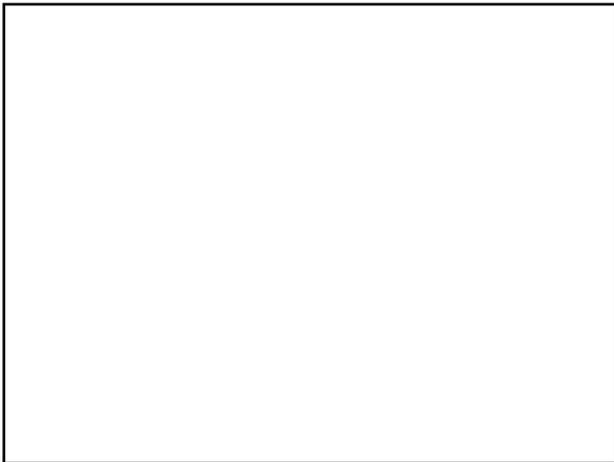
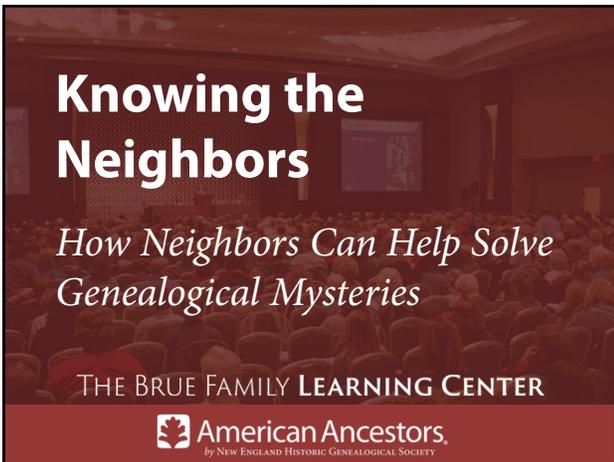




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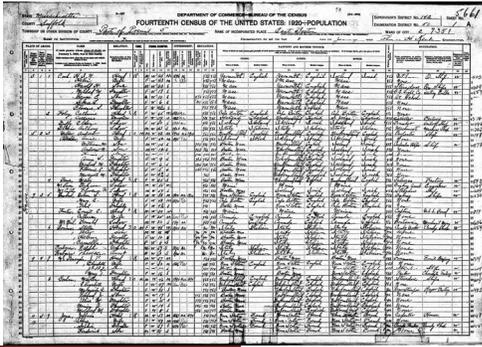
- Provide clues about migration patterns and earlier origins
- Inform us of our ancestor's immigrant origins
- Supply missing information about our ancestors
- Help us trace women and may reveal maiden names

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What sources identify neighbors?

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Census Records



1920 US Federal Census, Boston, MA

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Maps



Georgetown, Sussex, Delaware, 1868

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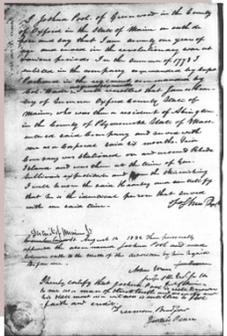
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Military Pensions

- Affidavits of fellow soldiers can provide place of birth or place of enlistment
- Additional detail about military service

James Hearshey Rev. War pension, Sumner, Maine

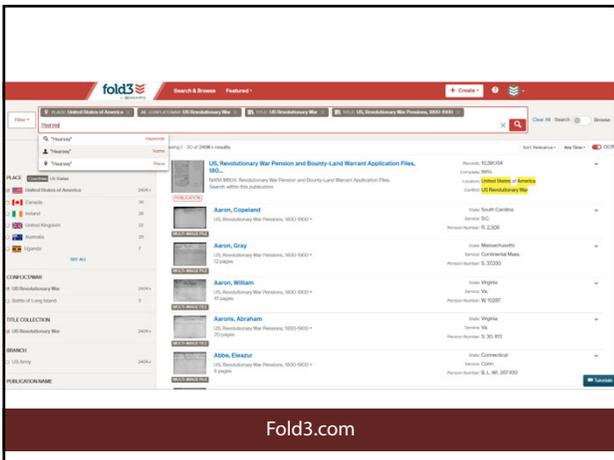


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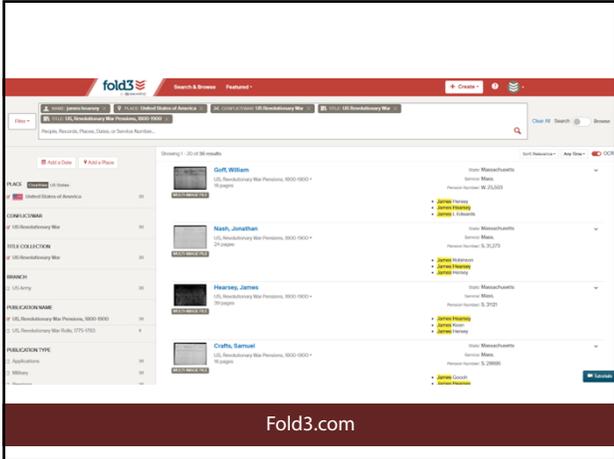
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James Hearsey Affidavits

- Served with Jacob Beal in Captain Joseph Trefant's Company - Stationed at Hull
- Stationed with Jonathan Nash at Roxbury in 1775
- Stationed with Jonathan Bates at Hull
- Served with Joshua Poole in Captain Packard's Company

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Town Records: Land Grants



- Can appear in early town records
- New communities
- May reveal a migration pattern

Sturbridge, Mass. Town Records, 1729

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Diaries and Day Books

- Diaries and Day Books can reveal information about the greater community
- Birth, death, and marriage information
- Biographical information
- Movements of neighbors
- Notable events

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Rev. William Bentley



- Born in Boston in 1759
- Graduated from Harvard in 1777
- Pastor of the East Church in Salem, 1783-1819
- Prolific diarist

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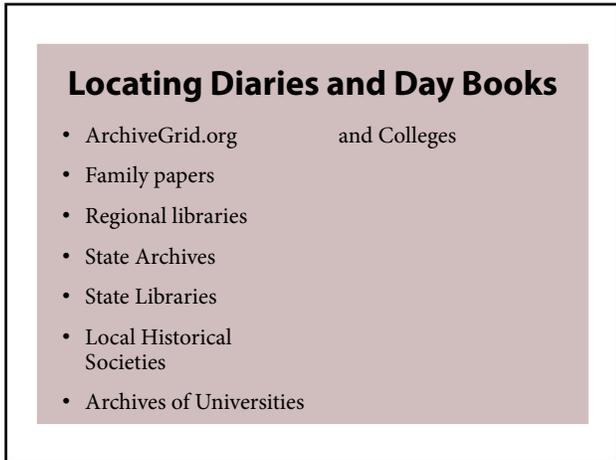
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Diary of Rev. William Bentley, 1785

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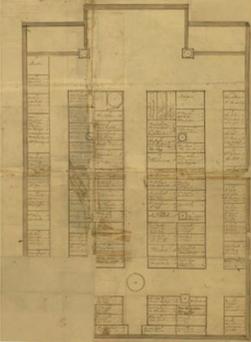


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Church Records



- Church rented pews to generate income
- Pew Rentals and Registers show church community
- Great source to determine neighbors

Christ Church Seating Plan, Philadelphia, 1760 (circa)

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Probate Records

- Will
- Administration
- Inventory
- Account documents
- Claims against estate
- Debts owed to the estate

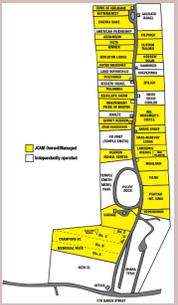
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Important Questions

- Who was the administrator?
- Who was the bondsman?
- Who were the appraisers of the estate?
- Who witnessed the will?
- Which individuals appear on multiple occasions?

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Landmanshaftn



- Established by Mutual Aid Societies and Hometown Societies
- Provided services and social structure to new immigrants
- Place of burial

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Court Records Irish Petty Session Registers

Oranmore Book, as approved of by the Lord Lieutenant (with the advice and consent of the Petty Council),
County of Galway

No.	Date of Entry	Description of the Offence	Name of the Defendant	Name of the Plaintiff	Particulars of Case or Finding
1	1866
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3	1866
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Laurence Halpin, Oranmore Court, 1866

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Case Study: Chain of Title

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Objective

- Trace chain of title of a property in Tisbury, Massachusetts to its original owner

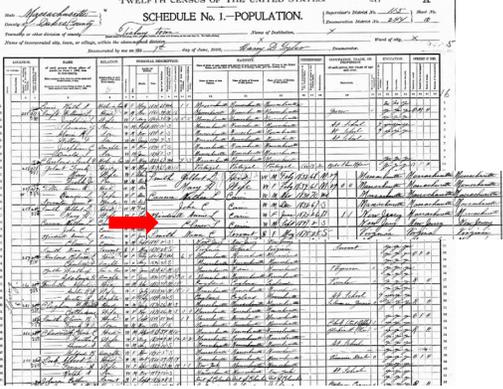
Chain of title: The sequence of historical transfers of title to a property. The "chain" runs from the present owner back to the original owner of the property.

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What we learned

- Successfully traced chain of title to 1962, when Eva S. Birdsall received 25 acres of land and a camp located on Lake Tashmoo in Tisbury
- Willed from her husband, Elmer S. Birdsall upon his death
- Could not find a single instance of Elmer S. Birdsall buying or selling land in Dukes County, Massachusetts

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TWELFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES. SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION. Tisbury, Massachusetts. 1900.

1900 US Federal Census, Tisbury, MA

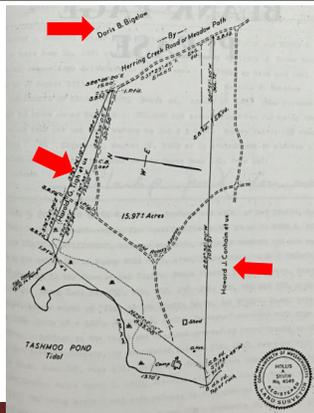
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Why do we research abutters?

- Previous ownership of your property
- Physical location of property
- Family members
- Neighbors from previous community

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Abutters:
 Doris B. Bigelow
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 Harold J. Conhaim



1963 Birdsall Survey Plan, Dukes County, MA

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Tip

Understand the location of your property

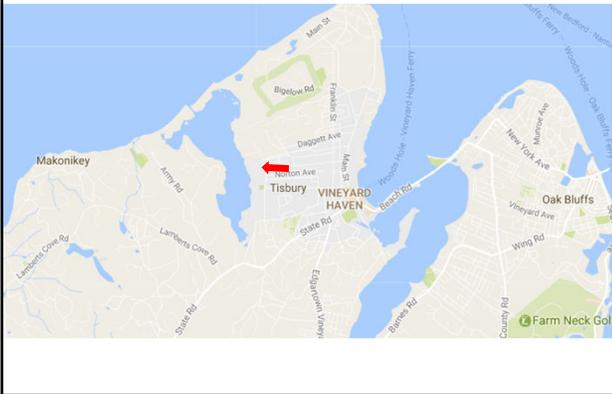
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Tips to Remember

- Make sure you have an understanding of where the property is located geographically
- Take note of roads, buildings, bodies of water, or geographic features
- Atlases and maps can help place parcels
- Keep track of the abutters to the property

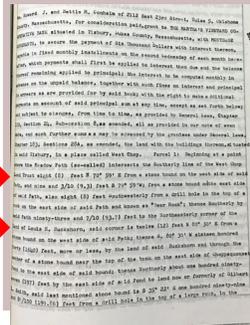
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Location of Property



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Harold Conhaim Deed



- Harold and Bettie Conhaim purchased land on the west side of the Meadow Path on the east side of Lake Tashmoo in 1958
- Abutters were West Chop Land Trust, Louis H. Buckshorn, and Gilbert L. Smith

Harold Conhaim deed, 1958, Dukes County, Massachusetts

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F.A.N

- Neighbors
 - Who are the Neighbors enumerated with Annie?
What do they have in common?
 - Place of birth?
 - Year of Immigration?
 - Occupation?
 - What records for the Neighbors could help to determine place of birth?
 - Update your Research Log with these records.

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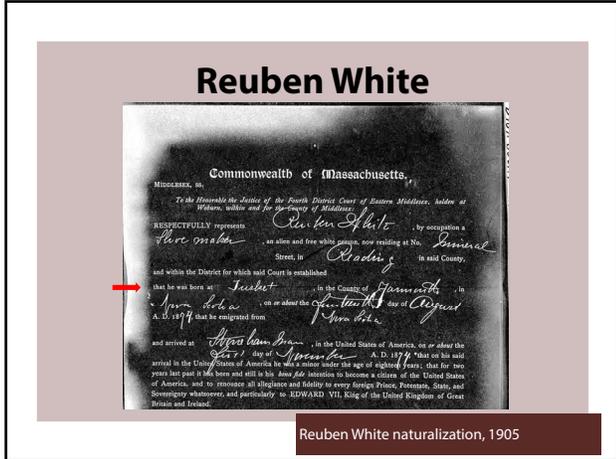
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Return to 1900 US Federal Census, Reading, Mass.

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**Group Work-
Who are the
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neighbors?**

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Reuben White naturalization, 1905

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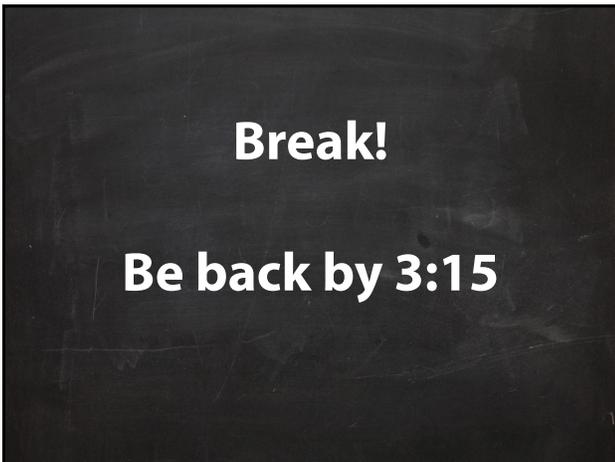
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Source	Name (and variant spellings)	Date examined	Place	Relevant Record	Notes	Objective
Federal Census-William T. O'Connor	O'Connor	1930	Wahkiakum	yes	Found probable possible affiliation with the Catholic Church. No birth shown yet.	Confirm record says about a connection to Nova Scotia (mentioned as born in Canada). It might be a Catholic church. This may be the connection to EEA family.
Federal Census-Thomas S. McCoy	McCoy	1930	Wahkiakum	yes	Found record that indicates religious denomination and that he took part in connection with Nova Scotia (mentioned as born in Nova Scotia, both parents born in Ireland).	Census record may show a connection to Nova Scotia (mentioned as born in Canada). It might be a Catholic church. This may be the connection to EEA family.
Cambridge City Directory	Thomas Jacobson	1898	Cambridge	yes	Thomas Jacobson was the partner of the Swedish Lutheran Organist, however, it is important to note that the location is not the location of the Swedish Lutheran Church in Cambridge.	City Directory may show a connection to Nova Scotia. It provides more information about his religious affiliation.
Immigration Records	Reuben White	1895-1910	Massachusetts	yes	Database record indicates that Reuben White was born in Tusket, Nova Scotia.	An online record indicates that Reuben White was born in Tusket, Nova Scotia. It helps to confirm Reuben's exact location and to identify other family members.

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