarah I McNelley, a 12 year old minor. She is listed as a child of "Thomas McNelley, deceased, late of Cleveland.".
- 71 Bible, A record of Thomas' death was discovered in the family bible of his son Thomas Lawrence McNelley. His name is given as Thomas T. McNelley. Date of death is listed as January 3, 1869. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 72 Marriage Record, Cuyahoga County, Ohio archives (Vol 0005, pg 0339, record 4) Record available online through the Probate Court of Cuyahoga County, Ohio: Historical Marriage License Index 1810- April 1998. Marriage record names Thomas T. McNalley and Mary S. Miller, married on April 16, 1853 by Erastus Smith, Justice of the Peace. No witnesses are named. No other information is provided.
- 73 Marriage Record, The record (digital image) is found online in the collection of "Ohio County Marriages 1790-1950," at FamilySearch.org. Image downloaded on July 22, 2011. Thomas's surname on the record is spelled McNalley.
- 74 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1860 for the Fifth Ward, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Sarah is listed as the wife of Thomas McNelley. Her age is listed as 33. Place of birth is given as Pennsylvania.

- 75 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1860 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Sarah is listed with her husband and children. By 1870, Sarah's 12 year old daughter Sarah Isabel is living with a guardian and her 15 year old son Thomas is living with the John Perew family in Ashtabula, OH. Sarah's husband Thomas is listed as deceased in the February 3, 1870 probate record appointing a guardian for 12 year old Sarah. No mention is made of Sarah's mother. The probate record lists Sarah I. as a "minor and heir at law" of Thomas, suggesting that Sarah's mother is also deceased by this time.
- 76 Bible, A record of Sarah's death was discovered in the family bible of her son Thomas Lawrence McNelley. Her name is given as Sarah D. McNelley. Date of death is listed as September, 1866. The name on the front of the bible is "Mary McNelley." As of 2010, the bible was in the possession of Thomas' great granddaughter Sharon McNelley Angelo.
- 77 Death Record, Ohio Deaths and Burials, 1854-1997, available at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on February 12, 2012. According to this record, a Sarah McNelly died in Cleveland and was buried on September 15, 1866. Her age is listed as 40, meaning that she was born in 1826. Although the surname is mis-spelled, this corresponds to the date of death listed in the family bible and to Sarah's age as listed in the U.S. census of 1860. Although it cannot be proven, this is probably the death record of Mary Sarah (Miller) McNelley. Cause of death is listed as consumption.
- 78 Miscellaneous Document, "Sarah McNelly" is found on the Register of Internments for Woodlawn Cemetery in Cleveland, OH. (Prepared by the City of Cleveland, OH; Department of Parks and Public Property, Division of Cemeteries). She is listed as having died of consumption on September 15, 1866. Sarah is listed as white, 40 years old, and living on Pittsburgh Street. She is buried in Section 29, Lot # 17, Grave #2.
- 79 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1860 for Cleveland Ward 5, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Listed in the household of Thomas McNelley, Age and place of birth given.
- 80 Death Certificate, Lists date of birth as Aug 17, 1853 for Mary McNelly Karr. Place of birth is Cleveland, Ohio. Parents are listed as Thos McNelly and Sarah Miller. Place of birth for parents is given as unknown.
- 81 Death Certificate.
- 82 Cemetery Record, Riverside Cemetery, Berlin Heights, Erie County, OH. Find A Grave website, accessed through Ancestry.com in Jan 2015.
- 83 Census Record, In the U.S. Census of 1910, it is recorded that Madison Karr and his wife Mary E. have been married for 28 years.
- 84 Marriage Record, Ohio County Marriages 1774-1993. Accessed on Ancestry.com on September 22, 2017. The groom is listed as Madison Karr. The bride's name is recorded as "Mary McMillen.".
- 85 Death certificate for Ohio provides date and place of birth. Mary E. Karr is listed as Madison's wife.
- 86 Death Certificate, Issued by the State of Ohio.
- 87 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1860 for Cleveland Ward 5, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Listed in the household of Thomas McNelley, Age is 2 or 3. (Difficult to read.) Birthplace: Ohio.
- 88 Death Record, Date of birth of December 27, 1858 is listed on the death record of Sarah McNelley Rice. Place of birth is given as Cleveland, Ohio.
- 89 Death Certificate, Lists parents of Sarah McNelley Rice as Thos. McNelley and Mary Miller. Both parents are listed as born in Scotland. Sarah's mother has been listed as Sarah, Mary, and Mary S Miller in various documents and she was from Pennsylvania. Thomas McNelley was born in Canada. It is believed that Thomas' father was from Scotland. Sarah died of a cerebral hemorrhage at the age of 63 years and eleven months.
- 90 Bible, No official marriage record has been found. This date is found in the Marriages section of the McNelley family bible, in the possession of Sharon McNelley Angelo in 2007. The date is supported by an article published in the Cleveland Leader newspaper on June 5, 1904 announcing the celebration of the couple's 25th wedding anniversary.
- 91 Death Record, According to his death record, Byron was married to Florence. Byron lived some 23 years beyond the death of Sarah Isabella McNelley. This suggests that he had re-married after the death of Sarah.
- 92 Death Record, Date of death and location found in the undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 93 Letter, A second reference to Nathan's date and place of birth is found in an undated letter from Nathan's youngest daughter, Sarah Amelia Lamb (written sometime before her death in 1932.) Sarah confirms information found in the Nathan Lamb Family Record. Letter in the possession of Terry R. McNelley.
- 94 Cemetery Record, Lot 85. Fairview Cemetery; Boston Twp. Summit County, OH; Avail online at www.acorn.net. Downloaded 2/2008.

- 95 Family Notes, Marriage date and location found in the undated, hand-written, and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015. The record notes that it was on a Monday at 4:00 P.M.
- 96 Cemetery Record, Lot 85. Fairview Cemetery; Boston Twp. Summit County, OH; Avail online at www.acorn.net. Downloaded 2/2008.
- 97 Family Notes, The date of Sarah's death is noted in an undated, hand-written, and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 98 Family Notes, Information on Alden's birth and death found in hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record (undated), in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015. Name listed as Allen in the 1850 U.S. Census.
- 99 Family Notes, Undated, hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015, notes that Allen died on the battlefield.
- 100 Family Notes, Date of birth and death found in hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record (undated), in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 101 Family Notes, Clora's birth and death noted in hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record (undated), in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 102 Family Notes, Notes on Clora's death found in undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015. Record states that she died of "complicated consumption.".
- 103 Family Notes, Notes on Clora's marriage found in undated, hand-written, and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 104 Family Notes, Named as Clora Lamb's spouse in the undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 105 Family Notes, Andrew's birth noted in hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record (undated), now in the possession of Terry McNelley.
- 106 Death Record, This death certificate was downloaded from "Ohio Deaths 1906-1953", scanned by the Family Search Labs, a project linked to the Online Ohio Death Records and Indexes website. Certificate of death gives Andrew's date of birth (which closely matches the date of birth listed in the undated, handwritten and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record; August 28, instead of August 27), date and place of death. It notes that he was born in Vermont and that his parents were Nathan and Sarah Lamb of Vermont. Andrew was 87 years old and a widower at the time of his death. It also states that his wife was "Mary Lamb". Perhaps it was a second wife? His occupation was listed as carpenter.
- 107 Family Notes, Notes on Andrew Joseph Lamb's marriage found in the undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 108 Family Notes, Nathan Jr.'s birth is noted in undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 109 Family Notes, Orris Pier's birth is noted in hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record (undated), in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 110 Family Notes, Notes on marriage of Orris Pier Lamb found in old, undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015. Record states, "Orris Pier Lamb of Columbiana, Columbiana Co. Ohio was married to Anna Maria Schneider at the residence of her father, merchant at Loyal Oak in Norton Township, Summit County, Ohiio by her uncle, Rev Clewel on Tuesday evening, 8 o'clock May 11, 1875.
- 111 Research Report, DAR Application. Date of birth listed in the application of Florence Lamb Paterson for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution as a descendant of Joseph Lamb. Florence was a daughter of Orris and Anna Lamb.
- 112 Family Notes, David's birth and death noted in hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record (undated), now in the possession of Terry McNelley.
- 113 Family Notes, Notes on David's birth and death are found in the hand-written Nathan Lamb Family Record (undated), in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015. Noted that child died at 15 minutes before one o'clock, aged 5 years, 9 months and 3 days of congestion of the lungs.
- 114 Cemetery Record, David Crampton Lamb is buried in the Lamb Family plot (Lot 85) at the Fairview Cemetery, Boston Twp, Summit County, Ohio.
- 115 Family Notes, Mary Eliza's birth noted in undated, hand-written, hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 116 Family Notes, Notes on Mary Eliza's marriage found in old, undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.

- 117 Family Notes, Willard Amos' birth noted in the undated, hand-written, and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 118 Death Certificate, Niels Mikkelsen and Adele (surname unknown) are listed as the parents of Ernst (Ernest) Mikkelsen on Ernest's death certificate in 1939. Ernest and Theodore were brothers who immigrated from Denmark together and married the Holmes sisters.
- 119 Death Certificate, Name of parents and birthplace listed on son Ernst's death certificate.
- 120 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. The date of birth for Ernst Mikkelsen is given as December 1858 (death certificate states 1857) and lists his age as 41. His birthplace, along with the birthplace of his parents, is given as Denmark.
- 121 Death Record, Ernst's death certificate lists date of birth as December 29, 1857. Place of birth is given as Jerpstedt (current spelling: Hjerpsted), Denmark. Parents are listed as Niels Mikkelsen and Adele (last name unknown).
- 122 Death Record, online Death Index for Cook County, IL. Ernst is buried in Acacia Park Cemetery, Norwood Park, Cook Co, IL.
- 123 Marriage Record, Online Illinois Statewide Marriage Index, 1763-1900. Bride and groom are listed as Emma Holmes and Ernst Mikkelsen. License # 00072336. Also, Ernst and Emma Mikkelsen reported that they had been married for 17 years on the U.S. census record of 1900.
- 124 Death Certificate, Emma's date and place of birth are listed on her death certificate.
- 125 Birth Record, located on opslag 200 in Birth Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Emma Alvine Holm was born on January 13, 1863. Parents listed as Antonius Holm and Anne Margrethe (Frandsen) Holm.
- 126 Death Certificate, Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Emma's death certificate gives her date of birth and birthplace. It lists her husband as Ernst Mikklesen. In addition, her father's name and place of birth are also given. Emma died at the age of 86 of arteriosclerotic heart disease. She is buried at Union Ridge in Chicago.
- 127 Death Certificate, Antony Holmes' name and birthplace of Denmark are named on the death certificate of Emma Holmes Mikkelsen.
- 128 Emigration Record, DDD Emigration Database, Danish State Archives. Antonius Holm listed his age as 44 on the emigration registration.
- 129 Census Record, U.S. Census for 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, IL. Anton's date of birth is listed as January 1825. Place of birth: Denmark.
- 130 Marriage Record, Antonius' date of birth is given in his marriage record located on opslag 49 in the Church Records 1845-1858 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Date of birth given as January 17, 1826.
- 131 Census Record, Danish census of 1870, available online from the Danish Archives. Antonius' place of birth is listed as Copenhagen.
- 132 Death Record, A death record for Antonius Holmes was found in the collection of Cook County Deaths, 1878-1922, available on-line at familysearch.org. This Antonius died in Chicago and his age at death in 1909 is given as 83, which would fit with information on "our" Antonius' emigration record and the 1900 census for Chicago. The Antonius in this death record is listed as having been born in Denmark and having lived in Chicago for 39 years, He was living at 687 N. Campbell Avenue at the time of his death. The Holmes family was living on Campbell Avenue at the time of the U.S. Census of 1900, No family members are listed on the death certificate. However, there were no other records of an Antonius/Anton Holm/Holmes, other than an infant, in the Illinois death index, either pre-1916 or in the index of deaths from 1916-1950. It is assumed that this is the death record for our ancestor. He died of senile arteriosclerosis.
- 133 Census Record, Anton and Anna Holmes state they have been married 47 years in the U.S. Census for Chicago in 1900.
- 134 Marriage Record, Located on opslag 49 in the Church Records 1845-1858 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). The month and year are November, 1852. Unable to make out the day. This marriage record also gives the date of birth for Antonius Holm and Anne Margreth Franson.
- 135 Birth Record, Anne Margrethe's maiden name is found in the birth records of her children in Fredericia, Denmark. Her birth date of January 1833 is given in the U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, IL. Place of birth listed as Denmark in the census. Ane Margrethe Holm is listed as age 37 in her registration for emigration in 1870. (DDD Emigration Database, Danish State Archives).
- 136 Marriage Record, Anne Margrethe's date of birth is given on her marriage record, located on opslag 49 in the Church Records 1845-1858 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Her date of birth is listed as January 31, 1833.

- 137 Death Certificate, Chicago, Cook County, IL; available in the collection of Cook County Deaths, 1878-1922, found online at familysearch.org, downloaded on May 22, 2010. Anna Holmes died on February 15, 1917. According to her death record, she was from Denmark. Names of parents and their birthplace are listed as unknown. Her birth date is listed as January 29, 1833 (two days' difference from the birthdate given on her marriage record). At the time of her death, she was living at 2620 N. Monticello Avenue. The informant on the death certificate is listed as Theo A Holmes, living at the same address. That would have been Anna's youngest son. Cause of death is listed as cardiac valvular insufficiency.
- 138 Baptism Record, Baptism record located on opslag 8 in the Church Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Listed as a child of Antonius Holm & Anne Margrethe Frandsen.
- 139 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Andrew and Maren are listed as having been married for 20 years.
- 140 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Listed as the wife of Andrew Holmes. Month and year of birth, as well as location of birth listed in the census record.
- 141 Emigration Record, DDD Emigration Database. Louise is listed in this database. She was 14 in 1870 and was from Fredericia. Antonius Holm, his wife, and eight children are all registered under the same emigration contract number (98800) and registration date of 5/5/1870.
- 142 Birth Record, located on opslag 153 in Birth Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Louise Christine Dorthea Holm was born on February 19, 1855. Parents listed as Antonius Holm and Anne Margrethe (Frandsen) Holm.
- 143 Marriage Record, Illinois Marriages 1815-1935.
- 144 Census Record, U.S. Census Record of 1900 gives date of birth. Place of birth comes from the death record of Christian's daughter Alice.
- 145 Birth Record, located on opslag 169 in Birth Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Marie Antoinette Holm was born on September 23, 1858. Parents listed as Antonius Holm and Anne Margrethe (Frandsen) Holm.
- 146 Census Record, U. S. Census Record of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, IL lists date of birth as September 1860.
- 147 Death Record, Cook County, IL, Deaths Index, 1878-1922, accessed through Ancestry.com on Aug 1, 2015. Lists date of birth and parents, as well as date of death.
- 148 Death Record, Cook County, Illinois, Deaths Index, 1878-1922. Downloaded from Ancestry.com in 2015. Lists date and place of birth, as well as date and place of death.
- 149 Marriage Record, Cook Co. IL Marriage Index 1871-1920, Accessed through Ancestry.com on August 1, 2015. Record states, in error, that bride and groom were born in Chicago. The U.S. Census record of 1900 for Chicago correctly lists the place of birth for both Mathilda and V.K. as Denmark.
- 150 Birth Record, Located in the Birth Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives).
- 151 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Month and year of birth (Jan, 1865) and place of birth as Denmark listed. Anna is also listed in the DDD Emigration Database, published online by the Danish State Archives. She was 6 in 1870 and was from Fredericia.
- 152 Baptism Record, Denmark Baptisms 1618-1923, available online at FamilySearch.org and downloaded on Jan 29, 2011. Date of baptism is given as February 14, 1864. Parents are listed as Antonius Holm and Ane Margreth Frandsen. Place of baptism is listed as Asperup, Odense, Denmark. Apparently, the parents were not in Fredericia when the infant Anna Margrethe was baptised. The baptism records for 7 of the 10 Holm children were found in the church records of Fredericia. Records for Mathilda and Ida have not been found.
- 153 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, Illinois. Month and year of birth (May 1867) and place of birth as Denmark listed on this census. Theodore is also listed in the DDD Emigration Database, published online by the Danish State Archives. He was 2 1/2 in 1870 and was from Fredericia.
- 154 Birth Record, located on opslag 113 in Birth Records 1851-1868 from St. Michaelis Church, Fredericia, Vejle, Denmark (microfilmed and available online in the Danish State Archives). Theodor Antonius Holm was born on May 16, 1867. Parents listed as Antonius Holm and Anne Margrethe (Frandsen) Holm.
- 155 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1900 for Chicago, Cook County, IL. Month and year of birth (June 1868) and place of birth as Denmark listed. Ida is listed as 9 months old in 1870 in the DDD Emigration Database, published online by the Danish State Archives and was from Fredericia.
- 156 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, OH. William H McNelley lists place of birth of his father as Scotland.

- 157 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1880 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, OH. The U.S. Census of 1880 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, OH lists William's age as 50 and place of birth as Massachusetts. Place of birth for father is given as Scotland. Birthplace of mother is Ireland. In the 1900 census, William is listed as age 71, with date of birth given as October, 1828. In this census, it is stated that William was born in New York and that his father came from England and his mother from Vermont. (This record seems to be the most inaccurate.) According to his obituary notices, William was 72 when he died in 1902. In the death records of William's children, William's place of birth is listed as Boston MA in the records of Ellen and Oscar and Ohio on his son George's record. A lot of conflicting information! However, most of the public records put William's year of birth as 1830 and place of birth as Massachusetts.
- 158 Family Notes, Dot Stetson, a descendant of William H. McNelley and Mary Perew, found the date of birth ((October 27, 1828) in a family bible in her possession. (Information from Dot Stetson received in an email, dated February 15, 2017.).
- 159 Death Record, Obtained from the Cuyahoga County, Ohio Archives in December, 2008. Record states that he died of a crushing injury in Copper Harbor (MI). He was presumably away from home at the time of his accident.
- 160 Marriage Record, Cuyahoga County, Ohio archives. Record available online through the Probate Court of Cuyahoga County, Ohio: Historical Marriage License Index 1810- April 1998. The record (digital image) is also found online in the collection of "Ohio County Marriages 1790-1950," at FamilySearch.org. Image downloaded on July 22, 2011. William's surname on the record is spelled McNalley.
- 161 Census Record, U.S. census of 1900 for Cleveland, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. Mary is listed as William McNelley's wife. Her age is given as 69 and the record states that she and her parents were born in Canada.
- 162 Death Certificate, In the death certificates for William and Mary's children George, Ellen and Oscar, their mother's place of birth is listed as New York.
- 163 Family Notes, No public record of Mary's death has been found. Dot Stetson, a descendant of William H. McNelley and Mary Perew found this date of death in a family bible in her possession that lists the dates of death of a number of McNelleys and Perews. The date of death fits with other known information. Mary is listed with William on the U.S. Census of 1900. She is not listed as a survivor in the obituary of William H. McNelley in 1902. Information from Dot Stetson received in an email, dated February 15, 2017.
- 164 Birth Record, Birth date of "1764" found in an old, undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015. No location of birth is given.
- 165 Census Record, In the 1880 U.S. census for both Nathan and Joseph Lamb (Joseph's sons) the birthplace of their father is given as Rhode Island. This conflicts with the place of birth listed with the DAR.
- 166 Research Report, DAR Application. There are inaccuracies in Joseph Lamb's DAR record. The date and place of birth is listed as MA, 22 May 1764. In the DAR application of Florence Lamb Peterson, who was the daughter of Orris Pier Lamb and the granddaughter of Nathan Lamb, the date of birth is listed but no place of birth. This application is dated Feb 23, 1926.
- 167 Census Record, 1840 Census of Pensioners Revolutionary or Military Services returned by the Marshalls of the several judicial districts under the Act for Taking the Sixth Census, typed and reformatted by K. Leigh in March 11, 2001. Available online and downloaded on 10/21/2008. Joseph Lamb appears in an 1840 Census of Pensioners in VT with Revolutionary or Miliary Service. He is listed as eighty years old and living in the household of Nathan Lamb in Sheldon, Franklin Co VT.
- 168 Birth Record, Joseph Lamb's birth is recorded in the birth records of Hopkinton, RI. "Lamb, Joseph, of Nathan and Lydia, was born on May 22, 1763. Record found at the Washington County RI Genweb site: "Arnold's Vital Records for Washington County" under Hopkinton Births and Deaths. Downloaded on 2/11/2009.
- 169 Birth Record, Record for Joseph Lamb, son of Nathan Lamb and Lydia, his wife, was located at Hopkinton, RI in the Town Hall on June 10, 2009 in the volume "Marriages, Births, Council Records 1726-1794, Hopkinton, RI" p. 37.
- 170 Marriage Record, Book 2, page 82, Town Hall, Hartland, Windsor Co, VT Record obtained from the Town Clerk in May, 2009. The marriage of Joseph Lamb and Clory Willard, "both of Hartland", took place in Hartland on January 22, 1804.
- 171 Marriage Record, "Vermont Vital Records, 1720-1908." On this record, the bride is listed as "Clory." Asa Taylor, Justice of the Peace, officiated.
- 172 Cemetery Record, Date of birth based on burial record. Clora was buried in Lot 85. Fairview Cemetery; Boston Twp. Summit County, OH; Avail online at www.acorn.net. Downloaded 2/2008. Age at death listed as 79.
- 173 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1850 for Sheldon, VT. Clora Lamb is listed in the household of son Nathan in the 1850 census record for Sheldon, VT. Her age is given as 74. Place of birth: Vermont.

- 174 Marriage Record, Place of birth for Clora is listed as Hartland, VT based on her marriage record, stating that Clory was "of Hartland." It is presumed that Clora was the child of one of the Willard households of Hartland, VT. In the 1790 census of Windsor Co. VT, there are 8 households headed by Willards in the town of Hartland. On subsequent census records, Clora's place of birth is listed as "Vermont." It should be noted that Clora's husband Joseph is also listed as "of Hartland" on the marriage record, but other documents give Rhode Island as his place of birth.
- 175 Cemetery Record, Lot 85. Fairview Cemetery; Boston Twp. Summit County, OH; Avail online at www.acorn.net. Downloaded 2/2008. It states that Cora was aged 79 and the mother of Nathan and Joseph Lamb . It also mentions that Nathan and Joseph Lamb's father was in the Rev. War.
- 176 Miscellaneous Document, DAR Application. William Lamb is listed as a child of Joseph and Clora Lamb on the application for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, submitted by Florence Lamb Peterson in 1926. No date of birth is given. William Lamb, age 44, is listed as a farmer living in the household of Nathan and Sarah Lamb in the 1850 U.S. Census for Sheldon, Franklin County, VT. Presumably this William is a brother of Nathan.
- 177 Research Report, DAR Application. George Lamb, born Februatry 2, 1815, is listed as a child of Joseph and Clora Lamb on the application for membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, submitted by Florence Lamb Peterson in 1926.
- 178 Research Report, DAR Application.
- 179 Census Record, U.S. Census of 1870 for Oberlin, Lorain Co. Ohio. Anson, age 52 and head of household, is listed as born in Vermont. His wife and seven children are listed as born in Ohio. Anson's occupation is listed as "peddler".
- 180 Family Notes, Andrew Crampton is listed as the father of Sarah Crampton in a hand-written family record (undated) of Nathan and Sarah (Crampton) Lamb, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 181 Family Notes, Wealthy (maiden name not given) is listed as the mother of Sarah Crampton in an old undated, hand-written and hand-bound Nathan Lamb Family Record, in the possession of Terry McNelley in 2015.
- 182 Death Record, "Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908." Eliza was said to be 92 years, 7 months and 17 days old when she died on March 31, 1901. Cause of death: "old age".
- 183 Death Record, "Vermont Vital Records 1720-1908." Eliza was said to be 92 years, 7 months and 17 days old when she died on March 31, 1901. Cause of death: "old age".
- 184 Estimated date of birth, based on marriage date. Place of birth based on the fact that there are records in Groton, CT showing that Nathan's father was living there during this time period.
- 185 Death Record, If, in fact Nathan Lamb of Groton CT and Hopkinton, RI is the same person as Nathan Lamb who married and died in Ashford, CT, then his age of 72 at the time of his death in 1812 would indicate that he was born in 1740.
- 186 Marriage Record, Found on the Washington County RI Genweb site: "Arnolds Vital Records for Washington County" under Hopkinton Marriages. Downloaded on 2/11/2009. Nathan Lamb and Lydia Plumber were married on July 13, 1762 in Hopkinton, RI by Joshua Clark, Justice. No witnesses or other information listed.
- 187 Marriage Record, Located at Hopkinton, RI in the Town Hall on June 10, 2009 in the volume "Marriages, Births, Council Records 1726-1794, Hopkinton, RI, p. 32.". Marriage record for Nathan Lamb and Lydia Plumber.
- 188 Birth Record, Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection), p. 190. Available on Ancestry.com. Listed as born in Preston, CT; daughter of John and Deborah.
- 189 Marriage Record, Index to Births and Marriages, 1773-1904, Book A, Page 65, located at the Town Hall in Randolph, VT. This record lists the date of marriage as February 6, 1786.
- 190 Book, Lovejoy, Evelyn M. Wood. History of Royalton VT with Family Genealogies 1769-1911, Part 2. Burlington, VT: Free Press Printing Co. 1911. Digitized by Google and available online. Information retrieved on 3/4/2009. A reference to Dorcas is found in a short biographical sketch of Charles Lamb, a son of Joseph and Dorcas by his first marriage: "Charles Morris Lamb, son of Joseph and Dorcas (Marcy) Lamb, b. Apr 6, 1803, Randolph... his mother died when he was an infant, and he was taken by friends in Claremont, N.H. where he remained until 1826".
- 191 Birth Record, Record found at the Washington County RI Genweb site: "Arnolds Vital Records for Washington County" under Hopkinton Births and Deaths. Downloaded on 2/11/2009. "Lamb, Nathan, of Nathan and Lydia, was born on January 15, 1766".
- 192 Birth Record, Record for Nathan Lamb, son of Nathan Lamb and Lydia, located at Hopkinton, RI in the Town Hall on June 10, 2009 in the volume "Marriages, Births, Council Records 1726-1794, Hopkinton, RI, p. 37.".
- 193 Birth Record, Randolph, VT Index to Births and Marriages 1773-1904, Book A, P 21. located in the City Hall, Randolph, Orange Co. VT.

- 194 Land Record, Listed as a son of Thomas on the land records of Groton, CT.
- 195 Land Record, Groton, New London Co, CT First, Second and Fourth Book of Records, published on New London County CTGenWeb site. Location of birth based on the fact that Ebenezer's father and grandfather had established a home in Groton. Estimate of date of birth based on marriage date of 1732.
- 196 Last Will and Testament, of Thomas Lamb, dated April 30, 1734 and recorded in the Probate Records, District of New London, Book D, Aug 1734 July, 1742, p. 85-86. Ebenezer is listed as a son in this will.
- 197 Marriage Record, found at the Washington County RI Genweb site: "Arnolds Vital Records for Washington County" under Westerly Marriages. Downloaded on 2/11/2009. Ebenezer Lamb married Mary Hill "of Jarvis", a daughter of "Josias Hill" on July 26, 1732 in Westerly, RI. They were married by John Richmond, Justice.
- 198 Journal Article, Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by the Society, 1904. p.163. The estimated date of birth is probably based on the date of Mary's marriage to Ebenezer Lamb.
- 199 Marriage Record, Death before 1753 and in Westerly, RI is assumed because husband Ebenezer remarried, again in Westerly.
- 200 Birth Record, Record for Thomas Lamb, son of Ebenezer and Mary Lamb found at the Town Hall in Groton, CT: Births, Marriages and Deaths 1695-1898, Groton, CT Vol 1, P 164.
- 201 Birth Record, Record for Samuel Lamb, son of Ebenezer and Mary Lamb, found at the Town Hall in Groton, CT: Births, Marriages and Deaths 1695-1898, Groton, CT Vol 1, P 164.
- 202 Birth Record, Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection), p. 190. Available on Ancestry.com. Listed as the father of Lydia. Surname listed as Plummer.
- 203 Marriage Record, Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection), p. 190. Available on Ancestry.com. This reference also lists the marriage of John Plummer of Preston, CT to Deborah Killam.
- 204 Birth Record, Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection), p. 190. Available on Ancestry.com. Listed as the mother of Lydia. Deborah's maiden name not listed.
- 205 Birth Record, Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection), p. 137. Available on Ancestry.com. Deborah is listed as the daughter of Samuel Killam and Elizabeth. Her marriage to John Plummer of Preston is also listed on this page.
- 206 Land Record, Groton, New London, CT. Place of birth based on the fact that Thomas' father had settled in New London, CT as early as 1664. Date of birth (before 1674) is based on the fact that one had to be age 21 in order to own land. Thomas is listed on a property deed in New London, CT in 1695.
- 207 Land Record, Date and place of death based on a land record in Groton dated January 25, 1739/40 referring to "Father Thomas Lamb late of Groton deceased." (Source: Groton, New London Co, CT Fourth Book of Records, published on New London County CTGenWeb site).
- 208 Last Will and Testament, Thankful is listed as Thomas' wife in his will.
- 209 Miscellaneous Document, Records found in the Town Hall of Groton, CT. Thankful Lamb died intestate abt March 1748. Ebenezer Lamb was appointed administrator on April 4, 1748.
- 210 Land Record, Groton, New London Co, CT Fourth Book of Records, published on New London County CTGenWeb site. Listed as a son of Thomas Lamb in the land records of Groton. Date of birth listed as before 1700, because John was a landowner by 1721.
- 211 Last Will and Testament, Probate Records, District of New London, Book D, Aug 1734 July, 1742, p. 85-86. John is listed as a son in the will of Thomas Lamb, dated April 30, 1734.
- 212 Land Record, John was still living in 1755, based on land records in Fourth Book of Records #4294 for Groton, New London Co, CT, as published online at the New London County CT Gen Web and downloaded on 2/10/2009).
- 213 Marriage Record, Washington County RI Genweb site: "Arnolds Vital Records for Washington County" under Westerly Marriages. Downloaded on 2/11/2009. Also located in the Town Hall at Westerly, RI in June of 2009.
- 214 Land Record, Groton, New London Co, CT Fourth Book of Records, published on New London County CTGenWeb site. Caleb is mentioned in the land records of Groton as a son of Thomas Lamb.
- 215 Last Will and Testament, recorded in the Probate Records, District of New London, Book D, Aug 1734 July, 1742, p. 85-86. Caleb is listed as a son in the will of Thomas Lamb, dated April 30, 1734.
- 216 Last Will and Testament, Probate Records, District of New London, Book D, Aug 1734 July, 1742, p. 85-86. Samuel is listed as a son in the will of Thomas Lamb, dated April 30, 1734.
- 217 Last Will and Testament, Recorded in the Probate Records, District of New London, Book D, Aug 1734 July, 1742, p. 85-86. Martha Lewis is listed as a daughter in the will of Thomas Lamb, dated April 30, 1734.
- 218 Last Will and Testament, Recorded in the Probate Records, District of New London, Book D, Aug 1734 July, 1742, p. 85-86. Mary Collver is listed as a daughter in the will of Thomas Lamb, dated April 30, 1734.

- 219 Journal Article, Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by the Society, 1904. p. 157-163.
- 220 Death Record, located at the Washington County RI Genweb site: "Arnolds Vital Records for Washington County" under Westerly Births and Deaths. Information retrieved on 3/11/2009.
- 221 Birth Record, "Town Meetings, Births, Marriages and Earmarks, Vol 3, 1745-1778, Town of Westerly" on Page 227. Record entered by the Town Clerk on March 5, 1754. Listed as child of Josiah Hill and Mary, his wife.
- 222 Birth Record, Westerly, Washington Co, Rhode Island. There is the notation under Josiah's birth record that he died on January 5, 1754.
- 223 Birth Record, Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection), p. 137. Available on Ancestry.com. Listed as the father on the birth record of Deborah Killam of Preston.
- 224 Birth Record, Connecticut Town Birth Records, pre-1870 (Barbour Collection), p. 137. Available on Ancestry.com. Listed as the mother (no surname given) on the birth record of Deborah Killam.
- 225 Miscellaneous Document, The date of birth (before 1648) is based on the fact that John Lamb was declared a freeman in 1669 and, in the colonies, one had to be 21 years old to be declared a freeman.
- 226 Land Record, Place of birth based on land records in Groton indicating that Samuel's father had settled in Groton and raised his family there.
- 227 Book, Charles Henry Pope, The Pioneers of Massachusetts (Boston, Mass: Published by Charles H. Pope, 1900), Available on CD from Archive CD Books USA, p. 229.p. 229.
- 228 Journal Article, Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by the Society, 1904. p. 160.
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- 230 Journal Article, Bartlett, J. Gardner. "John Hill of Dorchester, Mass and His Descendants." The New England Historical and Genealogical Register. Vol LVIII. Boston: Pub by the Society, 1904. p. 160. Listed as Samuel's wife. Maiden name unknown.
- 231 Book, Charles Henry Pope, The Pioneers of Massachusetts (Boston, Mass: Published by Charles H. Pope, 1900), Available on CD from Archive CD Books USA, p. 229-230.
- 232 Book, Charles Henry Pope, The Pioneers of Massachusetts (Boston, Mass: Published by Charles H. Pope, 1900), Available on CD from Archive CD Books USA. p.230.

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