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Jewett Website

Jewett Family member, Rodney Jewett has volunteered to host and maintain his Jewett website for our benefit. He does own the domain name. You can access the website at www.jewett.org. Back issues of the newsletter, and yearbooks have been added. Current issues of the newsletter are not available at this time but will be added at a later date.

From the Editor's Desk

Thank you to Thomas G. Jewett, Robert Young, Gregory Jewett, Jim Jewett and Ted Loranz for their contributions to this edition of the Quarterly. Your time and efforts are most appreciated.

I would like to express my thanks to everyone that who has submitted material for inclusion in the newsletter. For important family events such as births weddings and deaths, I will attempt to include those items in the next newsletter. Other stories, genealogical updates or interesting tidbits will be worked into future newsletters as soon as possible. Photos are welcome, I ask only that you submit them either as glossy prints or JPG files.

Tom

Contemplations of your President

For some reason the NOAA people have decided that winter storms should have names. As a result, New England was blessed recently with Nemo, a storm that is being called "The Blizzard of 2013" by the news media. Admittedly is was a pretty ferocious storm but, according to the news media, it was going to almost be the end of the world. It was very windy and the snow drifted a lot so it was difficult to determine the actual accumulation. When I snow blowed the driveway, it was about 17" in most places and over 30" where it was drifted. The opening to the snow blower is 18" so it got a pretty good workout. We were lucky I guess because some places received almost 40" of snow. We had a new metal roof put on the house this fall to prevent ice dams and it behaved like it was supposed to – a couple of days after the storm, the snow that was on the roof slid off on to the ground. The only trouble was that it slid into the paths we had to the front and rear doors so we had to snow blow them again. It has been in the forties during the day since then so the snow pack has shrunk substantially but now they are talking about another storm this weekend. I have definitely had enough of winter for this year and can't wait until spring.

Today is Valentine's Day and there has been the usual crush of commercialism surrounding it. So many messages make it seem that you are evil if you don't go out and spend lots of money on cards, candy, flowers, etc. Claire & I are at an age that we don't really need anything so we concentrate on giving each other consumables. We had a nice day and I hope everyone had a pleasant holiday too.

Elsewhere in this quarterly, you will find information about "Jewett Day" on August 3rd at the Jewett house at Oberlin Heritage Center. JFA Director Greg Jewett has been instrumental in making this event happen and you would do well to put it on your "to do" list if you can be in the area

We have again sent the dues notices in January to avoid the holiday rush. Our main expenses are printing and postage and, as most of you know, the postal rates again rose in January 2013. If you have already paid for 2013, thank you. You will not receive another notice.

Toujours le même,

Ted Loram

FYI and Announcements

Congratulations

This is to inform you of the recent marriage between Thomas G. Jewett (#13,410) and Mrs. Betty H. Clark on October 6, 2012. She is the daughter of R. K. and Jackie (Baucom) Holms. Mrs. Clark was a senior information technology engineer and employed by the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville FL. She retired this fall from that position. The wedding was held in St. Augustine, FL. Her children from her first marriage, their children, my children from my first marriage and their children as well as numerous close friends were in attendance. We were both widowed at an early age, her first husband died of lung cancer (1996) and my first wife died of emphysema (2006).

This also to confirm the addition of my sister, Helen Carol Jewett, daughter of Francis A. Jewett (#13,380) to the JFA. She married Philip Gutekunst in 1974 and currently resides in Norway,ME.

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Family Updates

Kevin Michael McKay, JFA #16,559, married Rachel Songy on 31 May 2009 in New Orleans, La. Rachel was born 4 Aug 1985 in New Orleans, La., and is the daughter of Michael and Amy Songy of New Orleans.

Adair Therese McKay was born to # 16,559 Kevin McKay and wife Rachel on 24 Jan 2013 in Jefferson Parish, La.

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David Olivier Melancon, JFA #16,448, married Eryn Mary Tittle on 8 Nov 2008 in New Orleans, La. Eryn was born 28 Apr 1977 in New Orelans, La., and is the daughter of Jack and Mary Tittle of New Orleans. David and Eryn have two children.

Charles David Melancon was born to # 16,448 David Melancon and wife Eryn on 6 May 2011 in Jefferson Parish, La.

Adele Olivier Melancon was born to # 16,448 David Melancon and wife Eryn on 1 Feb. 2013 in Jefferson Parish, La.

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Joseph Orin Richard (Jory) Young, JFA #16,472 married Kaycee Warner on 28 Jan 2012 in Covington, La. Kaycee was born in June 1988 in Covington, La., and is the daughter of John and Tena Warner of Covington, La.

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Jewett Day at Oberlin University

Jewett Day at the Jewett House, Oberlin Heritage Center (Oberlin, OH) will be Saturday, August 3, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will be part of the **Family Fun Fair** which is an Oberlin community tradition featuring free family activities all over downtown with hands-on history fun and mini-tours at the Oberlin Heritage Center. This year, the Heritage Center will showcase the Jewett House and its history, its first residents, Frank Fanning and Sarah Frances (Fanny) Gulick Jewett and their ties to other members of the Jewett Family. Dr. Frank Fanning Jewett inspired student Martin Hall in his discovering of a cost-effective process for commercially manufactured aluminum and founded the company ALCOA. The Jewett Family of America traces its heritage back to America's first settlers and includes strong ties to abolitionists and the Massachusetts 54th Volunteer Infantry. All welcome! More information on the event will be forthcoming. Details from the Oberlin Heritage Center can be found at the following website:

www.oberlinheritage.org

Gregory Jewett is heading up the organization of the Jewett tie-in to the Family Fun fair, and is currently working to bring in a Jewett car for display, and possibly rides. He is inviting anyone able to visit to do so. I am sure he would also welcome any assistance in planning activities and helping to man the tables. You can contact Gregory using the information in the list of directors above, or via e-mail at:

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REMINDER

The annual membership forms have been mailed out. Please take the time to renew your membership. Also, if you know someone else that may be interested in becoming a member of the Jewett Family of America, please make a copy of the form and pass it along to them. Additionally, a membership, with the accompanying newsletters makes a great gift. Please consider sponsoring a yearly membership to another family member. If for some reason you did not receive a renewal form, you can contact Johanna Jennings, her contact information is listed on page 3.

In Sympathy

Jean Curtin Jewett, Born in 1923, Jean grew up in Saranac Lake, NY and received a degree in journalism from the University of Missouri. She died peacefully at home January 24, five days after her ninetieth birthday, secure in the belief that she would join her husband of 61 years (Thomas Hardin Jewett JFA #21,034), with whom she raised six children and travelled the world. In the course of his years working for the Coca Cola Export Corporation, they lived in Hawaii, Manila, Japan, Wantagh (NY), Nassau, Buenos Aires, Thornwood (NY) and Atlanta. On retirement, they moved to Harrisonburg, Virginia, and, in 1998, to Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Jean was fortunate to spend the final year of her life with her daughter Susan Rawlings Jewett. She leaves behind five other children and spouses--Kelleher, Curt (Maria), Robert (Amy), Leslie (Patrick) and David (Paula)--and nine grandchildren: Valerie and Beth Jewett, Tom and Joe Jewett, and Patty, Brian, Andrew, Sarah and Emma Paddon. Although she worked only briefly as a journalist in the early years of her marriage, Jean never lost her interest in world affairs; a woman of strong opinions and boundless curiosity, she was an avid reader of the New York Times who was always willing to engage people in lively conversation about the issues. That her children would develop into independent individuals was her ardent wish, and she lived to witness that achievement. Her spirit will be missed. A service will be held in April at Arlington National Cemetery at which time her and Tom's ashes will be interred.
Reprinted from The Atlanta Journal-Constitution
February 3, 2013

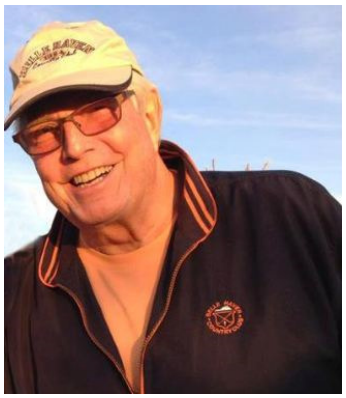
Silas Hamilton Jewett, 96, (JFA #21,362) passed away peacefully at home, with his family, on Dec. 31, 2012. He was born in Weybridge on Jan. 6, 1916, son of the late Charles and Mollie Hamilton Jewett. He graduated from Middlebury High School in 1933 and the University of Vermont in 1938, majoring in Agriculture. He served in the United States Army Air Corps from 1941 to 1945 and was serving at Pearl Harbor at the time of the attack. He joined the Green Mountain Chapter of the Pearl Harbor Survivors after his retirement in 1978 and served as president for many years. On May 5, 1944, Si married Frances Douglas from Morrisville and they were married for 27 years, until the time of her death in 1971. Following Si's discharge from the Army, he and Fran purchased her mother's farm. In Dec. 1952, he began work as the Lamoille County Agricultural Extension Agent, a position which he held for 26 years while still running the farm until 1963. In his position as extension agent, Si became acquainted with all of the farmers in the county, not only assisting them with their farming needs but also completing income tax forms for many of them. He was instrumental in the creation of the Lamoille County Development Council, Lamoille County Field Days and the Morrisville Senior Citizen Center. As a youngster growing up on a farm in Addison County, Si became involved in 4-H work and continued to support that work throughout his life, becoming the first multiyear contributor to the University of Vermont 4-H Endowment Fund in 2005. From the time that he was a child church involvement was a major part of his life, first at the Congregational Church in Weybridge and later at the Puffer United Methodist Church (UMC) in Morrisville. Over the years, he served in many capacities, including teaching Sunday School as well as serving on many boards and committees. Si married Irma Calcagni Foss on June 24, 1973, and they were married for 24 years, until the time of her death in 1997. On July 17, 1999, Si married Helen Gould Clark, who survives him. Si was also predeceased by his sisters, Irene Jewett and Ruth Lang; his brothers, Lloyd and Charles; as well as his grandson, Joshua Manuel Becraft. In addition to his wife, Helen, he is survived by his three daughters, the Rev. Patricia Thompson (Vernon), Mary Sylver, and Nancy Becraft (William); grandchildren, Tausha Sylver (Kevin Moore), Lisa Tareen, Christina, Elizabeth, Jonathan, David and Anna Becraft; and great-grandchildren, Sam and India Tareen; his sister, Shirley Badger; his brother, Philip Jewett; as well as several stepchildren and stepgrandchildren, nieces and nephews. Throughout his life, Si was an avid Red Sox fan. He also loved to bowl and play cards with his

family and continued to enjoy those activities until shortly before he passed away. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Jan. 3, 2013, at 2 p.m. at the Puffer United Methodist Church.
Reprinted from The Burlington Free Press
January 1 to January 2, 2013

James Wallace Jewett, age 66, husband of Theresa (Juaire) Jewett, passed away unexpectedly in the Northwestern Medical Center in St. Albans. Jim was born Sept. 27, 1946, in Berkshire Center, the son of Arlin Oscar Jewett (JFA #25,442) and the late Geneva (Johnson) Jewett. Jim was employed at General Dynamics for 33 years, retiring in 2000. Jim had a great love of the outdoors. He enjoyed operating his Christmas Tree Farm in New York, hiking, snowshoeing, camping, fishing, and especially hunting and spending time in Montana. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Theresa Jewett of Jay. Jim and Theresa were married on Oct. 7, 1967. He is also survived by his children and their families, Travis Jewett and his wife, Mollie, and their children, Casey and Geneva, of Orlando, Fla., and Jessica Jewett, and her husband, Nate Herron, and their children, Destiny, Ivory and Felicity Herron, of Berkshire; father, Arlin Jewett of Berkshire Center; sisters and their husbands, Marilyn and Ed Gelinas of Grand Isle, and Linda and Jim Foster of Poulsbo, Wash.; many nieces, nephews, and good friends including, Ann and Jim Benoit. He was predeceased by his mother, Geneva (Johnson) Jewett on Dec. 30, 2001; and brother, Richard Jewett on Jan. 8, 2012. In keeping with Jim's wishes, he will be cremated. A graveside memorial service to be held at the Berkshire Center Cemetery, will be announced next spring.
Reprinted from The Burlington Free Press
December 20, 2012

Harold Jewett, 89, a resident of Latham for over 82 years, passed away peacefully on Thursday, December 6, 2012 at Albany Memorial Hospital. Born and raised in Watervliet on March 2, 1923, he was the son of the late Benjamin N. and Mabel (Cavanaugh) Jewett, and a descendant of Abram Jewett (JFA #931). He was a graduate of Watervliet High School. Harold was married to the former Barbara Williams on March 4, 1941 and the two have shared 72 amazing years of mutual love, happiness and devotion for one another. Harold was employed with North Colonie Central School District as a maintenance mechanic, eventually retiring after many years of service. He loved his family, fishing and hunting. Survivors in addition to his beloved wife include his loving children, Judith (James) Rigney of Clifton Park, Peggy Jewett of Latham and Harold "Hank" (Barbara) Jewett Jr. of Clifton Park as well as his cherished grandchildren, Patty (Philip) Fardig, Robert (Lisa) Jewett and adored great-grandchildren, James DeVoe, Robert Jewett, Ashley Jewett and his great-great-grandson, Aiden Jewett. Relatives and friends are invited and may call on Saturday December 8, 2012 from 9 - 10:00 a.m. at the Dufresne & Cavanaugh Funeral Home, 149 Old Loudon Road, Latham. Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. immediately following the visitation at the funeral home with Rev. Alan Delamater officiating. Interment will take place in Memory Garden's, Colonie.
Reprinted from the Albany Times Union
December 7, 2012

Lawrence (Larry) D. Jewett of Roeland Park, Kansas passed away February 15, 2013 at the age of 87. Lawrence was a graduate of Southeast High School in Kansas City, Missouri. He was a veteran of WWII and served in the Army Air Corps from 1943 – 1946. He was a nose gunner in a B-24 bomber stationed in Italy. Larry was a retired commercial electrician and a member of IBEW Local 124 from 1942 – 1987. He particularly enjoyed spending time fishing in Minnesota with his family. Larry was preceded in death by his first wife, Arlene Jewett, mother, Hulda, father, Irl, and brother Robert. He is survived by wife Donna, two sons, Raymond and Donald Jewett , three step-sons, David, Darryl and Dean Miller, nine grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, and cousin, Marion Hadad. Any information on connections to this family are welcome.



Eugene Alden Jewett , JFA #12,618 died February 16, 2013. He was born on 23 January 1941 to Harold Alden and Eunice (nee Bolton) Jewett. Father Husband, Businessman, Financier, Musician, Author, Poet, Composer, Pro Athlete, Past President of the Young Republicans and funny storyteller are just a few of his magnetic qualities and the things I remember about Gene. He was truly a Renaissance man. Gene had a long and storied career in the financial services industry and was a partner at Chesapeake Capital, LP at the time he joined GEC's Board, which is the financial sponsor of Grantham University. He was a graduate of Michigan Stater University where he was in Sigma Nu Fraternity and as a freshman started at center on their basketball team. He developed his skills further and at 6'8" with a great jump shot and quick reflexes, starred in AAA minor league basketball rather than be the 10th or 11th man on the bench in the NBA.

Submitted by James Jewett

Arlin O. Jewett, JFA #25,442, age 93, passed away peacefully Wednesday morning, Feb. 27, 2013, at his home with his loving family at his side. He was born April 19, 1919, and was raised on West Hill in Montgomery, Vermont, the son of the late Fred and Bertha (Ordway) Jewett. Arlin went to school in Montgomery Center, and grew up on the family dairy farm. He left Montgomery to work in the mines in Eden. At the same time, he attended machinist trade school in Morrisville. In 1944, Arlin married Geneva Johnson. Together they bought the Thayer Inn on the Boston Post Road in Berkshire Center, living there for 68 years, where they farmed and raised their children. In 1955, Arlin worked at Champlain Motors in St. Albans, and in 1957 he went to work at Fonda Container Co. in St. Albans, where he worked as a very well respected tool and die machinist for 25 years. Dad was a man who loved his family and his community. When the Town of Berkshire needed to expand its cemetery, Arlin and Geneva donated the land. It is appropriate that our father and mother's final resting place is part of their farm. Many of the neighboring farm owners have respected and cared for our father over the years. He will be missed. He is survived by his daughters and their husbands, Marilyn and Ed Gelinas of Grand Isle, and Linda and Jim Foster of Poulsbo, Wash.; daughter-in-law, Theresa Jewett of Jay; grandchildren, Beth Ann Machia, Andrea Jewett, Travis Jewett, Jessica Herron, Katie Hale, Sara Gelinas, EJ Gelinas, Margaret Gelinas, Ora Menees and Brom Menees; 13 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews, who have been a very important part of Arlin and Geneva's lives. Besides his parents, Arlin was predeceased by his wife, Geneva (Johnson) Jewett on Dec. 30, 2001; sons, Richard Jewett on Jan. 8, 2012, and James Jewett on Dec. 18, 2012; and brothers, Gerald Jewett and wife, Ruth, and Floyd Jewett and wife, Beulah. The family has a great deal of appreciation for the Franklin County Home Health Agency regarding the care they provided our parents for many years. Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 2, 2013, at 11 a.m. at the Berkshire Center 2nd Congregational Church, Watertower Road, Berkshire Center.

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February 28, 2013

An Examination of Cluster #736
Colonel Joseph Jewett and Family,
Merchants to Ashburnham and Fitchburg, Massachusetts

Colonel Joseph Jewett
JFA #736

Joseph was born on May 10, 1761 in Pepperell, Massachusetts. Subsequent to his birth, the family moved to Bolton, Massachusetts. He volunteered for service in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War, which is detailed in Book 1 of the History and Genealogy of the Jewetts of America.

At the close of the Revolutionary war, Joseph settled in Ashburnham, Massachusetts. He promptly opened a store in his house at the corner of Main and Cushing Street. A few years later he built a proper store just down the street. In 1786 he married Sarah Woods, daughter of Samuel and Tabitha Woods. Joseph was joined in business about 1790 by Samuel Appleton, and the partnership lasted several years. Near the turn of the century Joseph opened a hotel on Main Street. Joseph was joined in his many business activities by his son Ivers in the early 1800's.

The "Jewett Store" as it became known built up a prosperous business, which extended to the surrounding towns. They exchanged goods for every product from the farm, sending tons of pork, butter, cheese, grains and wool to Boston each year. Ashes were also collected and were turned into potash by Joseph and Ivers just outside of town. In later years they imported textile yarn from Rhode Island, and distributed them to families who would work the material into cloth on home looms, and then exchange the cloth for pay in goods. The store also sold wines and liquors by the barrel or the glass. In addition, the family supplemented their income through the operation of an inn, where they mixed and sold grog. The "Jewett Store" has been described as "An institution which suffered no rival and has witnessed no successor." Eventually Joseph retried from an active role in the business enterprises, and they were taken over by his son Ivers.

In addition to his business activities, Joseph was an active member of the town and church. On January 23, 1811 Joseph was appointed the first post master of Ashburnham, which he operated from his store. He retained that position until 1826. In 1793 he was also a founding member of the Ashburnham Library, a private enterprise not funded by the town, which lasted until 1833. Joseph was among the first prudential committees to oversee the Ashburnham schools. He was involved in local and state politics, being a member of the town selectmen for 15 years, town clerk for 18 years, a tax assessor for 15 years, and in 181 was appointed as a justice of the peace. He was also elected as a state legislator for 8 years.

Joseph was also active with the ecclesiastical activities in the town. He was a founding member of the Congregational Society in Ashburnham, and was selected to the committee to find a minister for the meeting house. The committee selected Mr. George Perkins, and the choose Joseph as an assessor for the congregation, which raised $450 to pay Mr. Perkin's salary. In 1833 Joseph was among those who took 20 shares toward the construction of a new meeting house. For several years Joseph and his wife were choristers in the church

Joseph was also active with the local militia The state of Massachusetts required an independent military organization be maintained by the town of Ashburnham. By 1789 Joseph was the commander of the company. In June 1791 formally recognized the organization and now referred to as the "Ashburnham Light

Infantry." Joseph became the first commanding officer of the newly formed unit, with the rank of captain. He eventually advanced to the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Joseph and his wife Sarah had 6 children:

Ivers Jewett; born May 7, 1788 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts
Joseph Jewett; born April 30, 1790 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts
Milton Jewett; born May 31, 1793 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts
Polly Gibbs Jewett; born March 4, 1796 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts
Merrick Augustus Jewett; born August 26, 1798 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts
Sarah Farmer Jewett; born September 4, 1803 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts

General Ivers Jewett
JFA #1524

Ivers Jewett was born in Ashburnham, Mass., May 7, 1788 to Colonel Joseph Jewett and Sarah Woods. Ivers married Mary Adams, daughter of Ebenezer Thomas and Polly (Goodwin) Adams on December 21,1813. She was born March 17, 1791, and died in Alexandria, La., Oct. 11, 1834. Ivers then married, Lydia Adams, sister of his first wife in 1841. A description of Ivers Jewett was presented in the History of Ashburnham, Massachusetts, by Steams.

" He was a merchant in Ashburnham. In 1827 he removed to Fitchburg and was interested in several manufacturing and other enterprises. Many of the business ventures were unfortunate. General Jewett was of a buoyant, ardent temperament, of attractive personal appearance and commanding presence. He was affable, kind hearted, and generous. Popularity was his birthright, and the record of his early life is attractive and inspiriting. At the age of 34 years he had risen from the ranks of the Ashburnham Light Infantry to the rank of General of the State Militia. At every step in this rapid transition he had been an efficient and popular officer. He had been a successful merchant and had enlarged the business established by his father; had been employed in town affairs and exercised unusual sway and command among his fellow men.

" Few men at his age and in a rural community of limited population have made a more brilliant record. In mental capacity, in fitness to lead and ability to command among men, and aptitude in the routine transactions of business he resembled his father in an eminent degree. In boldness of conception, in power to persuade, and in originality of project he was his superior; but in ripeness of judgment, in prudence, and caution, he failed at the threshold of his father's success. Of his later life little is known. He removed to the South, and there accumulated a handsome property which was swept away by the fortunes of war during the Rebellion. He died at Mobile, Ala., April 26, 1871."

Like his father, Ivers became a member of the Ashburnham Light Infantry, and in 1811 he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant. During the War of 1812, the company was drilled frequently in anticipation of being called to service. By 1813 Ivers had been promoted to the rank of captain. Finally, in the summer of 1814 the unit was called upon due to a heightened level of British naval activity off the Massachusetts coast. They were ordered into service in September of 1814, and on a Sunday morning, they were hastily assembled at the Jewett Store. Following brief words of counsel, and prayers for their safe return by Rev. Cushing, the company departed with arms, ammunition and supplies in an irregular wagon train. They arrived in Boston

on September 9, and were stationed at South Boston and Dorchester for 51 days, being discharged on October 30.

Ivers continued to advance in rank with the local and then the state militias. From 1815 to 1822 he advanced from the rank of major all the way to the rank of major general in the Massachusetts State Militia. He resigned from service on May 30, 1826, about a year after he moved to Fitchburg, Massachusetts. According to a biography in the History of the Illinois Central Railroad, Major Ivers was a participant in the battle of New Orleans, under General Andrew Jackson.

As with his father, Ivers was very active in the everyday activities of Ashburnham, Massachusetts. Beginning in 1811, Ivers served on the school superintendent committee for 6 years. Ivers was the clerk for the annual town meeting from 1816 to 1823. Ivers served as a Justice of the Peace from 1821 – 1825, and was elected as a state legislator in 1824. He was also a member of the Ashburnham Library before the enterprise dissolved.

According to the Proceedings of the Fitchburg Historical Society (1902), Ivers Jewett successfully managed the "Old Jewett Store" in Ashburnham, Massachusetts, founded by his father Joseph Jewett, JFA #736. Then in 1825 Ivers moved to Fitchburg, Massachusetts and together with Samuel Woods, where they opened a store. The store exchanged goods for all manner of farm products. Then on April 8, 1828 Samuel Woods returned to Ashburnham and Ivers became the sole proprietor.

The store was still operating in 1830, and was then operated by Ivers and Clement Jewett, as I & C Jewett. Clement Jewett is JFA #2,397. It is not known why Clement moved to Fitvhburg, Massachusetts, or why he entered into business with Ivers, as they do not share a common ancestor until Edward Jewett, JFA #1, In 1830 Clement opened a store on Laurel Street in Fitchburg referred to as the "Stone Mill" store.

By 1831, they had picked up another partner, and were operating as I & C Jewett and Lowe. They were among the first merchants to advertise in the new Fitchburg newspaper. An example of the goods they carried are noted in an ad from that time:

> I. & C. Jewett & Lowe offer for sale at their stores, 3000 pounds white lead at 10½ cents; 6000 pounds of cut nails, 6¾ and 7 cents; 80 barrels of superfine flour, $5.50 and $6.50; 10 chests of Souchong tea, 58 cents; loaf sugar, 14 cents; brown sugar, 7 and 10 cents; white Havana sugar, 12½ cents. * * * Cod and halibut fish, 2 to 5 cents; heavy Porto Rico molasses, 35 cents; grindstones, 35 cents; cotton yarn by ball or pound; cotton sheetings and shirtings by bale or piece; paints and oils of all kinds; corn and rye, round, square and bar iron, German, cast and blister steel, London porter, Congress water, Worcester ale by the barrel, with as general an assortment of hardware, English and West India goods as can be found in this vicinity.
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> P. S. All kinds of straw braid, palmleaf hats, lumber and produce received at fair prices in payment.

In 1833 Captain Robert Sampson took over the butchering business from Ivers Jewett. At that time the Jewetts operated 2 stores, the butchering business, a cotton mill, and were owners of one of the principal stage lines to Boston. To keep their enterprises operating, the Jewetts were obliged to obtain a large amount of capital, giving out notes as a promise of payment. In October 1832 the Jewetts became heavily overextended and their businesses failed, and they were forced to liquidate their inventories and sell off their stores. The failure of the Jewett businesses were related to the business arrangements Ivers had with the merchant firm of Merriam and Broaddus, based in New Orleans and Boston. Ivers was the agent for the firm in the North from November 1831 to February 1, 1833. In October of 1832 Merriam died in New York City, and his estate went into probate, temporarily freezing assets of the New Orleans trading firm. Shortly afterwards creditors, Wolfe, Spies and Clark, of Merriam and Broaddus approached Ivers concerning payments of bills of exchange worth just over $2,900, due and payable in Boston. Ivers indicated that he did not have funds on hand from the firm to make payment, but offered to draw up new bills of exchange payable in New Orleans.

A couple of weeks after drawing up the bills of exchange Ivers businesses collapsed, as the funds he was owed by Merriam and Broaddus could not be collected. Ivers was forced to sell off all enterprises in the Fitchburg area. Having settled affairs, he and his family then removed to Louisiana, where he sought out Mr. Broaddus and his agents for payment of what the firm owed him. Broaddus died on February 2, 1833 in Alexandria, Louisiana. On February 4, 1833 Ivers obtained a balance of the funds owed to him in "value" from M.P. Flint, who was appointed executor of the estate. The value of the balance provided to Ivers was $41,759.26.

A year later in 1834 Ivers wife Mary died in Alexandria, Louisiana. The exact data of death is unknown. Also unknown is how closely Ivers remained in contact with his relatives in Massachusetts. It is clear, however, that he retained close contacts with the Adams family due to his subsequent marriage to Lydia, sister to Mary. Lydia was born about 1805 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts. The date of the marriage is listed as 1841, although the location is unknown.

According to Louisiana Supreme Court documents, Ivers and his family moved from Alexandria to New Orleans in November of 1842. The movement may have been precipitated by a judicial judgment against Ivers in Rapides Parish for the sum of $5,905. In New Orleans he leased the St. Louis Hotel for a term of 3 years with the yearly payments being $6,000, $8,000 and then $10,000. To secure the rent, Ivers gave a special mortgage on several slaves, including one named Caroline. The owners of the hotel sued Ivers for payment and received a judgment of $2,300. Ivers was turned out of the hotel and the slave Caroline was sold off in partial payment of debts. City directories of New Orleans indicate Ivers had a residence at 321 Liberty from 1861 to at least 1866. Between 1866 and 1870 Ivers and Lydia moved to Mobile, Alabama, where Ivers died on April 26, 1871.

Children of IVERS JEWETT and MARY ADAMS are:

i. IVERS THOMAS[8] JEWETT, b. 26 Sep 1814, Ashburnham, Massachusetts.
ii. JOSEPH ADAMS JEWETT, b. 04 Jul 1816, Ashburnham, Massachusetts.
iii. EDWARD MILTON JEWETT, b. 10 Aug 1821, Ashburnham, Worcester, Massachusetts.
iv. GEORGE PEKINS JEWETT, b. 27 Jun 1824, Ashburnham, Worcester, Massachusetts; d. 28 Jan 1825, Ashburnham, Worcester, Massachusetts 9m.
v. MARY ELIZA WHITON JEWETT, b. 14 Mar 1826, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts.
vi. EDWIN MILTON JEWETT, b. 23 Sep 1827, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts; d. 23 Sep 1827, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts.

vii. SARAH WOODS JEWETT, b. 17 May 1829, Ashburnham, Worcester, Massachusetts; died 8 July, 1834 in Alexandra, Louisiana.
viii. GEORGE MERRICK JEWETT, b. Abt. 1830, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts.
ix. ARABELLA MOORE JEWETT, b. 09 Oct 1831, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts; d. 24 Jun 1832, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts.
x. EMMA STERN MADERVILLE JEWETT, b. Abt. 1832, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts.
xi. MARTHA SNOW JEWETT, b. Abt. 1833, Fitchburg, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Children of IVERS JEWETT and LYDIA ADAMS are:
i. THOMAS JOSEPH JEWETT, b. 2 Nov. 1843, Shreveport, Louisiana.

Ivers Thomas Jewett
JFA #3,092

Ivers was born on September 26, 1814 in Ashburnham, Massachusetts. He most likely moved with his parents to Fitchburg, Massachusetts in 1825. It is unknown whether he accompanied his family to Louisiana in 1833/1834. According to information from the Genealogical Record of Thomas and Susanna Howard, Ivers married Abigail Fullensbee Howard on October 13, 1840 in Ross County, Ohio. Abigail was born to William Howard and Lydia Eleanor Evans on October 21, 1818 in Newburyport, Massachusetts.

After the wedding they resided in Alexandria, Louisiana, where Ivers worked as a Jeweler. In 1850 Abby's mother Lydia was living with the couple in Alexandria, along with a 17 year old Augusta Wood from Massachusetts. By 1860 the census record listed only Ivers. No other definitive information about Ivers Thomas Jewett has been located at the time this article was assembled.

Thomas Joseph Jewett

Thomas was born on November 2, 1843 in Shreveport, Louisiana. Based on legal records, the family moved to New Orleans shortly thereafter. Thomas was educated in the New Orleans public schools. Then from 1855 to 1861 he worked in a private express business of his own account in New Orleans.

Thomas held strong southern sentiments, and in 1862 he enlisted as a private in the 15th Confederate Cavalry and went to Mobile, Alabama. The 15th Cavalry Regiment was organized at Mobile, Alabama, early in 1864 by consolidating the five-company 3rd Florida Cavalry Battalion and five Alabama independent cavalry companies. It served in Quarles', Reynold's, Page's, I. W. Patton's, Liddell's, R. McCulloch's, and H. Maury's command. The regiment remained in the Mobile and Pensacola area, then moved to Louisiana where it fought at Tunica. Returning to Mobile it guarded the approaches to the city. A detachment was captured in the fight at Claiborne on April 17, 1865, and the remaining force at Demopolis on April 30. Colonel Henry Maury, Lieutenant Colonel T. J. Myers, and Major Robert H. Partridge were its field officers. He entered service as a private, and was mustered out at the same rank.

At the end of the war he returned to Mobile, Alabama, where he was employed by the Southern Express company as a messenger on the M. & O. Railroad between Mobile and Cairo, Illinois. He held that position for four years, until he advanced to the position of brakeman. He then rapidly advanced to the position of

conductor, a position he held until 1873. In 1873 Thomas entered the service of the Illinois Central Railroad at Jackson, Tennessee as a brakeman, and then later working as a freight conductor.

In 1874 he went to New Orleans where he worked in the Illinois Central rail yards as a switchman. He was soon given charge of a freight train on the Louisiana division between New Orleans and Canton, Mississippi. Due to a slowdown in business in 1875 he was briefly laid off, before returning to work later that year to work successively as a brakeman, conductor on work train, conductor on freight and extra passenger conductor. In 1885 he was given a regular passenger run, which he held through at least 1900.

At the time of the 1870 Census, Thomas was noted as living in the first ward of Mobile, Alabama, with a black family that kept a livery stable. Thomas married Miss Jennie Robertson on June 25, 1872. Jennie is listed as being from Citronelle, Alabama. She was born in June 1852. The 1880 census listed Thomas as boarding with numerous other railroad workers in McComb, Pike County, Mississippi. His residence in New Orleans was not identified in that census. The 1900 census shows Thomas and Jennie still married, after 27 years, and living on St. Joseph Street in New Orleans, Louisiana. According to the census they did not have any children. Also living with them at that time was Inez McHugh, a niece from New York, aged 8 years, born in May 1892.

As of 1900, Thomas was listed as being a thirty-second degree Mason in the New Orleans Chapter, as well as a member of the Mobile Chapter. He was also a Shriner of the Jerusalem Temple of New Orleans and a Chief Conductor, Division No. 108, O.R.C.

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