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Announcements

Videotapes of the 1996 National Reunion: Available from Ted Loranz for $9.00. Please contact Ted for orders or information.

JFA Family Memberships: A bargain not to be passed up! Only $25 a year for both parents and all children 18 years of age and younger living at the same address or away at school versus $15.00 a year for each individual.

Repository for Jewett Papers, Books and Memorabilia: The old school in the center of Rowley which was scheduled to be redone was suggested in 1996 as a repository. However, the renovation is no longer scheduled and would not have been a secure repository in any event. Does anyone have a suggestion of a possible secure site in which to store Jewett papers and artifacts? If you do, please contact Historian Lee Jewett Petry.

Membership Numbers: The Individual Numbers used in Volumes III and IV will be used as Membership Numbers. New members who have not been assigned Individual Numbers will receive a temporary number pending publication of the next volume of the *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America.*

Additions and Corrections to Volumes III and IV: The deadline for submittal of additions and corrections has been extended to 31 Dec 1997. A soft-cover booklet similar in size to the old Yearbooks will be published in Feb 1998. When the next volume of the *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America* is published, an archival quality hard-cover book will be published which will incorporate all the additions and corrections submitted up to that time. There is an extraordinary amount of missing information; please fill it in!

The Jewett Family of America
Letter from the President
Greetings to the Jewett Family of America!

It is an honor to serve you in the next three years. I hope that I can do a good job for **The Jewett Family**. The Board Meeting held in Rowley on September 27th was very successful. I thank you all for your love, support and understanding.

After the meeting at the Pancake House, we were given the grand tour of the Congregational Church. Since our National Reunion there in July 1996, it has been beautifully refurbished with new wallboard and paint. Reverend Harry Meyers, who helped us in 1996, is now retiring; so it was nice to say goodbye to him at this time. Several of us then headed down to the Rowley Historical Society where we were met by Doris Fryberg who gave us a tour of the house, and what a nice tour it was.

Later on some of us met at the Millstone Restaurant where we had dinner and said our goodbyes until next time. We have a lot of work to do. Number one is to be sure we get all the vital statistics to Lee Jewett Petry and to keep her as busy as we can. She has and is doing a fabulous job as Historian, as is Ted Loranz as Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Let's keep them both busy.

We should keep in mind that any address or phone number changes should be sent to Ted Loranz as soon as possible since he will be compiling a new Jewett Directory in 1998.

It was voted to have the next National Reunion in the first weekend of August in the year 2000 and to look into souvenirs to offer our members. Tote Bags, stationery, jewelry and Christmas tree ornaments were suggested. Also Russell Jewett will be putting together a tour of England and Scotland, hopefully in the spring of 1998. More about it all later. Any ideas would be welcome.

I visited with Willard and Gertrude Jewett who are enjoying their new home in Auburn ME.

A little about myself. Ranny and I have been married for forty three and a half years. We have six sons and daughters-in-law, eight grandsons and 3 granddaughters. Most live in the area and we see them as often as time allows. In 1970 I opened the first quilt shop in New England in Ipswich MA. I ran a mail order business, and it was in most cases intriguing, fun and kept me busy. I sold the business, and in 1987 Ranny and I moved to Port Charlotte FL where I started another business. It was at this time that I met Sarah King in Miami. In 1994 Ranny and I had the opportunity to move to Acton ME and that's where we are now.

We make a few trips to Florida each year and travel a bit around New England. Our family keeps us busy and we wouldn't have it any other way.

Toujours le même, Dorothy J. Brigham

1997 Board Meeting: Left to right, William Jewett, Dorothy Brigham Jewett, Mike Jewett, Natalie Jewett, Lee Jewett Petry, Ted Loranz, Russell Jewett, Dorothy Jewett Stitt.

Board of Directors Meeting
The Jewett Family of America, Inc.
September 27, 1997

The 1997 Board of Directors Meeting was brought to order at 10:15 AM on 27 Sep. It was held at the Rowley Pancake House, Rowley MA. Dorothy Jewett Brigham, First Vice-President, presiding.

Those in attendance were Dorothy Jewett Brigham: Alfred B. Lozanz, Third Vice-President,Treasurer and Recording Secretary; Natalie T. Jewett, Recording Secretary; Lee Jewett Petry, Historian and Editor of Publications; Directors Michael R. Jewett and Nancy Jewett Wells; and Directors for Life William H. Jewett, Russell E. Jewett and Dorothy Jewett Stitt. Theodore V. Herrmann had resigned as President, and we all send our good wishes for his future endeavors.

The Pledge of Allegiance was held and a prayer was led by Michael R. Jewett.

Natalie Jewett read the minutes of the 1996 Board meeting which was accepted.

Ted Loranz gave the treasurer's report which was also accepted. A discussion followed about the best way to reinvest the $20,000 CD which had reached maturity. It was decided to reinvest in another CD and in an asset allocation fund.

Ted also said that we have quite a few copies of Volumes III and IV left for sale. Anyone interested in those should contact him. Ted also requested that any changes in addresses or phone numbers be sent to him directly as well as to Lee Petry.

Michael Jewett reported on the Ambassador Program. He has about 20 Ambassadors working to find new members and bring news to members who have lost contact with us. One of the biggest problems the Ambassadors face is the cost of postage, phone and supplies. Ted feels that reasonable expenditures could be reimbursed. Michael also suggested that as many of us travel about the country, we could look up and try to contact Jewetts that we can find.

Lee Petry gave us a brief Historian's report. She has received lots of new information from members, unfortunately much of it incomplete. Many additions and corrections to Volumes III and IV have been received, and any others must be in by 31 Dec 1997. This is so they can be published in Feb 1998. It was suggested that a web page be set up in the near future. Ted Loranz is going to try to do this to see if it would be feasible for use in finding new members. Note: The Jewett Family of America, Inc. web site has been established and its address is: **hhtp://www.ultranet.com/~aloranz/jfa.html**

Dorothy adjourned the meeting for lunch at 12:15.

The meeting resumed at 1:00 PM. The first order of business was membership numbers. It was agreed that the Historian should assign numbers to new members. The current members will use their individual numbers from Volumes I through IV if available; otherwise they will be assigned a number by the Historian. (The new numbers will be used in the next Directory.)

The next National Jewett Reunion has been slated for the first weekend in August of the year 2000. Any suggestions for a bigger and better reunion should be written to any of the Reunion Committee members. The Reunion Committee consists of Dorothy Jewett brigham, Ted Loranz and Natalie Jewett. Any suggestions will be welcome. The Reunion will be held in Rowley MA. Programs will be mailed out in advance and will list camping grounds, hotels and inns in the area. Gifts, stationery, jewelry and other Jewett memorabilia will be offered for sale.

Under new business, the Board changed the number of Directors from 15 to 18, electing six directors for the next three year term,adding one for the next two years and one for a one year term.

Michael Jewett read the Nominating Committee slate for the next year as follows:

President - Dorothy Jewett Brigham
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Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary
Alfred B. Loranz
Recording Secretary - Natalie T. Jewett
Historian and Editor of Publications
Lee Jewett Petry
Auditor - Dorothy Jewett Brigham
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Sarah Jewett King (FL)
Cecelia Jewett McGehee (KS)
James Jewett (CT)

Granton L. Jewett (NY)
Robert Jewett (OH) 2 Years
Bruce Brigham (NH)
William Nash (PA) 1 Year

The nominees were elected by acclimation.

The President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretaries are Directors by virtue of office.

The Nominating Committee members for 1998 are Michael R. Jewett, Russell E. Jewett and Nancy Wells Jewett. The date for the 1998 Board of Directors meeting is set for Sep 26 in Rowley MA.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Natalie T. Jewett, Recording Secretary

Note from Natalie: To all family members and friends, I wish to send my thanks for your cards and prayers while I was awaiting my heart transplant.

50th Wedding Anniversary

Eighty relatives and friends attended the 50th Wedding Anniversary celebration given by the children of Bill (23725) and Grace Jewett in Preston Mitchell at Carter Memorial United Methodist Church in April. The Jewetts were married 19 Apr 1947 in Roslindale MA. They have been residents of Needham MA since Jul 1962. Bill is a Director for Life in the Jewett Family of America.

Jewett Family of America, Inc.
Treasurer's Report
September 1, 1996 to August 31, 1997

OPENING BALANCES SEPTEMBER 1, 1996

Savings	$ 26,681.18		
Checking	1.73	**Balance on Hand September 1, 1997**	**$ 26,682.91**

INCOME

Book Sales	$ 2,277.00		
Jewelry Sales	318.00		
Dues, YB Fees, etc.	3,217.00		
Gifts	90.00		
Refund from Vols. III & IV	247.77		
Life Member Fees	900.00		
Interest	677.63		
Miscellaneous	2.00	**Total Income**	**$ 7,729.40**

EXPENSES

Vols. I & II Purchase	$ 1.236.60		
Publication Printing	4,172.16		
Postage	1,218.92		
Shipping	549.61		
Jewelry	286.33		
Bank Fees	153.00		
Returned Check	100.00		
Supplies	155.54		
Preident's Expenses	700.99		
Miscellaneous	258.35	**Total Expenses**	**$ 8,825.50**

ON HAND AS OF AUGUST 31, 1997

Savings	4,342.02		
Checking	898.11		
CD	20,346.68	**Total on Hand August 31, 1997**	**$ 25,586.81**

INVENTORY ON HAND

Volumes I & II (Sets)	11
Volumes III & IV (Sets)	276
Gold-plated Pins	111
Gold-plated charms (or pendants)	61
Gold-plated Cufflinks	14
Bronze Pins	40

Respectfully Submitted,
Alfred B. Loranz
Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer

Genealogical Information

Birth

Jeremy Sleeter, son of Elsie (Sperry) and Gordon Brien Sleeter (25662), was born 22 Mar 1997 in San Diego CA.

Marriages

Correction to entry in 1996 Yearbook and 1997 Quarterly, No. 1 & 2: **Daniel Scott Hunt** (20811) married **Angela Marie Loney** 29 Jun 1996 in Marshalltown, Marshall Co., IA.

Scott Alfred Whitfield (24024) married **Biserka Margaret Maradin** 3 May 1997 in St. Luke's Anglican Church, Ottawa, Canada. Biserka was born 26 Nov 1967 in Sydney, New South Wales, Australia. She is the daughter of Josip and Jelena (Marsic) Maradin. Scott and Biserka spent their honeymoon in Croatia visiting family and touring the Adriatic coast. Scott is a 1989 graduate of Carlton University, Ottawa, Canada with a B.J. (High Honors English and Journalism). Biserka is a 1991 graduate of Carlton University with a B.A. (High Honors French and Russian).

Mark Bennet Young (16469) married **Marcy Leigh Gordon** 3 Aug 1997 in Houston, Harris, TX. Marcy is the daughter of Daniel Paul and Annette (Basgall) Gordon. Marcy is a graduate of Saint John's School and a cum laude graduate of Vanderbilt University in Nashville TN where she received a BS in Education and Human and Organizational Development. She is a member of Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society. Marcy will begin teaching at Saint Mary's Cathedral School In Austin TX in the fall. Mark is a graduate of Saint John's School and Washington University in St. Louis MO where he received a BS in Business Administration. He is a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and the Financial Management Association. Mark is attending the University of Texas School of Law in Austin TX and will receive his JD in the spring of 1998.

Deaths

Solomon Wright Jewett Moncure died 23 Oct 1987. His wife **Gladys Jean (Thomson) Moncure** died 23 Jul 1997. Solomon was the son of Lucy Katherine Jewett (7338) and Turner Ashby Moncure and was born 10 Aug 1904 in Bakersfield CA. He married Gladys 14 Jun 1934 in San Francisco CA. She was born 7 Dec 1909 in San Francisco CA, daughter of Harry S. and J.H. (Kruse) Thomson. Solomon was the owner of the Bayshore Lumber Company in San Francisco before his retirement; he joined the Jewett Family of America in 1971.

Robert Francis Goldman, husband of Shirley Delphine (Jewett) Goldman, died 20 Jan 1997 in Riverside CA.

Marion Louise (Brown) Roan (24381) died 16 Feb 1997.

Irma Louise (Mary) Bishop (16345) died 8 May 1997 in Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, LA. Mrs. Bishop was born in New Orleans and lived in Baton Rouge. She was a retired employee of the State Department of Education and a parishioner of St. Agnes Catholic Church where she was a member of the Ladies Altar Society. Survivors include a daughter, Elizabeth Jackson (16376); two sisters, Alice Toso (16348) and Loretta "Lottie" Cefalu (16354); a brother Milton B. Mary (16352); three grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren. Burial was in Resthaven Garden of Memories in Baton Rouge. (Alice Tosso, Loretta Cefalu and Milton B. Mary are the only three surviving of the 15 children of Loretta Elizabeth (Jewett) Mary (16335).

Edwina Victoria (Mary) Prados (16347) died 21 Oct 1996 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, LA. Survivors include daughters Edwina Hughes (16379), Elizabeth Melancon (16381) and Jeanne Higgins (16382); son Wilfred Oliver Prados Jr.; 23 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. Burial was in Metairie Cemetery, New Orleans, Orleans Parish, LA.

Mildred Josephine (Mary) Young (16349) died 3 Apr 1997 in New Orleans, Orleans Parish, LA. Mrs. Young was a lifelong resident of New Orleans. She was a member of the Colonial Dames, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Daughters of the American Revolution and Dames of the Magna Carta. She was the 1971 Woman of the Year for the Ladies of variety Club Tent 45; she was the only Honorary national Sweetheart of Alpha Delta Gamma fraternity and after her death, the national board of the fraternity names the National Sweetheart Trophy in her memory. Survivors include two sons, Robert Joseph Young (16386) and Wayne Joseph Young (16387); and seven grandchildren. Burial was in Hope Mausoleum, New Orleans, Orleans Parish, LA.

Frederick Jewett Worden died 2 Sep 1997 in Seminole FL. He was born 13 Oct 1907 in Alton IL, the son of Fred Jones and Ruth Ashwell (Smith) (6113) Worden. He went to Florida in 1974 from Michigan where he worked

in executive positions with several large companies in Detroit and neighboring communities. During World War II he was an executive in a company that provided materials for the Manhattan Project. He graduated from the University of Illinois where he was a member of Theta Chi, Sigma Delta Chi and Kappa Tau Alpha fraternities and the President's Council. He was a member of Anona United Methodist Church, Largo FL, and past president of Pinellas County Historical Society. He was a Paul Harris Fellow and past president of the Rotary Club of Adrian MI. Survivors include his wife of 58 years, Margret Latham Worden; and a brother, Edward, from VA.

Jewett News

The Jewetts: Racial Barrier Breakers

The Herndon Times, Herndon VA, 23 Jul 1997

They remember a time when black children in Fairfax County [VA] had no place to swim and could not attend public schools. In the early 1960s, New Yorkers Joan and Freeborn "Garry" Jewett Jr. (13210) joined with others in the McLean area to form a Neighbors for a Better Community.

Its purpose was to "address the segregation problem that we became aware of when black children could not attend Churchill Road and other local schools," the Jewetts said.

The group helped black parents enroll their children in public schools. "If you lived in Churchill Road's district, you had to be allowed to go to that school," Joan Jewett said.

Because blacks weren't allowed to swim in public pools or register to vote, the Jewetts arranged for groups of about 30 black children to have swimming lessons at a private pool in McLean. And they helped their parents register to vote and raised awareness of "Jim Crow" policies that prevented blacks from dining in public restaurants.

In the 1980s, the Jewetts built on their strong community ties to help form another citizen's group that formed friendships across racial lines. The group, later known as Friends of Pleasant Grove, spent more than 10 years in the effort to preserve Pleasant Grove Baptist Church on Lewinsville Road in McLean.

The church had an all-American congregation formed of whites, blacks and American Indians; members of all those groups are buried in the church cemetery.

But the church was no longer active when it was threatened to be torn down to make way for new residences. By working with county officials and the developer, the group was able to preserve it, even after lightning burned the steeple.

Now the church is offered as a community meeting place for groups, weddings, and receptions. Its basement is home to a museum about the lives of McLean's early settlers, including long-established black and Indian families.

In May, the Jewetts received Fairfax County's human rights award.

For their commitment to the community, the Jewetts have been named the Times Community Newspapers' Citizens of the Week.

From the front porch of their traditional farmhouse, across the Lewinsville Road from the church, they can see the church steeple.

Jewett Youth

The following article was submitted by Jennifer Lair (18348) from *The Frisco Enterprise*, Frisco TX 25 Apr 1997:

Last March some Staley Middle School students spent their spring break on stage. They took their production of the one-act comedy, *Louder, I Can't hear You*, to Little Elm to compete in the District 9-AAA Middle School One-Act Play Competition.

The *Louder* cast were a little apprehensive going into the competition. They had had problems with scene three, but Lauren Newman, the leading lady, turned in a stellar performance on the day of the contest. J.R. Keith, the Staley Middle School teacher who directed the play, said, "I could not have asked for a better performance from the company."

Scene one was spectacular. Scene two was explosive and hilarious as Clint Watson and Newman stole the show. Even scene three went so well it became the icing on the cake of the performance. The acting ensemble of Matt Tremblay, Jenny Lair, B.J. Herrera and Newman performed almost flawlessly. The crew worked together as a team to add magical flare to the scene changes.

Newman and Lair received All Star cast Awards with Watson and Tremblay receiving Honorable Mention.

University Scholastic League judge, Karen Gossett, said of the Staley Middle School's performance, "Out of all the middle schools one-act play competitions I have judged, this was some of the best acting I have had the pleasure of seeing." Gossett further stated during Staley's critique that Frisco had one of the more difficult plays and that Staley's acting was the best overall of all the plays...Two other Staley Middle School teachers assisted with the production, Debbie Lair (18278, Jennifer's mother) and Nancy Hardy. (Jennifer also participated as part of the crew.)

Jennifer would like to correspond with other Jewett youth - age 12, 7th grader. Jennifer Lair, 6113 Louisville, Frisco TX 73035.

The Jewett Youth Program was introduced in 1995, but this is the first submittal that has been received. The Jewett Family of America is trying to interest its youthful members in our organization, and the Youth Program has been designed to do this.

Fritz Jewett and the America's Cup Challenge

San Francisco Chronicle, San Francisco CA, 23 Jul 1997

Fritz Jewett woke up in the sunshine Saturday morning at the Bohemian Grove and then drove into the fog in San Francisco to greet Captain Paul Cayard and the yacht America One at the St. Francis Yacht Club. Fritz heads the campaign to build a New America's Cup challenger. Cayard and his crew are doing some training here. (In the photgraph Fritz and Lucy Jewett flank Captain Paul Cayard.)

[George Frederick "Fritz" Jewett Jr. is the descendant of James Richard Jewett (10362). His line is in the process of being compiled for future publication.]

Jewett/Drewry Reunion

Mary Ellen (Stack) Rogers (25484)

On 4 Jul 1997 approximately 140 people gathered together to celebrate the establishment of the Jewett/Drewry Farms in Sheboygan County, Wisconsin.

In 1847 Survarnard Jewett (25273) and George Jewett Jr. (25274) arrived in Wisconsin coming from West Berkshire VT. They were the sons of George (25272) (1785-1854) and Betsey (1783-1865) Jewett who are buried in the West Berkshire VT cemetery. They left behind brothers Samuel D., Braman, William, Clark, Charles and possibly a sister, Adelia. The wife of Survarnard was Permilia Danforth. Her sister Lucinda and husband James Stone joined the migration. Survarnard's children were Glanville, Rosina, Miranda and Prutia.

The assumption is that George's wife, Theodosia, died soon after the birth of her son, Pliny, in 1846. With George in Wisconsin were his children Azro, Emeroy and Eveline. Pliny was with them in 1860.

They settled in Lyndon Township on the Union River and named the developing town Winooski. At one time Winooski had several hundred residents, but when the railroad came through, it by-passed Winooski going to Plymouth, and gradually Winooski died. Today the descendants of Survarnard and George farm the area of the original town.

Eveline Jewett married a Canadian immigrant named David Bemrose Drewry in 1852 (Volume IV says 17 Feb 1953). The original Drewry farm also established in 1847 adjoined the Jewett farm.

Attending the Reunion were Jewett descendants from Montana to Florida to Maine and many points between. We were also joined by one descendant of the original brother William who did not make the migration to Wisconsin.

It is hoped that someone can help us with our continuing search for the original George Jewett's parents. Various members have been looking for over 30 years.

Genealogical Research

Lee Jewett Petry, Historian

Starting on p. 54 you will find the continuation of the Corrections for Cluster 765 by Jean M. Ward of Portland OR. Jean has done a masterful job of searching, proving and writing the history of her line of descendance from Thomas Jewett (765) of Windham County VT.

It was hoped that Cluster 765 would be concluded in this Quarterly, but there is additional information to be imparted, and I feel that Jean's research is so important that I do not wish to leave out any portion of the Corrections for Cluster 765. Therefore, it will be continued in subsequent issues until all portions have been printed.

It is apparent to me in my continuing research for the Jewett Family of America that sources of genealogical information continue to be made available to researchers. If you have not looked into sources for your particular family line, I encourage you contact places where you have made previous inquiries to no avail. The Family History Centers of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints have updated and added to their International Genealogical Index as well as their Ancestral File. Just the event and date that you need may be waiting there for you to find. In addition, they have the Social Security Index as well as lists of marriages and other events which, with the help of computerization, are now readily available at the various Family History Centers. Please contact your local Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints for the Family History Center nearest you. The volunteers at the Centers will be glad to assist you in your search.

Civil War military and pension records are available from the National Archives. Pension records in particular offer genealogical information that may also be of value.

It is apparent that there is a great deal of family history that can be added to the *History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America* if sources are tapped and used to "flesh" out our ancestors. I would be glad to offer suggestions and assistance to anyone who doesn't know quite where to start, and please read Corrections for Cluster 765 to give you the inspiration to see what can be done.

Please continue to send in births, deaths and marriages on a timely basis as well as articles and stories that you would like to contribute. Your input into the Jewett publications adds the color and interest that makes them a pleasure for all of us to read and enjoy. The Jewett Family of America will continue to publish in the Quarterly format, thus providing ample space for information to be delivered to each and every member.

CORRECTIONS FOR CLUSTER 765 (Continued)

Jean M. Ward
660 S.W. Evans Street, Portland, OR 97219

For the first installment toward correction of Cluster 765, see the 1997 JFA Quarterly, No. 3, which includes detailed material on the sixth and seventh generations. After presenting a brief summary of the sixth and seventh generations, this second installment provides part of the eighth generation. The rest of the eighth generation and the remaining generations will be published in a future Quarterly, and I would appreciate receiving information from any descendants of 765 Thomas Jewett and his wife Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett.

SIXTH GENERATION

(See the 1997 JFA Quarterly, No. 3, for full information and documentation)

765 **THOMAS JEWETT** (Benjamin[283], Benjamin[98], Nehemiah[18], Joseph[4], Edward[1]). Born 2 Mar 1757, at Hampton, Windham County, CT, son of Benjamin and Hannah (Butler) Jewett. Settled at Wardsboro, Windham Co, VT, at least by 1783-84. Farmer. Baptist. Died in Apr of 1841 at Wardsboro, VT.

Thomas married **MELATIAH ("MILLY") WOODCOCK**, in 1783, probably in Vermont. She was born ca. 1768, probably in New Hampshire or Vermont, and she died 17 Aug 1855, at Wardsboro, VT.

Children:

765-1 i. **MORRIS [or MUNNIS] JEWETT**. Born before 1790 at Wardsboro, VT, and probably died before 1810.

? Possibly a daughter born before 1790 who did not survive childhood.

1622 ii. **BETSEY JEWETT**. * Born ca. 1792, at Wardsboro, VT. Married **ABEL PALMER**, ca. 1825.

1621 iii. **THOMAS JEWETT**. * Born 1 May 1794, at Wardsboro, VT. Farmer. Married **SYLVIA HARADON**, in Mar of 1823, at Painted Post/Hornby, Steuben Co., NY. He died 22 May 1872, at Hornby. She died 2 Mar 1877, at Hornby.

1623 iv. **JERUSHA JEWETT**. * Born ca. 1796, at Wardsboro, VT. Married **DANIEL PERRY** on 12 Jan 1834, at Wardsboro.

1624 v. **BENJAMIN JEWETT**. * Born Jul of 1798, at Wardsboro, VT. Farmer. Married **LUCINDA TUTTLE**, ca. 1835, probably in Tioga Co., PA. He died 6 Apr 1883, at Bradford Township (now Custer City), McKean Co., PA. She died 17 Jul 1889, McKean Co., PA. (For additional information on Benjamin Jewett and his descendants, see, also: *History and Genealogy of the Jewett Family of America*, Vol. III, p. 239+.)

1625 vi. **MUNNIS W. JEWETT**. * Born 27 Oct 1802, at Wardsboro, VT. Farmer. Married **LOUISA/LOISA FERRY**, ca. 1829, possibly at Ellington, CT. Resided at Monson, Hampden Co., MA, as per the 1850 and 1860 census records.[1] He died 24 Jul 1873, possibly at So. Wilbraham (now Hampden), MA. (For additional information on descendants of Munnis W. Jewett (1625), incorrectly shown as Morris Jewett (1625), see: *History and Genealogy of the Jewett Family of America*, Vol. III, p. 240+.)

765-2 vii. **SUSAN/SUSANNAH JEWETT**. Born ca. 1805, at Wardsboro, VT. Married **NELSON MESSER**. Recently found information on Nelson and Susan (Jewett) Messer places them in Barrington, Cook Co., IL, in the 1850 and 1860 census records, and provides names of four of their six daughters: Sarah A., Anna/Hannah, Aurelia D. (or Almeda?), and Lydia.[2]

765-3 viii. **SOPHRONA/SOPHRONIA JEWETT**. Born ca. 1810 at Wardsboro, VT. Married **ALFRED EATON**. She died 5 Jun 1857, at Wardsboro. No children identified for this marriage.

? Also a daughter born between 1811 and 1820.

SEVENTH GENERATION

1622 **BETSY JEWETT**. (Thomas[765]). Married **ABEL PALMER**. See the 1997 JFA Quarterly, No. 3, for full

information and documentation.

Children:

1622-1 i. **DESDEMONDA PALMER**. Born ca. 1826, Steuben Co., NY. Desdemonda appears as "Destmona," age 24, in the 1850 census for Campbell, Steuben Co., NY, and was residing in the household of her parents, Abel and Betsey (Jewett) Palmer. Married **MARVIN SMITH**.[3]

1622-2 ii. **ARTEMESIA PALMER**. Born ca. 1829, Steuben Co., NY. Artemesia appears as "Artimissa," age 21, in the 1850 census for Campbell, Steuben Co., NY, and was residing in the household of her parents, Abel and Betsey (Jewett) Palmer. Married _____.[4]

1622-3 iii. **CATHERINE PALMER**. Born ca. 1831, Steuben Co., NY. Catherine, age 19, appears in the 1850 census for Campbell, Steuben Co., NY, and was residing in the household of her parents, Abel and Betsey (Jewett) Palmer. Did not marry.[5]

1622-4 iv.? **GUY PALMER**. Born ca. 1833, Steuben Co., NY. Guy was listed as age 17 in the 1850 Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, census, and was residing as a "farmer" with Solomon J. Teeple, age 30, Emily Teeple, age 30, and Temperance Teeple, age 4. The Teeple farm was two farms away from the farm of Abel and Betsey (Jewett) Palmer, who were probably the parents of this Guy Palmer.[6]

EIGHTH GENERATION

1621-1 **ANNA MARIA/MARIAH JEWETT** (Thomas[1621]). Anna Maria/Mariah, called "Maria," was born 2 Mar 1824, at Hornby, Steuben Co., NY.[7] She taught school for a period in Steuben County and also did spinning and weaving for neighbors.[8] Member of the Baptist Church at Hornby.[9] Anna Maria appears in the 1865 Hornby census, residing with her parents: "Mariah age 41." She died 11 Sep 1903, at Corning City, Steuben Co., NY.

Anna Maria married **BENJAMIN GARNETT**, a farm laborer, ca. 1869, in Steuben Co., NY. Benjamin was born 2 Mar 1826, probably in England, and he died 5 Jan 1901, at Hornby, Steuben Co., NY.[10] He served with the Union forces from Hornby in the Civil War.[11] Benjamin was buried at the Goodsell Cemetery, Hornby, with his first wife, Lorinda A. (Jaynes) Garnett (1838-1866). A stone for Anna Maria Jewett Garnett, Benjamin's second wife, is also in the Goodsell Cemetery: "Anna M. his wife, born 2 March 1824." No date of death is given on this marker, and Anna Maria was probably buried at Corning City, where she died in 1903.

Benjamin Garnett evidently had three children by his first marriage to Lorinda (Jaynes) Garnett: Jay B., Jesse D., and James A. Garnett.[12] Benjamin and Anna Maria (Jewett) Garnett apparently had only one child, Charles, who died in infancy.

Child:

1621-8 i. **CHARLES GARNETT**. Born 28 May 1870 at Hornby, Steuben Co., NY. Died in June of 1870. Tombstone at Goodsell Cemetery, Hornby, reads: "Charles, son of Benjamin & A. M. born May 28, 1870 died age 16 days."[13]

1621-2 **ELIZABETH ("BETSIE") JEWETT** (Thomas[1621]). Born 2 Jun 1825, Hornby, Steuben Co., NY. Died 14 Jun 1835. Her tombstone shows death at age "10 years and 12 days." Buried at West Hill Cemetery, Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, adjacent to the Jewett homestead.

1621-3 **THOMAS CARLOS JEWETT** (Thomas[1621]). Thomas Carlos, called "T.C." or "Carlos," was born 2 Jun 1827, probably at Wardsboro, VT, on the farm where his father was born.[14] His parents traveled from Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, to Wardsboro, VT, with their two eldest children, circa 1826, and they returned in 1829 to Painted Post/Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, where T.C. grew up and attended school.[15] On 24 Aug 1900, at age 73, T.C. died unexpectedly of "heart failure" at Litchfield, Meeker Co., MN.[16]

At age eighteen, T.C. taught school in Steuben Co., NY, and attended academies at Addison and Genoa, NY, for three years. He then worked in civil engineering on the NY Central & Erie Railroad. In 1851, he went to the Isthmus and worked for one year on a preliminary survey for the Panama Railroad and "participated in the capture of San Loren Castle." T.C. then returned to Steuben Co., NY, and spent 1852-56 on railroad and telegraph works.[17]

On 20 Jun 1856, T.C. Jewett arrived in Minnesota Territory as one of the early settlers in Meeker Co.[18] Arriving "with $16.19 in his pocket," he took a claim on Sect. 31, Forest City Township, Meeker Co., and participated in the first Fourth of July celebration at Forest City.[19] He was appointed sheriff in the summer of 1857 and was later elected to that office.[20]

T. C.'s sister, Sylvia D. (Jewett) Nute, was apparently at nearby Litchfield, MN, in 1856-57, and died there, six weeks after giving birth to her second son, Thomas Jewett Nute.[21] Almira Jewett, another sister, visited T.C. in Minnesota, in 1857, and later returned to Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, probably bringing with her the infant son of her deceased sister.[22]

During the Sioux uprising in 1862, T.C. Jewett was a third corporal in the Sibley Guards, a Minnesota Militia unit.[23] During these "Indian troubles of 1862," his house was "the farthest west of all the settlers" in Meeker Co.[24]

He traveled to the South, about 1863, and spent a year or more raising cotton on the "abandoned lands" in Louisiana.[25] He returned to his farm at Forest City, Meeker Co., MN, and moved to Litchfield in April of 1887, where he took a tree claim in May of 1888 on land adjoining the village.[26] T.C. Jewett held a variety of offices in Meeker Co., such as surveyor, sheriff, and county registrar of deeds, and he was serving as justice of the peace in Litchfield at the time of his death.[27]

In Mar of 1889, prior to the inauguration of Benjamin Harrison (Republican), President Grover Cleveland (Democrat and former Governor of New York) nominated T.C. Jewett, a Democrat, for U.S. Commissioner to Alaska.[28] Although the nomination was made by an outgoing Democrat to a Senate already controlled by Republicans, T.C. Jewett's appointment was approved. He served in Sitka, Alaska, for under two years and then returned to Litchfield, MN.[29] (For a more complete biography of Thomas Carlos Jewett, one of his several letters from Sitka, and his photo, see the 1995 Yearbook of the Jewett Family of America.)

Thomas Carlos Jewett married **JOANNA ("ANNIE") WARREN** on 10 Nov 1859.[30] She was born 13 May 1833, in Wyoming Co., NY, one of eleven children (ten daughters and one son) of Pomeroy and Harriet (Buell) Warren. Annie's father received a pension for service in the Revolutionary War, "having crossed bayonets with the Britons at Chippewa and Lundy's Lane"; her widowed mother, "a pensioner," died 30 Dec 1887, in Attica, NY, age 87.[31] T.C. Jewett and Annie (Warren) Jewett were separated by 1888 and apparently divorced in Apr of 1889.[32]

No children are reported as born to the marriage of T.C. and Annie (Warren) Jewett, but two children are named in various publications: B.D. [Dassel] Jewett, who is identifed as "the son" of T.C. Jewett, and Emma Peterson Jewett, who is identified as an "adopted orphan."[33] Dassel Jewett accompanied T.C. to Alaska in 1889-90 and was residing in Minneapolis, MN, in Aug of 1900, at the time of T.C.'s death.[34]

Emma Jewett was born 3 Oct 1860, Chautauqua Co., NY, the daughter of Charles Peterson, a Scandanavian, who was "killed in the army." After her father's death, the Peterson family moved to Minnesota and, in 1870, Emma was adopted by T.C. Jewett. She became a "famous equestrienne" after learning to ride on the Jewett farm, and "she gave her first exhibition in public in Minneapolis in 1880."[35] On 3 Oct 1881, Emma Jewett rode at Rochester, NY, and "defeated Miss Belle Cook of California, in a twenty-mile riding race, in the presence of 20,000 spectators," and her time was "the fastest on record--forty-five minutes and five seconds."[36] She was residing at Syracuse, NY, ca. 1888.[37]

Upon the death of Thomas Carlos Jewett, an obituary, published in the Litchfield News Ledger, 30 Aug 1900, concluded with the following: "[H]is was a varied and eventful life. He was a man of more than ordinary intellect, possessing a retentive memory that was a wonder to all who knew him. Though thrown in the way of many opportunities he never had a faculty of emassing property. He was a good conversationalist and his wonderful memory made him most entertaining when in a retrospective mood. Here and there along the pathway of life we find pronounced characters. T.C. Jewett was one of them, and he will long be remembered by those who knew him best. Could he have left the information he had stored away during his 73 years of life, to some one starting on life's journey, what a lot of research it [would] save him [and her!]."

Children:

1621-9	i.?	**B.D. [DASSEL] JEWETT.**[38]
1621-10	ii.	**EMMA PETERSON JEWETT.** (Adopted)

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1. The 1850 census for Monson, MA, lists: Munnis Jewett, age 47, farmer, born VT; Louisa, his wife, age 37, born MA; and four of their children--Angeline, age 14, Thomas, age 7, Elmar [sic], age 4; and Maria, age 2--all born in MA. The 1860 census for Monson, MA, lists: Munnis Jewett, age 56, farm laborer, born VT; Louesa [sic], his wife, age 45; and five of their children--Thos, age 17, Elmer, age 14, Maria M., age 12, Marcia, age 8, and Chas. L., age 5--all born in MA. (I am indebted to Joann H. Nichols of Brattleboro, VT, for locating these census records.)
2. The 1850 census for Barrington, Cook Co., IL, lists: Nelson Messer, age 47, farmer, born VT; Susan, his wife, age 45, born VT; and four of their daughters--Sarah A., age 17, born NY, Anna, age 13, born NY, Aurelia D., age 7, born IL, Lydia, age 3, born IL. Also residing in the household were Daniel Messer, age 45, born VT, who was a brother of Nelson Messer, and Lydia [Sanderson] Messer, age 68, born MA, the mother of Nelson Messer. The 1860 census for Barrington lists: Nelson Messer, age 57, farmer, born VT; Susan, his wife, age 54, born VT; and three of their daughters--Hannah, age 22, born NY, Almeda, age 17, born IL, and Lydia, age 13, born IL. Daniel Messer, age 55, a blacksmith, born VT, and Lydia Messer, age 77, born MA, were also residing in the household in 1860. (I am indebted to Joann H. Nichols of Brattleboro VT, for locating these census records.)
3. Family papers preserved by Clara Augusta (Jewett) Morrow, now in the possession of Jean M. Ward, show that "Desdemonda married Marvin Smith"; however, this marriage has not yet been documented.
4. Family papers preserved by Clara Augusta (Jewett) Morrow show "Artemesia, husband's name unknown."
5. Family papers preserved by Clara Augusta (Jewett) Morrow show "Catherine, unmarried."
6. Family papers preserved by Clara Augusta (Jewett) Morrow show Guy Palmer as a son of Abel and Betsey (Jewett) Palmer, with the note: "Guy Palmer moved to Ohio and died."
7. Letter from Parnach Haradon, brother of Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett, dated 31 May 1824, at Painted Post, Steuben Co., NY, to John Haradon, a half-brother living in Savoy, Berkshire Co., MA: "Sylvia was married a year ago last March to a young man by the name of Thomas Jewet they have one child a daughter they call it Anna Mariah they live about a mile and a half from us their child was born the second of March last" (from Haradon Family Papers provided by Sara (Burke) Haradon of Daytona Beach, FL). The name "Anna Mariah," rather than "Anna Maria," also appears in the "Will of Anna Mariah Garnett," Steuben Co., NY, Deed book 279, p. 276; but the spelling used most frequently by family members in letters was "Maria."
8. Reference to Anna Maria as a teacher is found in a letter from Thomas Carlos Jewett, 14 May 1890, Sitka, Alaska, to "Dear Sister" [Anna M. Garnett]. The postscript, dated 17 May 1890, reads: "Forty-nine years ago today, was the first plowing Pa done that Spring--and it was an epoch in our family history--the day you started out to commence your first school." The year would have been 1849, and Anna Maria would have been age seventeen. A certificate for "Maria Jewett," which was signed by S.A. Masters, Town Supt. of Common Schools of Hornby, appears to be dated 1850 and states that Maria was "examined to teach common school." (Originals of the letter and teaching certification are in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman, Corning, NY.)

Anna Maria's health was apparently poor, and I have found no other references to her teaching. In 1857, Anna Maria's mother wrote: "Maria is a little better in some respects but I fear her mind will never be as it has been again allthough it is better now than it has been some times....If there is any material alteration in Maria's health or if any of us are sick we will write soon and tell you" (Letter from Sylvia Haradon Jewett, 12 Aug 1857, Hornby, to Sylvia D. Jewett Nute). In the spring of 1866, Anna Maria's mother wrote: "Maria has found Hays to be a rascal and dismissed him. it affected her mind some" (Letter from Sylvia Haradon Jewett, spring 1866, Hornby, to Amos Jewett). Originals of these letters are in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY.

References to Anna Maria's spinning and weaving are found in the diaries of Elizabeth L. (Platt) Chapin (Mrs. J.S. Chapin), who was a neighbor and friend of the Thomas and Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett family at Hornby. Elizabeth Chapin recorded the following:

Oct. 12, 1860. "Maria Jewett came here to spin before we were up."
Oct. 13, 1860. "Maria spun 1 skein & went home."
Nov. 13, 1860. "Visited at Mr. Jewett's paid Maria 95 cts for weaving 91/2 yards flannel."
Nov. 22, 1861. "Called at Mr Jewetts carried yarn for cotton & wool cloth Maria weaves it."
Dec. 18, 1861. "paid Maria Jewett for weaving."
(I am indebted to Susan J. Moore, Hornby Town Historian, for sharing photocopies of Elizabeth (Platt) Chapin's diaries with me.)

9. "Maria Jewett-Garnett" is listed as one of the continuing members of the Hornby Baptist Church beginning in 1851, or earlier, in *History of the Hornby Baptist Church, from 1820 to 1860*, by William H. Gardner, 1892 (Photocopy from Susan J. Moore).

10. Benjamin Garnett appears in the 1855 census for Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, in the household of George Goodsell, a farmer: Benjamin Garnett, age 25, servant, born England, here 14 years, farmer. The 1870 census for Hornby gives: Benjamin Garnett, age 43, farm laborer, born England, father & mother of foreign birth, U.S. citizen; Anna M., age 46, born New York; James A., age 9, born NY, father of foreign birth. The tombstone for Benjamin Garnett at Goodsell Cemetery, Hornby, Steuben Co., NY, provides his dates of birth and death. Although the book of cemetery stone readings gives his place of birth as Burham Co., PA, I suspect that Benjamin was born in England, as per the 1870 census record. (Census and cemetery information was provided by Susan J. Moore, Hornby Town Historian, summer 1997.)

11. Benjamin Garnett's name appears on the Civil War monument at Whitney Park, in Hornby Forks, Steuben Co., NY, as one of the men who served from Hornby.

12. The 1875 Steuben Co, NY, census for Hornby lists the following: Benjamin Garnett, age 48; Maria, age 51; Jay B., age 18, b. Steuben Co.; Jesse D., age 16, b. Steuben Co.; James A., age 15, b. Tompkins Co. Jesse D. Garnett (1858-1903) is the only son traced thus far. He was married in 1889, at age thirty, to Emma Van Alstine, born 1864. Their children included: James (1891-1934); Martha L., b. 1892; Mamie, b. 1898; Martin (1900-1918). (Information was provided by Susan J. Moore, Hornby Town Historian.)

James A. Garnett, the youngest son of Benjamin & Lorinda (Jaynes) Garnett is the only son of Benjamin named in Anna M. (Jewett) Garnett's will, dated 27 Sep 1901.

The will reads: "In the name of God, Amen: I, Anna Mariah Garnett of the town of Hornby . . . . First.-I direct that all my Just debts and funeral expenses be paid Second.-I give and bequeath to Nelson M. Jewett [brother of Anna Maria] the use during his life and to heirs one half of my real estate situate[d] in the [town] of Hornby County of Steuben State of New York and one half to T.J. Nute [Thomas J. Nute, son of Sylvia D. Jewett Nute, Anna Maria's deceased sister] during life and then to ishue and if dyes without ishue then to revert to the Jewett family. I don't want them to cut enny timber only what is needed for firewood for the p[l]ace. I bequeath to Clarry Jewett [dau. of Nelson M. Jewett] to have my burow and to Mary Jewett [dau. of Nelson M. Jewett] to have my cain seated chairs. Nelson M. Jewett to have his choice of my tabels and T.J. Nute to have the others and Clary Jewett the best fether bed and Mary Jewett the next after. T.J. Nute Glenn J. Smith [son of Almira Jewett Smith, Anna Maria's sister] gets those which are there and James Garnett [son of Benjamin Garnett] my duck fether bed and the hens fether bed and the square clock and the smallest cord bedsteed and T.J. Nute to have the big blue chest and the carpets if he wants them and his paling Mashene and the big bible and the white chest and the spread if he comes here and wants it and Amos Jewett [brother of Anna Maria] the painted tin trunk and the Webster Dickary and 4 stone crocks Amos Jewett one Elizabeth Gilbert [dau. of Amos] one Laura Wheaton [dau. of Amos] one T. Jewett [Thomas Platt Jewett, son of Amos] one and Scot Jewett [Nelson Scott Jewett, son of Nelson M. Jewett] to have my thermometer and berometer and to Glenn Smith my eye glass James Garnett to one the largest set of nives and forks and the other set to Nelson Jewett and the dishes.

Lastly, I hereby appoint John Covenhaven to executer of this, my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have herereunto subscribed my name the 27 day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nineteen hundred one.

Anna M. Garnett"

Source: "Will of Anna Mariah Garnett," deceased, admitted to probate by the Surrogate's Court of Steuben Co., NY, witnessed 27 Jan 1904, by Frank Howell & Mary E. Murphey, and recorded 4 Apr 1904, Deed book 279, page 276 (Photocopy provided by Susan J. Moore, Hornby Town Historian).

A document that is apparently Anna Maria's draft of this will, written in pencil and dated 27 Sept 1901, is in my family's Jewett Papers, saved by Clara A. (Jewett) Morrow.

13. The birth and death of Charles Garnett are also recorded in the diary of Elizabeth L. (Platt) Chapin, a friend of Anna Maria Jewett Garnett:

May 29, 1870. "Mrs Garnet had a baby"

May 30, 1870. "I set up last night with Maria Garnet & baby"

June 13, 1870. "I went to Mr Garnetts P.M. Staid all night"

June 14, 1870. "I set up with Mrs. Garnetts baby with others it died in morning"

June 15, 1870. "Mr Garnet['s] child buried."

14. A biography for "T. Carloss [sic] Jewett" in *Meeker County, Minnesota* (1888) states that he was "born at Wardsboro, VT., June 9, 1827, and is the son of Thomas and Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett. His father was born on the same farm May 1, 1794" (p. 308). This statement suggests that T.C. was born on the farm of his grandparents, Thomas and Melatiah (Woodcock) Jewett, at Wardsboro, VT. Obituary notices for T.C. agree concerning the place and date of his birth, but no record has yet been located for his birth at Wardsboro.

15. Thomas and Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett "moved to Steuben County, N.Y., in early life, and were married there. They removed back to Vermont after the birth of their second child [Elizabeth/Betsey, born 2 June 1825, at Hornby, Steuben Co., NY], but in 1829 emigrated again to Steuben county, N.Y., where they eventually died. Carloss [sic] was reared and educated in the district schools of that section, and, being of a studious mind, absorbed much information, spending his evenings in mathematical studies at the family fireside" (*Meeker County, Minnesota*, p. 308).

16. An obituary provided by the Meeker County Historical Society, from the *Litchfield S.R.*, 25 Aug 1900, describes T.C.'s death: "Colonel T. C. Jewett, one of the oldest settlers of Meeker county, and one very prominently connected with it historically, died suddenly yesterday afternoon between the hours of five and six. Col. Jewett was in his usual health during the day, he was about the streets, spent some time in his [justice of the peace?] office and met the noon and afternoon passenger trains as was his usual custom and chatted pleasantly with those whom he met. At about five o'clock he entered the Racket Store and from Mr. Welch procured the key to the outbuilding in the rear of the store. Two hours later Mr. Welch discovering that something was wrong, called upon T.B. Diamond and others for assistance and upon investigation discovered that the Colonel was dead. . . . [Coroner Hildebrandt] viewed the remains and decided that an inquest was not necessary, it being patent that heart failure was the cause of death" (Photocopy provided by the Meeker County Historical Society to Jean M. Ward in 1994).

17. Biographical information in this paragraph is taken from *Meeker County, Minnesota* (1888), pp. 308-309, and from published obituaries in the *Litchfield S.R.*, 25 Aug 1900, and the *Litchfield News Ledger*, Aug 30 1900 (original copy of the *News Ledger* in our Jewett family papers).

18. *Meeker County, Minnesota*, p. 308; obituaries in the *Litchfield S.R.* and the *Litchfield News Ledger* . The "Old Settlers' Membership List, Meeker County, Minnesota" also shows when T.C. arrived in Meeker County: "T.C. Jewett, born Marlboro [sic], VT, on Jun 9 1827, died Aug 24 1900, 6:30 pm, settled at Meeker Co., June 20 1856" (Photocopy of list sent by the Meeker County Historical Society to Jean M. Ward in 1994).

19. Claim information is taken from *Meeker County, Minnesota*, p. 308, and from the *Litchfield S.R.* and *Litchfield News Ledger* obituaries. In *History of Meeker County* (1877), by A. C. Smith, the following description of the Fourth of July celebration appears: "The 4th of July, 1856, was first celebrated west or [of] the big woods, at Forest City. On the 22nd day of June, 1856, Rudolph Schultz, Chas. Johnson and Jas. W. Quick backed a liberty-pole out of the woods and raised it in Forest City, preparatory to the 4th. A small tin pan was well scoured with muck, and nailed on the top for a ball, and the stars and stripes were duly raised. The flag was made of white cotton furnished by T.C. Jewett; red flannel by Matt. Standish, and blue demins by John W. Huy--at a loss to each, respectively of a 'biled' shirt, one pair red flannel drawers, and one pair of overalls. What took place on the 4th of July, was never recorded" (p. 34).

20. *Meeker County, Minnesota*, p. 308.

21. A photocopy of the 1905 South Dakota census, provided by the South Dakota State Historical Society, shows that Thomas J. Nute, age 47, was born at Litchfield, MN. A photocopy of "The John Schuyler Haradon Journal," shared with me by Virginia Haradon and Sarah (Burke) Haradon, gives the year of Sylvia D. (Jewett) Nute's death as 1857 but gives Michigan, not Minnesota, as the place of her death (p. 81).

A letter from Sylvia (Haradon) Jewett to the New York Assembly, 7 Jan 1871, refers to Thomas J. Nute, her grandson, and documents her daughter's death: "My own hands have wrought for my own necesities and those of my children and one grand child. His mother my daughter died when he was six weeks old in Minnesota and his father sent him to me. He is now 14 . . . ." (Original letter is in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY.)

22. Amos Jewett, a brother of T.C. and Almira Jewett, wrote the following to T.C. from Hornby, NY, 16 Mar 1857: "The reason why we tease Almira to come home is--we wish her to do so--and we tell her not to get homesick because we wish that while she may remain there she may enjoy herself as much as possible." (Original letter is in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY.) According to diary entries by Elizabeth (Platt) Chapin, Almira Jewett was calling on Elizabeth in Hornby, in Jan of 1860, which places Almira back in Hornby no later than 1860, and probably earlier.

23. In his letter of 16 Mar 1857, Amos Jewett responded to T.C.'s concern about lack of "protection" in Minnesota Territory: "If you entertain such liberal ideas of the all potent power of Congress in regard to the Territory why do you not look to that for protection. What measures have you taken to secure aid from the U.S. Army. But affectionately dear brother I feel a deep-toned sympathy and an earnest solicitude in your behalf--surrounded as you are by the hardships privations & dangers to which a pioneer is exposed. Yet I am aware that no one can be so sensitive to the neglect shown you as you who are its object. I cannot see wherein Minnesota has been more neglected than any of the other territories under other administrations. Every Government of course has its imperfections. But all I have to say in regard to the Officers of the Administrations army, the Indians, and turning them loose among defenceless settlers there--is that I don't believe it. The idea is simply ridiculous." (Original letter is in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY.)

In the *History of Meeker County* (1877), by A.C. Smith, the following description is given of "The Indian War of 1862": "The Indian War formed a tragical episode in the history of Meeker County. About 11 o'clock A.M., of Sunday, the 17th of August, 1862, the first deliberate massacre of the brutal Sioux outbreak took place 13 miles west of Forest City in the town of Acton. . . . Six Indians . . . deliberately shot five persons . . . . This was the commencement of that terrible Indian scourge, which resulted in the massacre of about nine hundred whites, on the frontier of Minnesota in the fall of 1862" (p. 38). One survivor of this outbreak was Mrs. Ann Baker's 18-month-old grandson, who was "totally unconscious of its tragic surroundings" and "was lying upon the floor where it appeared to have cried itself to sleep" (p. 39). According to Smith, "The child was brought to Forest City and kept some months by Mr. and Mrs. [T.C.] Jewett and subsequently placed in charge of Mr. Charles H. Ellis of Otsego, Wright County, since which time we have lost track of him" (p. 41). [Note by Lee Jewett Petry: The Sioux Uprising in 1862 was "the most savage Indian uprising in the nation's history. In less than one week in August, the Sioux went on a rampage throughout Minnesota that left hundreds of white people dead. The exact number will never be known. Life on the frontier was unregulated and unregistered, and many settlers were slaughtered in their isolated cabins and their remains never recovered. Estimates of the death toll range from four hundred to two thousand....Nearly forty thousand settlers became refugees, abandoning their possessions and their farms and towns over a ten-thousand-square-mile area. In ten Minnesota counties, not a house or a store or a living white person remained untouched." *Over the Earth I Come: The Great Sioux Uprising of 1862*, Duane Schultz, 1992, p. 5.]

T.C. Jewett's participation in the Sibley Guards as "T.C. Jewett, 3d Corporal," appears in the *Roster of the Sibley Guards, Commanded by Captain George C. Whitcomb*. They were raised at Forest City, at the opening of the Indian War, and served actively in and about Glencoe, Forest City and Hutchinson for nearly two months, participating in several sharp encounters with the Indians (Photocopy of the full roster provided by Lee Jewett Petry, Historian of the JFA, with a letter to Jean M. Ward, 5 Apr 1996). According to A.C. Smith, who appears as a private in the roster of the Sibley Guards and later authored the *History of Meeker County*, "G.C. Whitcomb claimed to be Captain by virtue of Col. [H.H.] Sibley's commission" of Whitcomb on Aug 20, 1862 (p. 48). The men were mustered in on 24 Aug 1862, followed by an election of officers, including T.C. Jewett as 3d Corporal. Smith recalled: "Forty-four Springfield Muskets were distributed to the men as far as they went--remainder unarmed, except with a few Belgian guns that had been received from some quarter, and as it was thought best to have the men armed, all mounted, and as we had but 15 horses and it was ascertained that a party of skedadlers were yet lingering in Kingston, a detail was made to the extent of all the horses on hand, with a man and gun on each, to go to Kingston and seize horses" (pp. 48-49). Seven privates and eight officers, including T.C. Jewett, were sent to Kingston, where a state of martial law was declared and they "cabbaged 23 horses" (*History of Meeker County*, p. 49).

24. *Meeker County, Minnesota*, p. 308.

25. Two specific references have been found to T.C. Jewett's travel to Louisiana ca. 1863. The first appears in his biography, which was published in *Meeker County, Minnesota* in 1888, while T.C. was still living: "The next year [1863] he spent on the 'abandonded lands' of Louisiana, where he raised cotton" (pp. 308-9). The second reference is found in the *Litchfield News Ledger* obituary for Col. T.C. Jewett, 30 Aug 1900: "He took a prominent part in the Indian war of 1862 and subsequent to the war spent a year or more in Louisiana."

Evidently T.C. was still in the South in Nov of 1864, when his mother wrote the following to a brother of T.C.: "We received a note from Lyman P Warren a week ago of enquiery asking information from Carlos & Wife stateing he received a letter from her date Sept. 4th saying she was going to her husband on the mississippi below Vicksburg & she would write again soon but had heard nothing from her since. she was then in Mineapolis when she wrote. We have heard nothing from Carlos since May" (Sylvia Haradon Jewett to Amos Jewett, 27 Nov 1864; original letter in possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY).

26. *Meeker County, Minnesota*, p. 309. T.C. was apparently a familiar character in Litchfield even before he made his permanent move there in 1887. The *Litchfield S.R.* reported the following on 7 Aug 1886: "We met T.C. Jewett on the street this morning. He was wearing a white stove-pipe hat, a fine cane, and the dignity of a railroad king. In a few minutes conversation he disclosed that he regarded himself as possessing good foundation for the last. He told us he had reliable information that the St. C.M. & A.R.R. would be built through from Richmond to Hutchinson, and that he himself was about to establish a line from Litchfield to Omaha, via Lake Lillian. As to the substantial foundation for the latter he avers he is backed by an unlimited capital of brass and wind (the capital on which most roads are built), and is confident the line will be built" (Photocopy from the Meeker Historical Society to Jean M. Ward in 1994).

27. Obituaries in the *Litchfield News Ledger*, 30 Aug 1900, and the *Litchfield S.R.*, 25 Aug 1900.

28. A photocopy of the original appointment memorandum by President Grover Cleveland was sent to Jean M. Ward by the Meeker County Historical Society in 1994. The handwritten memorandum reads:
"Executive Mansion Washington Mch 21st 1889
I hereby present the name of TC Jewett as commissioner to Alaska for confirmation by the Senate of the United States.
Given under my hand this 21st day of March 1889
G Cleveland Pres U.S."

In *A Sitka Chronology, 1867-1987*, by R. N. De Armond, the following is noted for 1889: "March 2 [sic]--T. Carlos Jewett became U.S. Commissioner, succeeding John G. Brady, who had served since 1884" (p. 18). (This information was provided by Ana Lea Vincent, Archivist of the Sitka Historical Society, with a letter to Jean M. Ward, 1 Dec 1995.)

29. The following was included in an obituary for "Col. T.C. Jewett" in the Litchfield News Ledger, 30 Aug 1900, "During the last Cleveland administration he was appointed and served a couple of years as U.S. Commissioner at Sitka, Alaska." (Why T.C. was sometimes referred to as "Col." has not been determined, but this was possibly an honorific and not a substantive title.)

The uncertainty of his position as Commissioner is mentioned in two of T.C. Jewett's letters from Sitka, Alaska. After serving as U.S. Commissioner for about a year, he wrote: "Though my position is not lucrative, yet holding under an adverse Administration there are many with an inordinate hankering after my scalp. Each one believing that were I out of the way, he could get and fill my shoes. Whoever gets it will have the balance as enemies, and who will then suddenly become my friends--all remembering and vieing with each other in telling what a good man Judge Jewett was for the position. But such is the fate in politics, love and war" (Letter to Clara A. Jewett at Riceville, IA, 30 Apr 1890). "The emoluments of my position--though I get fees over and above the $1,000.00 per year salary--are so meagre and living so expensive, that there is not much to be made. The expenses of the trip which the Government declined to pay will be at least $500.00, and adverse Administration are liable to take my devoted scalp at any time. Though I may remain, I would not be compelled to stay my four years out for a deed of Alaska" (Letter to "Dear Sister" [Anna Maria Jewett Garnett] at Hornby, NY, 14 May 1890).

30. Full date of the marriage is given in *Meeker County, Minnesota*, p. 309. Place of the marriage has not yet been identified.

31. Obituary notice for "Mrs. Pomroy Warren," *Litchfield S.R.*, 15 Jan 1887.

32. Troubles between T.C. and Annie were documented as early as 1886, when T.C. wrote the following startling account to his brother Amos, from Batavia, NY: "I saw Annie at Taylor's last night. I went in without knocking and was ordered out--But I did not go. And five bullies jumped on to me and hurt me and tore my clothes badly putting me out. I got my knife out for self defense--but there were too many for me and wrenched it from me and kept it. and then sent for the Sheriff to arrest me--I waited a while for him--and then went to a private house and staid but not to sleep--and came here this morning and was on the streets here all the forenoon, but have not been molested. May be they have sent to Corning Write me here and let me know if you have heard anything--this morning I called on the Baptist minister and stated my case fairly--and asked him to help me--Annie was all right--and nothing but Deacon Fargo and family between us--Hastily Carlos
I shant run away from an arrest--and am undecided as to my course. Have an appointment with the minister tomorrow evening." (Original of this letter, dated 19 Mar 1886, is in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY.)

The reasons for this fracas and apparent domestic trouble are not clear; however, clues might be found in earlier correspondence between T.C. and his brother Amos. On 16 Mar 1857, more than two years before T.C.'s marriage, Amos wrote from Hornby, NY, to T.C., in Minnesota, and noted: "You did not write me of the termination of your affair with Miss Lovina Morse. I wish you would do so." On 9 May 1882, after T.C. had been married for over

twenty years, he wrote from Litchfield, MN, to Amos at Hornby, NY: "I arrived home at one oclock A.M. on the 24th ult. Had a good time with W. Armstrong--Staid at Baldwin's over Sunday--and until Wednesday--going to see Lovina 18 miles away and staying one night there. Talk about your romance. But let that pass. When I have more time I will elaborate--for an age was crowded into a moment and its recollection will ever remain a hallowed spot in the foreground of memory. . . . Tell Sarah [wife of Amos], that I wonder if you have seen Mrs. Curtiss since. Why cant you have such a wife as mine? She knows that I am allright!" (Original letters are in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY.)

In *Meeker County, Minnesota*, published in 1888, the difficulties between T.C. and his wife are mentioned, and the wording is probably T.C.'s: "She [Annie (Warren) Jewett] has recently parted from her husband through the machinations of her friends, as have six out of eight of her sisters" (p. 309).

In a number of his letters from Sitka, Alaska, T.C. referred to his marital situation. "But T.C. generally gets there--especially when no longer handicapped by that cold, pityless, remorseless he woman from whom through the court I am now freed by the laws of the State if not by those of the church and Heaven" (Letter to Nelson M. Jewett, at Riceville, IA, 31 May 1889). "On the 11th of Apl last (after leaving Litchfield), I was freed by the laws of State--if not of Church and Heaven--from that cold, remorseless, treacherous and perjured he woman who in her vindictive spite and malignant revenge helped my enemies to the finest, well stocked farm in Minnesota, at her husband's expense and loss of it. And any one of whose family would piss ice water the 4th of July" (Letter to Amos Jewett at Hornby, NY, 7 Nov 1889). "Now, my former wife wants me to send her money to come to Alaska with. But I have made other arrangements" (Letter to Clara A. Jewett at Riceville, IA, 30 Aug 1890).

The *Litchfield S.R.* obituary of 25 Aug 1900 does not name T.C.'s wife: "Colonel Jewett was married in November 1859, but more than 20 years later she parted from him and is now a resident in the east." No mention of T.C.'s marriage appears in the *Litchfield News Ledger* obituary of 30 Aug 1900.

33. In the *Meeker County, Minnesota* (1888) biography of T.C. Jewett, the statement is made that T.C. and Annie (Warren) Jewett had no children: "They had no children, but have raised several orphans" (p. 309). Curiously enough, there is no mention of B.D. [Dassel] Jewett in this biography as either an adopted or biological son. The only child named is Emma [Peterson] Jewett, an "adopted orphan," who was born in 1860 and adopted in 1870.

When referring to the marriage of T.C. Jewett and Annie Warren Jewett, the *Litchfield S.R.* obituary of 25 Aug 1900 noted: "No children came of this union, though a number of orphans were adopted by them, among them Emma Jewett, now a resident of New York." At the same time, the obituary noted: "The funeral arrangements will not be made until the arrival of the Colonel's son, Dassel Jewett, from Minneapolis today, who was notified last night by telephone, his address having been found among papers in his father's desk."

B.D. [Dassel] Jewett is also named as T.C.'s son in the *Litchfield News Ledger* obituary of 28 Aug 1900: "[H]is son, B.D. Jewett of Minneapolis" was "present at the funeral."

34. Dassel is mentioned in several letters written by T.C. to Jewett relatives. On 9 May 1882, T.C. wrote from Litchfield, MN, to his brother Amos: "Tell Lizzie & Laurie [daughters of Amos] that their brevet cousin Dassel asks a great many questions about them" (original letter in possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY). Letters from Alaska, in 1889 and 1900, show that T.C. took Dassel Jewett with him to Sitka in 1889, which makes the absence of Dassel in the 1888 *Meeker County, Minnesota* biography curious.

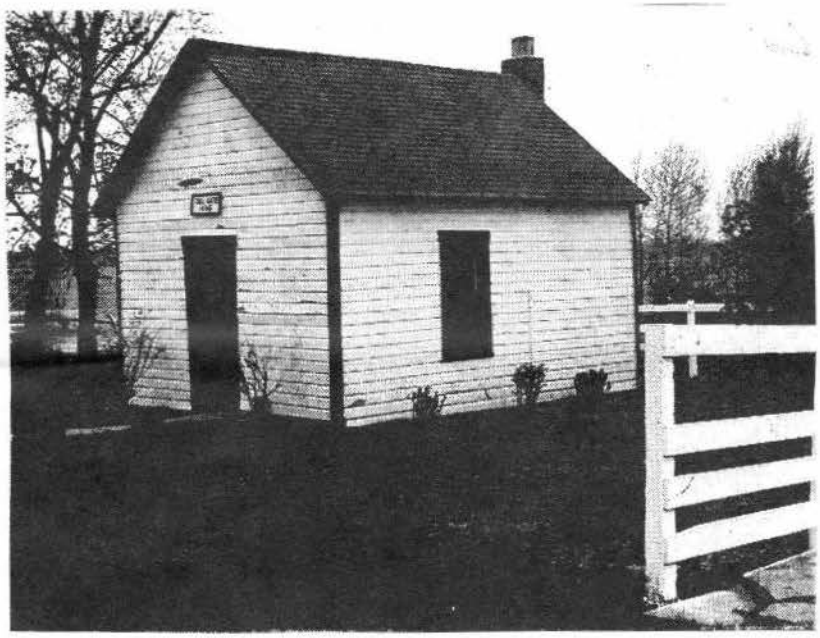
From Sitka, T.C. Jewett wrote: "Dassel got himself a job in the Ba-san-off Hotel--first class--where I get my meals--first as a dishwasher & chore boy--then as a dining room man, and is now officiating as steward. He licked the chinese cook the first morning before breakfast and has a fight or two with the indians every day" (Letter to Nelson M. Jewett at Riceville, IA, 31 May 1889). "Dassel is at school. He has grown remarkably, and is doing finely with his studies. He works in a private family at kitchen work for his board and sleeps with me" (Letter to Clara A. Jewett at Riceville, IA, 6 Nov 1889). "I arrived here Apl. 24th. Dassel is with me and going to school--not only supporting himself but has contributed largely to supporting me, and laying up money besides. He is a trimmer for making money--reserved and retiring in his manner, but dauntless in everything, and can lick any Siwash, Russian or Chinaman in Alaska" (Letter to Amos Jewett at Hornby, NY, 7 Nov 1889). "I am losing money like blazes on seal skins every day. Once, though Dassel and I pooled and 'blowed in' our last nickel, by not having money enough to buy out the lot" (Letter to Amos Jewett at Hornby, NY, 11 Jan 1890). "Dassel is working for $16.00 and board per month--cook in a private family of three--and attends the stable with six head of stock--no horses. There [are] only two horses, lately arrived, in Sitka, and belonging to The Mission--and two old broken down mules" (Letter to Clara A. Jewett at Riceville, IA, 30 Apr 1890).

The Aug 1900 newspaper obituaries for T.C. Jewett state that Dassel Jewett was residing in Minneapolis, MN, at the time of T.C's death.

35. This rather extensive description of Emma [Peterson] Jewett and her accomplishments as an "equestrienne" is taken from the *Meeker County, Minnesota* (1888) biography of T.C. Jewett and was probably provided by him (p. 309).
36. I was surprised to find this report of Emma Jewett's record-breaking race at Rochester, NY, in the *New Northwest*, 6 Oct 1881, a weekly newspaper published in Portland, Oregon. Sheldon Jewett (14,222), a first cousin of T.C. and Amos Jewett, wrote on 14 Nov 1886: "We were at Rochester & saw Emma Jewett Ride at the fair--went to the Rodeo[?] and Saw her." (Original of this letter, which was written by Sheldon Jewett at Custer, PA, to Amos Jewett in Hornby, NY, is in the possession of Grant Jewett Sharman of Corning, NY.)
37. *Meeker County, Minnesota* (1888), p. 309.
38. As explained in earlier endnotes, the parentage of B. Dassel Jewett is unclear.

Father Time takes its Toll

Fred D. Cavinder, Correspondent, *The Indianapolis Star*



Shelbyville IN - Time has taken its toll on most of the tollgate houses that once guarded roadways in Indiana. But one survives in rural Shelby County, a monument to the past and to a preservation-minded community.

"We kept it painted and integrated it into the rest of the farm buildings," John R. Jewett said. He is among the sixth generation of Jewetts who have owned a farm near the tiny community of Marion, northeast of Shelbyville.

The 456 acres are farmed by Marlin Everhard, who lives nearby, But Jewett, who lives on Indianapolis' Northside, and his sister, Marilyn Yoe of Muncie, visit the old homestead, and their children and grandchildren frequently spend time at what now is called Broadview Farm. The toll gate house was moved from the old Knightstown Road at the edge of the farm some time ago. Jewett said he believes the date on the house, 1869, represents the year it was moved.

The route past the farm once was the road bed for a railroad line between Shelbyville and Knightstown, Jewett said. When the rails were abandoned, it was turned into a wagon route, then made into a corduroy road. Corduroy roads were constructed by placing trees across the road bed to foil mud. When a road was improved in this way or, later, covered with gravel, private financing often was used. Toll houses were established to charge travelers a fee to recoup construction costs. Toll keepers often lived in the toll houses. Travelers going to funerals, soldiers traveling while on duty, or worshippers going to meetings on Sunday were exempt from the tolls. Jewett recalled that during his high school days growing up on the farm, the road was gravel. It now is paved. Some time after the toll house was moved, a fireplace was added, Jewett said. The structure, which only is about 10 feet by 12 feet, often was used as a smoke house, he said. "It was always full of hanging bacon and ham and such," he said.

When removed from the roadway, the toll house was placed behind the main house on the farm, adjacent to the small garage, as one of the farm outbuildings. The relocation and care by the Jewett family, which obtained the farm via a land grant in 1822, has contributed to survival of the building. It is now used to store items, including wooden wagon wheels, which, like toll houses, are becoming a thing of the past.

Jewett, an executive with F.C. Tucker Realtors, thinks his great-grandfather may have moved the building, saving it for study in an era when travel had progressed far past perilous passage on a road bed of trees.

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