

# Genealogical Skills Bootcamp

## *Session 2: Analyzing Sources*

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# Overview of the Day

## Session 1

The Basics:  
Research process  
Forms and conventions  
Standard sources

## Session 2

Analyzing Sources:  
Genealogical Proof Standard (GPS)  
Analysis Principles  
Citations

## Session 3

Analyzing Records:  
Information vs. evidence  
Proof

# Session Map

Genealogical Proof Standard



Analysis Principles



Citations

# Genealogical Proof Standard

- Minimums for credible research
- Particularly useful for indirect evidence
- Sometimes needed for lineage society applications
- A good way to “check in” about where your research stands

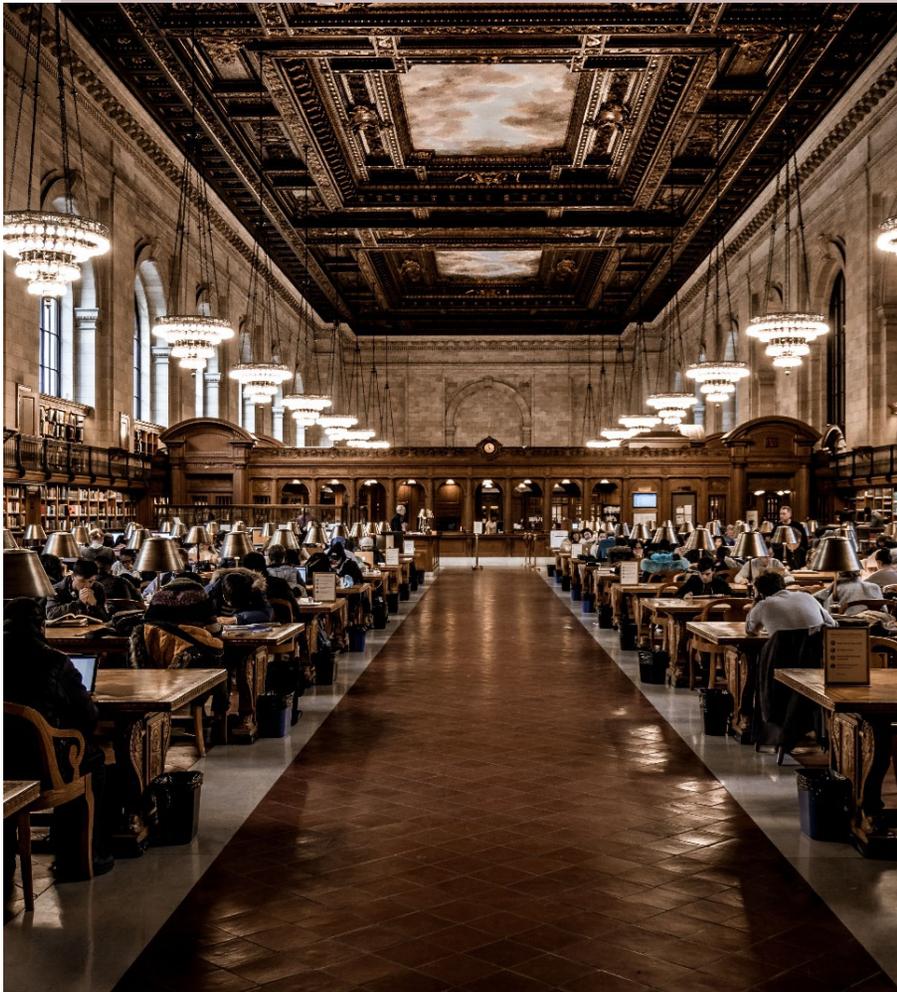


# Genealogical Proof Standard

- Reasonably exhaustive research
- Complete, accurate citations to the source or sources of each information item
- Tests—through processes of analysis and correlation—of all sources, information items, and evidence
- Resolution of conflicts among evidence items
- A soundly reasoned, coherently written conclusion.

<http://www.bcgcertification.org/resources/standard.html>

# Reasonably Exhaustive Search

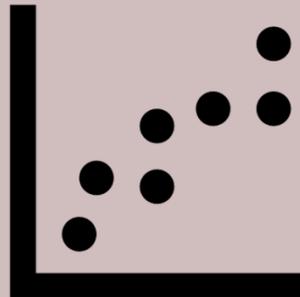


- Not “exhaustive”
- Sources that a reasonable genealogist would use

# Complete and Accurate Citations



# Analysis and Correlation



# Written Summary



# Session Map

Genealogical Proof Standard

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Analysis Principles

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Citations

# Analysis

- Analysis is layered
- What is the quality/type of the...
  - Source?
  - Information?
  - Evidence?

# Analysis Elements

## Source

Original

Derivative

Authored

## Information

First-hand

Second-hand

Unknown

## Evidence

Direct

Indirect

Negative

# Analyze the Source

# Definitions: Sources and Records

- A **source** is a coherent collection of **records** created by a single jurisdiction or a single author for a defined purpose.
- A **record** is that portion of a **source** which pertains to a single event.

Robert Charles Anderson, *Elements of Genealogical Analysis* (Boston: NEHGS, 2014) p. 1



# Original Sources

- Original – From the time period being researched.  
Includes:
  - Duplicate original
  - Record (Clerk's) copy
  - Image copy
- Digital copies, microfilm, microfiche  
**considered original for analysis purposes**
- BCG Article - QuickLesson 10

# Derivative Sources

- Derivative – Written by someone who did not experience the events or time period. Includes:
  - Transcripts
  - Extracts
  - Abstracts
- [https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Primary\\_sources](https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Primary_sources)

21. I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Christian Thomas to be sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and I do revoke and annul all former Wills by me heretofore made In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Seal this Fourteenth day of May 1777

Signed sealed published and declared by Christian Thomas the above named Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto, the words "thing" and "estate" being first interlined.

Christian Thomas Seal

Unnixed to the foregoing Will in the following Probate Writ  
 Frederick County to wit the 24<sup>th</sup> December 1777. Then came Richard Potts, Nicholas Tice and Joseph Doll the three subscribing Witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Christian Thomas late of said County deceased, and severally made Oath on the Holy Evangel of Almighty God that they did see the Testator therein named sign and seal the said Will, and that they heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will and Testament, that at the time of his so doing he was to the best of their Apprehensions of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding and that they respectively subscribed their names as Witnesses to the said Will in the presence and at the request of the Testator, and in the presence of each other

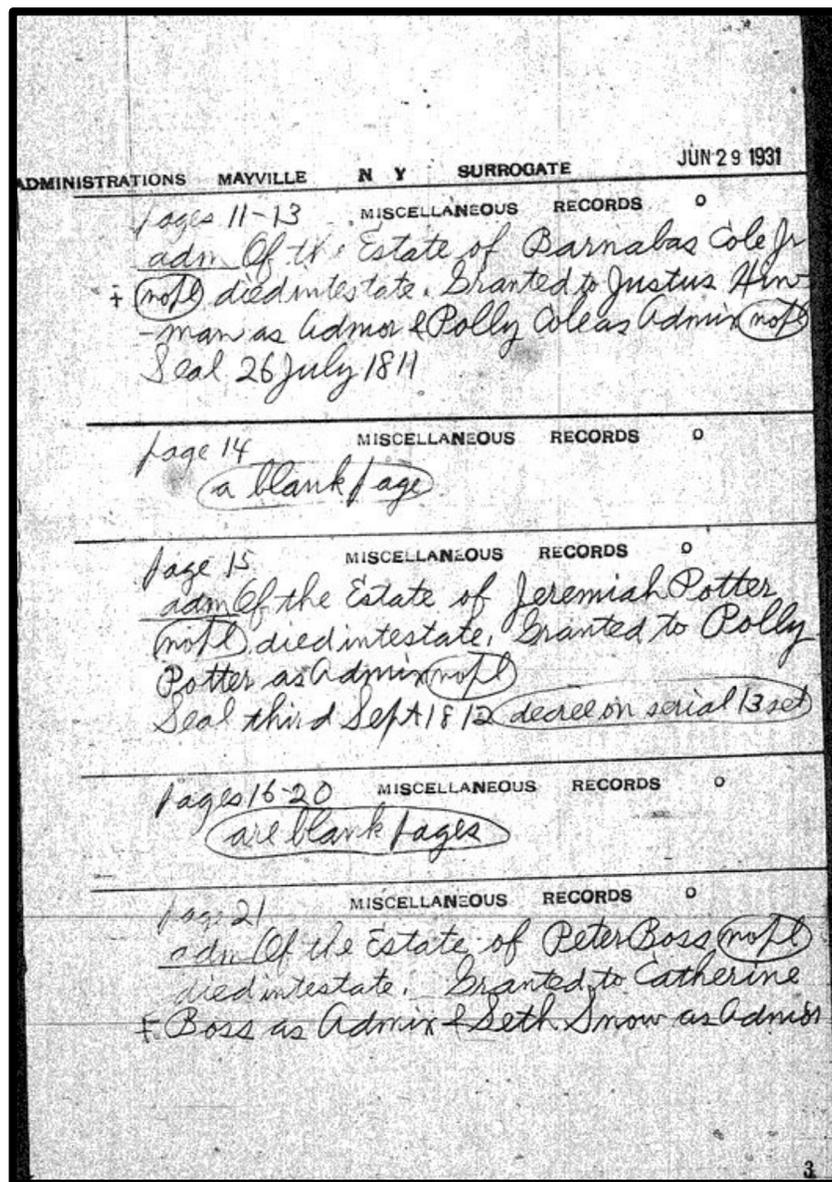
(Sides) Testified by Geo: Muddock Reg<sup>is</sup>

Recorded 24<sup>th</sup> December 1777.

In the name of God amen I Jacob Shumer of Frederick County in the province of Maryland, being thro' the abundant mercy and goodness of God, tho' weak in body yet of a sound and perfect Understanding and memory do constitute this my Last Will and Testament, that is to say First and principally of all I recommend my Soul into the hands of God (that

# Original Probate

# Frederick County Maryland Probate Records



## Derivative Probate

AmericanAncestors Database

## 22 THE PROBATE RECORDS OF ESSEX COUNTY.

Inventory taken 1:1:1642, by John Woodbridg, Henry Short and Richard Knight: howse & land, 30li.; Six kowes, 30li.; foure oxen, 24li.; one bull & one steere, 3 yeare old, 7li. 10s.; three beasts, two yeares old, 8li.; two beasts, one yeare old, 2li. 10s.; three Calves, 1li. 4s.; three hoggs, 1li. 4s.; Bees, 7li. 10s.; haye, 4li.; Soyle, 1li.; Cart, Slead & 3 Yoaks, 1li. 6s.; within the howse: one fetherbed & flockbed, 3li. 10s.; Six fether pillowes, 18s.; 4 Coverleds, 2li.; 5 blanketts, 1li. 10s.; 3 paier of Sheets, 1li. 8s.; 2li. and a halfe of bee wax, 2s. 6d.; bowlster Case & pillow & napkins, 10s.; porke, 2li. 7s.; butter & Cheese, 12s.; barrells & butte[r] Cherne & other lumb., 18s.; Pewter, 1li. 7s. 6d.; Brasse, 3li. 13s.; a Brasse pott, 1li.; iron potts, 1li. 6s.; A chafing dish & a posnet, 5s.; 12 bushells of indian corne, 2li. 2s.; 9 bushells of wheate, 2li. 6d.; 2 bushells of pease, 9s.; hogshheads & howes & other lumber, 16s.; in apparrell, stock-ins & shoes, 3li.; muskett & fowling peeeces & 2 Swords & bandileers, 1li. 19s.; working Tooles & lanthorne, 15s.; bookes, 1li.; spinning wheeles, 10s.; a chest & chaiers & other lumb., 16s.; harrow tines, 10s.; total, 153li. 8s. 6d. *Ipswich Deeds, vol. 1, leaf 3.*

## ESTATE OF GEORGE BROWNE OF NEWBURY.

"The last will & Testament of George Browne May 26th 1642 In the name of God amen I George Browne being sick & weake in body but pfect in minde &c doe make my last will & Testament in mann & forme as followeth Impr I bequeath my soule into the hands of god and my body to the earth to be buried It I give to my beloved wife my howse & land with all my howsehold goods except my muskett & sword my wearing clothes & Tooles. Item I give unto her my kow It I give to my brother Richard Browne my wearing clothes & Tooles It I give vnto Richard Littleale Twenty shillings to be paid out of the rent of the Mill Item: I give vnto my father & to my brother Michael Twenty shillings a peece to be paid out of the Mill, but if god by his prvidence bring them into this land then my will is to give them six pounds a peece or if but one of them ||come over|| then he shall receive twelve pounds & if afterward the other come then he shall repay to him six pounds Item I give to all my brethren & sisters besides Twelve pence a peece my will is that all this shalbe paid out of my Mill after all my debts are discharged It I give unto Joseph Browne sonne of my brother Richard Browne

## Derivative Probate

AmericanAncestors Database

238 Also on the 24th of July 1817 Alanson Greenolt of Bennington  
to Nancy Beaman of Pownal O'Dunham Just Peace

State of Vermont } Be it remembered that at Pownal in the County  
Bennington County } Aforesaid on the 26th day of December the year of our  
Lord 1819 Lyman Pratt & Lucy Dunning both of Pownal were  
Duly joined in marriage by me John Moor a Just Peace

State of Vermont } Be it remembered that at Pownal in the County  
Bennington County } Aforesaid on this 31st day of January 1820 James  
Dunsmore & Lydia Nyley both of Pownal were duly joined in  
marriage by me John Moor Just Peace

State of Vermont } Be it remembered that at Pownal in the County  
Bennington County } Aforesaid on the 2d day of February 1820 John  
Greenolds & Hannah Patten both of Pownal were duly  
joined in marriage by me John Moor Just Peace

State of Vermont } Be it remembered that at Pownal in the  
Bennington County } County Aforesaid on the 11th day of March in the  
The year of our Lord 1819 Charles Wright of East Spring  
field County of Camden Commonwealth of Massachusetts &

Original Vital Record

Vol 1 Pownal Records, p 238, viewed at  
FamilySearch

# Derivative Vital Record

## SCITUATE BIRTHS

To THE YEAR 1850

**ADAMS** (see Addams), Margaret, d. James, bp. Mar. 18, 1654. C.R.2.  
 Mary, d. John of Marishfield, great grandchild Widdow James, bp. Dec. 14, 1656. C.R.2.

**ADDAMS** (see Adams), Anne, d. James, Apr. 18, 1649. [Adams, C.R.2.]  
 Mary, d. James, Jan. 27, 1653. [Adams, C.R.2.]  
 Richard, s. James, Apr. 19, 1651. [Adams, C.R.2.]  
 William, s. James, May 16, 1647. [Adams, C.R.2.]

**ADVERD**, Elizabeth, d. Henry, bp. June 29, 1651. C.R.2.  
 Experience, d. Henry, bp. Apr. 18, 1652. C.R.2.  
 Mary, d. Henry, bp. June 29, 1651. C.R.2.  
 Sarah, d. Henry, bp. June 29, 1651. C.R.2.

**ALBEE**, Dianthe, d. Amos and Judith, Sept. 14, 1803.  
 Judith C. [—], w. Amos, — [1784]. G.R.2.

**ALDEN** (see Aldin), Isaiah, s. Isaiah and Mercy W., Sept. 1, 1819.

John, s. John and Hannah of Duxborough, bp. Dec. 10, 1710. C.R.2.

Lydia, d. Isaiah and Mercy W., Feb. 5, 1830. [w. Allen Merritt, G.R.2.]

Mercy, d. Isaiah and Mercy W., Apr. 20, 1821.

Mercy, ch. Isaiah and Mercy, bp. Oct. 7, 1832. C.R.1.

Mercy W. [—], w. Isaiah [Jan. —, 1799]. G.R.6.

Thomas, s. Isaiah and Mercy W., Aug. 17, 1827.

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**ALDIN** (see Alden), Samuel, s. John and Hannah of Duxborough, bp. May 17, 1713. C.R.2.

**ALLEN** (see Alin), Cornelia Maria, d. George M. and Hannah E., July 10, 1832.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

*a.* — age

*abt.* — about

*b.* — born

*ch.* — child

*chn.* — children

*Co.* — county

C.R.1. — church record, First Parish, and records from Rev. John Lothrop's original manuscript

C.R.2. — church record, Second Church of Scituate, now the First Unitarian Church of Norwell

C.R.3. — church record, Trinitarian Congregational Church

C.R.4. — records of the Society of Friends of Pembroke, now in the possession of the Society at New Bedford

*d.* — daughter; died; day

*Dea.* — deacon

*dup.* — duplicate entry

G.R.1. — gravestone record, First Parish Cemetery, Meeting House Lane, now Prospect Street, Scituate Harbor

G.R.2. — gravestone record, Groveland Cemetery, North Scituate

G.R.3. — gravestone record, Judge Cushing's Cemetery, Greenbush

G.R.4. — gravestone record, Hatch Burying Ground, Greenbush

G.R.5. — gravestone record, James Burying Ground, Greenbush

G.R.6. — gravestone record, Union Street Cemetery, Scituate Harbor

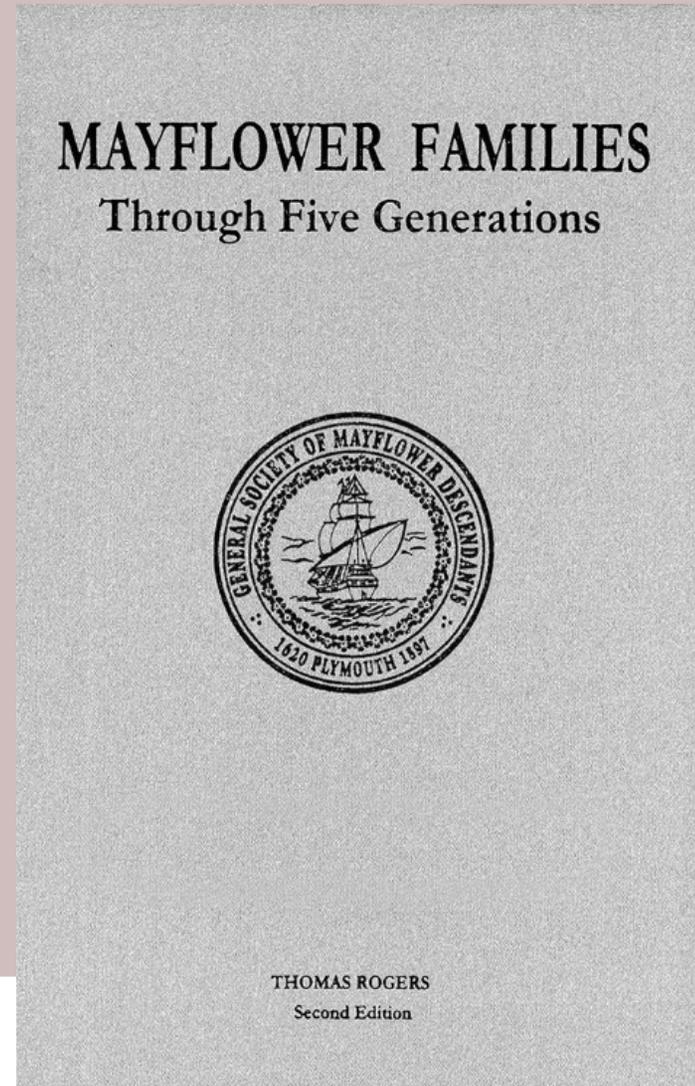
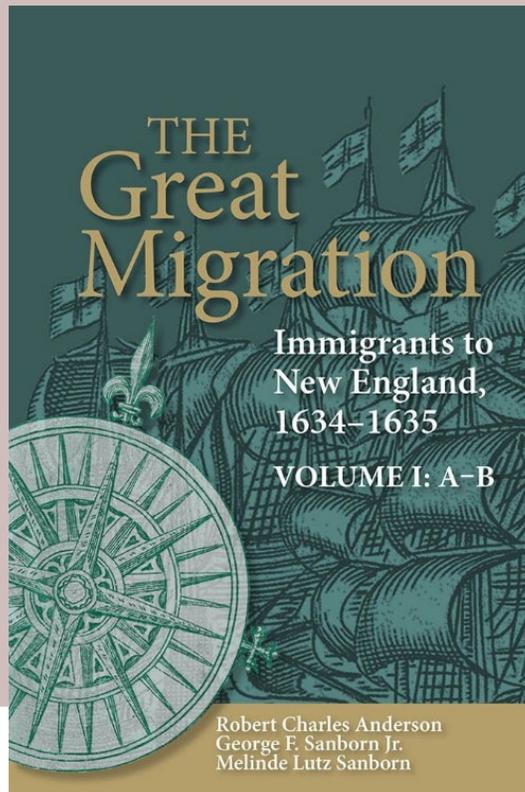
G.R.7. — gravestone record, Fairview Cemetery, Scituate Centre

G.R.8. — gravestone record, Mt. Hope Cemetery, North Scituate

G.R.9. — gravestone record, Town Burying Ground, Scituate Centre

# Special Class of Sources

- Authored works
  - Compiled genealogies



# Summary of Source Analysis

- Is it...?
  - Original
  - Derivative
  - Authored

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**RETURN OF A BIRTH**

The Physician, Attendant or person in attendance should immediately return this Certificate, accurately filled out, to the County Clerk. Finally, signed, if not so certified and returned within thirty days.

**State of Illinois, COOK COUNTY. VITAL STATISTICS DEPARTMENT, COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.**

1. \*Full Name of Child (if any). *Andrew*

2. Sex. *Male* Race or Color (if not of the white race). *White*

3. Number of Child of this Mother. *2d*

4. Date of this Birth. *Aug 25-1899- 6,40 am*

5. Place of Birth, No. *5317 Jackson Ave* *32d Ward*

6. Residence of Mother. "

Nationality: *Irish* Place of Birth: *Illinois* Age of: *27*

*John* *30*

*Etta Archure*

*Elta*

*John*

*John*

Attendants, *1899*

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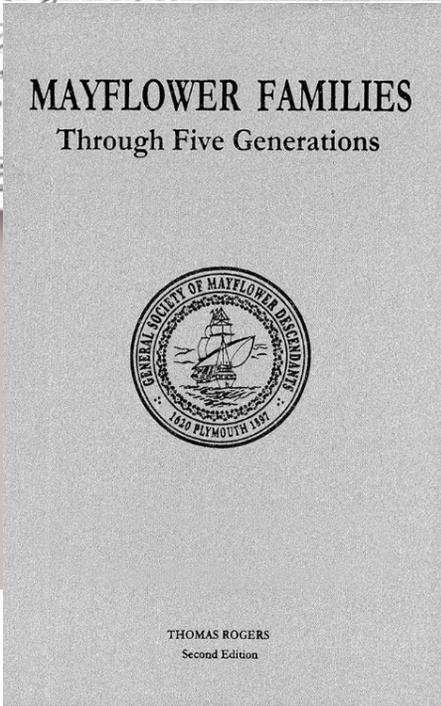
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# Session Map

Genealogical Proof Standard



Analysis Principles



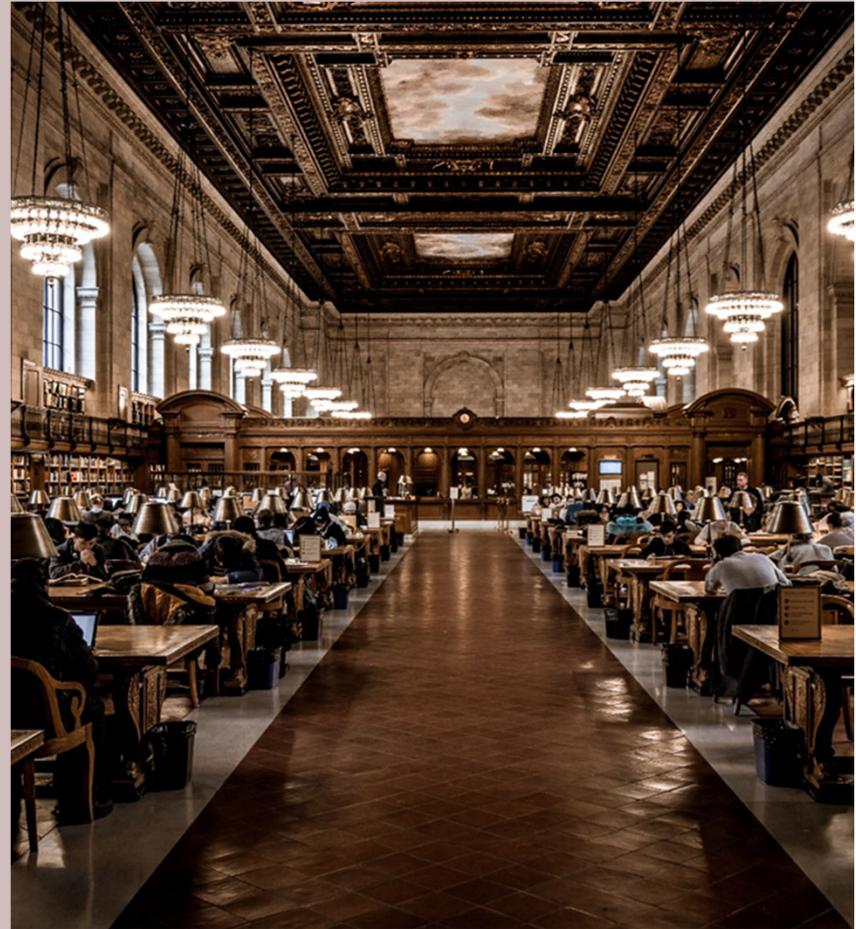
Citations

# Why Bother With Citations?

1. Knowing the source of a fact allows you, or someone else, to go back and find it again
2. Knowing the source of a fact helps you evaluate its credibility
3. Citations are part of the Genealogical Proof Standard

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<http://www.bcgcertification.org/resources/standard.html>

Tip

Cite everything that is not  
common knowledge

# Citation Principles

- Capture enough information about the source and its record so you can find the record a second time.
- Thomas W. Jones, noted genealogist, has said,
  - “This idea that there is one way to cite a source is **false**.” [emphasis added] (2015, APG Conference\*)
- Pick a style and stick with it – consistency is key.

\*Thomas W. Jones, *Mastering Genealogical Proof*, Arlington, VA: National Genealogical Society, 2013, pp38-40.

# Capturing Enough to Find Again Nesting Doll Principle

Database: Massachusetts Town Clerk and Vital Records

Website: Ancestry



Town: Sutton

Type of Record:  
Death

Item of Interest



# Citation Elements

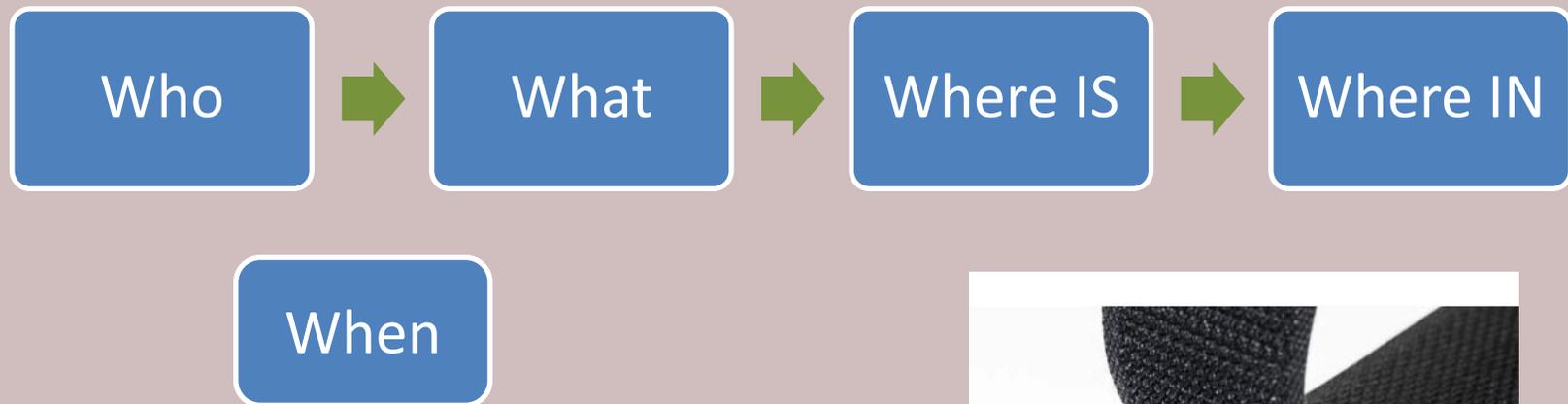
- **Who** (or what) created the source?
  - Author
  - Organization
- **What** is the source?
  - Book title
  - Database name
  - Not the website name – that is the publisher
- **When** was the source created?
  - Date the source was created
  - Date the record within the source was created
  - Date the record was accessed

\*Thomas W. Jones, *Mastering Genealogical Proof*, Arlington, VA: National Genealogical Society, 2013, p40.

## Citation Elements (cont.)

- **Where IS** the source now?
  - Publisher
  - Geographic location
  - Repository
  - Web address
- **Where IN** the source is the item?
  - Volume and page number
  - NARA roll
  - Certificate number
  - Person and event

# General Citation Format



Velcro Principle – Don't separate items that ought to stick together



# Documentation Conventions

- Book titles and journal names are *italicized*
- Database names, article titles are in "quotes"
- Parentheses for publication details (print and online)
- Semicolons divide complex citations with two or more layers

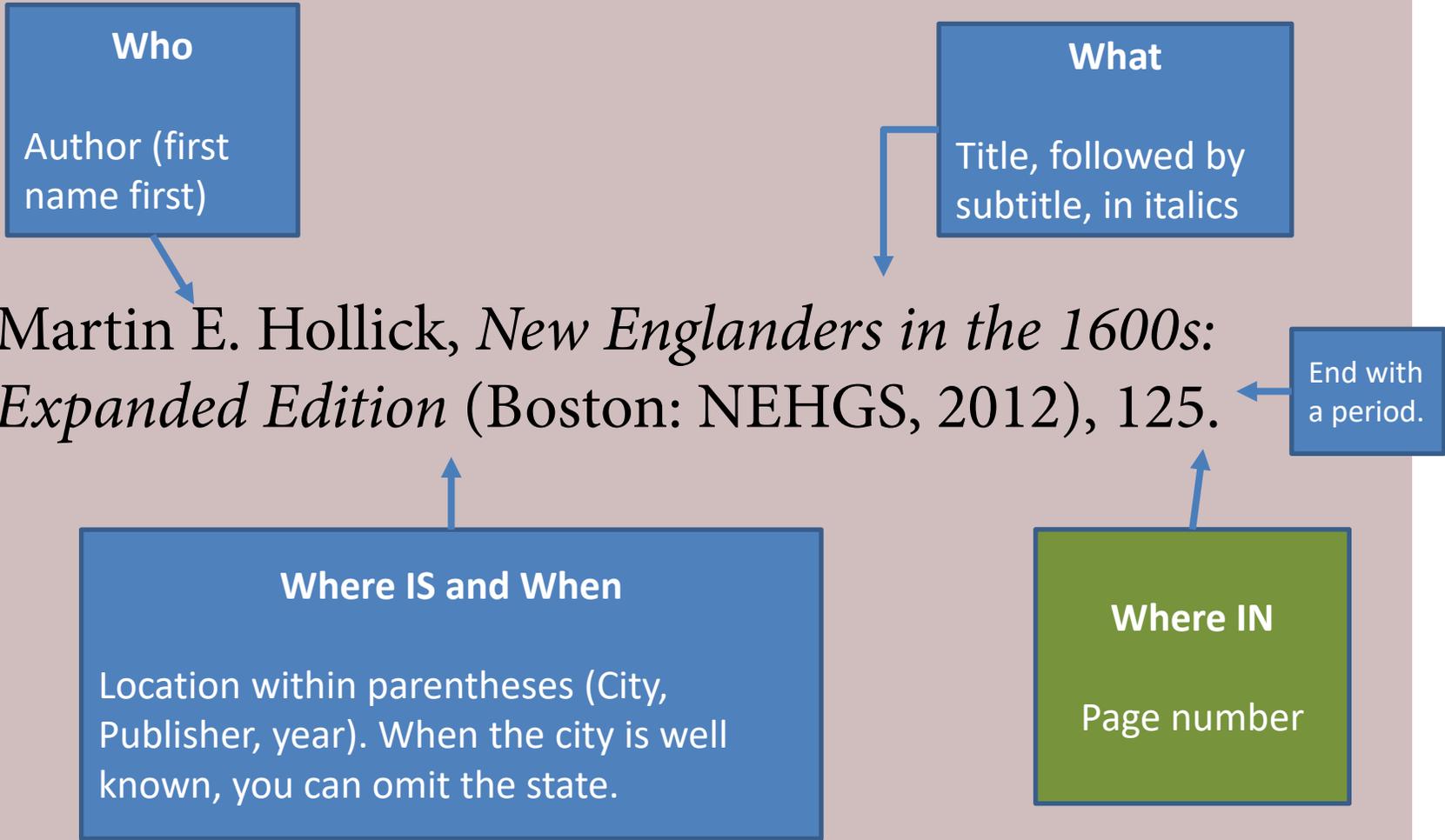
# Citation Examples

- Book – One layer
- Draft Card – Two layer
  - Website information and record of interest
  - Source of the Source (Original record)
- Census – Three layer
  - Original source that has been digitized and record of interest
  - The website provider information
  - The Source of the Source (where the website found the information)

# Citation Example

- Find A Grave – Two layer
  - Website information and record of interest plus creator of memorial
  - Source of the Source – Cemetery information
- Cemetery – One layer
  - Cemetery information and record of interest
- Newspaper – Two layer

# Source Citations - Books



Tip

Most citations will have  
several layers

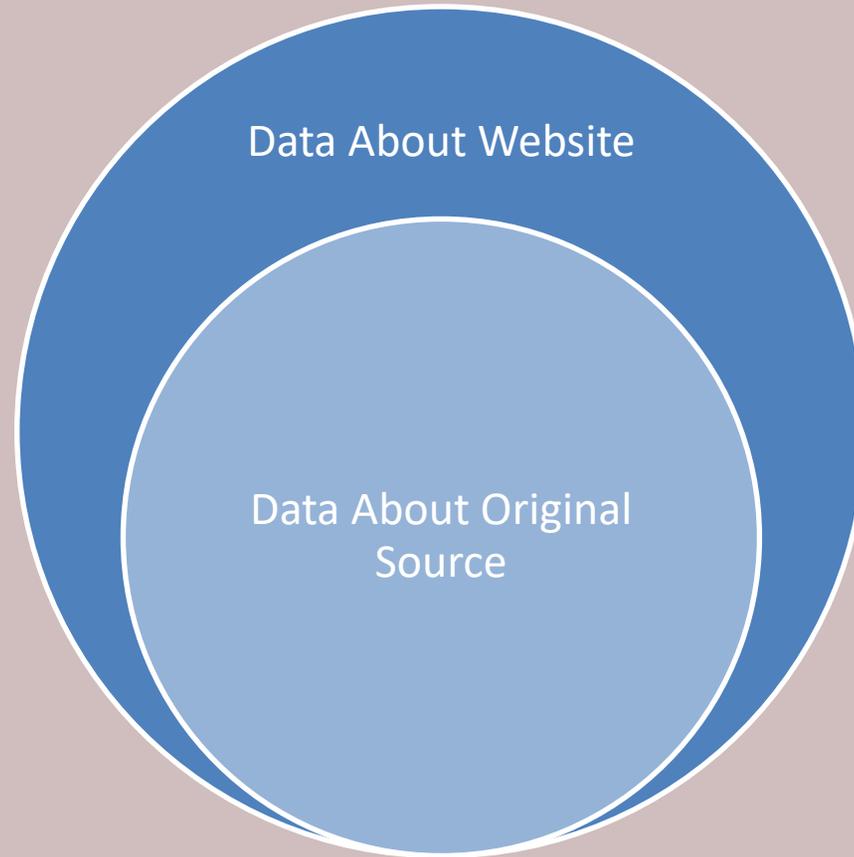
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**Velcro**

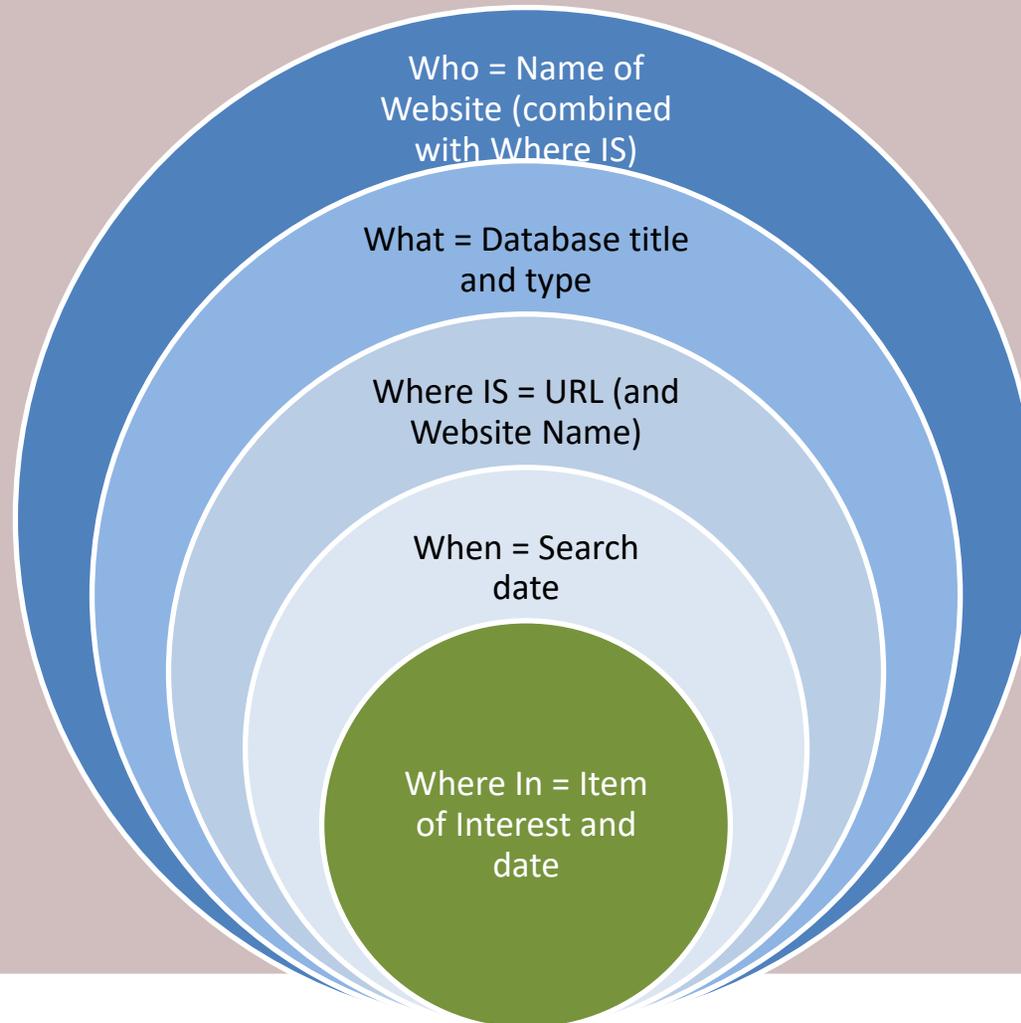
**Nesting Dolls**



# In An Online World Citations Need 2 or 3 Layers



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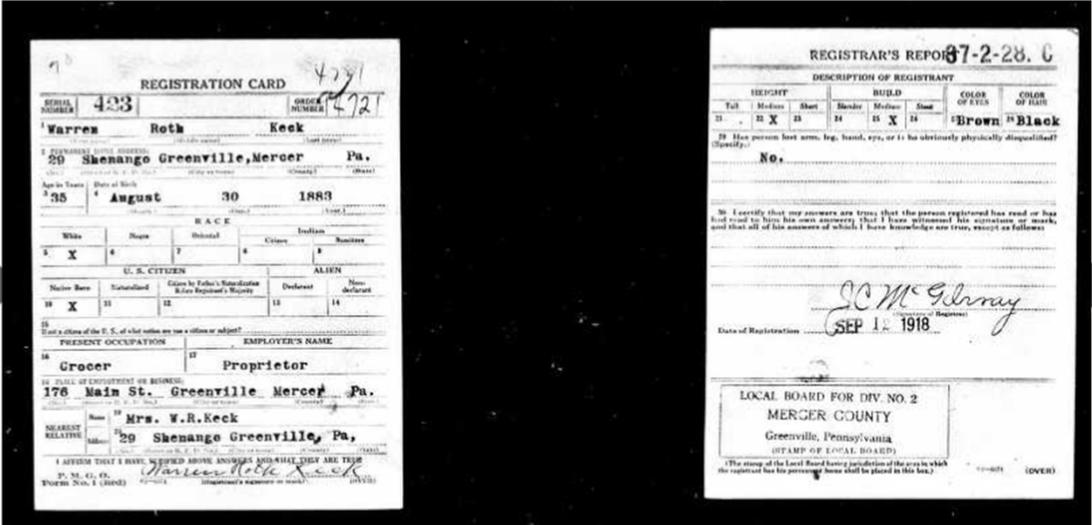


# Website Information

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## U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 for Warren Roth Keck

Pennsylvania > Mercer County > 2 > Draft Card K



Select all text

Source Citation ⓘ

Registration State: *Pennsylvania*;  
Registration County: *Mercer County*

Description

Draft Card: K

Source Information

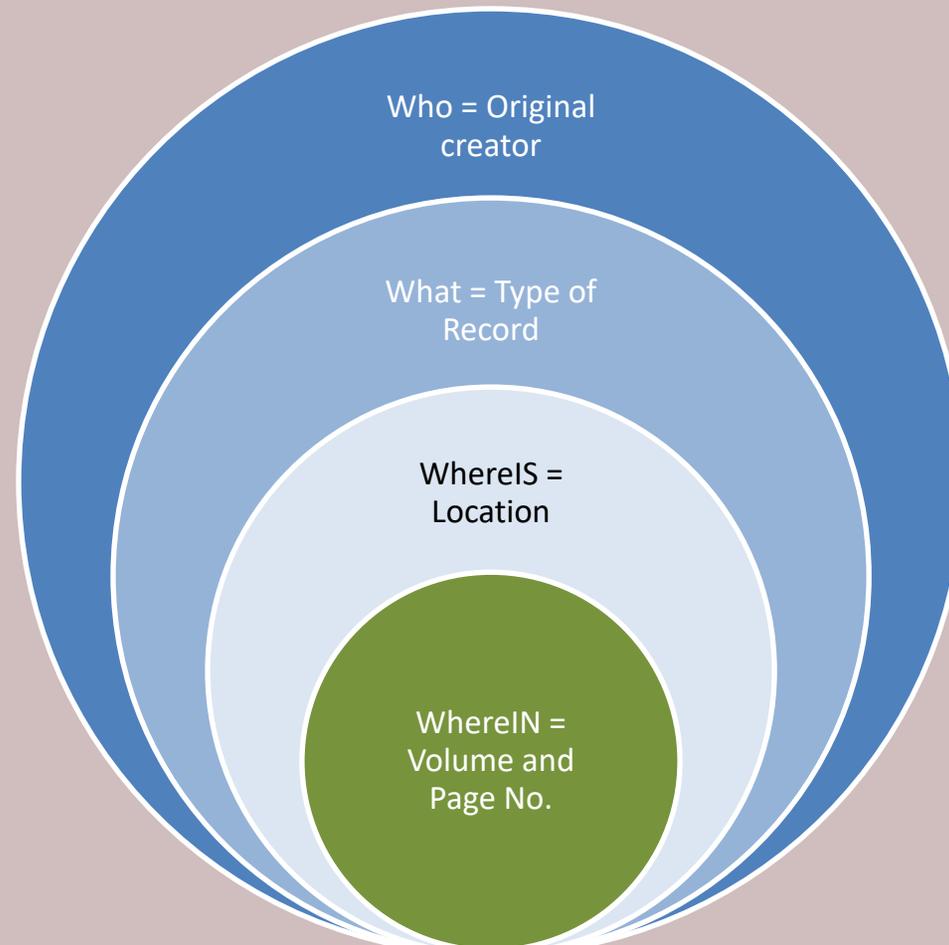
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# Website Information – Cont.

Who	Website Name	<i>Ancestry</i>
What	Database Name	“U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918,” digital Images
Where IS	URL	<a href="http://www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a>
When	Date Accessed	20 April 2022
Where IN	Record of interest	Draft card for Warren Roth Keck, serial no. 423, order no. 4721, Draft Board Division 2, Greenville, Mercer, Pennsylvania

# Layer 2: Original Source



# Selective Service Information

Who	Author	U.S. Selective Service System
What	Title	Draft Board Division 2
Where IS	Location	Greenville, Mercer, Pennsylvania
Where IN	Details	NARA Microfilm M1509
When	Often omitted	12 September 1918

REGISTRAR'S REPORT 87-2-28, C

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT

HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	COMPLEXION	SCARS	MARKS	HAZARD
5 11	145	B	B	Brown			

Color of Eyes: Brown  
Color of Hair: Black

Is this person deaf, dumb, blind, etc., or is he obviously physically dependent?  
No.

Do I certify that the entries are true and that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own application, that I have obtained his signature or mark, and that all of the contents of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

J.C. Mc Glinn  
Date of Registration: SEP 1, 1918

LOCAL BOARD FOR DIV. NO. 2  
MERCER COUNTY  
Greenville, Pennsylvania  
OFFICE OF LOCAL BOARD

Registration State: Pennsylvania;  
Registration County: Mercer County

Description  
Draft Card: K

Source Information  
Ancestry.com. U.S., World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918 [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2005.  
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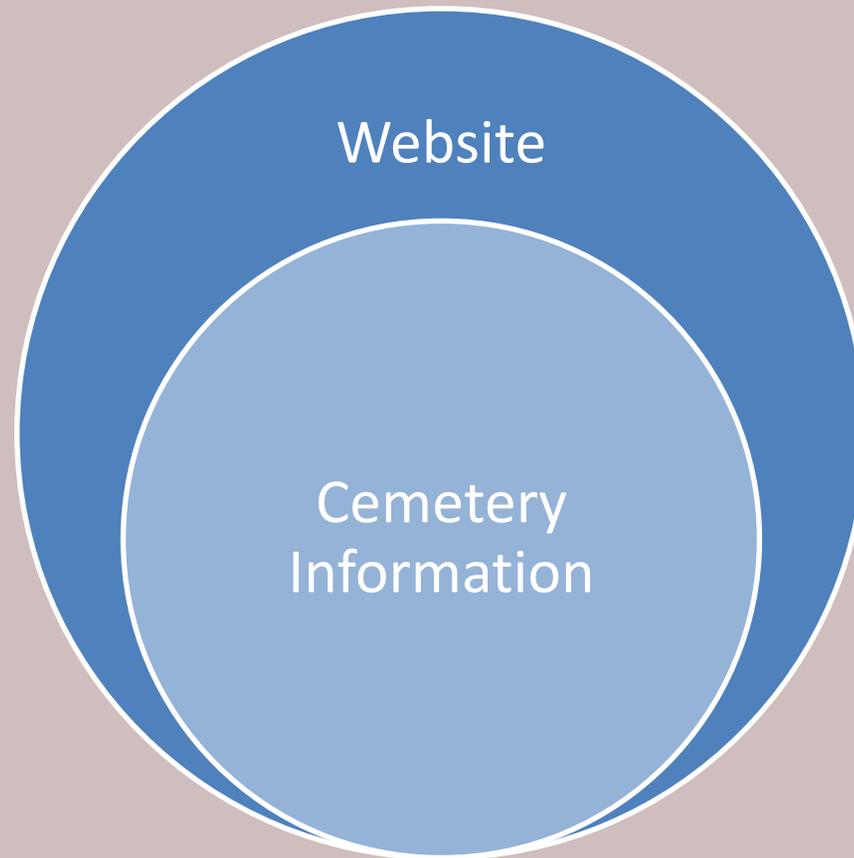
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Layer  
Divider

Layer 2: The Original Record

# Find A Grave – A Two Layer Source



# Layer 1: Website Information

Who	Author/Creator	Find A Grave
What	Title	omitted
Where IS	Location /Repository /Web Address	www.findagrave.com
Where IN	Memorial Page	154008051 for Louisa Thaxter Danielson added by Elizabeth on 20 Oct 2015
When	Date Accessed	3 January 2018



## Louisa Thaxter Danielson

**BIRTH** 1 Sep 1823  
**DEATH** 2 May 1888 (aged 64)  
**BURIAL** [Limington Village Cemetery](#)  
 Limington, York County, Maine, USA  
**MEMORIAL ID** 154008051 · [View Source](#)

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[MEMORIAL](#)   [PHOTOS](#) 1   [FLOWERS](#) 0

**Created by: Elizabeth**  
 Added: 20 Oct 2015  
 Find A Grave Memorial **154008051**

# Layer 2: Cemetery Information

Who	Omitted	
What	Cemetery Name	Limington Village Cemetery
Where IS	Location /Repository /Web Address	Limington, York, Maine
Where IN	Omitted	
When	Omitted	



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velcroed to memorial  
number

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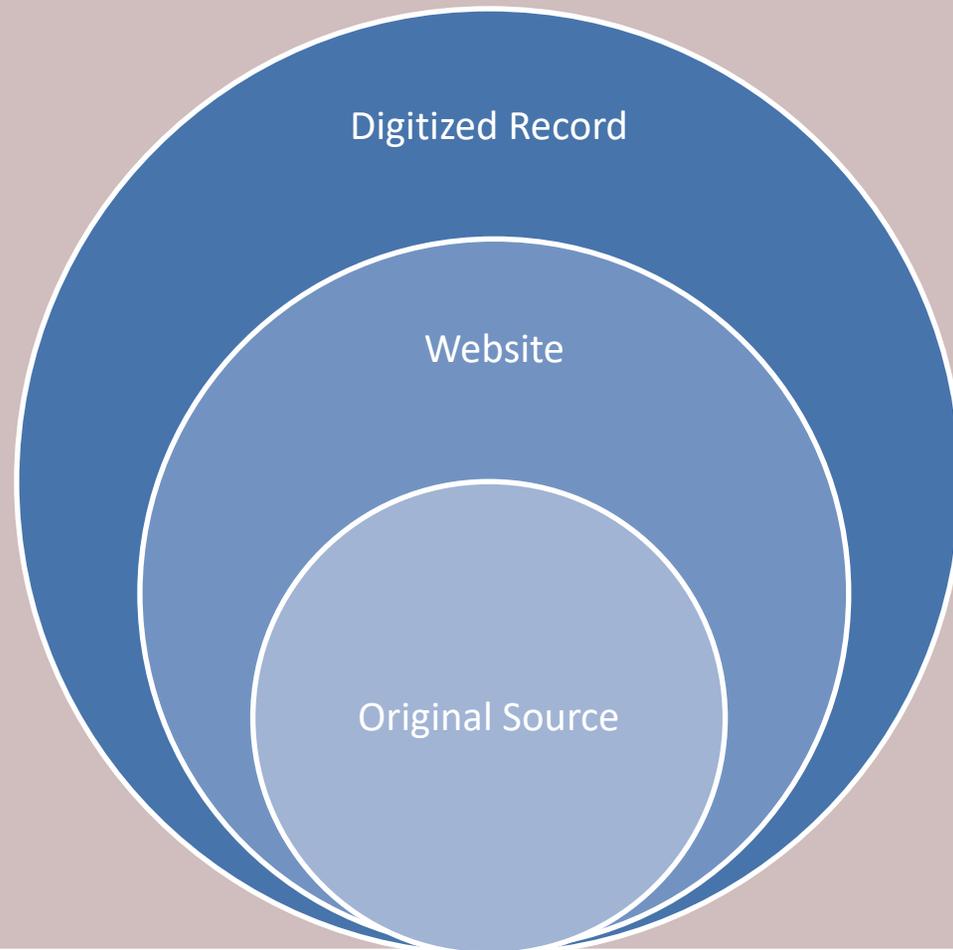
- “Name of Database” in quotation marks
- Type of database (BMD/land, etc.)
- *Title of Website in Italics* (URL : access date)
- specific item of interest
- SOURCE-OF-THE-SOURCE DATA.

QuickLesson 26: Evidence Explained

# Exceptions to the Rule

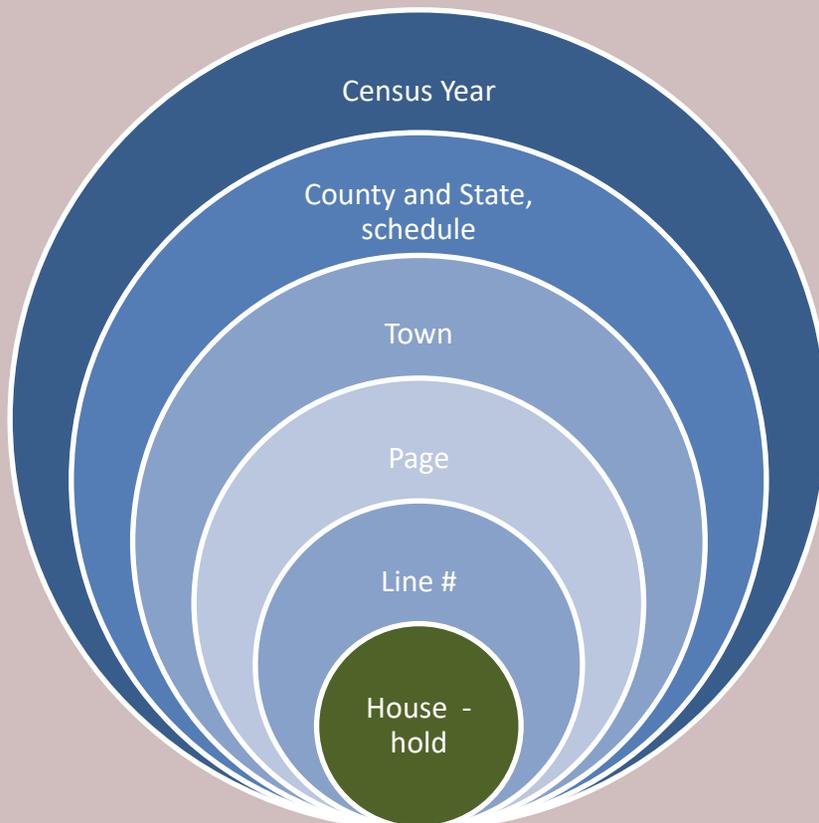
- Census – Original record first with extra detail
- Newspapers – Original record first

# Census Records – Three Layers

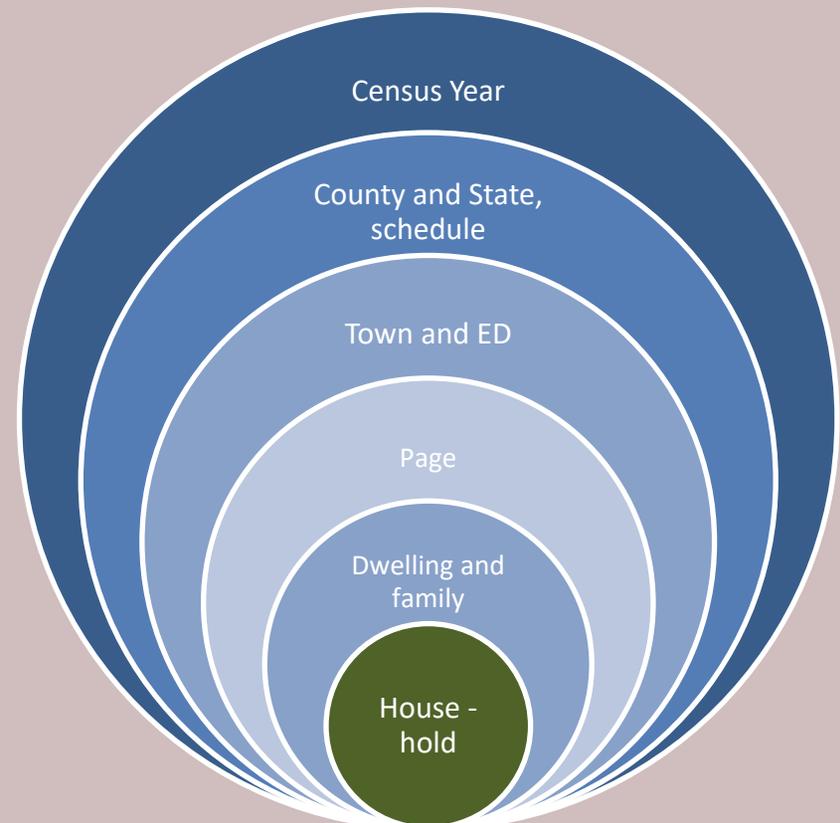


# Layer 1: Digitized Record

## 1790-1840



## 1850 onward



# Digitized Record Information

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TWELFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES.

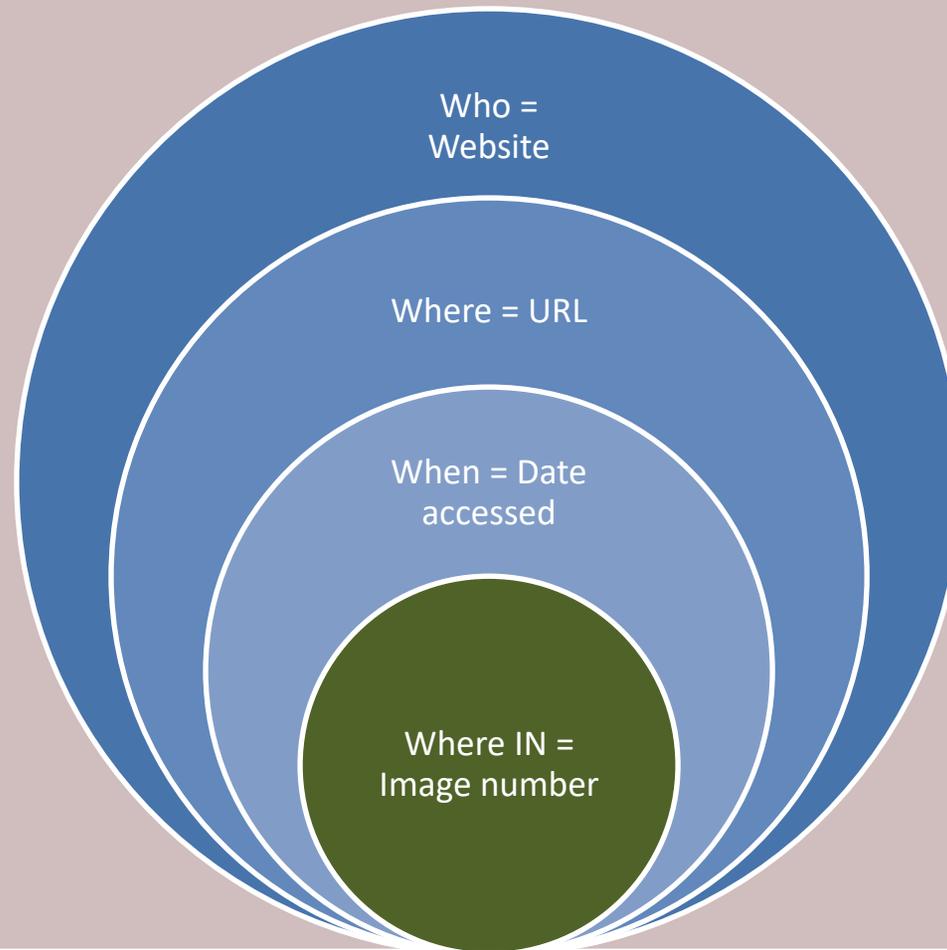
State New York County Westchester Supervisor's District No. 3 Sheet No. 234 A 50  
 SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION. Enumeration District No. 64

Township or other division of county Town of Eastchester Name of Institution \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of incorporated city, town, or village, within the above-named division X Ward of city \_\_\_\_\_  
 Enumerated by me on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 1900, William Leonard, Enumerator.

IN CITIES.	LOCATION.	NAME	RELATION.	PERSONAL DESCRIPTION.		NATIVITY.			CITIZENSHIP.	OCCUPATION TRADE OR PROFESSION				EDUCATION.				SWEDISH IF BORN									
				Color or race.	DATE OF BIRTH.	Place of birth of this person.	Place of birth of father of this person.	Place of birth of mother of this person.		Year of immigration to the United States.	Years of residence in the United States.	Profession, trade, or occupation.	Years of school.	Can read.	Can write.	Can speak English.	Swedish or Norse.	Swedish (last or marriage).	Swedish or Norse.								
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		<u>James</u>	<u>Wife</u>	<u>W.F.</u>	<u>Sept. 1832</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>Ireland</u>	<u>Ireland</u>	<u>Ireland</u>	<u>1771</u>	<u>24</u>													
		<u>John</u>	<u>Son</u>	<u>W.M.</u>	<u>Oct. 1861</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>New York</u>	<u>Ireland</u>	<u>Ireland</u>															
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		<u>Thomas</u>	<u>Wife</u>	<u>W.F.</u>	<u>Pr. F. Oct. 1876</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>New York</u>	<u>Ireland</u>	<u>Ireland</u>															
		<u>James</u>	<u>Son</u>	<u>W.M.</u>	<u>Apr. 1891</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>New York</u>	<u>New York</u>	<u>New York</u>															
		<u>William</u>	<u>Son</u>	<u>W.M.</u>	<u>Jan. 1891</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>M.</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>New York</u>	<u>New York</u>	<u>New York</u>															

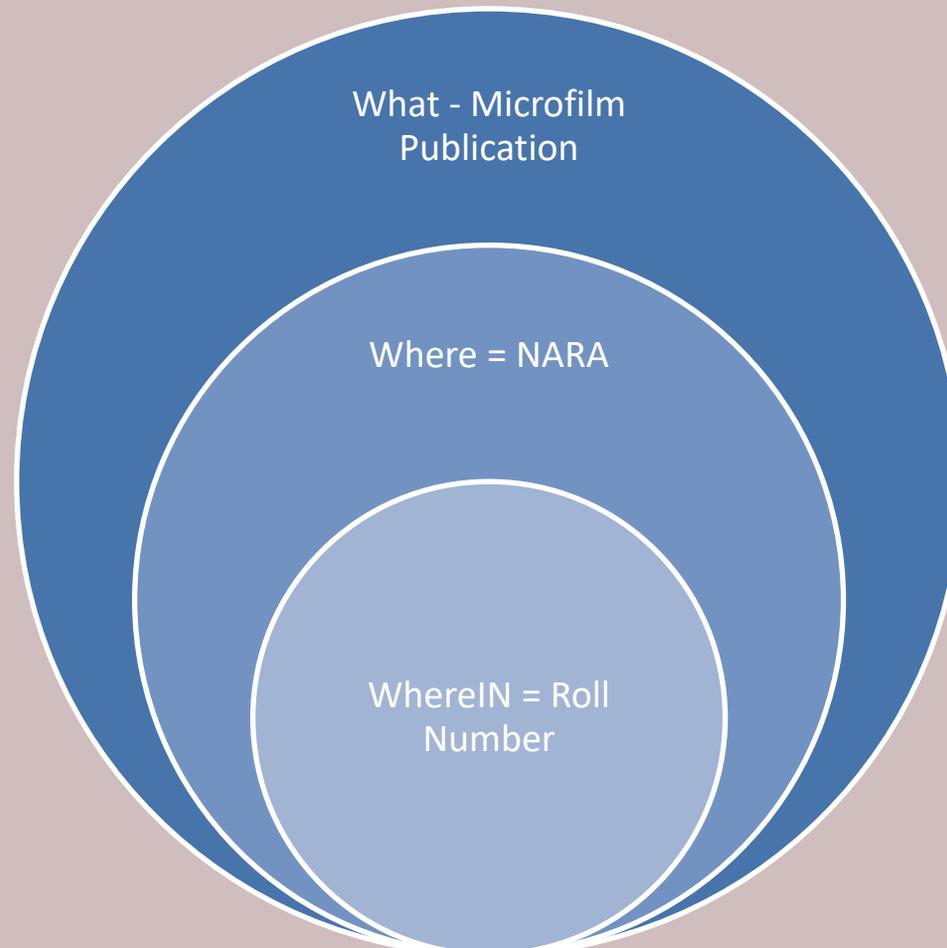
Who	Omitted	
What	Title and schedule	1900 U.S. Federal Census, Population Schedule
Where	County, State, Town, ED	Westchester, New York, Eastchester, ED 64
Where IN	General to Specific	Page 2A, dwelling 20, family 26, household of James Bellew
When	Omitted	

# Layer 2: Website





# Census Layer 3: Original Source



# Layer 3: Original Source

Original data: United States of America, Bureau of the Census. *Twelfth Census of the United States, 1900*. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1900. T623, 1854 rolls.

Who	Omitted	
What	Title	NARA Microfilm T623
Where IS	Omitted	
Where IN	Roll Number	Not given
When	Omitted	

# Citation – Census Record

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“1900 U.S. Federal Census,” Westchester, New York, population schedule, Eastchester, ED 64, page 2A, dwelling 20, family 26, household of James Bellew; digital image at *Ancestry* ([www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com) : accessed 27 March 2020); citing NARA microfilm publication T623, no roll number given.

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Tip

Use exact name spelling as  
it appears on the original

# Newspaper Citations

**THE DEATH ROLL.**

FRED HOMER.

Word was telegraphed here Saturday evening of the death, at Capitan, New Mexico, of Fred Homer, of Greenville and Cleveland. The remains will be brought here for burial and are expected to arrive on Wednesday, when the Knights of Pythias, of which he was a member, will take charge of the funeral arrangements.

Mr. Homer was born in this place about 38 years ago, and was the youngest son of Josiah Homer, Clarksville street. A few years ago he married Miss Jennie Stinson, of this place, and they went to Cleveland to reside, where ~~conced~~ was engaged in the electrical business. The wife and one son survive.

Mr. Homer was a young man of sterling qualities and will be mourned by a host of friends.

The immediate cause of death was pneumonia, although he had been ailing from lung trouble for some time, and his trip to New Mexico was for the benefit of his health.

- Article Title: “The Death Roll”
- Newspaper: Record-Argus
- Location (Greenville, Mercer, PA)
- Website: Newspapers.com
- Accessed: 2 Feb 2005

# Newspapers – Original Source First

Original Source		
What	Article Title	“The Death Roll”
What	Newspaper	Record-Argus
Where IS	Location	Greenville, Mercer, Pennsylvania
When	Publication Date	2 Feb 1903
Where IN	Page and Column	Page 5, column 4

Website		
Who	Website	Newspapers.com
What	Image or transcription	Digital image
Where IS	URL	www.newspapers.com
When	Date accessed	25 Feb 2005

## Citation - Newspaper

- “Death Roll,” Record-Argus (Greenville, Mercer, Pennsylvania), 2 February 1903, page 5, column 4; digital image viewed at Newspapers.com (www.newspapers.com : accessed 25 Feb 2005).

Tip

Cite as you write!

# QUESTIONS?

# Group Discussion

1. Citing a death certificate
2. Citing a newspaper death notice
3. Citing a census record

Form A Jan 1, 1890.)

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF BROOKLYN.

Certificate of Death.

1448-1

1.-Full Name,\* Adolph Friedr. von Borstel

2.-Age. 47 years, 5 months,      days.

1293

3.-Sex, Male, Female.\* 4.-White, Colored.\*

5.-Single, Married, Widow, Widower.\*

6.-Birthplace, Germany

7.-Occupation, grocer

8.-If of foreign birth, how long in the U. S. 25 years.

9.-How long resident in City, 10 years.

10.-Father's Birthplace,\* Germany

11.-Mother's Birthplace,\* Germany

12.-Place of Death,\* No. 352 DeGrand St Brooklyn, Ward 10

13.-Number of Families in House, 1

14.-On what Floor, 1

15.-I HEREBY CERTIFY that I attended the deceased from February 7<sup>th</sup> 1880, to February 11 1880, that I last saw him alive on the 11 day of February 1880; that he died on the 12 day of Feb 1880, about 12:15 o'clock A. M. or P.M., and that the following was the

16.-Cause of Death,\*

I. Aneurysm of abdominal aorta Time from attack till death, 6 months

II. Debility

This Certificate delivered to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ M., \_\_\_\_\_ 188  

Signed by Richard Reese M. D., No. 188 Hater Street or Avenue \_\_\_\_\_ Address.

Medical Attendant.

\* See other side for explanations and directions.

Death Certificate from NYC Municipal Archives

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Mortuary Notice

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**Deaths.**

In Cambridge, 21st inst., Rev. Thomas Whittemore, 61. He was for more than thirty years Editor of the *Trumpet*; 22d inst., Mr. William Nichols, 63. Mr. Nichols was for many years Publisher of the *Christian Watchman*.

In Brighton, 24th inst., Mrs. Josephine W., wife of Mr. Charles C. Southard, 27.

In Medfield, 5th inst., Mr. Joseph Breck, 77.

In Greenwich, 13th inst., Rev. **Erastus Curtis**, a humble and faithful laborer in various missionary fields in the State, last at New Salem, 55.

**Rev. James Kimball.**

Feedback

Newspaper notice from  
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# Citations Summary

- Citations help you find the record again and help you evaluate the quality of what you found
- Capture Who (Author, Organization), What (Title), Where IS (Publisher, location), Where IN (Record of Interest), When (date – velcroed to item)
- Think of nesting dolls and moving from general to specific
- Remember to Velcro dates to appropriate element
- Citations are an art; do not get tied in knots over them

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