

Strategies for Tracking Migrating Ancestors

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Asked and Answered

To find out:

- Where are they when?
- Where are those locations?
- How did they get there?
- Who made the records & where are they kept?

Do:



Make a timeline



Research the area



Study migration routes



Understand jurisdiction levels

Research

Challenges

- Border and name changes
- Disappearing people
- Missing records
- Ancestors aren't in records
- Disconnect in record-linkage due to migration

Strategies



Historical and geographical context



Motivations



Know which records to use



Cluster research



Stay organized

Step 1

**Use records
showing movement**

Identifying movement

- Biographical & autobiographical accounts
- Records indicating residences
- Records that show previous and current or future residences.
- Forms that ask for vital event locations

his widow, aged ninety-two years, of Lebanon, Conn., where they lived till advanced age, when they came to Utica to reside with their son, Erastus Clark, Esq. Erastus Clark was born at Lebanon, May 11th, 1768. At an early age he graduated at Dartmouth College, under the younger President Wheelock. At the age of twenty-two he was admitted to the Bar of the Superior Court of his native State. In 1791 he removed to Clinton, then a part of Whitestown, and after being admitted to the courts of this State, commenced the practice of law in a land of strangers, without patronage, destitute of property, without the advantages of captivating manners or address, and without the fascination of soul-stirring eloquence. His success in his profession was, therefore, slow, but his learning, industry and character for probity, gradually raised him to a highly respectable professional rank. In 1797, he removed to old Fort Schuyler, which, as a proposition first proceeding from him, in the next year received the name of Utica. During his residence here he filled many offices of high public trust with strict fidelity, disinterested zeal and independent firmness. His name was proverbial for originality and decision of character. An enlightened Pomroy Jones, *Annals and Recollections of Oneida County, New York* (1851).

137 vi Samuel (Bigelow), born Jan. 7, 1768; died Aug. 26, 1808; unmarried.
(The Bigelow Family.)

69 DR. JOHN CLARK (Moses 3, Daniel 2, Daniel 1), born Jan. 7, 1728, Lebanon, Ct., died Dec. 23, 1822; married Nov. 7, 1751, at Lebanon, Jerusha Huntington, born Aug. 24, 1731, and died Dec. 14, 1823, daughter of Elizabeth Edwards (Timothy Edwards 4 and Esther Stoddard, Richard Edwards 3 and Elizabeth Tuthill, William 2, Rev. Richard 1) and Col. Jabez Huntington (Christopher 3, Christopher 2, Simon 1). Through the Stoddard and Tuthill lines the ancestry of Mrs. Clark is traced back to Alfred the Great. Her mother, dying when she was but three, she was brought up in the family of her uncle, Rev. Jonathan Edwards, where she and Aaron Burr, Jr., were playmates, but she refused to see him when her cousin came to say good-bye after his duel and disgrace, speaking of him as a traitor and murderer. Dr. Clark graduated from Yale, 1749, studied medicine and was a physician in Lebanon for forty years. He was medical purveyor for the Revolutionary Army, and one of the committee to examine those who wished to be army surgeons, and was army surgeon, 1780-81, when the French troops were quartered in Lebanon. He was deputy to the General Assembly 1776 and 1777, was on the local committee of safety and was one of a committee to arrest violators of the Non-Importation Act. He received a grant of land from the government in New York, whither he removed shortly before his death.

138 i John, born June 13, 1752; died April 23, 1847; married Dec. 31, 1781, Abigail Mose-

Emma Lee Walton, *The Clark Genealogy* (1913).

Published history/genealogy

Check citations!

substantial citizen of the county and a good friend and neighbor. Schools and churches find in him a liberal patron, and in his political views he has been a Republican since coming to this country. He and wife are members of the Reformed Church, and have become the parents of the following children: Tiny, the eldest, died in 1875; Galy, Tiny, Cornelia, Frida, Sarah, Anna and Dora.

Michel Antony Hartigan is a prominent member of the Hastings bar, and his name is identified with the welfare of that city and Adams County. He was born in Carbondale, Luzerne County, Pa., July 12, 1849, and was the eldest of ten children born to William and Kathleen (Ragan) Hartigan, the former of whom was born in Ireland in 1817, and the latter in Pennsylvania, in the city of Philadelphia, in 1824. William Hartigan came to the United States at the age of twelve years, and first located in Schuylkill County, Pa., and after reaching a suitable age, was for a number of years superintendent of the Lackawanna Iron & Coal Company, at Scranton, Pa. Later he engaged in

the degree of LL. B. Prior to this, in March, 1869, Mr. Hartigan had wedded Miss Martha Crandall, at Cold Water, Mich., and in this State he made his home until 1878, at which time he came to Nebraska, and was an active legal practitioner of Plattsmouth until 1888, when he came to Hastings. Here he has become well known, and is already ranked among the leading lawyers of the State. He is a stockholder in the City National Bank, also the Hastings Electric Light & Power Company, for both of which he acts as counsel, as well as for the Eastern Banking Company. He has always been a Republican in politics, and during his residence in Michigan was elected three different times as county superintendent of schools, one term as circuit court commissioner, and three times as mayor of Reed City, the place of his residence. He is liberal in his religious views, while his wife, and children, who number six, are members of the Episcopal Church. The names of the latter are: John C., Kathleen, Michel A., William B., Anna and Gilmore (twins).

Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Adams, Clay, Hall and Hamilton Counties, Nebraska (1890).

PARENTS OF ELEANOR ANN JENKINS AND MARY E. JENKINS OF NEW YORK, NEBRASKA, AND PENNSYLVANIA

Susan Kilbride*

Miss Eleanor Ann Jenkins married Mr. Alexander Bain on Monday, 16 September 1844, in New York City in a ceremony performed by Baptist minister William R. Williams. A copy of their marriage certificate, which lists one of the witnesses as Catharine Jenkins, has been passed down in the family and is transcribed in *The Bain Family Tree*, which traces various branches of the Bain family in their move from Scotland to Canada and, in Alexander's case, to New York and then to Nebraska.¹ It does not identify the parents of Eleanor Jenkins. The search for her parents led to a sister and her family in Pennsylvania.

Pennsylvania Genealogical Magazine 46.1
(2009):5-14.

2. ELEANOR ANN² JENKINS was born about 1822 or 1823 in New York, probably in Brooklyn, where her father resided at the time. She died 19 March 1888 in Kansas City, Missouri, and was buried 21 March in Elmwood Cemetery, Kansas City.¹⁷ She married 16 September 1844 in New York City ALEXANDER BAIN.¹⁸ Alexander was born 24 December 1817 and baptized 30 December, son of William Bain and Mary MacKenzie, in Forres, Elgin County, Scotland,¹⁹ and died 11 March 1910 in Nebraska City, Otoe County, Nebraska.²⁰

In 1850 their family was in Williamsburg, New York, and included two children and Eleanor's mother Catherine Jenkins.²¹ By the 1856 Nebraska territorial census, they were in Otoe County.²² They resided in the Camp Creek area, near the southern Otoe County-northern Nemaha County border. In 1860 they were in Otoe County, with six children and Eleanor's mother, Catherine ²³ Neither Alexander or Catherine was in the

¹⁷ *Kansas City Times*, 20 and 21 March 1888: "March 19 at 4 o'clock p.m., Mrs. E. A. Bain, aged 66 years, mother of Mrs. Frank Cooper and the Misses Bertha, Dellaner [*sic*], and Lillie Bain"; Eleanor Bain expense account, D. W. Newcomer's Sons, Kansas City, Missouri, copy in possession of author; Record of Deaths, Kansas City, Missouri, March 1888, #560, copy in possession of the author: Mrs. A. Bain, 20 March [unlikely, as one of the newspaper announcements was dated 20 March], born in US, died at 308 Wabash, m[arried], f[emale], anaemia, physician: T. J. Beattie.

¹⁸ "Marriages Performed by William R. Williams 1834-85, Pastor of the Amity St. Baptist Church, New York" (typescript, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society), 5, marriage #70.

¹⁹ Extract of Alexander Bain birth record, Parish of Forres, Births & Records, Elgin County, Scotland, copy in possession of the author. William was a bookbinder in Inverness.

²⁰ "Old Settler Passes Away: Alexander Bain Who Came to Nebraska in 1856 Dies near Julian," *Nebraska Press*, Saturday, 12 March 1910. It states he died "yesterday morning, was 92, was survived by seven daughters, had been living with the Thomas McCunes, and would be buried in Kansas City."

²¹ Alex'r Bain household, 1850 US Census, Williamsburg, Kings County, New York, page 254 [stamped], #1073/1944 (NARA M432, roll 522): Alex'r, bookbinder, 28, Scotland; Ellen, 23 [*sic*], New York; Mary, 4, New York; Cath., 3, New York; Cath. Jenkins, 50, Scotland.

²² "Nebraska Census, 1856, Otoe County," *Nebraska and Midwest Genealogical Record* 16(1938): 35: Alex Bain, b. in Scotland, 1 male 21 up, 2 females 16 up; 5 females under 16.

²³ Alexander Bain household, 1860 US Census, Nebraska City, Otoe County, Nebraska Territory, pages 67-68, #552/452 (NARA M653, roll 665): Alexander, farmer, 40, Scotland; Eleanor A., 38, New York; Mary J., 14, New York; Catherine E., 13, New York; Miran M., 9, New York; Lillian M., 9, New York; Jesse (m [*sic*]), 5, New York; Elenor, 1, Nebraska; Catherine Jenkins, 59, England.

Recent genealogy

First-Hand Accounts

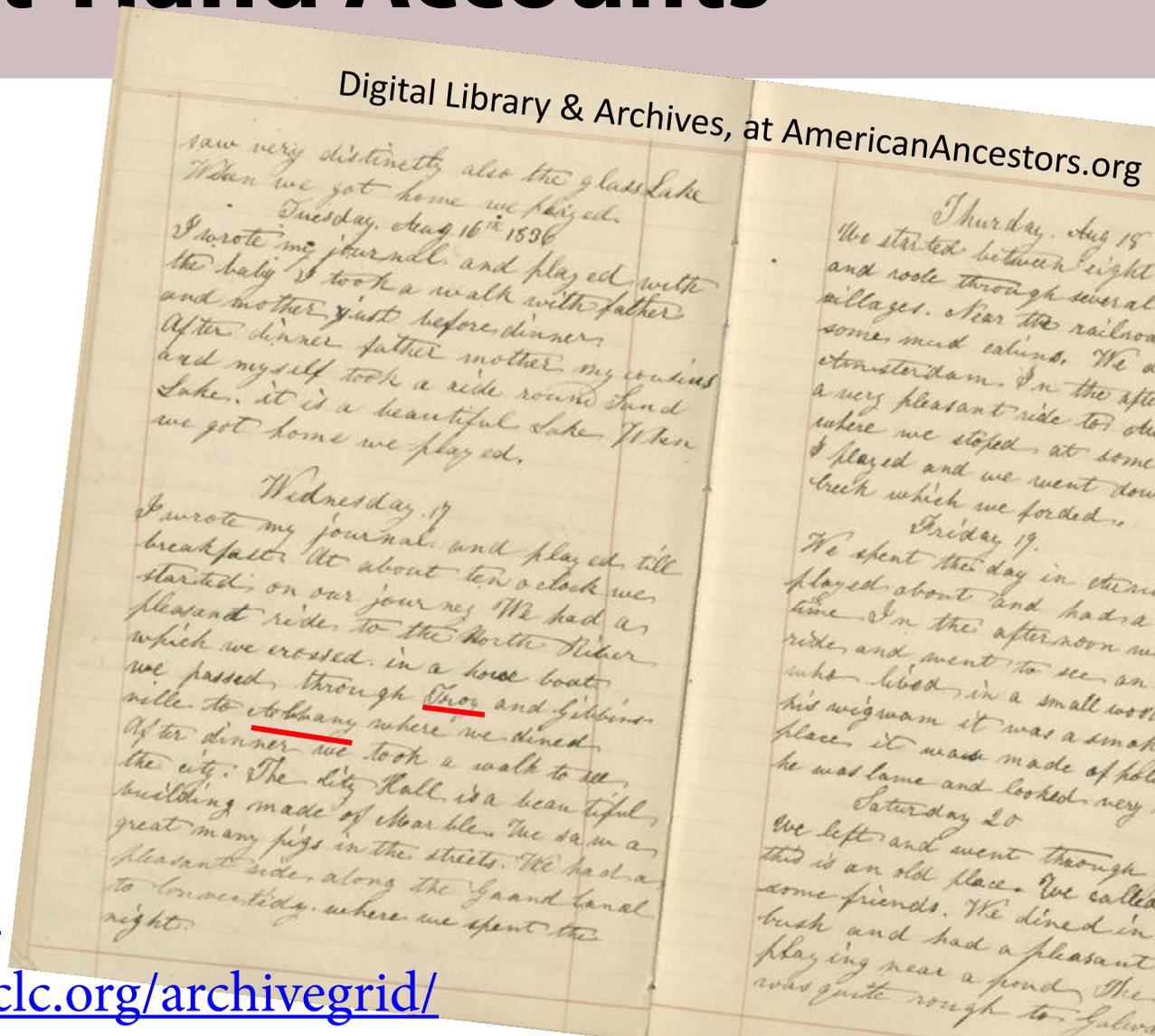
Find a first-hand account of a journey.

Check:

<http://library.nehgs.org/>

<https://researchworks.oclc.org/archivegrid/>

Digital Library & Archives, at AmericanAncestors.org



for a year & board to work at shoemaking I got almost discouraged trying ever more to work at the business but I tried other business but as strangers they would not hire at this time in the year. Finally I left Utica for some other place I could not where. I took the canal path one foot I inquired of every body I saw at work if they wanted at last I found a man in Whitestown that would set me to work at shoemaking & if I could work well enough he would hire me all winter & I agreed to come & try. so I went back to Utica & got my things & come here Mr Briggs has since offered me 6 dollars a month for 3 months & learns me what he can then more if I can cannot & agree to stay I like to live here well I can learn more of him in three weeks than of Col Flagg in six months This is a fine place here is 2 meetinghouses for Presbyterians one for Protestants within a mile good Societies Whistart meetings very often & well attended a removal of Religion is commenced here the Bell rings for meeting now I want to go I send my love to all
 Your affectionately
 Ira Gridley
 Please to write soon & let me know how you are
 Eben & Levi must write too

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I made some inquiry to see how the prospects were for work but found none One man I saw in Troy offered hire me to work at shoe making if I would go back to Massachusetts but would not tell what he would give till I went to work I declined going till I had been to Utica for Mrs Haghorn sent some papers to her Son in Utica by me I took the boat at Troy for Utica the distance of 103 miles & come to Utica had my passage & lodging & 2 weeks of victuals for \$1,00 I arrived at Utica Saturday night next day I went to Mr Swards & staid all night his family ^{was} well he has one of the pleasantest places I ever saw it is equal to any of Daniel Woods's or the seats his family also appears to be equal to any other both in the things of this world & in preparation for the one to come He has 1 son in College but was at home then they had reading Prayer & singing night & morning at eve Mr S & Sons played & Psalm tunes on their flutes & played very well indeed. Monday Morning after Breakfast I went to look for work I went all over Utica almost & could find none to suit me one man made me an offer who was the best I had there it was to give me fifteen dollars worth of cloth

Letter

Letter from Ira Gridley to parents, 23 Oct. 1830, at Connecticut Historical Society

How records inform us about movements

Census

- Residence – specific time and place
- Birthplace – post-1850
- Parents' birthplaces – post-1880

Death

- Birthplace
- Residence
- Length of residence
- Burial location

Land

- Former residence
- Later residence
- Timeframe of ownership

Military

- Birthplace
- Residence
- Former residences

South Dakota State Census, 1905, at FamilySearch.org

South Dakota State Census, 1905 004245288

Image 2584 of 3756

Male	Name <u>Jessie Walker</u> Card No. <u>750</u>
Female	County <u>Grant</u> P. O. <u>Iron Brooks</u>
White	Township <u>Highmore</u> Sec. <u>31</u> T. <u>14</u> R. <u>49</u>
Black	Ward..... City..... No.....
Red	St.....
Yellow	Av.....
Married	Hotel or Institution.....
Single	Age <u>37</u> Occupation <u>Farming</u>
Widowed	Place of Birth <u>Ill.</u>
Divorced	Years in South Dakota <u>25</u> Years in United States <u>37</u>
Can Read	Birthplace of Father <u>Ind.</u>
Can't Read	Birthplace of Mother <u>Ind.</u>
Can Write	Signed <u>E. J. Woodard</u> Enumerator
Can't Write	
Blind	
Deaf	
Idiotic	
Insane	

Grant County - 1885 Civil War Union Veterans Census

Last Name	First Name	Co	Regiment	Date Enrolled	Age	State	Enlistment	End Service	Beginning Rank	Ending Rank	From	Arrived in SD	Wounded	Pensioned	Engagements	Remarks
Taylor	Samual	A	2nd and 3rd Iowa	June 1861	17	Pennsylvania	3 years	July 1865	Private	Private	Iowa	March 1880	Yes	Yes	10	Served 3 years; reinlisted during the war.
Thomas	Joseph	A	144th Wisconsin	November 1861	29	Canada	3 years	July 1865	Private	Private	Minnesota	April 1880	Yes	No	15	
Trowbridge	Marvin	T	46 Iowa	May 1861	49	New York	3 years	March 1864	Private	Private	Iowa	October 1880	No	No	None	
Walker	George L	E	7th Minnesota Infantry	August 1862	32	American	3 years	August 1865	Private	Private	Minnesota	April 1879	No	No	12	

Civil War Veteran's 1885 Census, at history.sd.gov

State census

Check birthplaces

1870 United States Federal Census for Roxania A Percival

Nebraska > Pawnee > Township 1

Name	Age	Sex	Relationship	Occupation	Value	Real Estate	Personal Estate	Birthplace	Can't read	Can't write	Other	Other
Percival Stephen	58	M	Head	Farmer	2000	815		New York				1
Roxania A	19	F	Keeping house					Vermont				
Philo	17	M	Runs labors					Michigan				
Augusta C	14	F	Child at home					Illinois			1	
Augustus	14	M	" " " "					Illinois			1	
Susan A	12	F	" " " "					Illinois			1	
Mary V	6	F	" " " "					Illinois			1	
Myrtal	6	F	" " " "					Nebraska			1	
Percival Stephen	24	M	Farmer		1200	453		New York				1
Louisa C	21	F	Keeping house					Ohio				
Estelle E	3	F	Child at home					Nebraska				

1880 United States Federal Census 1

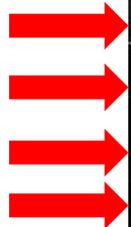
Kansas > Washington > Strawberry

Name	Race	Sex	Age	Birth Month	Relationship	Single	Married	Widow/D	Married C	Occupation	Montr Unem	Cannot re	Can't write	Birthplace	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Percival Stephen	W	M	64		H					Farmer				NY	PA	PA
Roxania A	W	F	59		wife					housekeeping				VT	Penn	CB
Mary V	W	F	16		daughter					at home				Net	N.Y.	VT
Myrtal	W	F	10		daughter									Net	PA	VT

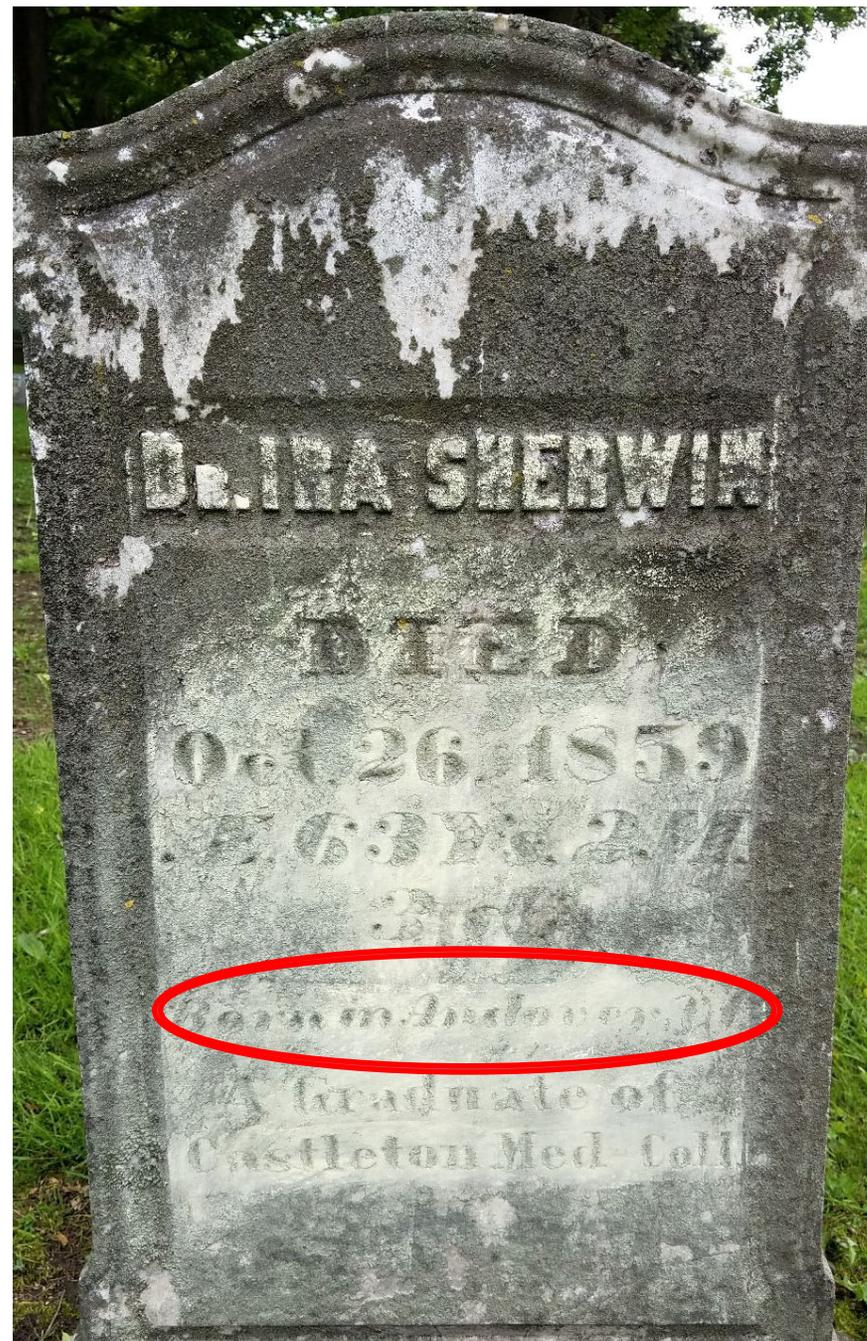
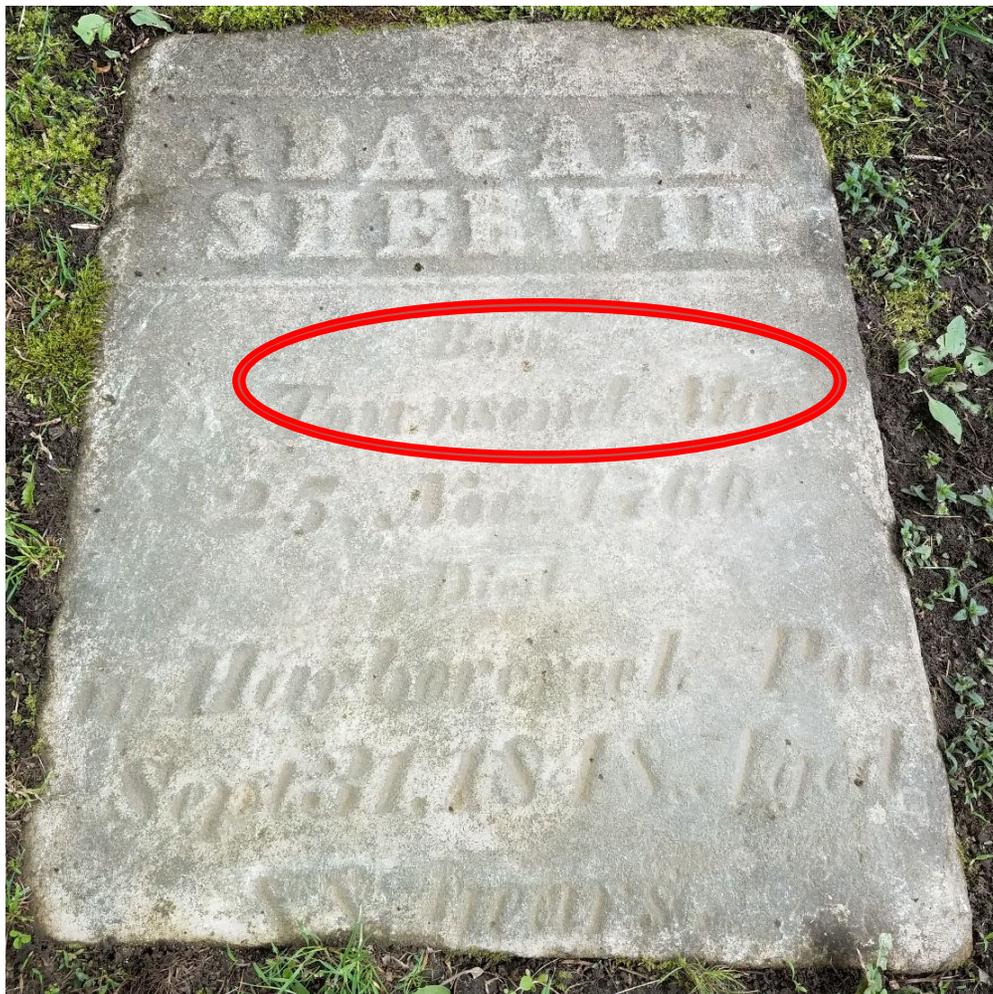
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, U.S., Deaths, 1870-1905 for Minnie Wilson

0505857 (004672764)

1. Full Name of Deceased,	<i>Minnie Wilson</i>		
2. Color, (Race, if not white,)	<i>White</i>		
3. Sex,	<i>Female</i>		
4. Age,	<i>23</i> Years,	<i>—</i> Months,	<i>—</i> Days,
5. Married, Single, Widow or Widower,	<i>Single</i>		
6. Occupation,			
7. Date of Death,	<i>February 2nd</i>		<i>1896</i>
8. Cause of Death,	Pr.imary, or Chief and Determining,	<i>Dysenteric Enteritis</i>	
	Secondary, or Consecutive and Contributing,	<i>Exhaustion</i>	
9. Duration of Last Illness,	<i>2 weeks</i>		
10. When a Minor,	Name of Father,	<i>Albert Wilson</i>	Birthplace, <i>Penna</i>
	Name of Mother,	<i>Adelaid Wilson</i>	Birthplace, <i>Penna</i>
11. Birthplace,	<i>Eric Co. Penna</i>		
12. Late Residence,	No. <i>Greenbush</i>	Avenue, Street, <i>32nd</i>	Ward,
13. Time of Residence therein,	<i>—</i> Years, <i>2</i>	Months, <i>—</i>	Days,
14. Place of Previous Residence,	<i>Chautauqua N.Y.</i>		
15. Place of Interment,	<i>Chautauqua N.Y.</i>		Cemetery,
16. Date of Interment,	<i>February 4th</i>		<i>1896</i>
17. Name of Physician or other Person Signing Certificate.	<i>C. L. Gangloff</i>		M. D.
18. His Residence,	No. <i>6 - S. Main</i>	Avenue, Street, <i>34th</i>	Ward,
19. Undertaker,	<i>William Slater</i>		
20. His Residence,	No. <i>Virginia</i>	Avenue, Street, <i>32nd</i>	Ward,
21. Date of Certificate,	<i>February 2nd</i>		<i>1896</i>
22. Date of Registration,	<i>February 21st</i>		<i>1896</i>



Death records



Gravestones

at FindaGrave.com

Erie Daily Times, 18 Dec. 1896, p. 1, at GenealogyBank.com.

CHARLES HAYT DEAD.

One of Erie's Best Known Citizens
Passed Away Wednesday.

Charles Hayt, formerly of this city, died at Washington, D. C., Wednesday, aged 86 years. He was born in Boston in 1810 and removed to Erie when 8 years old and resided here until two years ago. His residence was for many years at the corner of Tenth and Chestnut streets.

He was a modest, gentle, kindly man, of unusual intelligence, sterling integrity and strong convictions. He leaves to survive him four daughters: Mrs. R. E. Dumars, of Washington; Miss R. E. Hayt, for many years a teacher in the Erie High school, but now living in Washington; Mrs. Mary Blethen, who lives in Vermont, and Miss Eva J. Hayt, still living in Erie.

His daughter arrived with his remains today and the funeral will take place at the Universalist church on Ninth street at 11 o'clock a. m., on Saturday, Rev. H. H. Barber, of Meadville, officiating.

Obituaries

Tip

Check all jurisdictions

Levels of Land Records

- Colony/State – colony/state to person(s)
- ★ County – person(s) to person(s)
- Town – town/person(s) to person(s)
- ★ Proprietors –
 - colony/state to person(s)
 - person(s) to person(s)

United States, New York Land Records, 1630-1975, at FamilySearch.org

Know ye that We Nathaniel Johnson of Northampton in the County of Windsor and Commonwealth of Massachusetts Esquire, and Oliver Phelps of Suffield in the County of Hartford and State of Connecticut Esquire for and in consideration of the sum of six hundred pounds lawfull money to us in hand paid before the execution hereof by Winner Hunt, Robert Brock, Quaker Pomroy, Samuel Menshaw and Samuel Hinckley Esquires, and Moses Kingsley Gentleman, all of Northampton in the County of Hampshire & Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and Justin Ely of West Springfield in the last-mentioned County viz: the Receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge and ourselves fully satisfied, contented, and paid. Have given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, released, conveyed, and confirmed, and by these presents do freely, clearly & absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell, alien, release, convey, and confirm unto them the said Hunt, Robert Brock, Quaker Pomroy, Samuel Menshaw, Samuel Hinckley & Moses Kingsley & Justin Ely their Heirs & Assigns, to have & to hold unto them their Heirs & Assigns forever a certain Part of Land and Water in the Western Territory do call'd & being a part of the Western Territory lately ceded by the State of Massachusetts to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in Township number one in that Range do call'd & situate on the West side of the Genesee River in the County of Ontario and State of New York containing thousand and one hundred acres and is located and bounded

County-level deeds

Alijah Knapp & Ezra Knapp } **Know all Men** by these presents that I Alijah
 Knapp of Barkhamsted, in the County of Litchfield State of Connecticut, Thomas Hyde
 of New Marlborough, in the County of Berkshire Commonwealth of Massachusetts Physi-
 cian Minister & Abraham Knapp & Ezra Knapp Junr. of Pompey, in the County Onondaga
 State of New York, Hatter & Saddler. For & in consideration of the sum of one dollar to us in hand
 before the insaling & delivery hereof, well & truly paid by Ezra Knapp of New Marlborough afores. Upon
 the receipt whereof we do hereby acknowledge, have unincumbered, released, sold, forever quit claimed, and
 by these presents, for ourselves & our heirs, do unincumber, release, sell forever quit claim, unto the s. Ezra Knapp
 the following tracts of Land, lying being, in New Marlborough afores. (viz) one half of House Lot num-
 ber seven & eight lying in common & undivided, with the s. Ezra Knapp, s. Land was conveyed to our hon-
 our father & mother, Ezra & Phibe Knapp, by Samuel Rawson, by a deed, dated October 5th in the year
 of our Lord one thousand, seven hundred seventy, reference to that deed being had, in this deed is assigned
 only to release our right, in the above described lands, claiming under the deed referred to, from
 Samuel Rawson to our parents, Together with all the estate, right, title, interest, use, property cla-
 im & demand, whatsoever of us the s. Alijah, Thomas, Phibe, Abraham & Ezra which we now have or
 at any time, heretofore had, of, in & to the aforementioned premises, with the appurtenances or to any part

Signed, sealed & delivered }
 in presence of } Litchfield County ss. Barkhamsted Jan^y.
 Donny Egliston } 19th 1807. Personally appeared Alijah Knapp
 Israel Jones } signer & seal of the within written instrument &
 Maria Mudge } acknowledged the same to be his free act & deed.
 Jarvis Mudge }
 Geo. Cordin } Before me Israel Jones Justice peace ss.
 Garret Haring } Berkshire ss. Jan^y. 27th 1807. Personally appeared, before me Doct Thomas Hyde, &
 Phibe Hyde, signers of the within instrument & acknowledged the same to be their
 free act & deed, before me Jarvis Mudge, Justice of peace ss.
 State of New York } ss. June 29th 1807. Personally appeared Abraham Knapp & Ezra Knapp Junr.
 Onondaga County } signers of the within instrument & acknowledged the same to be their free
 act & deed. Before me, Medad Curtis, Justice of the peace.

s. Alijah, Thomas, Phibe Abraham
 in the Year of our Lord, one
 Alijah Knapp Seal
 Thomas Hyde - Seal
 Phibe Hyde - Seal
 Abraham Knapp Seal
 Ezra Knapp Junr. Seal

Power of Attorney

Tip

Substitute for missing
record sets

Substitute options

Missing

- Vital records
- Census records
- Land records
- Probate records

Check

- Newspapers
- Tax records
- Military bounty land
- Land records

Step 2

Organize data:

- to track movement**
- to identify patterns**

Ways to organize

- Timeline
- Table
- Spreadsheet
- Family group sheets

Format notes

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet titled "Deeds form - Excel" with the following structure:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
1	[] County, [State], Deeds									
2	vol.	pg.	image	source	grantor(s)	grantee(s)	date	price	acres	description
3										
4										
5										
6										
7										
8										
9										

Land	Acquisition	Disposition

Make a timeline

Date	Place	Event	Name(s)
1830	Muskingum County Ohio	Census	Nathaniel Kennedy
1840	Guernsey County Ohio	Census	Nathaniel Kennedy
1850	Perry County Ohio	Census	Mary Kennedy & Eli Kennedy
1860	Fayette County Ohio	Census	Mary Kennedy & Eli Kennedy
1863	Pickaway County Ohio	Civil War draft	Eli Kennedy
1880 & 1900	Indianapolis Indiana	Census	Eli Kennedy & Thomas Kennedy
1910	Greencastle Indiana	Census	Thomas Kennedy

Timeline Shows Potential Record Locations

Family Member	Birth Year	Place of Birth per Census
Alonzo	1839	Vermont
Edgar	1840	Vermont
Judson	1843	New York
Stephen	1847	New York
Dewitt	1848	Michigan
Elmer	1852	Michigan
Philo	1853	Michigan
Agusta Olive	1856	Illinois
Agustus Charles	1856	Illinois
Susan	1858	Illinois
Mary V.	1864	Illinois
Myrtle	1869	Nebraska

Norwich, Vermont to New York state – 1840-1842

New York state to Livingston County, Michigan – 1847-1848

Michigan to Kane County, Illinois – 1846-1855

Illinois to Pawnee County, Nebraska – 1864-1869

Ratcliff Master Timeline

South Carolina:

- 7 Jan 1763 – **Samuel Ratcliff**, original grant near Bishopville, SC for 100 acres; south side of Lynches Creek in Craven Co, SC bounded on all sides by vacant land¹⁶² [See land grant dated 17 Feb. 1767 and memorial dated 3 April 1767]
- 21 Aug 1764 – **Samuel Ratcliff**, plat for 100 acres, “Craven County bounding on all sides on vacant Land”; precept 7 Aug. 1764¹⁶³
- 4 Dec 1764 – **James Ratcliffe** plat for 200 acres “on Buck Swamp on the SW side Lynches Creek Bounded on all sides by vact Land¹⁶⁴
- 1764/5 – Lynches Creek, S.C. – 19 Dec. 1764 Henry Cassell’s plat for 150 acres “on Linches Creek” “Southwardly part on the said Cassell’s Land & part on **Ratlif’s** Land and to the North on Linches Creek”; 1 May 1765 memorial for same land¹⁶⁵
- 12 Feb. 1765 – **Richard Ratcliffe**, plat for 150 acres “on the south side of Lynches Creek in Craven county bounded West by William Neilsons Land, SEastward by **James Ratcliffe’s** Land and on other sides by vacant land”; precept 5 Feb. 1765¹⁶⁶
- 1765 – George White – 8 June 1765 land plat for 300 acres “in Craven County on the SWt side Lynches Creek Line on the Back Swamp bounded SWtward by **James Ratlif’s** Land and on all other sides by vacant Land¹⁶⁷”; 12 Oct. 1765 memorial for same land¹⁶⁸
- July/Aug. 1765 – **James Ratcliff/Ratcliffe**, 200 acres “on Black Swamp South West side of Lynches Creek bound on all sides by Vacant Land”, Craven County; survey 2 July and granted 15 July 1765; memorial 6 Aug 1765, signed with mark¹⁶⁹ [Land where Prudence, his second wife, is living in 1790 census, according to Pauline Brady.]
- July/August 1765 – **Richard Ratcliff/Ratcliffe**, 150 acres “on the South side of Lynches Creek in Craven County bounded West by William Nelson’s Land all other sides by Vacant Land¹⁷⁰”; survey certified 12 Feb and granted 16 July 1765; memorial 9 Aug 1765, signed by Sutton Byrd¹⁷¹
- 10 July 1766 – **Samuel Ratcliffe**, 100 acres surveyed 21 Aug. 1764 “in Craven County bounded on all sides by vacant land¹⁷²
- 26 July 1766 – **Samuel Ratcliff** memorial for 100 acres, Craven County; survey certified 6 June 1766 and granted 10 July 1766; **James Ratcliffe** signed with his mark.¹⁷³
- 1766 November 14 – Richard Benbow plat for 200 acres “in Craven County, on Lynches Creek: Bounded NW by Henry Cassells land, SE by – **Ratcliffe** ~~Senr~~ land and SW by vacant land”; precept 7 Oct. 1766¹⁷⁴
- Feb/April 1767 – **Samuel Ratcliff**, memorial for 100 acres, Craven Co, S.C. on the south side of Lynches Creek bounded on all sides by vacant land; survey certified 7 Jan. 1763 and granted 17 Feb. 1767 and memorial 3 April 1767; signed by Sutton Byrd¹⁷⁵ [This appears to be the Samuel Sr. land that he willed to his grandson, Samuel Butler, in 1772.¹⁷⁶]

¹⁶² S.C., Colonial Plat Books (copy series), series S213184, 7:305, item 3, online at archivesindex.sc.gov.

¹⁶³ S.C., Colonial Plat Books (copy series), series S213184, 8:189, item 2, online at archivesindex.sc.gov.

¹⁶⁴ S.C., Colonial Plat Books (copy series), series S213184, 8:284, item 2, online at archivesindex.sc.gov.

¹⁶⁵ S.C., Colonial Plat Books (copy series), series S213184, 8:336, item 2, online at archivesindex.sc.gov; Memorial Books, 1731-1778, series S111001, 6:419 [FHL 23,301, item 1].

¹⁶⁶ S.C., Colonial Plat Books (copy series), series S213184, 8:287, item 1, online at archivesindex.sc.gov; Ratcliff, *Richard Ratcliff and His Ancestors and Descendants*, 156.

¹⁶⁷ S.C., Colonial Plat Books (copy series), series S213184, 8:47, item 3, online at archivesindex.sc.gov.

¹⁶⁸ Memorial Books, 1731-1778, series S111001, 8:116 [FHL 23,302, item 1].

¹⁶⁹ S.C., Royal land grants, 12:451 [22,588, item 1]; Memorial Books, 1731-1778, series S111001, 8:3 [FHL 23,302, item 1]; Ratcliff, *Richard Ratcliff and His Ancestors and Descendants*, 156.

¹⁷⁰ S.C., Royal land grants, 12:519 [22,588, item 1].

¹⁷¹ Memorial Books, 1731-1778, series S111001, 8:15 [FHL 23,302, item 1].

¹⁷² S.C., Royal land grants, 13:394 [22,588, item 2].

¹⁷³ Memorial Books, 1731-1778, series S111001, 9:100 [FHL 23,302, item 2].

¹⁷⁴ S.C., Colonial Plat Books (copy series), series S213184, 10:8, item 1, online at archivesindex.sc.gov

¹⁷⁵ S.C., Royal land grants, 14:255 [22,589, item 1]; Memorial Books, 1731-1778, series S111001, 9:216 [FHL 23,302, item 2]; Royal Grant, 3-A:390, S.C. Archives, copy in Trowbridge manuscript collection, R. Stanton Avery Special Collections, New England Historic Genealogical Society, Boston, Mass.

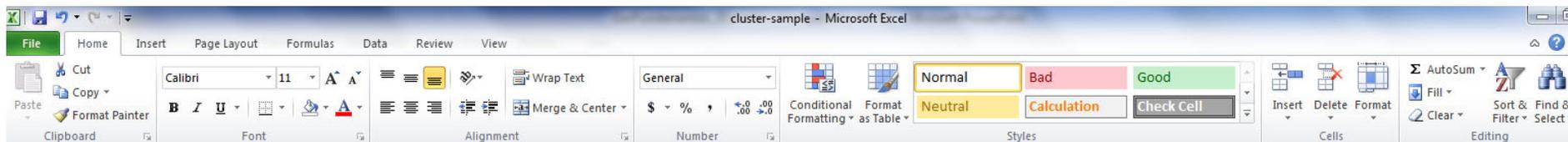
¹⁷⁶ SC Deed Abstracts 1773-1778; W-4,145-149: 27 Jan 1778, p. 219.

Use spreadsheets

When? (Date)	Where? (Full place name)	Who? (Ancestor)	With whom? (Relative etc.)	What? (Record type or event)

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Date	Place	Person	Notes	Source
L23	1800 about		James Ratcliff	James marries Anna Caroline Davis	Ratcliff Family Draft p. 11
L24	1800 prior to		Ratcliff family	Traveled from SC to TN	Ratcliff Family Draft p. 13
L25	1800 shortly after	TN or Carolinas	James Ratcliff	First marriage, name of first wife is not known	Ratcliffs of SE TX by William H. Gee
L26	1800 tax list	Williamson County, TN	Benjamin Ratcliff	Tax list one white poll	Ratcliffs of SE TX by William H. Gee
L27	1800 tax list	Williamson County, TN	Peter Ratcliff	Tax list one white poll	Ratcliffs of SE TX by William H. Gee
L28	1801 about	Williamson County, TN	Peter Ratcliff	Marries Frances Fannie Bateman in Williamson County, TN	Ratcliff Family Draft p. 10
L29	1802 after	Amite County, MS	James Ratcliff	Stopped in Talbert Place aka Cowpens	R Ratcliff Bulletin w letter p1.pdf
L30	1802 after	Amite County, MS	Peter Ratcliff	Stopped in Talbert Place aka Cowpens	R Ratcliff Bulletin w letter p1.pdf
L31	1802 after	Amite County, MS	Henry Ratcliff	Stopped in Talbert Place aka Cowpens	R Ratcliff Bulletin w letter p1.pdf
L32	1802 after	Amite County, MS	Samuel Ratcliff	Stopped in Talbert Place aka Cowpens	R Ratcliff Bulletin w letter p1.pdf

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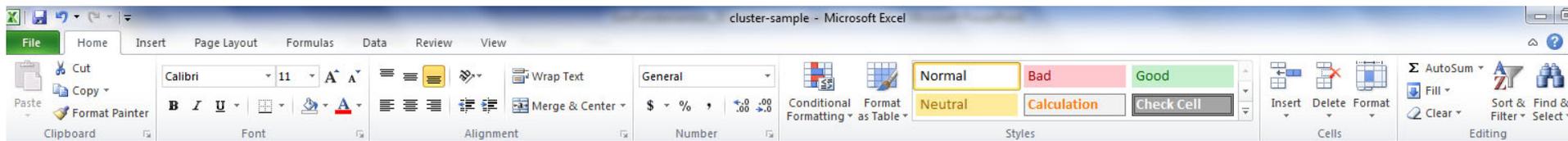
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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	
1	Name		Birth			Birthplace						Death			Death Place			
2	Surname	Given	Middle	Year	Month	Day	Country	State/Province	County/District	Town/City	Address	Year	Month	Day	Country	State/Province	County/District	Town/City
3	Gott	George		1732			U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore		1793	Feb	25	U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore
4	Gott	William	Henry	1744	Oct		U.S.	Maryland	Harford			1806			at sea			
5	Gott	Samuel	George	1731	Nov	7	U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore		1789			England			
6	Allen	Nancy		1738			U.S.	Virginia				1801	May	8				

S																				
		Residence				Spouse			Spouse-Birth			Father			Father-Birth				Father-Birthplace	
	Address	Country	State/Province	County/District	Town/City	Address	Surname	Given	Middle	Year	Month	Day	Surname	Given	Middle	Year	Month	Day	Country	State/Province
		U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore		Brown	Hannah		1739	Aug	3	Gott	Wilhelm		1703	Sep		Germany	
							Jones	Bathsheba												
							Allen	Nancy		1738										
		U.S.	District of Columbia		Georgetown		Gott	Samuel	George	1731	Nov	7	Allen	Morgan		1703			U.S.	Virginia

AM																	
			Mother			Mother-Birth				Mother-Birthplace							Comments
	County/District	Town/City	Address	Surname	Given	Middle	Year	Month	Day	Country	State/Province	County/District	Town/City	Address			Comments
				--	Elizabeth		1710			U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore				possible match
				Thomas	Caroline	Sarah	1710			U.S.		Virginia					

BB																	
	Resource	Title		Author	Pub. Year	Publisher	Repository	Call No.									URL
		The Story of Gott in America		Gott, Simon	1898	Acorn Publishers	Wildwood (IA) Public Library	CS71.G679 1898	--								
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1	Name			Birth			Birthplace				Death			Death Place				
2	Surname	Given	Middle	Year	Month	Day	Country	State/Province	County/District	Town/City	Address	Year	Month	Day	Country	State/Province	County/District	Town/City
3	Gott	George		1732			U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore		1793	Feb	25	U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore
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5	Gott	Samuel	George	1731	Nov	7	U.S.	Maryland	Baltimore	Baltimore	
6	Allen	Nancy		1738			U.S.	Virginia			

			Mother			Mother-Birth			Mother-Birthplace			Comments		
County/District	Town/City	Address	Surname	Given	Middle	Year	Month	Day	Country	State/Province	County/District	Town/City	Address	Comments
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			Thomas	Caroline	Sarah	1710			U.S.	Virginia				

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Compile family group sheets



Family Group Sheet

Write dates as Day, Month, Year
example: 1 Jan 1904

Father	Given Name(s)	John	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1798	Place	Virginia
	Died	1852-1857	Place	probably Wapello County, Iowa
	Married	11/12/1829	Place	Guernsey County, Ohio
	Father's Father (first, middle, last)			
Father's Mother (first, middle, maiden)				
Other Marriages (first, middle, last)				
Mother	Given Name(s)	Lucinda	Last Name	Kirkpatrick
	Born	ca. 1812	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Mother's Father (first, middle, last) Thomas Bell Kirkpatrick			
	Mother's Mother (first, middle, maiden) Mary			
Other Marriages (first, middle, last)				
Child #1	Given Name(s)	Sarah	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1830	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, last) David Mortimore			
	Married 1850-1857 perhaps Wapello County, Iowa			
Child #2	Given Name(s)	Thomas W.	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1832	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, last)			
	Married			
Child #3	Given Name(s)	Mary	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1834	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse (first, middle, last)			
	Married			

Family Group Sheet

Father John Fisher	
Mother	Elizabeth Hill
Children	
F	Clarissa Elizabeth Fisher ¹
Birth	4 Mar 1825
Death	31 Dec 1875
Burial	
Spouse	J. Davis Cory (1825-1875)
Marriage	6 Mar 1845
F	Catherine Margaret Fisher ²
Birth	16 Sep 1825
Burial	
Death	9 Jun 1875
Spouse	Samuel Hambro
Marriage	11 Mar 1845
F	Laura M. Fisher ³
Birth	1 Feb 1825
Death	3 Aug 1875
Burial	
Spouse	William R. Co
Marriage	20 Nov 1845
M	Rev. Stanford George Fisher ⁴
Birth	24 Mar 1825
Death	5 Feb 1875
Burial	
Spouse	Louise J. Drur
Marriage	5 Mar 1845
Spouse	Gertrude Baco
Marriage	12 Sep 1845
M	Henry Orville Fisher ⁵
Birth	9 Mar 1825
Death	3 Oct 1875
Burial	
Spouse	Elisabeth Eiler
Marriage	16 Nov 1845

FAMILY NOTES
Marriage (28 October 1823): in the Ohio, opposite the High School" acco

FATHER NOTES: John Fisher
Death (10 April 1870): remains alone suitable monument was erected by he
Died from burns when a fire engulfed
Burial: remains transferred to Riverv

MOTHER NOTES: Elizabeth Fisher
Birth (30 January 1804): census rec Ohio and is how land that is West Vir
Death (27 April 1875): remains were sent copy of obit of Elizabeth Hill Fr From The newspaper, Buckeye's State-Oliver Farwell of Mass., near city of Lowell, where she was born 3 Sept 1762, residing there til after the Revolution. She was near 13 yrs, when Battle of Bunker Hill was fought, & her 3 brothers, William, Isaac, & Benjamin Farwell, & uncle Henry Farwell were in the Battle, the uncle & William were wounded. She married Mr. Hill at age 20, lived together 51 years. They removed west in 1789. She had 10

Family Group Sheet

August 2023

Father John Fisher	
Birth	15 Mar 1798
Death	10 Apr 1870
Burial	1914 remains transferred to Riverview Cemetery, East Liverpool, Columbiana, Ohio ¹
Marriage	28 Oct 1823 ^{4, 6}
Father	Paul Fisher (1757-1828)
Mother	Catherine Kister (1772-)
Mother Elizabeth Hill	
Birth	30 Jan 1804
Death	27 Apr 1875
Burial	East Liverpool, Ohio ^{10, 12}
Father	Roger Hill (-1833)
Mother	Elizabeth Farwell (1762-1855)
Children	
F	Susan Fisher ¹³
Birth	7 Jun 1825
Death	18 Jan 1903
Burial	near Lisbon; Wayne Township, Jefferson, Ohio ¹⁵
Spouse	David Brown (1822-1898)
Marriage	25 May 1846 ¹⁶
M	Dr. Levi Hill Fisher
Birth	19 May 1827
Death	9 Jan 1904
Burial	1904 Forest Park Cemetery, moved from Oakland, the downtown cemetery, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA ¹⁹
Spouse	Elizabeth Orinda Her (1842-1911)
Marriage	17 Feb 1880 second marriage, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA ²⁰
Spouse	Sicily Leggett Wafer widow of John W. Dobbs (1829-1873)
Marriage	16 Dec 1863 ^{21, 22}
M	John Milton Fisher ²³
Birth	12 Apr 1829 ²⁴
Death	21 Nov 1896 ²⁵
Burial	
Marriage	
M	William Fisher ²⁶
Birth	4 Feb 1831 ²⁷
Death	1 Oct 1912 ²⁸
Burial	Riverview Cemetery, East Liverpool, Columbiana, Ohio
Spouse	Mary R. McPherson (1832-1922)
Marriage	12 Nov 1868 ²⁹
M	Michael O. Fisher ³⁰
Birth	26 Jan 1833 ³¹
Death	8 Oct 1912 ³²
Burial	Riverview Cemetery, East Liverpool, Columbiana, Ohio, United States
Spouse	Isabel Hickman (1841-1915)
Marriage	26 Apr 1876 ³³
M	Albert D. Fisher M.A. ³⁴
Birth	9 Feb 1835
Death	1 May 1863
Burial	East Liverpool, Columbiana, OH ³⁵
Marriage	during Civil War, Chancellorsville, VA ³⁶

Lucinda Fenton & Other
Deeds by
Jesse Chapman

For the consideration of seven hundred fifty dollars we hereby convey to Jesse Chapman her heirs assigns the following tract of land to wit North West fourth of the South East quarter & South East fourth of South West quarter of Section 18 Eighteen Township 7th North three North of Range (14) Fourteen West containing Eighty acres more or less In the County of Wapello & State of Iowa and warrant the title against all persons whomsoever In Witness Whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names this ninth day of February A.D. 1857

State of Iowa
Wapello County

On this 9th day of February A.D. 1857 before me the undersigned a Justice of the Peace in and for said County appeared Lucinda Fenton Sarah Fenton J. Mortimer David Mortimer William O. Church Mary Ann Church Thomas W. Fenton Lucelia Fenton & Henry Fenton who are personally known to me to be the identical persons whose names are affixed to the foregoing deed of conveyance as grantors & we know the contents of said deed to be true & correct.

Fenton sales in 1857
Wapello Co., Ia., Deeds,
J:376

Grantors

Minor heirs of
John Fenton

Identify family group

For the consideration of seven hundred fifty dollars we hereby convey to Jesse Chapman her heirs assigns the following tract of land to wit North West fourth of the South East quarter & South East fourth of South West quarter of Section 18 Eighteen Township 7th North three North of Range (14) Fourteen West containing Eighty acres more or less In the County of Wapello & State of Iowa and warrant the title against all persons whomsoever In Witness Whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names this ninth day of February A.D. 1857

Lucinda ^{her} Fenton
Sarah Mortimer
David Mortimer
William O. Church
Mary Ann Church
Thomas W. Fenton
Lucelia Fenton
Mary Fenton

Who are personally known to me to be the identical persons whose names are affixed to the foregoing deed of conveyance as grantors & we know the contents of said deed to be true & correct.

at private sale to said Jesse Chapman the following described Real Estate to wit the whole interest of John Fenton Hannah Fenton Emma Fenton Margaret Fenton Alexander Fenton Eliza Fenton Angeline Fenton & Emily Fenton minor heirs of said John Fenton deceased in the following land The North West quarter of the South East quarter and the South East quarter of South West quarter of Section 18 Eighteen (18) in Township 7th North three North of Range (14) Fourteen West in Wapello County State of Iowa said Chapman agreeing to pay therefor the sum of Four hundred dollars & said sale approved by said Court now therefore by virtue of the Order of said Court of said County and the authority vested in me as Guardian Ad Hoc in consideration of the sum of One hundred dollars I Thomas W. Fenton do hereby convey to Jesse Chapman the whole interest of said minors in said land above described & do covenant for the heirs to warrant & defend the same against all persons whomsoever In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand this second day of March 1857

Thomas W. Fenton Guardian Ad Hoc

Family Group Sheet

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F Father	Given Name(s)	John	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1798	Place	Virginia
	Died	1852-1857	Place	probably Wapello County, Iowa
	Married	11/12/1829	Place	Guernsey County, Ohio
	Father's Father <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
Father's Mother <i>(first, middle, maiden)</i>				
Other Marriages <i>(first, middle, last)</i>				
M Mother	Given Name(s)	Lucinda	Last Name	Kirkpatrick
	Born	ca. 1812	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Mother's Father <i>(first, middle, last)</i>	Thomas Bell Kirkpatrick		
	Mother's Mother <i>(first, middle, maiden)</i>	Mary		
Other Marriages <i>(first, middle, last)</i>				
F Child #1	Given Name(s)	Sarah	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1830	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>	David Mortimore		
	Married	1850-1857	Place	perhaps Wapello County, Iowa
M Child #2	Given Name(s)	Thomas W.	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1832	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
	Married		Place	
F Child #3	Given Name(s)	Mary	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1834	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
	Married		Place	

Family Group Sheet

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F Father	Given Name(s)	John Fenton	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1846	Place	Iowa
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, maiden)</i>	Emiline/Emma		
	Married		Place	
M Mother	Given Name(s)	Margaret	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	ca. 1848	Place	Iowa
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, maiden)</i>	Alexander		
	Married	after 1857	Place	
F Child #4	Given Name(s)	Emily	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	1850-1857	Place	probably Wapello
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
	Married		Place	
F Child #5	Given Name(s)	Emily	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	1850-1857	Place	probably Wapello
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
	Married		Place	
F Child #6	Given Name(s)	Alexander	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	1850-1857	Place	probably Wapello
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
	Married		Place	
F Child #7	Given Name(s)	Emily	Last Name	Fenton
	Born	1850-1857	Place	probably Wapello
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
	Married		Place	

Sources of information
Wapello County, Iowa, Deeds
Wapello County, Iowa, Probate records
1850 U.S. Census, Wapello, Wapello County
Guernsey County, Ohio, Marriage records
Guernsey County, Ohio, Deeds
Guernsey County, Ohio, Probate records

Family Group Sheet

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F Father	Given Name(s)	Thomas Bell	Last Name	Kirkpatrick
	Born	1847-1851	Place	Guernsey County, Ohio
	Died	after 1851	Place	
	Married		Place	
	Father's Father <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
Father's Mother <i>(first, middle, maiden)</i>	Mary			
Other Marriages <i>(first, middle, last)</i>				
M Mother	Given Name(s)	Mary	Last Name	Kirkpatrick
	Born	1847-1851	Place	Guernsey County, Ohio
	Died	after 1851	Place	
	Married		Place	
	Mother's Father <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
Mother's Mother <i>(first, middle, maiden)</i>				
Other Marriages <i>(first, middle, last)</i>				
M Child #1	Given Name(s)	Fletcher W.	Last Name	Kirkpatrick
	Born	1851-1852	Place	Guernsey County, Ohio
	Died	after 1852	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>			
	Married		Place	
M Child #2	Given Name(s)	John	Last Name	Kirkpatrick
	Born	after 1854	Place	
	Died	after 1854	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>	Mary Ann		
	Married	before 1852	Place	
F Child #3	Given Name(s)	Lucinda	Last Name	Kirkpatrick
	Born	ca. 1812	Place	Ohio
	Died	after 1857	Place	
	Spouse <i>(first, middle, last)</i>	John Fenton		
	Married	11/12/1829	Place	Guernsey County, Ohio

Identify family groups

Step 3

Cluster research

What is Chain Migration?

- The process in which immigrants from a town, parish, or city follow others from that location to a new destination

Immigrant



Family/Neighbor



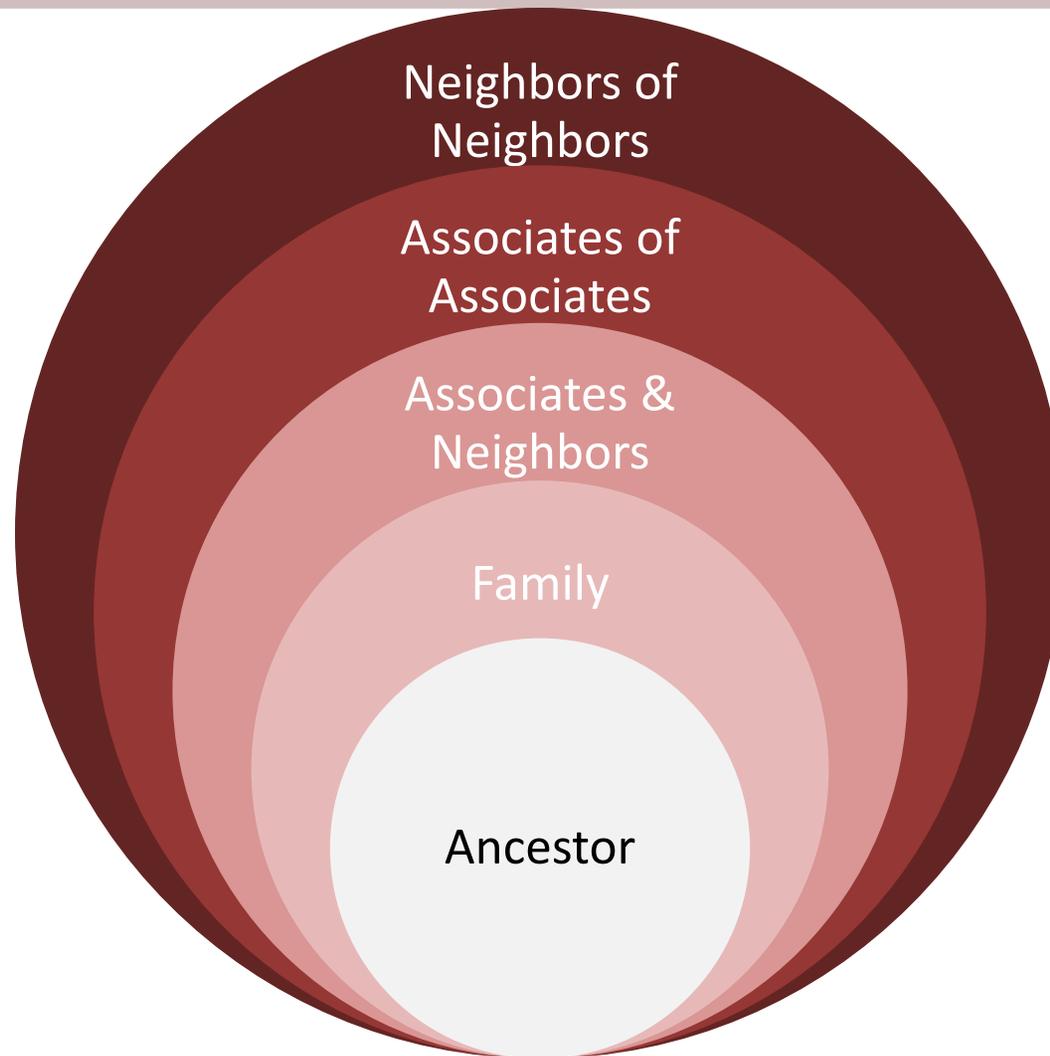
New destination



Why is it important?

- Studying chain migration can reveal the immigrant origins and prior residence of your ancestor
- Researching family, associates, and neighbors of our ancestors can provide missing information
 - Parentage
 - Maiden names
- Learning about communities can offer context to your ancestor's life

Cluster or FAN Club Research



To identify the cluster, ask:

- Who else was enumerated in your ancestor's household?
- Who lived next door? Nearby?
- Who did your ancestor buy land from or sell land to? Who were the witnesses?
- Who was mentioned in your ancestor's probate proceedings?

To identify the cluster, ask:

- Who witnessed their marriages? Sponsored the baptisms?
- Who provided the affidavit when your ancestor naturalized, applied for pension, was at court?
- Who worked alongside your ancestor?

F- Family

- **Study siblings**
- **Research parents of spouse(s)**



Widemann family, 1881, at Wikimedia Commons

Given Name	Residence 1850	Residence 1860	Residence 1870	Residence 1880
Eliza Ann	PA, Sandy Creek	OH, Scioto	UNK	UNK
Harvey Mitchell	PA, West Salem	KS, Bourbon	KS, Jefferson, Jefferson	KS, Atchison, Atchison
Samuel W.	MI, Madison, Lenawee	MI, Kalamazoo	UNK	UNK
George	PA, West Salem	IA	KS, Cowley	KS, Cowley
Sarah Catharine	PA, West Salem	ILL, Victoria, Knox	PA, West Salem	PA, West Salem
John A.	PA, West Salem	MN, Mankato, Blue Earth	MN, Mankato, Blue Earth	MO, Ozark, Barton
Anne	PA, West Salem	Deceased?		

Walker family cluster

A- Associates

- Associates through work, culture, or leisure
- Look for relevant records in various areas



The Ball Team. Composed mainly of glass workers. Indiana. 1908, LOC

Mr. North was born in the Province of Connaught, Ireland, and was 72 years old. His father was an officer in the English army and his mother was of Scotch descent. His father also held estates in Ireland. There were twelve sons, nearly all of whom came to this country. Charles North came to America 56 years ago. He settled at first in Western Massachusetts, where he married Miss Harriot Mitchell, who survives him. Forty-six years ago they came to Oswego and Mr. North became foreman in the old tannery, still standing on the East side of the river near the Guard lock. He soon became a member of the firm of Hubbard, Coman & North, that bought the tannery. Later the firm was known as Hubbard & North, and after Mr. Hubbard's death it became known as Charles North & Company and then North, McCarthy & Company.

Associate cluster

Oswego Daily Palladium, 15 Feb. 1892, p. 5.

OBITUARY.

Charles North.

Another of Oswego's pioneer citizens and staunch business men has joined the silent majority. The Hon. Charles North died at his home in the Eighth ward yesterday at 4 o'clock. The cheery voice that for so many years was accustomed to greet the smallest urchin and the best known man with the same heartiness and pleasure, is still forever. The hand that dealt out charity to the poor and suffering unstintingly and unselfishly, lies motionless in death. No man was ever more dearly beloved by his neighbors and acquaintances than was Charles North and among the most sincere mourners who will follow him to the grave will be those from the humblest walks of life who have, at one time and another, received at his hands aid and sympathy and kindness. Nobody ever knew or ever will know the extent of Mr. North's goodness. He never let the left hand know what the right hand gaveth, but for years the poor and needy of the Eighth ward looked to him as a staff to lean upon.

1850 United States Federal Census for Chas North

New York > Oswego > Oswego Ward 4

7	Dwellin No.	Family No.	Name	Age	Sex	Race	Real Estate	Birthplace	Married 1	Attended	Cannot R
8			<i>John</i>								
9	466	517	<i>Wm O Hubbard</i>	41	M		<i>1800</i>	<i>Mass</i>			
10			<i>Erasmus</i>	37	M			<i>"</i>			
11			<i>Osias</i>	17	M		<i>1800</i>	<i>"</i>			
12			<i>Daniel</i>	12	M			<i>"</i>			
13			<i>Louisa</i>	10	F			<i>"</i>			
14			<i>Amelia</i>	7	F			<i>"</i>			
15			<i>Wm</i>	12	M			<i>"</i>			
16			<i>Melinda Merrill</i>	18	F			<i>Mass</i>			
17	467	518	<i>Chas North</i>	29	M		<i>1800</i>	<i>Ireland</i>			
18			<i>Wm</i>	28	M			<i>Mass</i>			
19			<i>Wm</i>	4	M			<i>Mass</i>			
20			<i>Elitia</i>	1	F			<i>"</i>			

Associate cluster

Oswego Co., N.Y., Deeds, 43:79-81.

This Indenture made the fifteenth day of November one thousand Eight hundred and
 forty five Between Joseph Wilber & Mary Ann his wife and Benjamin F. Wilber & Lucy
his wife of the Town of Scuba in the County of Oswego & State of New York of the first part and
William O. Hubbard of the same place of the second part Witnesseth that the said party of the
 first part for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars Lawful Money of the
 United States to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part at or before the Enacting

and the said premises granted being all the subdivision of said lot that lies West of the West
 line of the road or highway laid out by the Commissioners of Highways of the Town of Scuba
And also all that certain quantity of Water to wit the portion of the Surplus Water of the
Oswego Canal after the State & other prior Erections on said Canal have taken & used such
 quantity of Water as they have a right to take & use to Turn & keep in use such Machinery as is
necessary for the purpose of Tanning hides & skins and manufacturing Leather and All the rights
 and privileges thereunto belonging said quantity of Water being the Water to which the said

Associate cluster

N- Neighbors

- Look at land records
- Consider town and county records or minutes



Mapping West Philadelphia project, at maps.archive.upenn.edu/WestPhila1777/map

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR *PRIVATE CLAIMS*
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT General Land Office Records

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Below are documents matching the following *land description* from the current document: [OH U.S. Military Survey Township 1.0N Range 3.0W Section 4](#)

Image	Accession	Names	Date	Doc #	State	Meridian	Twp - Rng	Aliquots	Sec. #	County
	OH1560_.349	HALL, JOHN	8/10/1837	9902	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH1550_.454	KENNEDY, NATHANIEL	8/5/1837	9515	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH1550_.469	KENNEDY, NATHANIEL	8/5/1837	9530	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH0430_.182	MAXWELL, DAVID	9/14/1835	4680	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH1600_.134	MAXWELL, JOSEPH	9/1/1838	11676	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH0490_.279	MCCONAUGHY, JOHN	4/10/1837	7832	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
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	OH0460_.346	NEWNOM, JOHN	4/30/1835	6382	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH0460_.166	OGIER, JOHN	4/30/1835	6201	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH1570_.136	TORODE, JOHN	8/15/1837	10184	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH0460_.341	WALLER, MARGARET	4/30/1835	6377	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey
	OH0390_.452	WALLER, SAMUEL	4/2/1832	2967	OH	U.S. Military Survey	001N - 003W	W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$	4	Guernsey

Neighbor cluster

William Boughman.

Know all men by these presents, that we Abraham Cutsizer and Martha Cutsizer Wife of
 said Abraham Cutsizer of the County of Guernsey in the State of Ohio in consideration of the sum of
 One hundred and twenty five dollars in hand paid by William Boughman of the same place
 have bargained and sold and do hereby grant bargain, sell and convey unto the said William
 Boughman his heirs and assigns forever the following premises situate in the County of Guernsey
 in the State of Ohio described as follows (to wit) the South West quarter of the South West quarter
of Section Seven in Township One of Range Three of the lands sold at Xeniaville Ohio containing
fourteen acres by the same more or less. To Have and to hold said premises with the appur-
 tenances unto the said William Boughman his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Abraham
 Cutsizer for himself and being do the hereby covenant, with said William Boughman his heirs and
 assigns that he is lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid that the premises are free and clear
 from all incumbrances whatsoever, and that he will forever warrant and defend the same
 unto the said William Boughman his heirs and assigns against the
 lawful claim of all persons whomsoever. In Testimony Whereof the said Abraham Cutsizer
 and Martha Cutsizer have hereunto set their hands and seals this 26 day of September in
 the year eighteen hundred and thirty nine.

Executed in the presence of
 Philip Hoff

Abraham ^{his} Cutsizer Seal
 made

Neighbor cluster

Guernsey Co., Ohio, Deeds, O:216-218.

[TABLE #1
James Bryan(t) et al details in matrix/tabular form
[started by DLR 042616]

Date	Place	"Target" James Bryan(t)	[possible father] Arthur Bryan(t)	Other Bryan(t)	FAN ⁷²	Notes
ISSUE [Greene Co, NC] Courthouse fire of 1876 destroyed many court records and all land record						
c. 1728	Perquimans Co		Birth			
1753 (5 Sept)	Northampton Co		Marries Elizabeth Peele			Born 9 7 th month 1736, dau Robert & Elizabeth (MNU) Peele [birth info per Rich Square MM]
1754 (Apr) to 1755 (Apr) [NEW]	"Old Dobbs"		Arthur Bryant (Grantor)	Needham, Hardy, John, William, gtc	Henry Junnigan (Jernigan)	DLR Computer, Book 3, deed index [deeds not extant]
1754 (12 Nov) [NEW]	Northampton Co		Arthur Bryant (Grantee)	James Bryant Sen' & James Bryant Jun' (Grantor)		See table below [acquired this deed - 62A Catawiskey Swamp]
1754 (4 Dec) [NEW]	Northampton Co		Arthur Bryant (Grantee)	James Bryant (Grantor)		See (&&& Uriah Swamp
Dd Bk 1, pg. 183 (1741-1759) ... James Bryant of Northampton Co. to Arthur Bryant of Northampton Co., for 40-pounds current money of VA sold 400-acres on south side of Uriah Swamp near the mouth of the said Swamp, joining a branch and Joel Newsom, land the said Bryant purchased of William and Mary Braswell and the Reverend John Boyd bought of George Downing. Wit: John Duke, William Lancaster, and Richard Young. Registered February Court 1755, J. Edwards, CC. http://www.genealogy.com/surnames/topics/lancaster/4185/ [accessed 042616]						
1755 (27 Aug)	Northampton Co		A & E (Grantor)		Robert Peele, carpenter (Grantee) William Ruffin, Hance Hofler, John Duke (witnesses)	400A, S/S Uriah Swamp obt from father James Bryant [Dd Bk 2 pg 245] [NEW] (&&&

⁷² Friends, Associates, Neighbors

- DR Diane Richard Basis?
- DR Diane Richard Basis?
- DL Diane L. Richard This family probably is the one that eventually is in Wake County, and was previously in Bertie County (along with the Turner family et al) after migrating down from VA.

Bryan(t)/Bryan(t) was a somewhat common surname!

Need to watch out for the Arthur Bryan (CC) associated with Needham Bryan and Lewis Bryan (CC), Johnston County, 1764 [per Granville LGS for Needham Bryant, Johnston Co], 300A, Neuse River

Arthur Bryant(t) had several LG entries in Johnston Co in 1751, 1776, 1780, etc [per MARS catalog]
- DR Diane Richard Deed is MISTRANSCRIBED in Margaret Hofmann's book - it is NOT a deed between James Bryant Sr to James Bryant Jr - it IS a deed between James Bryant SR & James Bryant JR to Arthur!!!!
- DR Diane Richard This entry explicitly states that Arthur's father was "a" James Bryant

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Date	Place	"Target" James Bryan(t)	[possible father] Arthur Bryan(t)	Other Bryan(t)	FAN ⁷²	Notes	
27 Aug 1755	Northampton		Arthur Bryant (1732) and Elizabeth [Peele] his wife of Northampton Co., planter to Robert Peele of Northampton County, carpenter, for £125 current money of Virginia, all my plantation whereon I lately lived with all the lands thereunto belonging, with 30 acres of the Reverend John Boyd purchased of George Downing, joining other lands of the said Bryant and containing in the whole 400 acres which the said Bryant purchase of his father James Bryant and the said James purchased of William Braswell and Mary, his wife on 20 June 1715, on the south side of Uriah swamp. Wit: John Duke, William Ruffin, Hance Hofler. Registered Northampton County Court Feb 1756. J. Edwards, Clerk of Court. (Northampton County, NC, Deed Book 2, Page 245.) Source: http://files.usgwarchives.net/nc/bertie/deeds/urawah.txt [accessed 042716]				
1755	Northampton				LG = John Duke	Refers to Abraham	

Use tables/spreadsheets

Cluster Research Strategy

- Identify Family, Associates, and Neighbors
 - Build the family group
 - Who were they connected to and how?
- Determine origins/movements of each
 - Shared origins?
 - Patterns?
- Learn about community
 - Who settled there? When?

Step 4

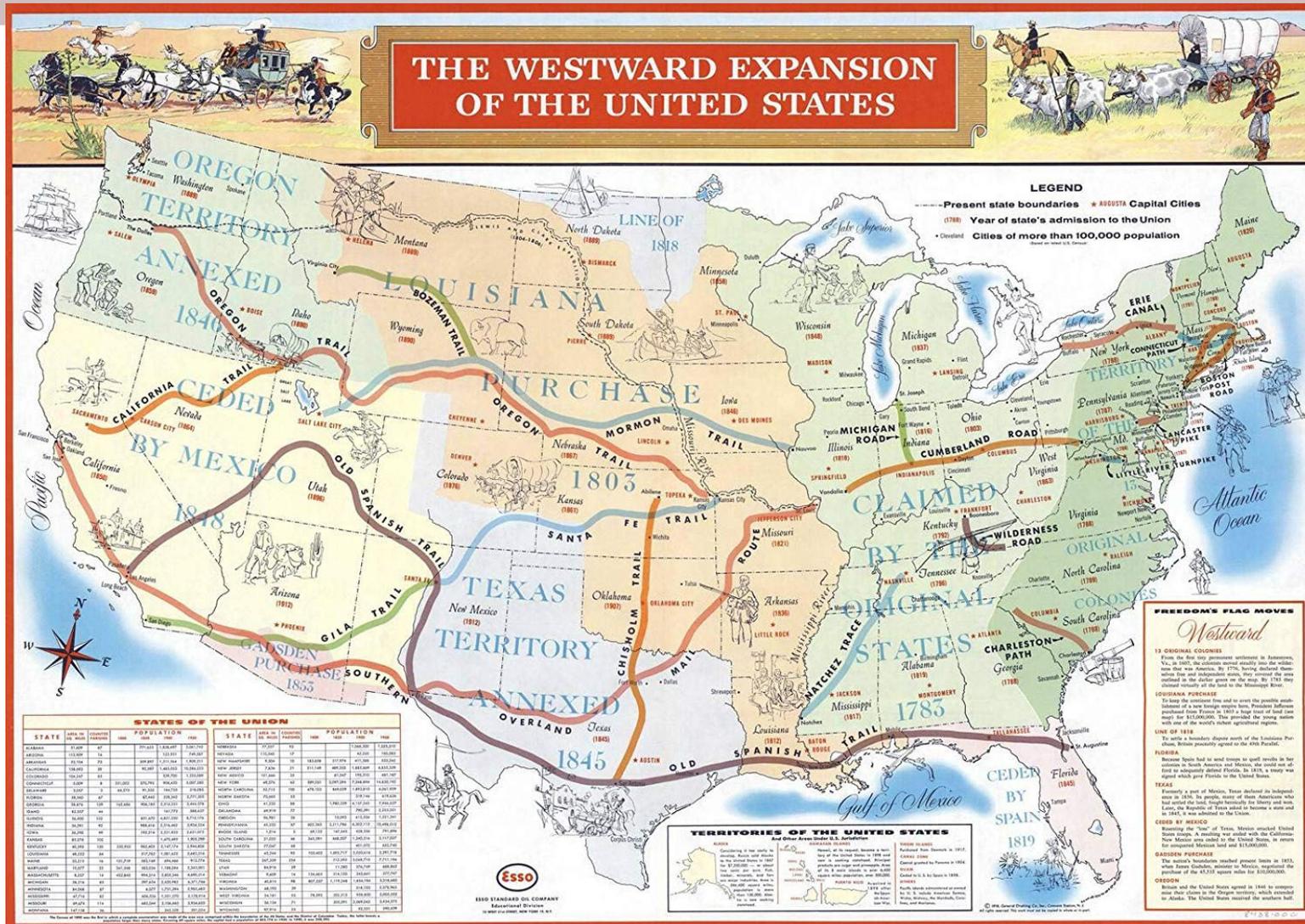
Migration routes & patterns

Finding the Route

- Using family and local records, discover all you can about where your ancestor started or ended
- Determine routes and modes of transportation available by time and place

Century	Route	Mode
17 th	Native trails, rivers	Horse or boat
18 th	Widened native trails, rivers	Horse or boat
19 th	Roads, canals, then railroads	Horse, flat-bottomed boat, canal boat, railroad

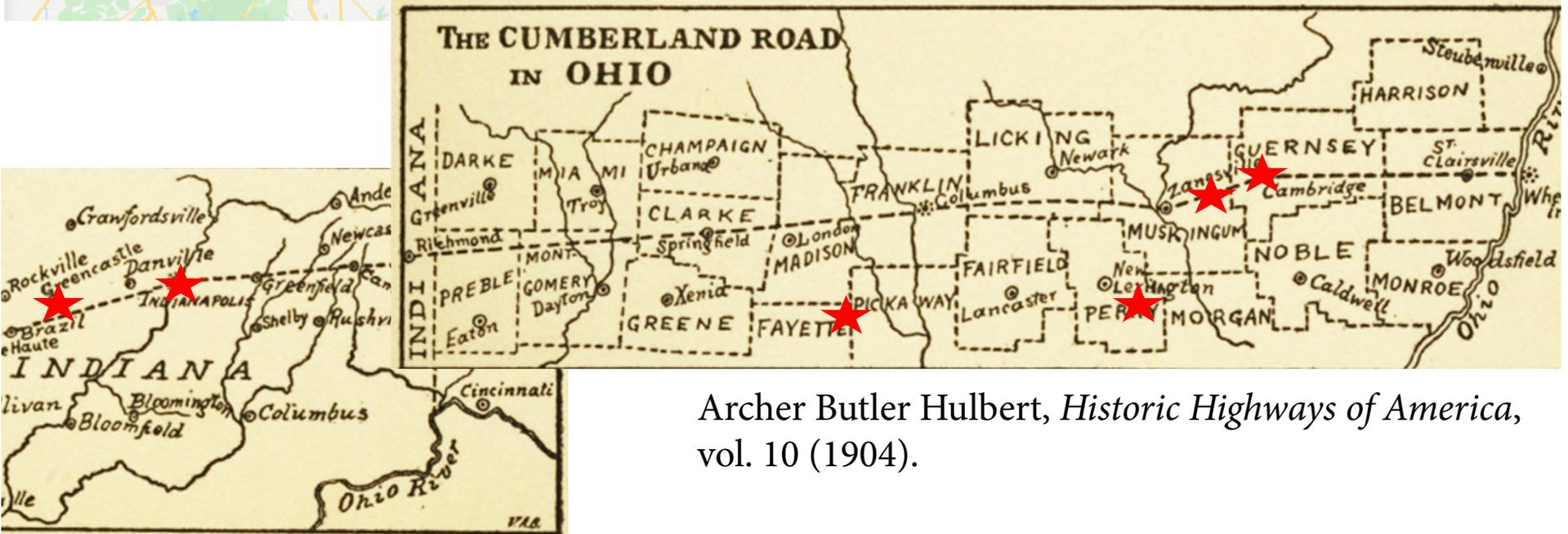
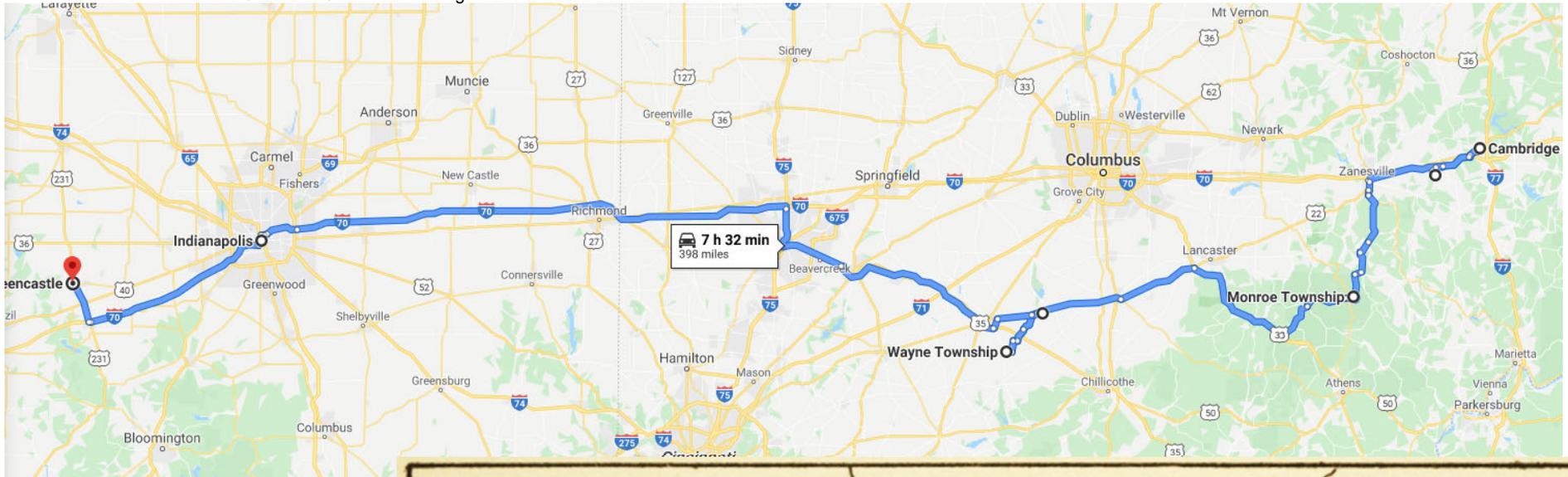
Study migration routes



Refer to your timeline

Date	Place	Event	Name(s)
1830	Muskingum County Ohio	Census	Nathaniel Kennedy
1840	Guernsey County Ohio	Census	Nathaniel Kennedy
1850	Perry County Ohio	Census	Mary Kennedy & Eli Kennedy
1860	Fayette County Ohio	Census	Mary Kennedy & Eli Kennedy
1863	Pickaway County Ohio	Civil War draft	Eli Kennedy
1880 & 1900	Indianapolis Indiana	Census	Eli Kennedy & Thomas Kennedy
1910	Greencastle Indiana	Census	Thomas Kennedy

American Ancestors Comes to California: Tracing Your Westward-Bound Ancestors



Archer Butler Hulbert, *Historic Highways of America*, vol. 10 (1904).

National Road aligns with Kennedy migration

Routes and Modes of Transportation

- Needed a road or waterway
- Modes of transportation

1600's

- Horseback
- Canoe, rowboat, shallop, seafaring boat

Revolutionary War

1781

- Flat boats – introduced for trade and travel on Ohio and Mississippi Rivers

1795

- Canal boat - South Hadley, Massachusetts Canal

1811

- Steamboat - for lower Mississippi and 1818 for Great Lakes

1827

- Railroad –Baltimore & Ohio

Out of the Northeast

Major Routes

1644

- Boston Post Road – three branches – Boston to NYC

1699

- Albany Post Road – Albany to NYC

1722

- Mohawk Trail Boston to Utica

1735

- Kings Highway – continued Boston Post Road from NYC to Charleston, SC.

1745

- Catskill Road – Springfield, MA to Catskill, NY on Hudson River

1753

- Mohawk Trail - Utica to Oswego

Revolutionary War

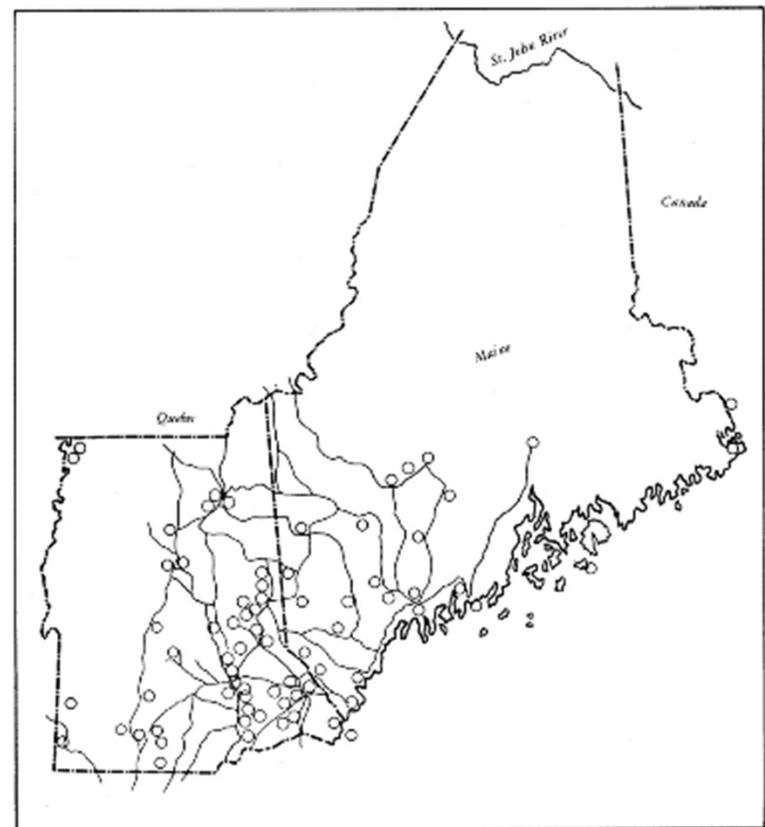
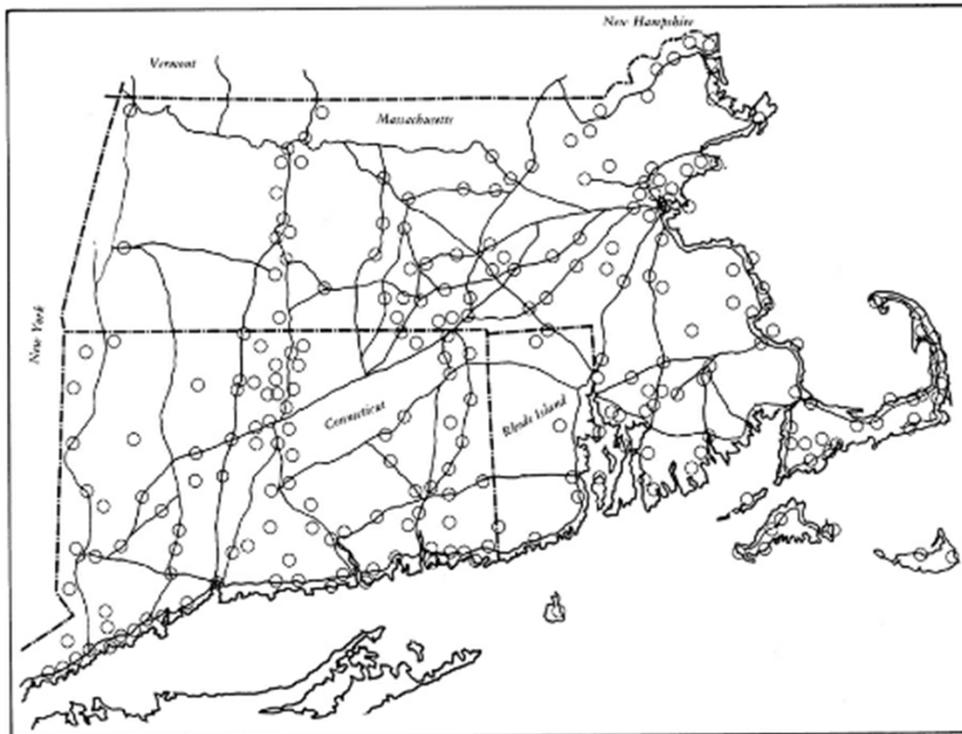
1794

- Great Genesee Road – Syracuse to Buffalo

1825

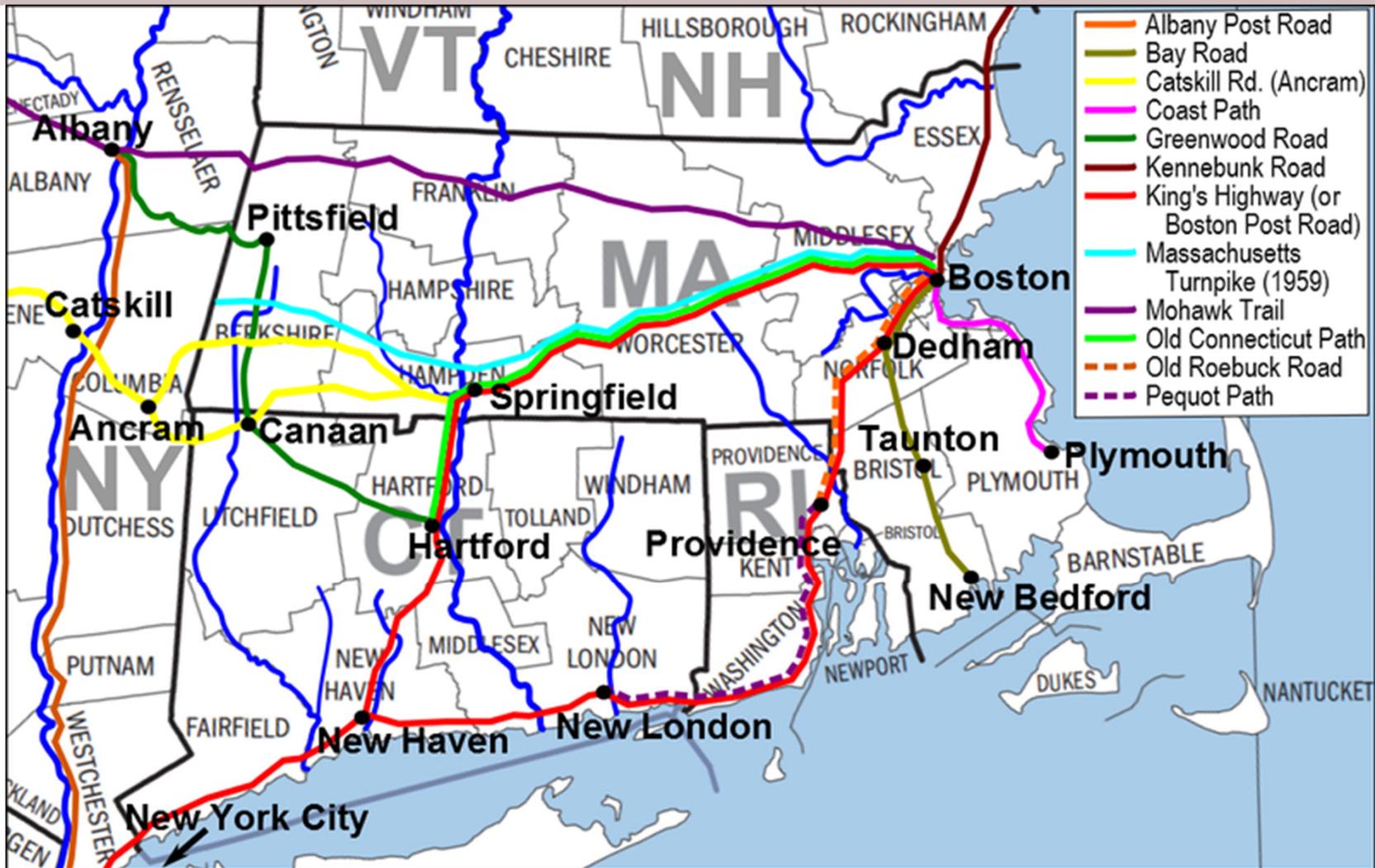
- Erie Canal – Albany to Buffalo

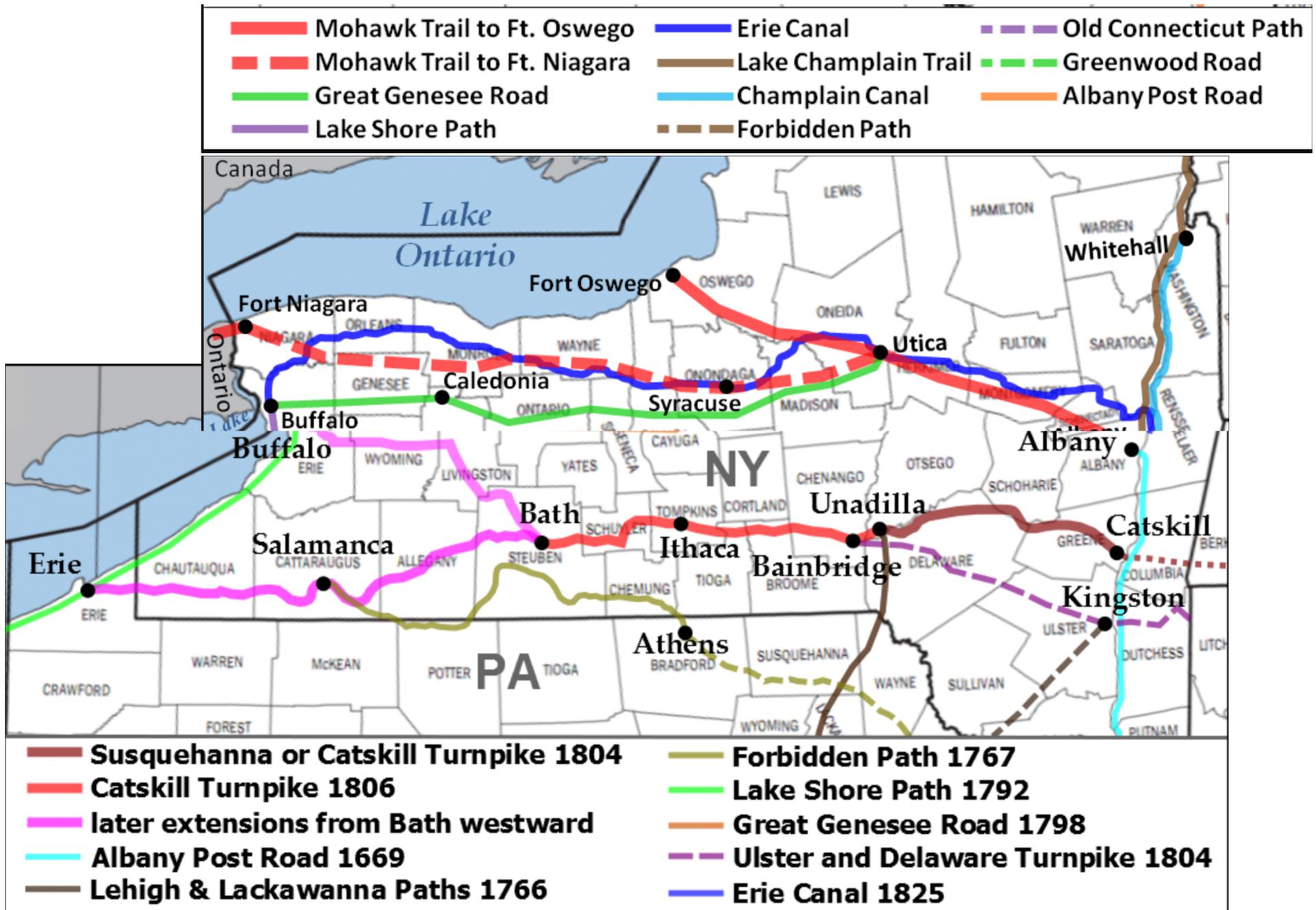
Native Trails 1600s



Howard Russell, *Indian New England Before the Mayflower* (1980).

Roads





Mid-Atlantic and Ohio Valley

Major Roads

1730

- **Great Valley Road** – Philadelphia to Roanoke

1735

- **Fall Line Road** – Fredericksburg, VA to Camden, SC

1748

- **Upper Road** – Fredericksburg, VA to Charlotte, NC

1755

- **Braddock's Road** – Cumberland, MD to Pittsburgh, PA

1758

- **Forbes Road** – Harrisburg to Pittsburgh

1775

- **Wilderness Road** – Bristol, VA to Lexington, KY

Revolutionary War

1800

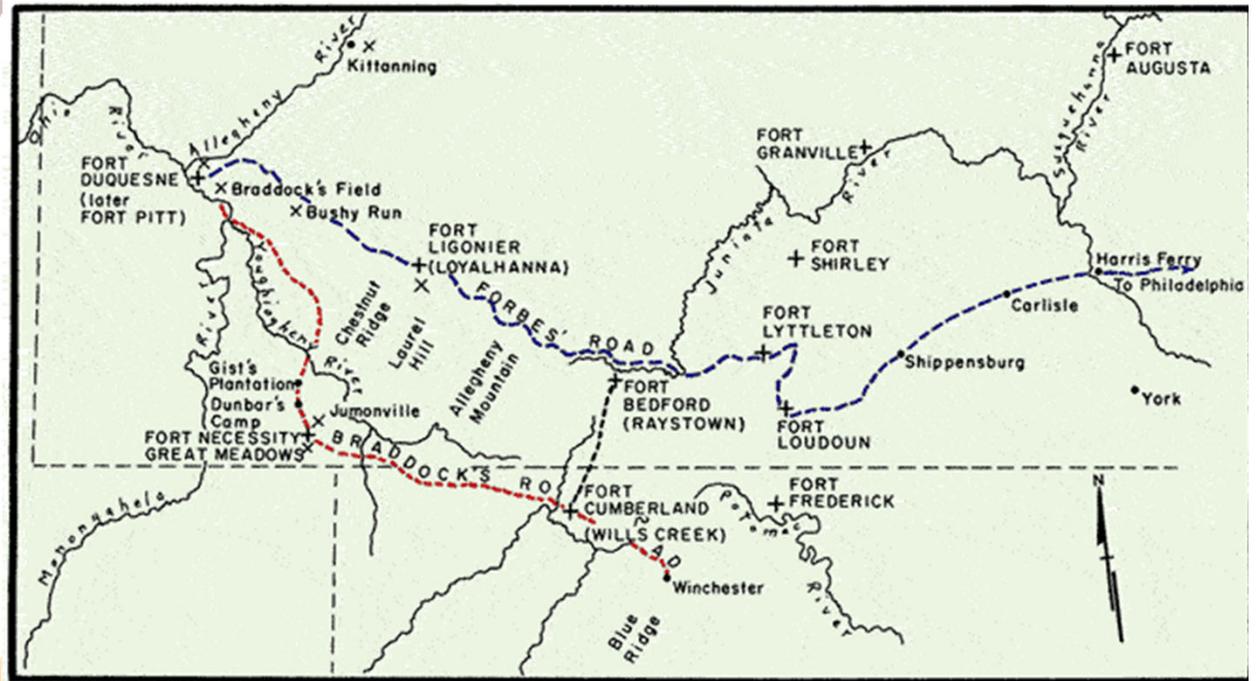
- **Zane's Trace** - Wheeling, (W)VA to Maysville, KY

1818

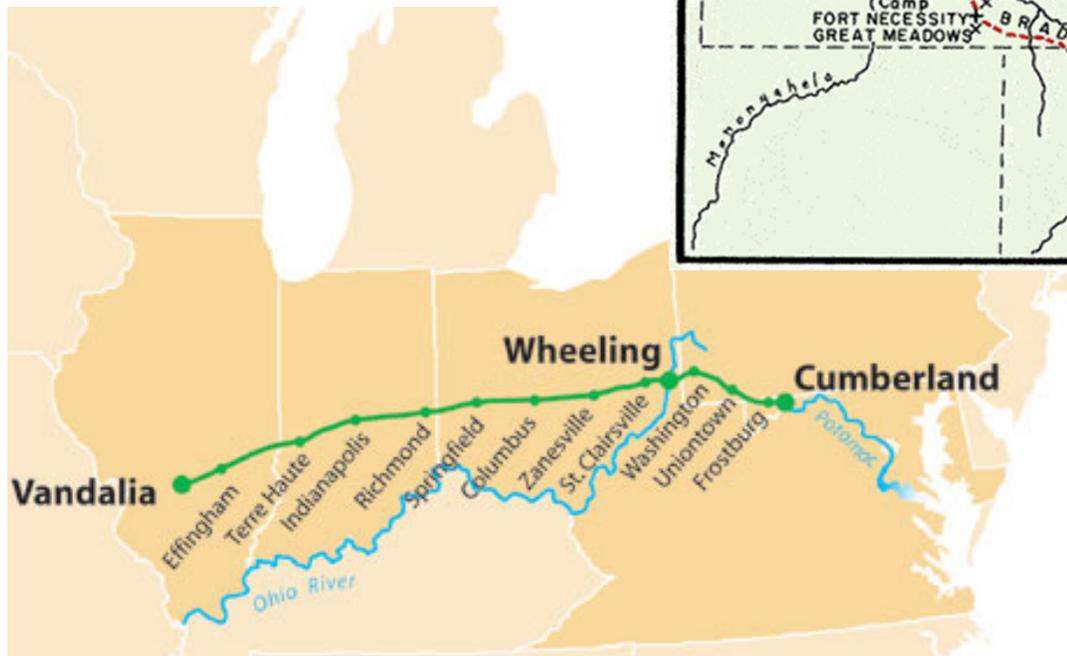
- **National Road** – Baltimore, MD to Vandalia, ILL

Roads East to West

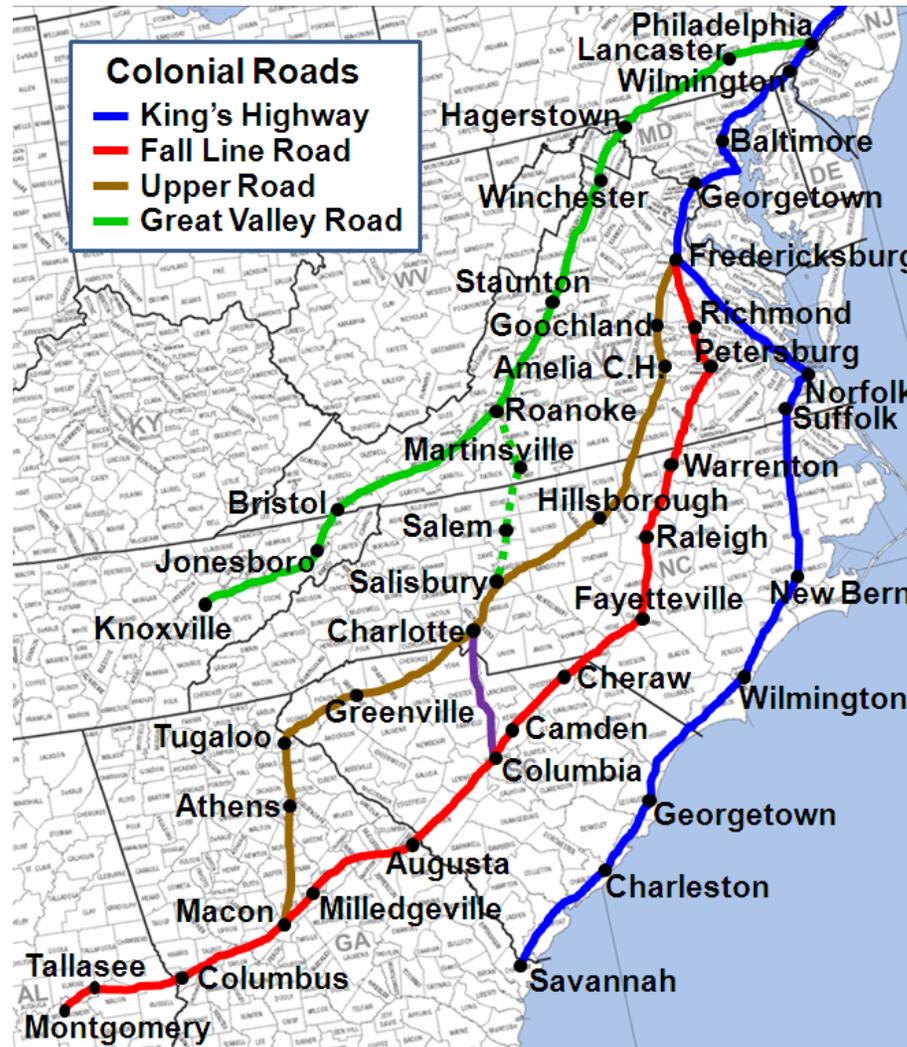
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Roads North to South



Southeast to the Mississippi

Major Roads

Revolutionary War

1797

- **Natchez Trace** – Natchez, MS to Nashville, TN

1806

- **Federal Road** – Macon, GA to Mobile, AL

1814

- **General Jackson's Road** – Nashville to New Orleans

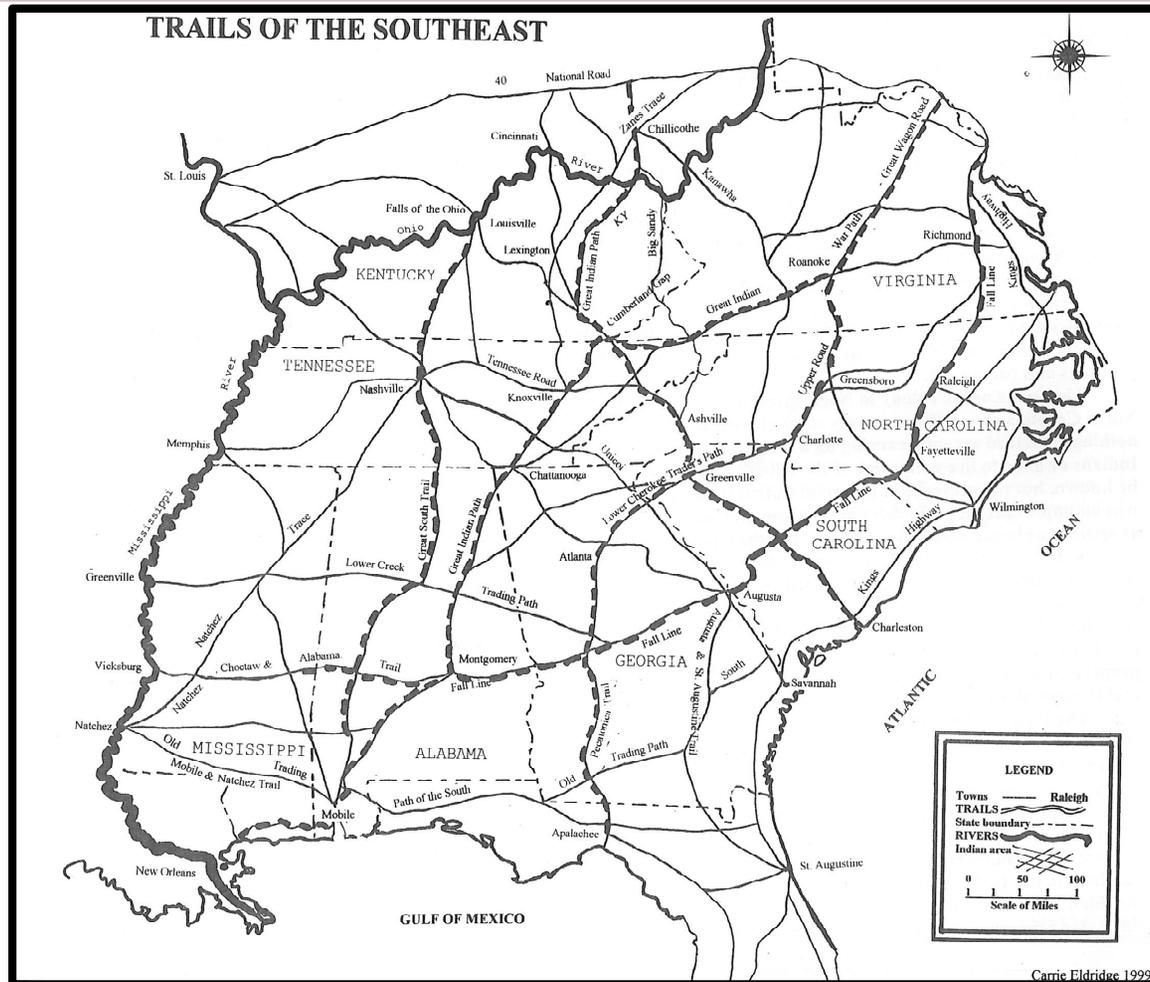
1814

- **General Carroll's Road** – New Orleans to Jackson, MS

1814

- **McCraey's Path or St. Stephen's Road** – St. Stephens to Natchez

Native Trails of the Southeast



Carrie Eldridge, *An Atlas of Northern Trails Westward from New England* (2000).

Resources

- FamilySearch.org Research Wiki
- Atlases
 - William Dollarhide (with Leland Meitzler)
 - Carrie Eldridge
- Books
- Local Historical Societies



QUESTIONS?



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