



# Genealogical Society of Rockland County Newsletter

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Reminder:

## HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES?

### NOTICES

✓ **Coming Soon: LDS Family History Center in Mahwah, NJ**—According to an article in the Fall 1990 *Genealogical Society of New Jersey Newsletter*, an additional Family History Center will open in Mahwah, N.J. by the end of 1990. Since Mahwah borders on Rockland County, this center would be convenient to residents in both Rockland County NY and Bergen County, NJ.

✓ **A New Westchester County Journal**, *Westchester Connections* was recently established by the Westchester Genealogical Society. It includes articles and material of genealogical interest pertaining to Westchester County. The journal is 8-1/2" x 11", 64pp, comb-bound. The first issue is available for \$6.00 (plus \$1.50 postage) from The Westchester County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 518, White Plains, NY 10603.

✓ **To preserve Rockland County records**, Rockland County Archivist Peter J. Scheibner writes in the October 1990 Archival Newsletter, *It's About Time*, that working under the direction of the Office of the County Executive, about half of the county records have been inventoried. Some of these records, such as the proceedings of the county board of supervisors from 1798 to 1841 will be placed in an underground, climate-controlled building located inside a limestone cave in the Ulster County community of Rosendale. This unique facility, 60 feet underground, is known as Iron Mountain. Negotiations are in progress with Spring Valley facility for the storage of original tax books from the years 1860-1920; also for storage of Board of Elections and Health Department records. Working with Judge Alfred J. Weiner, the County Archivist is planning the storage of wills dating from 1798-1900. These court records are to be preserved on micro-film.

✓ **Albany Bureau of Vital Records Closed**—Notices in recent Ulster County and Westchester County Genealogical Society Newsletters report that members who attempted to use the Vital Records Room of the NYS Department of Health in the Tower Building in Albany found that it had been closed in September. They were told that the records

were to be moved and that because of budget cuts the records would be available only by mail order (with responses taking from 3-4 months). The Capital District Genealogical Society (CDGS) has suggested to the Vital Records Section that microfiche copies of the vital records be deposited for public use with the New York State Library in Albany and at other libraries in several major cities throughout the state. The CDGS has offered to pay for copies.

To write with comments or suggestions address:

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### In Case of Inclement Weather...

Not sure if the meeting will be cancelled? To find out, call any of the following:

Les Baisley .....	914-786-5495
Peter Krell .....	914-623-8215
Pat Kerner .....	914-357-1355
Sally Dewey .....	914-359-5490
The Historical Society .....	914-634-9629

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### Upcoming Meetings and Events

Regular meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month (except July and August) at the Community Room of the History Center Museum, Historical Society of Rockland County, 20 Zukor Road, New City, N.Y.

Meeting time is 7:45 p.m.

Dec. '90.....	No regular meeting
Jan. 22.....	Frank Pool, "Facilities of the Salt Lake City Library and How to Use Them"
Feb. 26.....	Special Interest Groups/Discussions of Genealogy Problems
Mar. 26 .....	Panel Discussion led by Bob Protzman on "Difficult Problems and Their Solutions"

## OFFICERS AND CHAIRPERSONS

President.....	Leslie Baisley
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Society Telephone Contact.....	Pat Kerner, 914-357-1355

The Newsletter of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County is published four times a year, in mid-month of September, December, February and May.

The deadline for submitting material for inclusion in the Newsletter is the 1st of the month of the issue date. Send items and articles to Pat Wardell, GSRC Newsletter Editor, 78 Edgewood Road, Allendale, NJ 07401.

## HSRC ACQUISITIONS

*Recent acquisitions of the Historical Society of Rockland County:*

"Swartwout Chronicles dating to 1300s in Europe with Index" presented at the first Swartwout-Snedeker reunion, Sep. 1990 at the Snedeker marker on Route (W, Congers at junction with Route 304 (just north of the traffic light).

Barker, Bette Marie and Daniel P. Jones and Karl J. Niederer, "Guide to Family History Sources in the New Jersey State Archives," New Jersey Department of State, Trenton, NJ 1987.

"New Jersey and the Negro, a Bibliography, 1715-1966" compiled by Bibliography Committee of the New Jersey Library Association, 1967.

## AT THE NEW CITY LIBRARY

Contributed by Yvonne Yare

• I.G.I.—The International Genealogical Index for the United States, an alphabetical list, state by state, of names, recording deaths, marriages, births, wills, etc. by their locations in the holdings of the Family History Library, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Salt Lake City, Utah. The I.G.I.-U.S. consists of 971 fiche, available with a fiche reader, in the Rockland Room.

• Torrey, Clarence Almos, New England Marriages

Prior to 1700, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1985.

• Lederer, Richard, Colonial American English, Essex, CT, Verbatim Books, 1985.

• American Society of Genealogists, Genealogical Research, Rev. Ed., 1980 (2 vol.)

• Rayne, Josephine E., New England Historical & Genealogical Register, Index of Persons, Vol. 1-50 (1847-1896), c. 1989.

• Anjou, Gustave, Ulster County, N.Y. Wills, 1906; reprint 1980.

• Jones, Hank Z., Jr., Palatine Families of Ireland, 1990.

• Verdenhalven, Fritz, Die Deutsche Schrift (The German Script), 1989.

• Mitchell, Brian, A Guide to Irish Churches and Graveyards, 1990.

• Greenwood, Val, Researcher's Guide to Genealogy, 2nd Edition, 1990.

• American Genealogical Society, Genealogical Research: Methods and Sources, Rev. Ed., 1980.

• Jarboe, Betty M., Obituaries: A Guide to Sources, 2nd ed., 1989.

• Carmichael, David, Guide to Collections of Westchester County Archives, 1989.

• Rose, James, Black Genesis, 1978.

## NEW MEMBERS

*We welcome the following new members:*

• Lewis G. Knapp, 320 Shore Road, Stratford, CT 06497

• Michael J. Secora, 22 North Park Avenue, Nanuet, NY 10954

## LETTERS

*From Margaret M. Taylor, Houston, Texas, 6 Oct 1990:*

Congratulations on your 6th Birthday! The Society has come a long way and improved with each issue. One of the improvements I especially like is the Recording Secretary's summary of previous meetings or highlights of the programs. For those of us who live out of town or out of state those reports keep us updated on what is going on and we are part of the Society. Keep up the good work!

*From Franklin Hoffman, Apt. 12E Jeanne Mane Gdns, Nanuet, NY 10954 (914-623-8329):*

I have a monthly computerized service called GENIE. One of the products offered on GENIE is a Genealogy Roundtable. People from across the United States and Canada use it. If the historical society, genealogical society and/or individual members who have computers are interested in this service, I will be willing to give them more information.



## GSRC ACQUISITIONS

*Recent acquisitions of the Historical Society of Rockland County:*

"The Stryker Family in America," by William Norman Stryker. 16 pp. Xerox. From Jane TenEyck.

## QUERIES

*Queries will be published in the newsletter as space permits. It would be helpful if querists would submit their queries beginning with surnames concerned in the query listed alphabetically. Please keep queries clear, but concise. Send queries to Pat Wardell, GSRC Newsletter Editor, 78 Edgewood Road, Allendale, NJ 07401.*

*When answering a query, please send a copy of the answer to the Genealogical Society of Rockland County for our files and for possible inclusion in future newsletters. Many thanks.*

**KEESLER, SNEDEKER**—Seeking any info on families of George KEESLER, b. 1825, d. 1910 and his wife Mahala SNEDEKER, both of Haverstraw, NY.

Dean Bardon Seifried, 909 Goose Lane,  
Guilford, CT 06437 (203-453-6094)

**LOCATION OF HUYLER HOUSE**—Seeking location of house owned by James S. HUYLER in Nanuet until about 1860. His sister Huldah Huyler McINTIRE d. Nanuet, int. Greenwood Cemetery, Brooklyn. His mother Huldah REQUA Huyler d. Nanuet. Any information would be appreciated.

Mrs. Catherine M. Leslie, 229 Chestnut  
Street, Englewood, NJ 07631

**VAN ORDEN, CONKLIN, VANDERBILT**—Need proof that the Peter VAN ORDEN, born 1785, who m. Lanah (Sarah) CONKLIN, dau. of Wm. N. CONKLIN, in 1816, was the son of Hendrik and Hilletje (VANDERBILT) VAN ORDEN. Seek to correspond with other descendants of Hendrik and Hilletje.

Jean Marks Brodrick, RR 2, Box 801,  
Wolfeboro, NH 03894

**CRUM, JOHNSON**—Seeking parents of Tunis CRUM, b. 1800, m. Elizabeth (Betsy) JOHNSON, served in War of 1812.

Jane Ten Eyck, 1965 Centennial Drive,  
Louisville, CO 80027

**KNAPP**—Researching James Samuel and Hannah Ann KNAPP, South Mountain Road, New City. Was he the son of James L. or of Levi or someone else? Is he the James in Co. G, 17th NY from Orangetown in Civil War? Any information?

**KNAPP, ROSE**—Requesting information on Levi KNAPP and Mary ROSE, b. 1853, 1864. Lived in a

house on High Tor Lane, New City. Mary ROSE was a daughter of Abram ROSE. Both interred in Knapp Cemetery.

**ROSE**—Looking for ancestors of Abram M. ROSE, b. 2 Aug 1836; buried in Mt. Repose Cemetery in a circle of Civil War veterans' graves at a flagpole; 48th NY Regt. in Civil War.

Lewis G. Knapp, 320 Shore Road, Stratford,  
CT 06497

## RESPONSES TO QUERIES

**DOLSON, VAN HOUTEN, ROE**—(Response to query in Sep 1990 issue)—I am not certain if your Sam Dolson and mine were the same person, but so far I have the following: Full name—Samuel B. Dolson. Approx. date of death 1890. Wife's name: Catherine M. VanHouten, born 1841; died 1921. Catherine's parents were Isaac VanHouten and Catherine Roe.—Mrs. Eleanor F. Winnett, Bellport, NY.

## NOTICES

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- Dr. David Axelrod, Commissioner of Health, NYS Dept. of Health, Tower Bldg., Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12237

- Mr. Peter Carucci, Head of Vital Records, Rm. 234, NYS Dept. of Health, Tower Bldg., Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12237

- Governor Mario Cuomo, NYS Capital Bldg., Albany, NY 12237

✓ **LDS "FamilySearch"™ on CD is available at the Scarsdale, Westchester Co. LDS Branch Library.** FamilySearch is at Salt Lake City and at present Scarsdale is the only LDS Family History Library in New York state to offer it. The system searches for information on CD discs using computers equipped with CD players and the appropriate software. Scarsdale also has Personal Ancestral File (PAF) software on its computer for the use of its patrons as well as the complete Family History Library Catalog on microfiche, the latest edition of the International Genealogical Index (IGI), microfiche and microfilm readers, and a microfiche/microfilm printer. The Scarsdale Family History Library, recently opened at 60 Wayside Lane, is Westchester County's second LDS branch library—the first is in Yorktown and includes the Westchester County Genealogical Society library. Hours are Tues 7-9:30 pm; Wed 9:30 am-9:30 pm; Sat 10 am-1 pm; and Sun 12:30-3 pm. For additional information, contact the director, Claire Freedman, 914-723-0471.

## GSRC JOTTINGS

Success at last for our President! Members are beginning to respond to Les's request for pedigree charts and/or family group sheets. The first received this season are from:

- Jean Zamenick, ancestors: Wood, Knapp, Secor, Waldron, Baisley, Fairchild, Fitch, Hauge, Forbes, etc.
- Harry Lemond, ancestors: Clough, Gannon, Gaetz, Morgan, Benjamin, Lemond, Voss, Rotells, etc.
- Michael Secora, ancestors: Secora, Knapp, Stark, Hartwick, Felter, etc.

Our thanks to these members, and for anyone else—please keep up the good start so we have good genealogical files for our Society.

—Marie Koestler, Librarian

Many thanks to Marie Koestler, Les Baisley and Yvonne Yare who contributed information for this issue of the newsletter. If you find something that might be of interest to our readers, please send it or a copy (with the name and date of the publication it appeared in so that we can give proper credit) to: Pat Wardell, GSRC Newsletter Editor, 78 Edgewood Road, Allendale, NJ 07401.

—Pat Wardell

Resumes of Past Programs presented at meetings of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County

## How to Hire a Professional Genealogist

*Program by Laura LeBarron presented at the June 26, 1990 meeting of the Genealogical Society of Rockland County. Notes by Joan Brooks, GSRC Recording Secretary.*

Laura LeBarron is Senior Vice President and Newsletter Editor of the Westchester County Genealogical Society.

Before hiring a professional researcher you need to define the problem. Do you need a birthdate, a will, or land record? Do you need to find out what county in a particular state an ancestor came from? What is it you want the researcher to do? Be very specific. Review what has already been done by you or others; make a note of the sources used, and what the results of the searches were. Consult books such as The Source for ideas as to types of records that may solve the problem. Look at guides to specific geographical areas such as New York Genealogical Research or The Library to see what kinds of records are available in that location. In addition, many Archives and Libraries have brochures and guides to

the specific collections in their possession. Consulting these sources can give you fresh ideas as to how to tackle the problem yourself.

Finally, you have to determine whether you need to hire a genealogist or a record searcher. The record searcher mainly searches the records you specify, while a genealogist analyzes the problem and decides what should be done. Also, you should consider whether you need someone who has expertise in some particular area, such as ability to read a foreign language, searching adoptions, etc.

In order to find a researcher, ask others in your Society if they have had any experiences with them. You can also look at specialized periodicals such as *The Genealogical Helper* or *Heritage Quest* which carry ads from researchers. In addition, once a year *The Genealogical Helper* publishes a "Directory of Professional Genealogical Researchers."

The Board for Certification of Genealogists in Washington, D.C. certifies researchers in several categories, including Certified Genealogist (CG) and Certified Genealogical Record Searcher (CGRS). The Family History Library in Salt Lake City has an accreditation program which accredits genealogists (AG) in various areas including foreign countries. Each of these groups will provide a list of researchers who are screened by them, but will not accept responsibility for work done by them.

The Association of Professional Genealogists (APG) will provide a list of their members and the International Genealogy Consumers Organization will provide a list of their "Registered Genealogists." You can also contact a local library, genealogical, or historical society. Many of these have lists of professional researchers, although they will not accept responsibility for the work of these individuals.

Once you have a list of possibilities, write to several, with a brief outline of your problem and what you want done. Be sure to ask for the researcher's credentials; for example, qualifications, experiences, whether they are part or full time, rates, and the timetable for accomplishing the work. Rates may be charged by the hour or by the job. You may be charged separately for a travel time, copies, etc. There are many fine researchers who do not have the accreditations, but you have to be careful.

Once you have hired the researcher, be sure to provide the person with all pertinent data already collected, so that the work is not duplicated. Some researchers use a formal contract; others are more informal. In any event, be sure you spell out exactly what you expect of the researcher, so there are no questions later. The information you receive back should be well-documented.

In some cases you may encounter a researcher who does not do the job. Most problems are caused by poor communication between the parties involved. If this does happen, contact the researcher and explain the problem. Give the person a chance to respond and make an explanation. If this does not clear up



the situation, contact the organization from which you received the person's name. In most cases, even though they are not responsible, they will try to resolve the issue. If this is not successful, as a final resort you can contact the International Genealogy Consumer Organization (IGCO) and they will try to mediate between the researcher and the client. If the researcher does not reply, a warning will be issued in their semi-annual Consumer Report. (Be aware that clients who do not pay their bills will also be listed here.)

#### Accredited Genealogists (A.G.)

1. Nelson, G., "Services of the Family History Library," Chap. 3, pp 24-5, in *The Library*, J. Cerny & W. Elliott, ed., Salt Lake City: Ancestry Publishing, 1988.
2. Applications from: Accreditation Committee, Family History Library, 35 N.W. Temple St., Salt Lake City, UT 84150.
3. Complaints: Manager of Public Relations, Family History Library, (same address as above).

#### Certified Genealogists

1. Association of Professional Genealogists, "Professional Standards & Credentials—Part II: Board of Certification," *APG Quarterly*, v. 3, No. 4 (Winter 1988-89), pp. 21-24.
2. Smallwood, G. and M. Speakman, "Board for Certification Workshop" lecture, NGS 9th Annual Conference in the States. St. Paul: 1989. (From TRIAD, P.O. Box 120, Toulon, IL 61483)
3. Application from: Board for Certification of Genealogists, P.O. Box 19165, Washington, D.C.

20036.

4. Roster of Certified Persons from: Board for Certification of Genealogists, same address as above (\$3.50).
5. Complaints: Board for Certification of Genealogists, same address as above.

#### Other Researchers

1. List of APG Members from: Association of Professional Genealogists, P.O. Box 11601, Salt Lake City, UT 84147 (\$3 plus long SASE),
2. International List of Registered Genealogists from: International Genealogy Consumers Organization, 4329 S. Stafford Way, West Valley City, UT 84119 (\$1 plus SASE).

#### General Information

1. Association of Professional Genealogists, "How to Hire a Professional Genealogist" (Brochure, 50¢ plus SASE), from APG, P.O. Box 11601, Salt Lake City, UT 84147.
2. International Genealogy Consumer Organization, "The Consumer's Guide to Hiring a Professional Genealogist" (brochure, 50¢ plus a SASE) from IGCO, 4329 S. Stafford Way, West Valley City, UT 84119.
3. International Genealogy Consumer Organization, International Genealogy Consumer Report (pub. June & Dec.); subscription \$8 for 2 yrs.; from IGCO, same address as above.
4. International Genealogy Consumer Organization. "Legal Advice for Professional Genealogists & Their Clients" (brochure, 50¢ plus SASE) from IGCO, same address as above. ■

### **RAMAPO BIRTHS, 1847**

This one sheet of records is included in the microfilmed 1855 New York State Census, County of Rockland, Town of Ramapo, 2nd Election District.

Return of the Town Clerk, Dated January 26th, 1848, signed by Archibald Cassedy, Town Clerk  
Births in the Town of Ramapo, County of Rockland during the year ending 31st Dec 1847:

Date of Birth, 1847	Name of Child	Names of Parents
July 21st .....	Mary .....	James Kelly and Hannah
6th .....	James .....	Daniel McElroy and Phebe
31st .....	Elizabeth Ann .....	Henry Fox and Elizabeth Fox
4th .....	Eliza Jane .....	Ephraim Onderdonk and Elizabeth
6th .....	Josephine .....	James Carr and Susan
12th .....	John .....	Levi Conklin and Susan
13th .....	Warner .....	Sylvester Westervelt and Margaret
Aug 30th .....	George .....	Sylvetus Gurnee and Martha Matilda
8th .....	Nicholas .....	Garret J. Hopper and Maria
10th .....	Mary Adeline .....	Adam Dater and Mary Ann
1st .....	Thomas Augustus .....	Gilbert Conklin and Keziah
1st .....	no name .....	Abram P. Frederick and Mary
18th .....	Theodore .....	William Coe and Fanny Jane
Sep 21st .....	Catherine Elizabeth .....	Samuel Edwards and Ellen his wife

14th	Henrietta	Henry Davenport and Mary
28th	Loretta	Jacob Mackie and Charlotte
Oct 28th	John	David Fluke and Nancy
25th	Rosanna Louisa	Jacob Swan and Mary
8th	George	Tobias Lower and Hannah
1st	Catherine Ann	John May and Hannah
26th	John	James William Carter and Elizabeth Ann
30th	Charles	Lewis Duzenbury and Sarah
Nov 5th	Theodore	Enos Smith and Catherine
6th	John Lewis	George Furman and Amanda
2nd	Alonzo	David Johnson and Amanda
17th	James Polk	Austin H. Vail and Lorinda
7th	Catherine	Michael Burns and Margaret
14th	No name	Henry Sherwood and Mary
26th	Catherine	James Iserman and Catherine
Dec 26th	No name	Michael Tenure and Margaret
22nd	Jesse	William Comrie and Jessie
(? pg. torn)	John Henry	Peter G. Van Blarcome and Ann
(? pg. torn)	Alice	Francis Williams and Margaret
(? pg. torn)	Catherine	William Furman and Catherine
(? pg. torn)	Charles Henry	Eliza and Erastus Van Zant

## 1855 NEW YORK STATE CENSUS, ROCKLAND COUNTY

Transcribed by Pat Wardell

This 1855 census, although incomplete, is especially valuable because at this early date it gives relationships to the head of the family of all individuals living in a household (the Federal Census notes relationships beginning in 1880). Only the Towns of Haverstraw and Ramapo are represented by the extant pages of the 1855 Census. Of these, the First ED (Election District) of Haverstraw is missing and the first ED of Ramapo is mostly missing.

Spellings have been retained exactly as written, as far as can be determined.

Doubtful readings of names and occupations are enclosed in square brackets, i. e. [ ] and guesses are enclosed in square brackets with a question mark, i. e. [Smith?]; "wild" guesses will have two or more question marks. Interpolations by this transcriber are enclosed in parentheses, i.e. (obscured) or (illegible). In some places ink spills or other damage has completely obscured portions of the handwritten enumeration; in other places, the notation is illegible either because of poor handwriting, entries that have been written over, damage to the record, or poor microfilming. Numbers and/or letters which are out of sequence, unusual or unlikely are underlined by this transcriber to draw the reader's attention and to indicate that the entry, though unusual or possibly in error, is as given in the original and is not a transcriber's typographical error.

Page numbers of the original census are indicated in parentheses on a separate line in the "dwelling" column when a page break occurs. The day on which that page's data was collected is indicated on the same line in parentheses in the "Name" field.

The tight binding of pages of the census has hidden some of the "dwelling" numbers which appear in the extreme left column and some of the Comments in category 21 in the extreme right column; when a number or comment was not visible, an asterisk was inserted to so indicate.

Occasional comments by the enumerator are either inserted in quotes along with or immediately after the entry or at the bottom of the page. To save space, a separate column has not been used for the infrequent notations of deaf, dumb, blind, insane, or idiotic; instead these notations, where found, are inserted after a slash in the occupation column, i.e. /deaf.

Enumerators generally left the "Color" information field blank except when an individual was black (B) or mulatto (M). The blank field should apparently be taken to mean white (W).

Enumerators generally left the relation field blank for the "head of the family."

The following headings for information fields were preprinted on this census form—those here listed in *italic* typeface have been deleted from the following transcribed record for reasons of space (reading from left to right):

1. Dwellings numbered in the order of visitation; 2. *Of what material built*; 3. *Value*; 4. Families numbered in the order of their visitation; 5. Name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June was in this



family; 6. Age; 7. Sex; 8. Color: White or black or mulatto; 9. Relation to the head of the family; 10. In what county of this State, or in what other State or Foreign Country born; 11. Married; 12. Widowed (re 11 & 12: these marital status fields we have combined into one field. This enumerator left the field blank when an individual was single); 13. Years resident in this city or town; 14. Profession, Trade, or Occupation; 15. Voters: Native; 16. Voters: Naturalized; 17. Alien; 18. Persons of color not taxed; 19. Persons over 21 years who cannot read and write; 20. Owners of land; 21. Deaf, Dumb, Blind, Insane, or Idiotic

## TOWN OF HAVERSTRAW, 2ND ELECTION DISTRICT

The Census taker for Haverstraw, 2nd Election District, was George Smith, and the enumeration began on 16 June 1855 and finished on 18 July 1855. The first two pages are bound out of order, so that the lowest numbered dwellings and families are actually on page 2; then page 1; and from that point on the pagination seems correct.

This transcript has been made using both Xeroxed copies of actual pages (thanks to Les Baisley), and microfilmed pages. The microfilm is sometimes dark and difficult to read. Mr. Smith had some handwriting peculiarities, including a final "s" that is formed like a modern capital "S." There are often other difficulties encountered while reading his handwriting. In some cases doubtful readings are a result of overwritten, or corrected, entries. Many of the dwelling numbers have been overwritten.

In addition to the family data transcribed here, there are several pages of agricultural data, including a listing of names of farmers and such information about their farms as acreage, harvest data, product information, value of farm, stock, tools, etc.

There is also a list of industries other than agricultural (because of tight binding the first names of the owners are illegible): Gurnee, Brick Yard; Howes, Carpenter Shp; Knight, Iron Furnace; Mc Cauley, Blacksmith; Tenike, Brick Yard; Weiant, Brick Yard; Frederick, Brick Yard; Knapp, Brick Yard; Rose & Bro., Brick Yard; Knapp, Brick Yard; Knapp, Brick Yard; Ackerson, Brick Yard; Knowlton, Wheelwright; Van Wart, Wheelwright; Beebe, Saw Mill; Beebe, Foundry; [Hunting?], Chair Factory; Springstead, Blacksmith; Herbert, Brickmaker; Dolson, Brickmaker; Castleton, Brickmaking; Blair, Brickmaking; Albertson, Brickmaking; Hammond, Wheelwright; Brooks, Blacksmith; Conoway, Brickmaker; Brooks, Blacksmith; Tonnkins & Co., Lime Manufacturing.

Dwell.	Fam.	Name of every person...1 June 1855	Age	Sex	Col	Relation to head of family (16 June 1855)	Where born	M/W	Yrs Res	Profession, Trade, Occupation	land owner
(1)											
1	1	Walter F. B. Gurnee	23	M			Rockland	M	23	Farmer	Owns
		Mary M. Gurnee	22	F		Wife	New Jersey	M	12		
		Adelia B. Gurney	9/12	F		Daughter	Rockland		9/12		
		A. S. Gurnee	20	M		Brother	"		20	Merchant	Owns
		Margaret Walsh	25	F		Servant	Ireland		2	None	
		Michael Walsh	22	M		"	"		4	None	
		Phillis [Meyers]	75	F	B	"	Rockland	W	75	None	
	2	Edward King	24	M			"	M	24	Merchant	
		Catherine King	20	F		Wife	"	M	20		
		Nancy King	8/12	F		Daughter	"		8/12		
2	3	Daniel Brewster	28	M			Westchester	M	7	Boatman	
		Catherine Brewster	26	F		Wife	Rockland	M	26		
		Walter F. Brewster	4	M		Son	"		4		
		Mary A. Brewster	2	F		Daughter	"		2		
3	4	Peter Gross	56	M			New York	M	55	None	
		Eliz. Gross	55	F		Wife	New York City	M	16		
		Thomas Gross	22	M		Son	Rockland		22	None	
	5	Harrison Bulson	24	M			Rockland	M	24	Boatman	
		Mary Bulson	23	F		Wife	Rockland	M	23		
		Levi Bulson	5	M		Son	Rockland		5		
4	6	Resolvert Waldron	79	M			Rockland	M	79	Farmer	Owns
		Margaret Waldron	45	F		Wife	Rockland	M	45		
		Franklin [Burris]	28	M		Servant	Rockland		3	None	
		Mary Mulligan	22	F		Servant	Ireland		5	None	
		William Mercey	18	M		Servant	Germany		2	None	
		Margaret Waldron	72	F		Sister	Rockland		72	None	Owns
		Henrietta Gurnee	20	F		Boarder	Rockland		20	None	
		Josephine Warwick	2	F		Boarder	Rockland		2	None	
5	7	Jacob Mackey	26	M			[Boston?]	M	14	Brick [burner?]	

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Dwel	Fam.	Name of every person... 1 June 1855	Age	Sex	Col	Relation to head of family	Where born	M/W	Yrs Res	Profession, Trade, Occupation	land owner
		Mary Jane Mackey	22	F		Wife	Rockland	M	22		
		Benjamin Mackey	3	M		Son	Rockland		3		
		Andrew Abrams	26	M		Boarder	Rockland		3/12	None	
6	8	James Rose	43	M			Rockland	M	43	Brick Manuf <sup>r</sup>	Owns
		Rebecca Rose	39	F		Wife	Rockland	M	39		
		Elmira Rose	17	F		Daughter	"		17	Dress maker	
		[Alonzo] Rose	15	M		Son	"		15	None	
		Malissia Rose	13	F		Daughter	"		13		
		Abby Rose	10	F		"	"		10		
		[?;-; -lomon?] Rose	7	M		Son	"		7		
		Mary Rose	4	F		Daughter	"		4		
		Adelia Rose	1	F		"	"		1		
		Joseph Wood	25	M		Boarder	Sullivan		[10]	Farmer	
		Richard Rose Sr.	60	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Rockland		60	None	
		Richard Rose Jr.	30	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Rockland		30	None	
		John Basley	30	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Con <sup>t</sup>		7/12	None	
(2)						(16 June 1855)					
		Wm [Illegible]	21	M		Boarder	Con <sup>t</sup>		1/12	None	
		Otto [Kederic]	18	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Germany		1/12	None	
		Rudolf Hill	21	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Germany		1/12	None	
		John Davison	35	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Scotland		1/12	None	
		Thomas [Nil?]	20	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Ireland		1/12	None	
		[John] [Gillam]	24	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Ireland		1/12	None	
		David R[illeg.]	30	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Ireland		4	None	
		[Illeg.] [Illeg.]	14	M		D <sup>o</sup>	Germany		1/12	None	
7	9	John Wesly Phillips	24	M			Rockland	M	24	Boatman	
		Sarah Phillips	22	F		Wife	"	M	22		
		Hannah Phillips	1	F		Daughter	"		1		
	10	William Call	21	M			"	M	21	Boatman	
		Eliza Call	24	F		Wife	"	M	24	Dress maker	
		William Call	5/12	M		Son	"		5/12		
8	11	Abram Bulson	23	M			"	M	23	Boatman	
		Margrette Bulson	19	F		Wife	"	M	19		
		Charles Bulson	7/12	M		Son	"		7/12		
9	12	Joseph Van Wart	41	M			"	M	41	None	Owns
		Sarah Van Wart	35	F		Wife	"	M	35	Tailoress	
		Samuel A. Van Wart	5	M		Son	"		5		
10	13	Thomas Dikins Sr.	73	M			"	M	73	None	
		Mary Dikins	71	F		Wife	"	M	71		
		William Dikins	13	M		Grandson	"		13		
11	14	Wesly [P.] Weiant	43	M			"	M	43	Brick Manuf <sup>r</sup>	Owns
		Catherine Weiant	39	F		Wife	"	M	39		
		William Weiant	17	M		Son	"		17	None	
		Margaret A. Weiant	15	F		Daughter	"		15		
		Joseph Weiant	12	M		Son	"		12		
		George Weiant	10	M		Son	"		10		
		Sarah Jane Weiant	8	F		Daughter	"		8		
		Charles Weiant	8/12	M		Son	"		8/12		
		Ann Mc Laughlin	17	F		Servant	Ireland		2/12		
12	15	John J. Bulson	41	M			Rockland	M	41	None	Owns
		Sarah Bulson	30	F		Wife	"	M	30	None	
		Sarah Bulson	6	F		Daughter	"		6		
		Hiram Bulson	3	M		Son	"		3		
13	16	Alexander Bulson	34	M			"	M	34	Boatman	Owns



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		Martha Bulson	34	F		Wife	"	M	34		
		John Bulson	10	M		Son	"		10		
		Henry E. Bulson	3	M		Son	"		3		
14	17	Jacob Van Wart	28	M			"		28	None	Owms
		Mahala Van Wart	58	F		Mother	Essex	W	31		
		Charles W. Van Wart	10	M		Nephew	Dutchess		6		
(3)						(16 June 1855)					
*	18	Abram Dikins	28	M			Rockland	M	28	None	Owms
		Nancy Dikins	29	F		Wife	"	M	29		
		Edgar Dikins	6	M		Son	"		6		
		Alonzo Dikins	1	M		Son	"		1		
*	19	W <sup>m</sup> Decker	24	M			Hudson	M	12	Boatman	Owms
		Charlotte Decker	24	F		Wife	Rockland	M	24	None	
		W <sup>m</sup> H. Decker	5	M		Son	"		5		
		Abram G. Decker	3	M		Son	"		3		
		Joseph C. Decker	1	M		Son	"		1		
		Josephine Rose	13	F		Sister in Law	"		13		
*	20	W <sup>m</sup> Van Wart	45	M			"	M	45	None	
		Sarah Van Wart	30	F		Wife	Irland	M	2	None	
		Ellen Jane Van Wart	3	F		Daughter	Rockland		2		
		George Van Wart	1	M		Son	"		1		
*	21	B. Collens Van Wart	30	M			"	M	30	None	
		Catharine Van Wart	35	F		Wife	"	M	35		
		Emma Van Wart	10	F		Daughter	"		10		
		Sarah Van Wart	7	F		"	"		7		
		Theodore Van Wart	4	M		Son	"		4		
		Collens Van Wart	1	M		Son	"		1		
		Wayne Dekins	17	M		Step Son	"		17	None	
*	22	John Thompson	32	M			"	M	32	Mason	Owms
		Hannah Thompson	26	F		Wife	"	M	26		
*	23	Warren Howes	44	M			Putnam	M	10	Carpenter	Owms
		Esther Howes	39	F		Wife	Putnam	M	10		
		Francis Howes	16	F		Daughter	Putnam		10		
*	24	W <sup>m</sup> Angelman	47	M			New Jersey	M	15	Blacksmith	
		Letty J. Angelman	27	F		Wife	Orange	M	8		
		John B. Angelman	5	M		Son	Rockland		5		
		Cornelia Angelman	2	F		Daughter	Rockland		2		
		Nomia Kemp	65	F		Mother in Law	Orange	M	3/12	Owms	
*	25	Peter Van Valer	23	M			Orange	M	3	Merchant	
		Sarah Van Valer	30	F		Wife	Westchester	M	3		
		John Van Valer	2	M		Son	Rockland		2		
		Matilda Van Valer	1	F		Daughter	Rockland		1		
		Bridget Mc[Grah]	24	F		Servant	Irland		1		
		Daniel G. Mackey	18	M		Boarder	Rockland		18	None	
*	26	John Lager	34	M			Germany	M	5	Shoemaker	
		Catharine Lager	30	F		Wife	Germany	M	5		
		Charles S. Lager	5	M		Son	Rockland		5		
		Mary Lager	3	F		Daughter	Rockland		3		
		John A. Lager	6/12	M		Son	"		6/12		
		Catharine Myers	13	F		Servant	Germany		1/12		
		Frederick Long	19	M		Apprentice	Switzerland		1/12		

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