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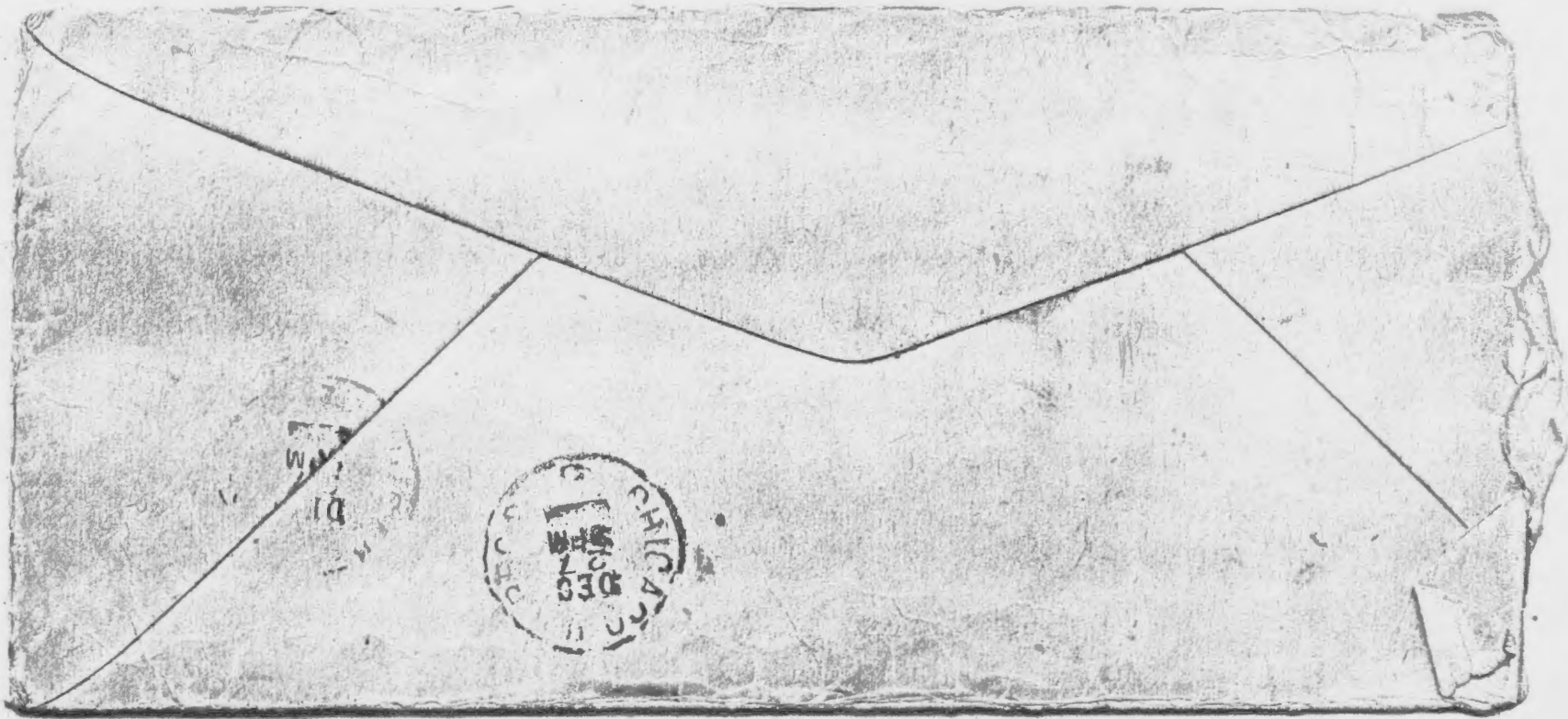


Oran S. Bloomer

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Wailborough N.Y. Sept. 18. 1847.

"The following records were sent to me from San Francisco, Cal at the request of Uncle Hiram G. Bloomer, just before his death. I now copy them (just as they were sent) for Uncle Isaac Bloomer, living at Franklin Mich."

"Virginia E. Wainford."

Record of the Bloomer Family.

(Copied from the original ms of Grandfather Hartz, and the spelling left unaltered.)

This record of the Family of Bloomer from the first that came to America.

Robert Bloomer was born in the city of Birmingham Eng at the age of 14 yrs. He was bound to a sailor and after having served seven yrs. traveled to London, where he was kidnaped and sent to Boston (A.D. 1649) in America, and sold to serve a blacksmith 4 yrs.:



After he had staid 2 yrs. he left his  
master and went to Rhode Island  
from thence to the east end of Long  
Island and from thence to Sattucket,  
in which place he set up the black  
smith trade; after which he went  
to New England, where he married  
Elizabeth Bullis, brought her home  
and removed to New Rochelle in  
West Chester Co. N. Y. where he had 2  
sons. Robert & John and died at the  
advanced age of 102 years.

Robert the 2<sup>d</sup> had 2 ~~sons~~ wives  
Elizabeth Sutton, and Elizabeth Shute  
settled at Rye & had 4 sons: Robert, Jos-  
eph, John and Gilbert. & died in the 88<sup>th</sup>  
yr. of his age, John married Elizabeth  
Bryd & had 2 sons William & Reuben.  
Robert 3<sup>d</sup> married Elizabeth Anderson  
had one son named Robert. Joseph  
1<sup>st</sup> married Mary Meritt had 3 sons  
Joseph, Thomas & Robert & died in the  
92<sup>d</sup> yr. of his age. John married  
Batha Fowler and had 7 sons.





John<sup>27</sup>, Robert<sup>28</sup>, Benjamin<sup>29</sup>, Gilbert<sup>30</sup>, Wm<sup>31</sup>  
 Nehemiah<sup>32</sup> & Daniel<sup>33</sup>. Gilbert had 2  
 sons Phel<sup>34</sup> Shored & Hannah Shral-  
 had 2 sons by the first. Gilbert & Joshua<sup>19</sup>  
 & one by the latter called David<sup>20</sup>.

Robert<sup>17</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> son of Robt 3<sup>a</sup> married  
 Elizabeth Purdy. Joseph<sup>36</sup> Bloomer  
 - the 2<sup>a</sup> son of Jos<sup>33</sup> 1<sup>a</sup> was born Feb  
 24. 1733, old stile, and married Feb  
 18. 1755. Sarah Wigent had 4 sons  
 living, Wm<sup>81</sup>, George<sup>83</sup>, Joseph<sup>81</sup> & James<sup>82</sup>.

Jos<sup>81</sup> 3<sup>a</sup> son of Jos<sup>36</sup> 2<sup>a</sup> married Mary  
 Locus. Wm<sup>84</sup> Bloomer son of

Jos. 2<sup>a</sup> married Rachel Casman. had  
 3 sons John, Jacob & Thomas. Robt<sup>17</sup>  
 4<sup>th</sup> married Elizabeth Purdy & had 4  
 sons and one daughter - namely -  
 Isaac<sup>54</sup>, Mouniathar<sup>56</sup>, Anderson<sup>58</sup> Robert<sup>50</sup>  
 & Eliza<sup>57</sup>. Robt 4<sup>th</sup> held a Capt's  
 Commission under the King - died  
 at the commencement of the Revolution.

Isaac<sup>54</sup> son of Robt 4<sup>th</sup> married two

two wives: The first Keturah Tooker  
 without issue: the second Elizabeth  
 Thorne, by whom he had 7 daughters &  
 3 sons. Keturah<sup>119</sup>, Deborah Ann, Eliza<sup>120</sup>  
 Emeline<sup>121</sup>, Lucretia<sup>122</sup>, Sarah Jane and  
 Mary - also sons Isaac<sup>117</sup> Tooker &  
 Hiram<sup>118</sup>. Mounmouth lived & had  
 issue in New York City, where his  
 descendants now live. Anderson<sup>58</sup> son  
 of Robt 4<sup>th</sup> married & had 4 sons &  
 one daughter. Elisha<sup>124</sup>, John<sup>123</sup>, Fred-  
 erick<sup>127</sup> Isaac & Jane<sup>128</sup>.

Robert 5<sup>th</sup> married & had 3 sons (Aunt  
 Mary Bloomer of Marlborough) Robert<sup>115</sup>, Daniel<sup>109</sup>  
 Reuben & 2 daughters both married Bingham  
 and lived at Marlboro. N.Y. Bingham's only one died  
 Robert 6<sup>th</sup> married & had 4 sons, Reuben  
 James, Jefferson. (there appears to be a name  
 wanting) & one or more daughters.

Elisha<sup>59</sup> son of Robt 4<sup>th</sup> had 2  
 sons who lived many yrs. under  
 the Pallisades on the Hudson river  
 and sailed to sloops to New York.





History of the Bloomer family compiled  
from oral tradition and family  
records. (I think by Hiram G. Bloomer)  
V. & H.

Robt Bloomer the 1<sup>st</sup> was a foundling  
according to a tradition related to  
me by Thomas Bloomer (The Packing  
box maker in New York) who received  
the account from his grandfather, who  
was a younger member of the elder  
branches of the West Chester Bloomers.

It was related to me that this  
foundling was found by a person who  
followed the Bloomering business, a  
technical name for a branch of iron  
working; in a place in England  
called Bronze - probably Birmingham  
as we shall see hereafter by a more  
authentic family record.

As the story is related this  
iron worker had been spending  
the evening with a neighbor.



6.  
upon returning home his attention was attracted by the crying of a child; he could not reject what others had forsaken, but took the child home and adopted it as his own; naming it after his own peculiar business "Bloomer" and Robt. the latter being - I believe - his own given name.

By examining the parish baptismal record of some Birmingham church (which I hope the descendants of the family will some day do) about the year 1635 would be the period to which reference should be made.

The foundling was apprenticed to a sailor and after having served 7 yrs. travelled to London.

The tradition is, that passing through the streets he was accosted by name by a fellow townsman. In this way, a Capt. of a press gang learned his name, and going immediately "around the block"



addressed him familiarly as "Cousin Bloomer;" Robt. replied that he did not know that he had a blood relation in the world. The Capt. answered, come with me & I will tell you all about it. He did so, but to this day, he found him self a prisoner, kidnaped & sent to Boston. (A. D. 1649) in America, and sold to serve a Black Smith 4 years. (The name of this protector can probably be ascertained)

The 1<sup>st</sup> Bloomer came to America some where between 1620 & 1691. (There seems to be some mistake here, as we are told twice that he came in 1649. it may be a mistake made by the one who copied the above. V. E. H.)

Family tradition says he was a foundling and was apprenticed to the nailor business near London.

When out of his time, he visited

London, and was impressed into the British service, the ship came to America, when he deserted and settled in West Chester Co. N. Y. purchased land and the family remained about 100 years.

I find in a letter published in the same county history of New York dated, West Chester Mch-8-1691- a reference to one Robt. Blומר as being a supported Lieut. Gov. Lister - 20<sup>th</sup> Vol. Doc. His of N. Y. page 331.

Mum. It is said that one of the ~~men~~ company who threw the tea over board in Boston harbor, was named Blומר. Is this so? enquire.

Joshua Blומר. Induction on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1769 as minister of the Episcopal Church, at Jamaica Long Island N. Y. Graduated at Kings Coll. N. Y. 1776.

He had been a major in the Prov. incial service and afterwards a merchant. He went to England in



1765 for orders and succeeded Dr  
Seabury in Jamaica L.I. to which  
were attached Newtown and Thibault.  
He died at Jamaica June 23-1790.  
aged 55 was succeeded in his church  
by the Rev. William Kammel.

(Thomson's Hist. L. I. II- 125)

Reuben Bloomer, a quaker,  
lived at Mamaroneck West Chester  
Co. N.Y. to nearly 100 yrs. of age. Kept  
a fulling mill. Had 2 sons who  
emigrated about 50 yrs. ago to Onondago  
also had 2 daughters, one married a  
Mr. Haught. Espoused the cause of  
the King during the revolution, at  
one time pursued to the cave on  
rattle snake hill, remained for 3  
days in the cave, caught a <sup>rattle</sup> snake  
and ate it all, it was always con-  
sidered a sweet morsel.

The above information was  
given to me by Mr. Palmer The



Wood man. (Left the wood yard  
on Stockton St. San Francisco).

Nov. 19. 1859- Copied from Miss  
Hart's genealogical memorandum.  
Moundvorth Hart married Miss Rachel  
Bloomer, both probably in Conn.

They had 6 children born at White  
Plains N. Y. August 19. 1860.

The first authentic date (thus  
far 1854) concerning our Bloomer  
family is found in a letter from  
the magistrate of West Chester  
Co. N. Y. to Col. Graham. Pub. in  
Doc. Hist. of N. Y. page 331- dated  
West Chester Mch 8- 1691- reference  
is there made to Robt Bloomer  
as one of Gov. Listers partners.

Succession of the children of  
Anderson Bloomer- John Elisha  
Keannah Isaac Jane and  
Frederick.

Succession of the children of  
Elisha<sup>124</sup> son of Anderson  
Catherine- Mary Jane- Margaret



John, Alice and Frances.

Gilbert Bloomer associate judge  
with John Jay, lived at Rye -  
West Chester Co.

David Bloomer born in West  
Chester Co lived ~~at~~ and died in  
New York. had sisters. Held an  
income under the old Congress

Phelps Bloomer named Aaron  
Smith in N.Y. Ann named an Argon  
John is now living at Newburgh  
Gilbert was probably driven out  
of West Chester by the cow boys  
during the Revolution.

Robert Bloomer lived at  
West Chester March 8. 1691

Robert died at Rye at the  
Commencement of the Revolution.



Isaac - son of Isaac - had 2 wives  
 the 1<sup>st</sup> Laura A. Smith by whom  
 he had 3 sons - Melvin - Spencer  
 and Orrin - the 2<sup>d</sup> - Samantha  
 Barrett - 2 sons - namely - Edgar &  
 Frank -

Melvin son of Isaac - married with  
 out issue - Spencer H. married  
 Margaret E. Carpenter by whom he  
 2 children a daughter Grace  
 and a son Harry -

Orrin son of Isaac married  
 Annie S. Graham by whom  
 he had one son - William -  
 Edgar married - has 3 children  
 Nellie - Walter - Baby - (name unknown)  
 Frank - married without issue -

Tucker son of Isaac 1<sup>st</sup> had 2  
 sons - Frank and William  
 Frank - un married -  
 William married Clara Spaulding  
 by whom he had one son -  
 Frank -



I have copied this just as the  
one is that I have -  
Grace L. Bloomer



Record of the Bloomer  
family. Copied for Uncle  
Orran Bloomer by  
Grace L. Bloomer



October 18, 1974

Dear Betty and Jerry,

Enclosed is the history I wrote I would send you. When I was ten years old great great Grandmother Butler passed away at the age of 95 years. At the time there were five generations living. I have a picture of the five generations among my things. The Daughters of the American Revolution held a memorial service at her grave, and they invited me to participate by reading this history which accounts for the wording. Since the Daughters of the American Revolution compiled this history I feel it is authentic. However you might want one of your staff to double check it.

I have brought it up from that time to the present as I know it. I carried our side only to Gardner and me as I didn't think you'd be interested any further than that. You'll have to fill in your side from Aunt Dorothy on.

Our son Jim and his wife named their daughter Fannise after my mother, carrying that name on. Our son Chris (who is still in law school) and his wife say that



if they ever have a daughter they intend  
to name her Army Ayer after Great-Grandmother  
Ayer. Thus the family goes on.

Love I hope you are feeling much  
much better and will be your old self again  
soon.

Give you are doing a wonderful job  
in this tremendous task you're taken on.  
Continued success to you.

With love

Odile



(*see also the paper*)

It has been suggested to me by Mrs. Hutchinson, ~~as the representative of her descendants,~~ that at this ceremony of honoring my <sup>great</sup> great-grandmother, Elizabeth Ely Butler, (nee Gridley) it might be of possible interest to give a brief resume of her ancestral history.

In both her own and that of her husband, George Selden Butler, the histories of the families of which I have the honor to be a descendant, go back into the earliest history of our country and with this thought in mind, I am giving a brief record of Mrs. Butler's ancestry on the maternal as well as the paternal side.

Her mother, Amy Ely Gridley, was born in 1777, at Lyme, Conn., the daughter of Wells Ely (born in 1729) and Rebecca Selden. Wells Ely was a son of Major Daniel Ely, of Lyme, Conn. said Major having been born in 1693. Wells Ely himself was first an Ensign in the 11th Company of Connecticut and in May, 1759 the general assembly Connecticut commissioned him a Second Lieutenantcy in the Fourth Regiment. Rebecca Selden, his wife, was also of Connecticut Revolutionary stock, her father being Colonel Samuel Selden.

The ancestors of the Elys in America began with the arrival of three brothers on that sadly overloaded ship, the Mayflower. Owing to the fact that they were financially able to pay their own fare and for other services, they were presented with a gold lined silver tankard by Queen Anne of England and this tankard, I believe, is still held in Connecticut by some descendants of these Elys.



At a re-union of the Ely family which my great-grandmother, Mrs. Butler, and her husband attended in 1878, they saw this card.

Amy Ely, daughter of Wells Ely and Rebecca Selden, and who died at the age of 99 years and some months on Oct. 31, 1878, at her daughter's house in Chicago, married Theodore Gridley at Farmington, Conn., in 1818, and of this union, Elizabeth Ely Gridley, our honoree, was born on June 16, 1826, in Clinton, Oneida Co., New York, almost five months after the death of her father in the same city.

Theodore Gridley enlisted in the Revolutionary Army at Peekskill, N. Y. as a drummer boy, on March 30, 1777 - a mere lad of 13, serving as a member of Captain James Stoddard's Company \_\_\_\_\_, Colonel Hooker's regiment, Connecticut Militia, Revolutionary War. He fought and was seriously wounded at the Battle of Bunker Hill, so seriously as to be incapacitated for further service. The scars of these wounds he carried until his death. He returned to civil pursuits, always however, being a staunch adherent of the revolutionary cause. When the dedication of the Bunker Hill monument took place, he and his wife, Amy Ely, drove in their chaise 450 miles to this dedication and were participants in the celebration. Until the time of the great Chicago fire of 1871, my <sup>great</sup> great-grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Gridley Butler, had in her possession this official invitation to her parents to be guests at the Bunker Hill ceremonies, but because of the necessity of Mrs. Butler and her family fleeing before the onrushing flames, this document and many other colonial souvenirs had to be abandoned and were destroyed by the fire.





The Gridley family in America migrated from England in 1633, being represented by two cousins, Thomas and Richard Gridley and through them came a number of revolutionary soldiers, officers and privates. Records of the Gridley family in England date back to 1066, when they emigrated from Normandy to England with William the Conqueror. Many distinguished men being noted among them.

As I have previously stated, my <sup>great</sup> great-grandmother, Elizabeth Ely Gridley Butler, whom we honor today, was the daughter of the revolutionary soldier, Theodore Gridley and Amy Ely and was born June 16, 1826, at Clinton, Oneida County, New York. She was married at the same place on April 24, 1843, to George Selden Butler (born July 1, 1820, also a descendant of the Revolutionary Selden family) and to them were born three children - 2 daughters and a son, I being a <sup>great</sup> grand-daughter of Mrs. Amy Gridley Ayer, their youngest daughter.

I think this brings the history of our branch of my <sup>great</sup> great-grandmother's family to date, and in closing I wish to express, on behalf of not only myself, but also on behalf of Elizabeth Gridley Butler's surviving daughter, Mrs. Amy Gridley Ayer, my <sup>great</sup> grandmother, and all the members of our family, to the Milwaukee Chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution (which had made Mrs. Butler an honorary member, presenting her with a gold spoon in recognition of her being a real Revolutionary daughter) the sincere appreciation and honor which we feel in the dedication of this monument to our venerable and esteemed relative, Elizabeth Ely Gridley Butler, who passed away <sup>February 27,</sup> 1921, at the age of 95 years, and who, throughout her long life maintained in her heart

*Elizabeth Ely Gridley Butler*

and seal the loyalty and devotion to her country's interests,  
handed down by her patriotic ancestors of Revolutionary days.





Elizabeth Gridley Butler has 1 son and 2 daughters

son - unknown

daughter Adèle Elizabeth - never married

daughter Amy Gridley (born Sept 2, 1848) married  
George Marney Ayer Sept 15, 1864 at Chicago

Ill. They had two daughters -

1 - Edith Elizabeth (born June 29, 1875 - died  
June 24, 1934) never married

2 - Adèle Augusta (born July 2, 1867 - died  
August 10, 1938) - married Levi Addison  
Gardner Oct 22, 1884 at Harvord,

Ill. They had two daughters -

→ 1 - Dorothy - (born Feb 27, 1892)

2. Fannise Ayer (born March 4, 1887 - died  
April 14, 1942) married Clarence Hasting  
James - Sept 5, 1908 in Harvord, Ill.

They had one son and one daughter -

1 - Gardner Ayer - (born May 15, 1909 - died  
Aug. 10, 1960) married Mary Ann  
Farmer - May 26, 1934

2. - Adèle Elizabeth (born Feb 14, 1911 - )  
married Joseph Peter Joyce Jr. Nov. 28, 1933





Harvard, Illinois  
June 5, 1976

To our honored visitor,  
Miss Susan Ford

Dear Susan:

Although you have probably never been here before, Harvard feels that you are "One of the family -- the Harvard family".

Did you know that your great-great-grandfather, Elbridge Gerry Ayer, was the man who, one hundred twenty years ago this spring, bought four hundred acres of land from Abram Carmack and on it platted this town? Ayer Street is named for him -- he named the town Harvard after Harvard, Massachusetts or this place might have been known as Ayer Station.

Your great-great-grandfather had much to do with the railroad coming to Harvard, donating the land for the station with the understanding that every passenger train going through here had to stop...and they did for more than a hundred years! When he first came to this state, he "was engaged in the mercantile business" but he was also very busy interesting others to settle here (the first person to settle in the cornfield that was Harvard, after the Ayers, was a doctor, which seems like excellent planning).

In 1858, Mr. Ayer took charge of the eating house and hotel which he ran for many years. It is in connection with this that he received a letter from the Governor of Wisconsin, in July, 1865 thanking him for the care he had extended to wounded Wisconsin soldiers on their way home, taking them in, feeding them and giving what other care they needed, and refusing all pay for his generosity. A contemporary said he often fed whole companies of soldiers passing through Harvard, both on the way to war and home again. His son, Edward, served with distinction in a California regiment.

There are in Harvard two memorials to his wife, the former Mary Titcomb. One is Mary's Park on the South side; the other, the



Mary D. Ayer apartments, also known as the Temperance apartments. The town's early history is full of facts about the Ayers.

Adele Ayer married Levi Gardner, another gentleman with strong connections both to you and to Harvard. He and his wife are your great-grandparents, which you probably know. But did you know he was Harvard's seventh mayor? A respected businessman of the town, with his family he occupied a house on Church Boulevard, next to his wife's uncle, E. M. Titcomb.

The Gardners had a daughter, Dorothy. She attended Harvard schools and church services at the Episcopalian Church from which the congregation moved only a couple of years ago. She was married from that church. She was your grandmother, a fact of which, we are sure, you are fully aware.

That was about the end of your family's and Harvard's close connection because following her marriage, your grandmother no longer lived here; and shortly thereafter your great-grandparents also moved, going to Michigan. But in the fifty or sixty years when Harvard was setting down her roots, your ancestors played a very big part in our town. Their history and ours were interlaced. They rest in our cemetery. Their names are part of our daily routine, as familiar to us as they were to their friends and neighbors of more than a century ago.

We hope you will accept our town and make it a part of your personal history, just as your family is a part of the town's chronicles.

Sincerely,

HARVARD



Prepared by:

Mrs. Gwen Danner  
401 Garfield Street  
Harvard, Illinois



ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE "OUTLINE GENEALOGY OF THE BLOOMER FAMILY"

In The RECORD for October, 1938 (Vol. 69., pages 323-338)

Bloomer is an English surname believed to have originated during the 12th century. Its derivation is given in Harrison's Surnames of the United Kingdom as follows: "Bloomer (Eng.), Ironmaker (Worker at a Bloomery). [Middle English, 12th to 15th centuries, blomerie: from Old English blōma, a mass of metal]. William le Blomere, Calendarium Genealogicum (time of Henry III-Edward I)." And in Bardsley's Dictionary of English and Welsh Surnames the derivation is given as follows: "Bloomer, Blomer, Blumer. Occup. 'the bloomer,' a worker at a bloomery, or bloom-smithy. The surname is found in Ulverston Church register alongside Ashburner, while remains of ancient bloomeries are found in the woods throughout the district." Obviously the surname has no relation to the German "Blum."

Mr. Joseph Gavit, Acting Director of the New York State Library at Albany, New York, himself a Bloomer descendant, has sent in an old Bloomer record which was sent to his father before 1887. It was marked "Received by F. A. B. Palmer (No. 169) from Mrs. M. E. H. Travis." No effort has been made to prove or disprove any of these statements, but it is known that Robert<sup>1</sup> Bloomer had two wives named Rachel and Sarah (no trace has been found of an Elizabeth Bullis), and it seems pretty certain that he was born about 1634, not 1628, as the record suggests. Here it is: "This record was received from a daughter of Joseph Coleman Hart, U. S. Consul to Santa Cruz. He died in 1855. He was a grandson of Jonathan Hart and Elizabeth (No. 24), daughter of Gilbert Bloomer (No. 11) and Hannah Theall Bloomer, both of Rye, N. Y. Robert Bloomer (No. 1) was born in the city of Birmingham, England. At the age of 14 he was bound to a nailer, and after serving seven years he travelled to London where he was kidnapped and brought to Boston, Mass., A.D. 1649, and sold to serve a blacksmith 4 years; after he had stayed 2 years he left his master and went to Rhode Island, from there to the east end of Long Island and from there to Setawket, in which place he set up the blacksmith's trade, after which he went to New England, where he married Elizabeth Bullis, brought her home and removed to New Rochelle in Westchester County, where he had two sons, Robert and John, and died at the advanced age of 102 years." The rest of the record agrees substantially with the genealogy as published.

No. 31 (p. 329). William<sup>4</sup> Bloomer was born in "Butter Hill mountains." (See letters in notes on No. 73.)

No. 52 (p. 332). Reuben<sup>4</sup> Bloomer and his wife Nancy Teed had children, as is proven by the census records, but no record of them has been found. It seems probable that one of them was Nancy Bloomer, born Feb. 10, 1803, in Ulster Co., N. Y., who married Nov. 25, 1824, Jesse Lorenzo Simkins (Bible records). Their first child, J. Nelson Simkins, was born in Rochester, Ulster Co., Oct. 17, 1825, and they were living in Chemung Co. in 1836 where their last child was born. In 1843 they bought a farm at Hulburton, Orleans Co., N. Y., where Nancy Bloomer Simkins died Nov. 29, 1850, and her husband on June 30, 1852. Family tradition states that Nancy had a brother Reuben, married, an unmarried brother Chauncey, and a sister Eliza who married a Mr. Greene. Nancy Bloomer Simpkins was the great-grandmother of N. R. Peet (letter from Mrs. N. R. Peet, Webster, N. Y.).



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No. 65 (p. 329). Jonathan<sup>5</sup> Hart married Rachel Field (not Freed), daughter of Hazard<sup>6</sup> (John<sup>6</sup>, Anthony<sup>4</sup>, Benjamin<sup>3</sup>, Anthony<sup>2</sup>, Robert<sup>1</sup>) Field. She was born June 27, 1789, mar. Jan. 7, 1813, and died Dec. 2, 1815 (*Field Gen.*, by Frederick Clifton Pierce, p. 379. Mrs. May Hart Smith, Pasadena, Cal.).

No. 73 (p. 329). Thomas<sup>5</sup> Bloomer, b. June 24, 1795, married Elizabeth Gaffit (Gavet), who was still living, as Elizabeth Bloomer, in 1837. She was the daughter of John<sup>4</sup> Gaffit (Gavet), b. in Salem, Mass., in 1762, died in New York City Aug. 26, 1837, and his first wife Rachel Bloomer (unplaced in the Bloomer Genealogy), whom he married in New Marlborough, Ulster Co., N. Y., about 1784. This Rachel Bloomer was born in 1762, and died in New York City in 1820 or 1821. In his application for a pension in 1820, John Gaffit states that his helpless, aged mother-in-law was living with him. (See No. 26 in *Philip Gavet of Salem, Mass., and Some of His Descendants*, by Joseph Gavet, in the *New England Hist. & Gen. Register* for Jan., 1923.)

That it was Thomas<sup>5</sup> Bloomer (No. 73) who married Elizabeth Gaffit is definitely proved by a letter written by Thomas Denton<sup>6</sup> Bloomer (No. 130), son of John<sup>5</sup> Bloomer (No. 68), and so a nephew of Thomas<sup>5</sup> Bloomer (No. 73). The letter was addressed to Mr. Joseph Gavet, father of the author of the above-mentioned article, and follows:

"Marlboro, Jan. 21, 1882.

"Mr. Gavet

I received yours of the 15 wishing to get some information about the Gaffet family. My grandfather's [William<sup>4</sup> Bloomer, No. 31] youngest son Thomas [No. 73] married John Gaffet's daughter in New York. He was a wood inspector and had a house in Desbrosses Street. I was there when young. He had several girls that I knew. I never knew any sons. Uncle [Thomas, No. 73] and Aunt had three sons, William, Charles and Joseph. William will be the one for you to get some more light on it. I think he lives in New York. I think Mr. Gaffet must have married Uriah Bloomer's sister. He went west 60 or 70 years ago. I knew him well.

Thomas D. Bloomer."

Another letter dated Feb. 2, 1882, says:

"You wished me to tell you more about Ury Bloomer. I told you all I knew and more too. When I was a small boy I used to pass the house to school. He had a son James, and how many more I do not know. I am under the impression that Aunt Betsy [wife of No. 73] called him Uncle, which made me think that Gaffet's wife was his sister. . . . My grandfather's name was William [No. 31], his wife Rachel. . . . I have heard my grandfather say he was born in Butter Hill mountains, lived there till old enough to learn the blacksmith trade, in which he was successful and made his money. . . .

"Yours respect.

T. D. Bloomer."

Who this Ury or Uriah Bloomer was, that had a sister, Rachel, has not been determined (letters received from Mr. Joseph Gavet, a descendant of John<sup>4</sup> Gavet and Rachel Bloomer).

No. 103 (p. 331). Mary<sup>5</sup> Bloomer *may* have been the Mary Bloomer who was a daughter of Arnold Bloomer, born March 8, 1771, died at Worcester, Otsego Co., N. Y., and married, date unknown, John Tompkins, b. ab. 1765, d. 1845. They had children: Nathaniel, mar. Hannah Garrison; Arnold Bloomer, b. 1793, mar. Lois Belden; John, b. 1795, mar. Abigail —; Hannah, b. 1803, mar. Amos Belden; Reuben, b. 1808, mar. Ruth Belden; and Sarah Jane, mar. John Belden [letter from Bessie Tompkins (Mrs. W. J.) Miller, Corvallis, Oregon].

No. 171 (p. 325). John L.<sup>8</sup> Bloomer of Ridgway, Pa., writes that his middle name is Lewis, not Linison, and that his father's second wife was Anna M. Schultz, "the adopted daughter of the Schultz family." The old Bible he owns did not belong to Robert<sup>4</sup> Bloomer, No. 17, but to Robert<sup>6</sup> Bloomer, No. 50, his son.



## UNPLACED MEMBERS OF THE BLOOMER FAMILY

Elisha Bloomer and his wife Frances Moon had a daughter Alice Ann Bloomer, who was born in 1833 and died in 1919. She mar. Apr. 26, 1855, John North Sterns, 1831-1907, a distinguished New York merchant, and Warden of St. George's Church (letter from the late Rev. R. Townsend Henshaw of Rye, N. Y.).

Elizabeth Bloomer married William Graham, Jan. 2, 1776 (THE RECORD, Vol. 31, p. 175).

Elizabeth Bloomer, sister of Jemima Bloomer who married Thomas Cornwell, b. May 29, 1778, died Dec. 27, 1814, mar. Daniel LaMoreaux, b. Aug. 27, 1771, d. July 14, 1853, and had 8 children. (Letter from Mrs. H. C. Barton, Miami Beach, Fla. Mrs. Barton has also sent much valuable data on the Bloomer family of central New York State.)

Isaac Bloomer and his wife Abigail had a son Edgar Bloomer, who mar. on March 29, 1834, aged 20, Catherine Osborn, aged 18, dau. of Benjamin and Elizabeth Osborn. Wit: William Brower and Laura Bloomer (New Hamburg, N. Y., Marriages, p. 40. MS. "Wappinger Creek," N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Soc.).

Isaac Bloomer and his wife had 8 children, the youngest of whom, Joshua Bloomer, was born in New York State, Feb. 10, 1846. When Joshua was a small boy his family settled in Wisconsin. Joshua later went to Indianapolis, Ind., and then to Bloomington, Ill., where he mar. Parthenia Haefer, a native of McLean Co., about 1881. Had a son Ernest Bloomer and a daughter Nellia Bloomer Parker (newspaper clipping sent by Mrs. May Hart Smith, Pasadena, Cal.).

Jemima Bloomer, sister of Elizabeth Bloomer who mar. Daniel LaMoreaux, b. Aug. 27, 1774, d. in Scipio, N. Y., Sept. 29, 1823; mar., date unknown, Thomas Cornwell, b. Mar. 19, 1773, Kings Co., N. Y., d. Aug. 20, 1852, Perry, N. Y. Children: Gilbert, b. 1794; Nancy, b. 1796; Selah, b. 1798; Keziah, b. 1800; Joshua, b. 1802; Susan, b. 1804; Thomas, b. 1806; Daniel, b. 1810; William, b. 1813, and Eliza Ann, b. 1815 (letter from Mrs. H. C. Barton, Miami Beach, Fla.).

John H. Bloomer, date and place of birth unknown, married in New York City, Julia Smith, dau. of John Smith, a Baptist minister. Their only child, Theophilus J. Bloomer, was born in New York City about 1836. He married Malvina Devoo Wakeman in that city, and had Millard J. Bloomer, Harvey N. Bloomer, and May W. Bloomer (letter of Millard J. Bloomer, Jr., New York City).

John Bloomer of New York married Jane Coles of New York, July 6, 1833, in New York City (Marriage Record of the Rev. Henry Chase, p. 27. MS., N. Y. Gen. & Biog. Soc.).

Phebe Bloomer mar. Shadrick Richards, Jan. 26, 1796 (THE RECORD, Vol. 32, p. 12).

Uriah or Ury Bloomer of New Marlborough, N. Y. Had a son James Bloomer. (See notes on No. 73, Thomas Bloomer.)

Rachel Bloomer, b. 1762, d. 1820-1 in New York City, mar. ab. 1784 in New Marlborough, N. Y., John Gaffit (Gavet). (See notes on No. 73, Thomas Bloomer.)

William Bloomer, Methodist clergyman, of Thompson (now Monticello), Sullivan Co., N. Y., appeared in the 1850 census. His age was 42, and he was born in New York State. His wife was Nelly M., aged 37, and his children were Catherine, 12; Eliza, 10; Sarah, 8; Ellen, 6; Mary, 5; Jacob, 3; and John, 6/12 (N. Y. Census, 1850).

HOWARD S. F. RANDOLPH, La Jolla, Cal.





GARDINER - BRODIE

DESCENDANTS



ALEXANDER GARDINER  
and his wife  
MARY BRODIE GARDINER  
and their  
DESCENDANTS

Compiled and Edited by their  
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JAMES ROBERT FARLINGER

GORDON DAVIDSON

JENNIE GARDINER TROWBRIDGE

HUGH BRODIE GARDINER

IDA A. GARDINER



## GARDINER ANCESTRY

PARISH RECORD: John Gardiner, farmer in Burnbrae Parish of Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, Scotland, and Janet Hartridge of same parish, daughter of Alexander Hartridge and his spouse Margaret Scott, married February 9, 1781.

Their children: Alexander, born February 25, 1782, in Burnbrae.

John	"	1783
Margaret	"	1785
Janet	"	1787
Robert	"	1790
William	"	1793
James	"	1796

PARISH RECORD: Alexander Gardiner, farmer in Burnbrae Parish of Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, Scotland, and Mary Brodie, daughter of Robert Brodie and his wife Margaret Burns of Bankside, Kilbirnie, Ayrshire, Scotland, married February 27, 1805.

Their children, born in Scotland, were:

Barbara	1806-1836
John	1807-1830
Robert	1808-1833
Mary	1810-1830
Alexander	1812-1875
William	1814-1893
James	1815-1849
David	1818-1849
Margaret	1818-1890
Hugh Brodie	1820-1874

Their children, born in Dundee, Quebec, were:

Charles	1822-1842
Joseph	1825-1891
Peter	1828-1894
John 2nd	1830-1834



## BRODIE ANCESTRY

PARISH RECORD: William Brodie of Artnox and Portioner in Johnshill, Ayrshire, Scotland, and Janet Orr, daughter to deceased William Orr in Westerlothead, married 1730.

Their children:	Janet	born	1732
	William	"	1734
	<u>Robert</u>	"	1737
	John	"	1740
	Margaret	"	1743
	Jean	"	1744
	James	"	1750

PARISH RECORD: Robert Brodie of Bankside, second son of William Brodie of Artnox and Portioner in Johnshill, Ayrshire, Scotland, and Margaret Burns, daughter to James Burns of Barnaigh, married December 22, 1769.

Their children:	William	born	1770
	Margaret	"	1772
	James	"	1774
	Jean	"	1777
	Ann	"	1779
	Robert	"	1782
	<u>Mary</u>	"	1786
	Barbara	"	1789

NOTE 1. "Bankside", the ancestral home of the descendants of Robert Brodie, was purchased in 1751 from John King of Kerse. Title was vested upon purchase in Robert Brodie, life tenure being retained by his parents.

NOTE 2. Mary Brodie, daughter of Robert Brodie and Margaret Burns, became by marriage February 27, 1805, the wife of Alexander Gardiner of Burnbrae, Parish of Kilmalcolm, Scotland, and later of the Gardiner Homestead, Dundee, Province of Quebec, Canada.



John Augustus Farlinger married November 11, 1891,  
Elizabeth Ann Turner of Kemptville, Ontario:  
Isabella Elizabeth Born July 31, 1893

Isabella Elizabeth Farlinger married Dec. 28, 1921,  
Philip Laurence Dabney, C.E., Edmonton, Alberta.

Florence Alexander Farlinger married Oct. 14, 1896,  
John Clinton Casselman of Morrisburg, Ontario:  
Alfred Farlinger Casselman, Born Dec. 8, 1897  
Helen Alexander Casselman " Jan. 6, 1902

Alfred Farlinger Casselman married Nov. 25, 1919,  
Doris Mabel Simpson of Liverpool, England:  
Charles Clinton, Born July 4, 1921  
William Brian " Apr. 27, 1924

Helen Alexander Casselman married July 2, 1924,  
Glenn Elford Strike of Ottawa, Ontario:  
Elinor Isabel Strike Born Apr. 15, 1925.

William Kyle Farlinger married in May, 1910,  
Gertrude Little, Toronto. No children.

Frederick Ernest Farlinger married March 20, 1901,  
Alice Elizabeth MacLean, Finch, Ontario:  
Eleanor Mary Findlay Born Feb. 17, 1902  
Kathleen MacLean " July 9, 1903  
Alexander William " Apr. 23, 1905  
Frederick Ernest " Apr. 2, 1908  
Allen Augustus Kyle " Apr. 17, 1910  
Sarah Alice " Dec. 18, 1911

Alexander William Farlinger married Sept. 1, 1928,  
Alice M. Purios, Toronto, Canada.

**NOTE.** John Farlinger, Sr., United Empire Loyalist, Soldier  
King's Royal Regiment, New York, 1776-88, had three  
sons, John, Junr., Nicholas and James, who settled  
in Canada.





BARBARA GARDINER FARLINGER BRANCH

Nicholas Farlinger Descendants

From "The Centennial of the Settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists 1784-1884. With Appendix." Published by:- Rose Publishing Company, Toronto, Ontario.

Copy of the "Old United Empire Loyalist List", preserved in the Crown Lands Department at Toronto.

Farlinger, Senr. John,--E. District-- Soldier R.R.N.Y. J.F.

Farlinger, Junr. John,--E. District--(as) Son of a Soldier, and

Farlinger, Nicholas,--E. District--(as) Son of a Soldier;L.Bd.L.  
200-- Sons of John, Senr. J.B.

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R.R.N.Y. is "Royal Regiment; New York."

E. District is Williamsburg.

L.Bd.L. is "The Land of Lunenburg".

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NOTE: There was a son of John Farlinger, Senr., who came with his father, but was a minor, 18 years old, named James. He did not receive a land grant on account of being a minor; and so his name does not appear on the "Old U. E. List".

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Nicholas Farlinger, son of John Farlinger, Senr., married a Miss Perry.

Their sons: James Farlinger. Daughters: Mrs. Terce  
Thomas Farlinger. Mrs.(Rev.) Moody  
Mrs. Gallagher.

His second wife was a Miss Aubeny.

Their sons: Edward Farlinger. Daughters: Mrs.Wm.Smallman  
Nelson Farlinger. Mrs.Col.McDonald  
Mrs.Jos.Gardiner  
Mrs.Cunningham

(Record from Family Bible)

James Farlinger (1799-1847) and Barbara Gardiner (1806-1836)  
married July 10, 1823. Issue:

Alexander Farlinger	Born June 1, 1824
Mary Ann Farlinger	Born May 4, 1826. Died Nov. 6, 1848
Nicholas Farlinger	Born May 15, 1828
Elizabeth Farlinger	Born Nov. 9, 1830





Nicholas Farlinger and Agnes Brodie married Feb. 20, 1850:

James A. Farlinger	Born Jan. 20, 1851. Died Mar. 6, 1851
Barbara Farlinger	Born Apr. 8, 1852
James Robert Farlinger	Born Mar. 5, 1854
Janette Farlinger	Born July 24, 1856
Mary Jane Farlinger	Born Sept. 22, 1858. Died Feb. 5, 1872
Alexander Farlinger	Born July 27, 1861
Charles Marsh Farlinger	Born May 10, 1864
Thomas Farlinger	Born Dec. 1, 1866
Robena Farlinger	Born Feb. 27, 1872. Died Apr. 2, 1872
Nicholas Farlinger	Died May 29, 1891
Agnes Brodie his wife	Died March 6, 1912

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Barbara Farlinger and Henry B. McElwain married June 15, 1877:

Edith Maud McElwain	Born April 5, 1878
Ernest A. McElwain	Born Sept. 13, 1882
Willard McElwain	Born June 27, 1884

Edith Maud McElwain married Alexander C. Reid Dec. 31, 1907:

James Alexander Reid	Born Nov. 1, 1908
Ethel Reid	Born Nov. 18, 1911
Willard John Reid	Born July 24, 1918

Ernest A. McElwain married Eva Roller Sept. 21, 1918:

Robert Ernest McElwain	Born Sept. 26, 1919
Shirley Barbara McElwain	Born Mar. 2, 1921. Died Mar. 17, 1929

Willard McElwain married Alice Repp Oct. 25, 1911.  
No children.

Barbara Farlinger McElwain Died 1929

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James Robert Farlinger and Harriet McPhee married Dec. 18, 1878:

Agnes Lorraine Farlinger	Born Jan. 10, 1880
Mary Maud Farlinger	Born Sept. 9, 1881
Elmina Margaret Farlinger	Born May 17, 1886. Died Apr. 15, 1895
Harriet Farlinger	Born Mar. 31, 1893

Agnes L. Farlinger (1880) married Harry McKenzie Taylor:

Louise Taylor
James Farlinger Taylor

Mary Maud Farlinger (1881) married John J. Connor.

No children.

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Janette Farlinger (1856-1888) and William M. Hawkins married:  
Arthur Hawkins  
Ethel Hawkins

Alexander Farlinger and Frances McPhee married. Issue:  
William Farlinger  
Edith Farlinger  
Alexander Farlinger  
Donald Farlinger  
Eleanor Farlinger

Charles Marsh Farlinger and Jane Fraser married. Issue:  
William W. Farlinger  
Anderson Farlinger  
Esther Farlinger

Thomas Farlinger married Mary Jessie Bisney April 25, 1889:  
Isabella Agnes Farlinger                      Born Jan. 25, 1892  
Ernest Nicholas Farlinger                    "    Nov. 19, 1895  
Clarence Joseph Farlinger                    "    Dec. 25, 1900

Isabella Agnes Farlinger and John Rex Musser married  
August 1925. No children.

Ernest N. Farlinger and Katherine Dorothea Helweg married  
February 1919. No children.

Clarence J. Farlinger and Evelyn Redemeyer married  
September 1923. No children.



BARBARA GARDINER FARLINGER BRANCH

Elizabeth Farlinger Davidson Descendants

Elizabeth Farlinger, born Nov.9,1830, died July 10,1900,  
Married James Davidson Dec.24,1853.  
James Davidson, born Nov.15,1833, at Kirkardshire, Scotland. Issue:

Alexander Davidson, born Nov.5,1854. Married Jennie Reynolds  
of Fort Covington; now living in the West. (Record of family  
not known).

Jessie Davidson, born June 27,1856. Married to  
George Cleaveland (born Jan.16,1866). Children:  
Hattie, Ida, Margaret, Ervin, James and Roy.

Hattie Cleaveland married Leon Baldwin. No children.  
Ida Cleaveland married William Santan. No children.  
James and Roy both married and living somewhere in  
the Northwest.  
Margaret and Ervin not married.

Mary Ann Davidson, born Dec.29,1857. Married to  
George Stewart of Athelstan, Quebec, on Dec.13,1882:  
Ernest Ross Stewart, born June 21,1888. Married  
Alice Maria (born April 10,1886):  
Roderic Ernest David Stewart, born Mar.23,1919  
Helen Eula Mary Stewart, born Sept. 23,1922

George A. Stewart, born May 7,1887. Married  
Cora Maden (born Feb.7,1899). Children:  
Eleanor Stewart, . born Jan. 1,1924  
George Stewart,Jr., born Jan.23,1927

Bertha E. Stewart, born Mar.25,1889. Not married.  
Walter B. Stewart, born Aug.28,1890. Not married.  
James Gordon Stewart, born Jan.25,1892. Not married.  
Wilhelmina Belle Stewart, born May 5,1895. Married  
John Platt (born May 5,1887). Children:  
Eileen Pearl Platt, born May 23,1920  
Audrey Alberta Platt, born May 20,1927

Jane Davidson, born Feb.10,1859. Married  
Steve Elliott. Their son was  
George Elliott.



James Albert Davidson, born Dec. 17, 1860. Married  
Julia Johnson on Jan. 3, 1898. Issue:  
Guida Esther, born Dec. 12, 1898. Married to  
George Madison Matthews, May 7, 1925.

Gordon James Davidson, born Sept. 8, 1901. Married  
Florence Rogers on June 23, 1929. (All living in  
Oklahoma).

Agnes Brodie Davidson, born Mar. 9, 1861. Married  
George Elder Henry, March 29, 1884. Issue:  
John Gordon Henry, born Nov. 1, 1884. Married  
Eva McIntosh, Dec. 29, 1920:  
Lorn Hadden Henry, born May 4, 1928

James Chester Henry, born Oct. 31, 1888. Married  
Rachel Hargreaves June 9, 1920:  
Dorothy Aileen Henry, born Apr. 26, 1922  
Eva May Henry, born Apr. 21, 1926

Elsie Margaret Henry, born Sept. 4, 1891. Died Mar. 21, 1905  
Effie Georgia Henry, born Feb. 7, 1898. Married to  
William Francis Napier on Feb. 14, 1917:  
Chester Allan Napier, born June 4, 1922.

Barbara Davidson, born Aug. 3, 1862. Died June 23, 1864.

Gordon Davidson, born Sept. 22, 1864. Married  
Ina Smith on March 8, 1899. Issue:  
Elsie Muriel Davidson, born Nov. 25, 1899. Married  
Allan Walter McGibbon Dec. 12, 1918. Issue:  
Margaret Ina McGibbon, born Feb. 1919  
John Gordon McGibbon, born June 29, 1922

Martha May Davidson, born Sept. 22, 1907. Married  
Lyle L. Currie on Feb. 28, 1923. Children:  
Gloria Christina Currie, born Aug. 22, 1924  
Laura Jane Currie, born July 27, 1927  
Norma May Currie, born Mar. 26, 1929

Ina Smith Davidson died June 5, 1909.  
Gordon Davidson married Dec. 29, 1915, Mary J. McGibbon (2nd wife):  
Grace Isabella Davidson, born April 6, 1917.

Lillian Margaret Davidson, born Dec. 21, 1865.



## ALEXANDER GARDNER BRANCH

Alexander Gardner, son of Alexander and Mary Brodie Gardiner, was born at Burnbrae Parish of Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, Scotland, January 31, 1812. In 1820, at age of eight years, he came with his parents and eight brothers and sisters to Montreal, Canada, and in the spring of following year to their permanent home at Dundee, Huntingdon County, P. Q. Two years after reaching majority he left home to seek his fortune in the United States. In 1837 at Dundee, Kane County, Illinois, we find him and his two brothers, David and William, engaged in building operations.

To quote from the biographical sketch of William Gardner in the 1883 edition of History of McHenry County, Illinois: "William Gardner and his two brothers built the first saw mill in the County and sold it before completion to a Mr. White and his two sons. After finishing the saw mill they built a grist mill, also the first in the County."

In 1849 Alexander Gardner joined the Gold Rush to California. He spent three years upon the Pacific Coast, then returned to his family and home at Solon Mills, Illinois. Later in life he removed to Woodstock, McHenry County, Ill., where he died June 5, 1875.

Alexander Gardner and Sally Miller of Millers Grove, Cook County, Illinois, were married in 1839.

Sally Miller was born in New York State on the banks of the Susquehanna River, April 18, 1819. She died at Woodstock, Ill., January 30, 1873. She spent the early years of her life in Southern Indiana and came with her brother in 1833 - two years before expiration of the Indian Rights - to Millers Grove, Cook County, Illinois. There, for more than a year, she saw no other white women than her mother and sister.

Children of Alexander Gardner and Sally Miller Gardner were:

Mary Gardner, born at Batavia, Ill., Oct. 3, 1840, died at Woodstock, Ill., June 1, 1919

Jessie Gardner, born at Solon Mills, Ill., Mar. 24, 1844, died at Solon Mills, Ill., July 24, 1849.

Meroy Ann Gardner, born at Solon Mills, Ill., Mar. 9, 1846, died at Solon Mills, Ill., April 14, 1906





Alexander Gardner, born at Solon Mills, Ill., Oct. 13, 1848, died at Richland, Kansas, Mar. 30, 1913.

Alice Effie Gardner, born at Solon Mills, Ill., Sept. 21, 1858, **DIED**  
Levi Addison Gardner, born at Solon Mills, Ill., Apr. 24, 1861, **Nov 11<sup>th</sup> 1937**  
died at Grand Rapids, Mich., May 8, 1916.

Mary Gardner (1840-1918) and Valorus Elwayne Jones (1846-1919) were married at Sharon, Wis., Mar. 28, 1865. Issue:

Clinton Elwayne Jones,	born, May 31, 1871	<i>Dead</i>
Stella May Jones	" Nov. 9, 1873	<i>Dead</i>
Maud Evelyn Jones	" Mar. 10, 1876	
Edith Adell Jones	" Mar. 24, 1878	Died, Jan 19, 1900
Myrtha Alice Jones	" Jun. 21, 1880	" <i>Aug 9 - 1937</i>

Clinton E. Jones and Kathryn Brunsman (1875) married July 22, 1897. He died Feb. 22, 1927.

Stella May Jones and George William Lemmers (1871) married Aug. 14, 1894; *DIED 1944*

Dorothy Geraldine Lemmers, born, Aug. 20, 1895 *Dead*  
Mary Evelyn Lemmers " Oct. 23, 1905

*Dead* Dorothy G. Lemmers and William Michael Carroll (1894) married June 15, 1918:

Jeannette Carroll born, Feb. 15, 1921. Died, Feb. 20, 1921

William Michael Carroll, " Mar. 5, 1922

James Peter Carroll " Jan. 30, 1927

*See index*  
*Chicago 58* *Mary E. Lemmers and George D. Dadd married May 29, 1931*

Maud Evelyn Jones and William Frederick Glazier (1874) *Died 1942*  
married Jan. 3, 1900.

Mercy Ann Gardner (1846-1906) and Henry James Christian (1844-1932) were married at Solon Mills, Ill., Mar. 12, 1866. Issue: *(Jan 11)*

Alexander W. Christian born, Sept. 29, 1869. Died, Nov. 1, 1892.

Alice Eva Christian " Jan. 4, 1873 " Aug. 21, 1879

Nellie Adelia Christian " Jan. 27, 1876

*1924* *Quit* Nellie Adelia Christian and Wm. D. Phillips married July 13, 1898:

Helen Christian Phillips, born, June 30, 1899

Wm. D. Phillips, Jr. " Apr. 23, 1901

*J. Williams*  
*Died* Helen C. Phillips and Franklin L. Williams (1898) married Sept. 8, 1923:

Thomas Russel Williams, born, Aug. 14, 1928

*Phillip Dangle Williams born Jan. 3, 1932*





Alexander Gardner (1848-1913) and Laura Ann Grice (1861) were married at Richland, Kansas, Oct. 4, 1891. Issue:  
Rosabelle Gardner, born Sept. 12, 1894  
Joseph Gardner " Feb. 3, 1896

Rosabelle Gardner and Walter Furton Tevis (1890) married Feb. 19, 1929:  
Isabelle Irene Tevis, born Dec. 29, 1929

Joseph Gardner and Katherine Florence Fix (1907) married June 7, 1926:  
Francis Joseph Gardner, born Aug. 16, 1929.

**MARRIED** Alice Effie Gardner (1858) and Horace Giles Reading (1850) were **61 YEARS** married at Woodstock, Ill., Oct. 4, 1876. Issue:  
Walter Frank Reading born Sept. 12, 1877, at Solon Mills, Ill.  
Alice Effie Reading " Dec. 19, 1879, at Solon Mills, Ill.

Walter Frank Reading and Sarah Jones (1875) married at ~~Richland, Ill.~~ Brooklyn, Mich., Dec. 31, 1898: *did July 5, 1860*  
Gladys Anita Reading born May 25, 1900  
Effie Elizabeth " " July 13, 1901.  
Alice May Reading " Apr. 27, 1907. Died Aug. 13, 1907

Gladys Anita Reading and Lee Ebenezer Taylor (1896) married June 15, 1921: *DIED May 20, 1971*  
Margaret Leigh Taylor, born Sept. 11, 1922 *DIED IN PA 1970*  
Walter William Taylor " Apr. 12, 1924

Effie Elizabeth Reading (1901) and Homer Robert Harper (1898) married at Adrian, Mich., Feb. 11, 1928. *OPRST (Sally)*

**EMILY A. COLE** Alice Effie Reading and John Bixby Cole (1874) married at Chicago, Ill., Nov. 11, 1903:  
**MARRIED** Emily Adell Cole, born Mar. 24, 1905, at Spring Grove, Ill.  
**STERLING Q. ROE (1905)** John Bixby Cole died Oct. 15, 1905.  
Alice Effie Cole married again at Chicago, Ill., Oct. 2, 1912, to Clay Grow Hardy (1874):  
Gerald Neil Hardy, born at Spring Grove, Ill., June 22, 1917.  
**MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> 1935** **ALICE E. HARDY - DIED JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup> 1937**

Levi Addison Gardner (1861-1916) and Adele A. Ayer (1867) married at Harvard, Ill., Oct. 21, 1884:  
*Dead* Tannisee Ayer Gardner born Mar. 4, 1887  
Dorothy Gardner " Feb. 27, 1892.

*Steamer*  
*born June 29 1940*

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Tannisee Ayer Gardner and Clarence James (1886) married  
Sept. 5, 1908:

Gardner Ayer James, born, May 17, 1909  
Adele Elizabeth James, " Feb. 14, 1911

Dorothy Gardner and Leslie Lynch King (1885) married  
Sept. 7, 1913:

Leslie Junior King (now called Gerald Ford, Jr.)  
born, July 1, 1914.

Dorothy Gardner King married again at Grand Rapids,  
Mich., Feb. 1, 1917, to Gerald Rudolph Ford (1890):

Thomas Gerald Ford, born, July 15, 1918  
Richard Addison Ford, " June 3, 1924  
James Francis Ford, " Aug. 11, 1927



## WILLIAM GARDNER BRANCH

William Gardner was born February 12, 1814, at Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, Scotland. In 1820, at age of five years, he came with his parents, Alexander and Mary Brodie Gardiner to Montreal, and a year later to their new home at Dundee, Huntingdon County, P. Q. On April 17, 1837, William Gardner and Ann Brodie were married at the Fort Covington (N.Y.) Presbyterian Church - the church of which William Gardner's father (Alexander Gardiner) was an elder and one of the founders.

Ann Brodie was born July 17, 1817, at Kilbirnie, Ayrshire, Scotland, the daughter of Robert Brodie and his wife, Jeanet Crawford. Ann Brodie, also, at five years of age (1822), came to Canada with her parents who settled at Coteau near Montreal - the "Brodie Colony". William and Ann Brodie Gardner were cousins. Following their marriage they set out for the Western States to seek their fortune. In June 1837 they arrived at Dundee, Kane County, Illinois, fifty-seven miles northwest of Chicago. In October of the same year they moved to Solon Mills, McHenry County, where they established their home, lived their lives, and reared their family of eight children. William Gardner died in 1893. Ann Brodie Gardner died in 1889.

Children: James Brodie Gardner,	born, 1838	died, 1896
Mary Gardner	" 1840	" 1875
Helen Gardner	" 1842	" 1844
Agnes Gardner	" 1844	" 1846
Robert Bruce Gardner	" 1847	" 1902
Willis W. Gardner	" 1849	" 1873
Flora A. Gardner	" 1852	" 1882
Anna J. Gardner	" 1856	" 1865

James Brodie Gardner (1838-1896) and Mary Cropley (1843-1920) married March 23, 1868. In 1870 they left Solon Mills for the Pacific Coast via the Isthmus of Panama over land route. They located for a few years at Walla Walla, Wash., and thence removed to Baker, Oregon, where they established a permanent home. Engaged in the jewelry business during his entire residence on the Pacific Coast, James B. Gardner died in 1896. Mary Cropley Gardner died in 1920. To these parents was born, August 24, 1875, a daughter: Edna Brodie Gardner. She married, January 1899, John Wesley Stuchell (born, Feb. 23, 1864) of Baker, Oregon. Their only child, Mildred Fay Stuchell, was born Jan. 2, 1900.



Mary Gardner (1840-1875) and John Merrill (1831-1916) married 1866:  
 Edith Merrill born 1867 died 1880  
 Anna Merrill " 1869 " 1880  
 Arthur Clinton Merrill " 1872

Arthur Clinton Merrill and Hattie Maud Trow (1874)  
 married Nov. 7, 1900.

Robert Bruce Gardner (1847-1902) and Adelia Turner (1850-1873)  
 married March 10, 1872. Issue:

Carrie A. Gardner born March 15, 1873  
 Adelia Turner Gardner died March 15, 1873  
 Robert Bruce Gardner married (2nd time) Amelia H. Turner  
 March 15, 1878. Issue:

Willis Henry Gardner born Feb. 16, 1880  
 William Gardner " 1882 died 1903  
 Flora J. Gardner " 1884 " 1889  
 Walter Gardner " 1886 " 1886  
 Amelia Turner Gardner died Aug. 13, 1897

Carrie A. Gardner, daughter of Robert Bruce Gardner and  
 Adelia Turner Gardner, married John Oxtoby (born 1864)  
 September 30, 1894. Issue:

Bertha A. Oxtoby born Sept. 19, 1895  
 Robert R. Oxtoby " Sept. 15, 1897, died Feb. 6, 1913  
 Willis J. Oxtoby " March 7, 1902  
 Theodore R. Oxtoby " Dec. 21, 1904

Bertha A. Oxtoby and Charles Lambert (1873) married  
 December 16, 1919. Issue:

John Charles Lambert, born Nov. 16, 1920  
 Addie F. Lambert " Feb. 22, 1924

Theodore R. Oxtoby and Hazel Florence Bliss (born  
 December 30, 1906) married March 9, 1929

Willis Henry Gardner (1880) and Adele Overton (1886)  
 married March 24, 1910:

William Bruce Gardner born Mar. 24, 1911  
 Robert Willis Gardner " Mar. 4, 1913  
 Eunice Ann Gardner " Mar. 4, 1915  
 Ruth Amelia Gardner " Mar. 21, 1917

Flora A. Gardner (1852-1882) was married in 1874 to  
 Charles Turner. She died April 29, 1882, leaving one child,  
 Reuben R. Turner, born July 29, 1876. **DIED** 1944



WILLIAM GARDNER BRANCH

NOTES

NOTE 1.

Illustrative of William Gardner's energy and physical endurance, it is related that after purchase of his farm of 160 acres (to which he had previously laid claim) at a Government Land Sale at Chicago in 1837, he set out next morning afoot for Solon Mills, the scene of his future labors, and covered the entire distance of fifty-seven miles before night-fall.

NOTE 2.

The William Gardner homestead at Solon Mills, Illinois, a farm of 240 acres - 160 of which he purchased in 1837 at a Government Land Sale in Chicago - still remains in the family. Willis Henry Gardner (grandson) breeder of registered live stock, is the present owner. He lives in the same brick residence (modernized) erected by his grandfather in 1850, but has replaced the original farm buildings with a modern stock barn and other modern buildings and equipment.

NOTE 3.

The western branch of the descendants of Alexander Gardiner and Mary Brodie Gardiner, after settling in Illinois, appear to have dropped the "i" from their name. This spelling, in accordance with their wishes, has been followed in their portion of the Record. (W.F.G.)





## HUGH BRODIE GARDINER BRANCH

Hugh Brodie Gardiner, seventh son of Alexander and Mary Brodie Gardiner, was born at Burnbrae, Parish of Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, Scotland, March 17th, 1820, a few weeks before his parents set sail for Canada. Early in life he determined to devote his life to the Christian ministry. He entered Middlebury College in 1838 and later changed to Yale College, where he was graduated with honors, class of 1842. He then engaged in teaching, in order to provide funds for his theological education. Entering Princeton Theological Seminary in 1846 he took the full course and was graduated in 1849. His first charge was at Galena, Illinois. He organized and built the First Presbyterian Church at Madison, Wisconsin, where he continued as pastor for several years. Finally, he returned to New York State and filled in succession the leading pulpits of several city churches. He ended his labors and distinguished career at Brooklyn, N. Y., July 23, 1874.

Hugh Brodie Gardiner (1820-1874) married Mary Elizabeth Niles (1831-1877):

Minnie Gardiner, their eldest daughter, married Mr. Augustus Baldwin of Plainfield, New Jersey. They had one son who died before reaching manhood. Both parents are deceased.

Jennie Gardiner, married Mr. James A. Trowbridge, a banker of New York City, April 30, 1884. They reside at their beautiful home, Sea Breeze Terrace, Noroton, Conn.

Their sons: James Trowbridge  
Gardiner Trowbridge, married 1915  
Arthur Trowbridge, married 1916

Alice Cornell Gardiner died at 15 years of age.

Hattie Gardiner, the youngest daughter, married Mr. Frank B. Clark. They have no children.





JOSEPH GARDINER BRANCH

Joseph Gardiner, son of Alexander Gardiner and Mary Brodie,  
was born September 25, 1825, at Dundee, Quebec. Died at Dundee,  
Quebec, June 13, 1891.

Catherine Farlinger, his wife, was born February 22, 1829.  
Died January 8, 1892, at Dundee, Quebec.

Joseph Gardiner and Catherine Farlinger married Oct.30,1849. Issues:

Alexander Gardiner	born June 8,1851
Mary Martha Gardiner	" Apr.10,1853
Hugh Brodie Gardiner	" Oct.16,1860
Sarah Alice Gardiner	" Dec.16,1867. Died Mar.2,1918

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Alexander Gardiner and Harriet Babcock married Dec.25,1869.

Harriet Babcock was born Feb.11,1861. Died Feb.13,1924.

Katherine L. Gardiner, their only daughter, born May 28,1891,  
married Alvan Miles Cornell (born Nov.28,1887) Aug.14,1920.

No children.

Mary Martha Gardiner and Robert G. McCuen married May 13,1874:

Martha McCuen born Mar.13,1879. She married

Robert Allen Ross (born Aug.29,1877) Jan.10,1912.

Robert G. McCuen died June 15,1908.

Hugh Brodie Gardiner married Harriet L. Brooks on Oct.20,1891.

Harriet L. Brooks was born Oct.22,1862. Their son:

Earl Brodie Gardiner, was born Jan.7,1893.

Married Clarissa Mary Smith (born May 2,1892) Jan.1,1917

Brodie Brooks Gardiner, born Nov.19,1917

Grace Elinor Gardiner " Oct.16,1919

Grace Elinor Gardiner died May 7,1923

Charles Earl Gardiner born Sept.15,1926

Ruth Clarice Harriet Gardiner " June 25,1929



PETER GARDINER BRANCH

Peter Gardiner (1828-1894), youngest surviving son of Alexander Gardiner and Mary Brodie, was married to Amelia Leishman (1830-1894), daughter of Andrew Leishman and Elisabeth Clapperton of Lachine, Province of Quebec October 11, 1854. Residence Gardiner Homestead, Dundee, P.Q.

Charles Alexander	1855-1909
William Frederic	1857
Andrew Leishman	1858-1910
Minnie Elisabeth	1861 - <i>May 14 1932</i>
Amelia Ida Adelaide	1863
Alfred P.	1865 - <i>June 30<sup>th</sup> 1934</i>
Hiram Burns	1867-1894
James Dawes	1868-1919
Gertrude Helen	1872
Edith Agnes	1873
Mabel Ethel	1874-1908

Charles Alexander and Alice Driggs,	Married 1890.	No issue.
William Frederic and Mary T. French,	Married 1892.	No issue.
Andrew Leishman and Ada Brown	Married 1909.	No issue.
Minnie E. and James B. Driggs	Married 1901.	No issue.
Amelia Ida Adelaide	Unmarried	
Alfred P. and Adele Troup	Married 1901.	
Alfred P. 2nd	Born 1902, Died 1905	
Charles A.	Born 1905	
Adele Troup	Born 1906	
Katherine M.	Born 1907	
Alfred P. 3rd	Born 1913	

James Dawes and Elida Morton.	Married, Feb. 21, 1912
Elisabeth Morton Gardiner,	Born, Dec. 28, 1912

Gertrude Helen and Samuel Wilson	Married.	No issue.
Edith Agnes	Unmarried	
Mabel Ethel and Harrison Clark, Jr.	Married 1907	
Mabel Gardiner Clark	Born, Dec. 27, 1907	
Harrison Clark, Jr.	Died, Feb. 1928	
Samuel Wilson	Died, 1927	
J. B. Driggs	Died, 1915	



ALEXANDER GARDINER - MARY BRODIE

The ancestry of Alexander Gardiner has not been traced beyond his immediate parents. His father, "John Gardiner, farmer in Burnbrae Parish of Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, Scotland", to quote from the Parish Record, "and Janet Hartridge of same parish, daughter to Alexander Hartridge, married February 9, 1781." Alexander was their first child, born at Burnbrae, February 25, 1782. There followed John 1783, Margaret 1785, Janet 1787, Robert 1790, William 1793 and James 1796.

Of the boyhood of Alexander Gardiner nothing has been recorded. He must have received a fair education for the times, and undoubtedly assisted his parents in work upon the farm. The first indication found of his intelligent, forceful character, so dominant in later years, is exhibited in his selection of a life partner. Alexander Gardiner struck out from his environment to better his social and financial position. He sought and won the hand in marriage of Mary Brodie, the lovely daughter of Robert Brodie of "Bankside" in Kilbirnie, Ayrshire, a family of good social position and comparative wealth. This marriage (February 27, 1805) proved to be a happy and successful union. The young people contended bravely as renting farmers to make a living and to properly rear their constantly increasing family. Conditions were adverse. The soil was exhausted and required much fertilization. Profits were small and the rent always must be met.

Gradually their minds turned to emigration, toward Canada, a British Colony, fast being settled with their own Scottish people. There, they visioned the land of opportunity. There, they would find fertile soil and cheap land; and they were lured onward by Mary Brodie's sister Ann, who against her father's wishes had married a man of her own name, Robert Brodie. They had gone to Canada and were prospering on a farm they had purchased in the vicinity of Montreal. But to uproot all family and social ties after a lapse of fifteen years since their marriage, called for intelligent foresight and constancy of purpose. These qualities Alexander Gardiner possessed in a marked degree. Attributed to him has come down a Gardiner precept: "I'll consider upon it". He could not be talked into any lightly considered scheme.





Finally, in the spring of 1820, fully resolved on the Great Adventure, they embarked on a sailing vessel from the Port of Glasgow with their ten children. They brought with them their household goods and their farm implements, but even of greater value they brought with them fifteen years experience in the cultivation of the soil. After a voyage of three months they reached their destination, Montreal, and were hospitably welcomed by the generous and kindhearted Robert Brodies at their new home.

Here, they spent the winter of 1820-1, while Alexander Gardiner was occupied in the important task of searching for a farm. Before spring arrived he had narrowed the choice to two locations. One on the Ottawa River, the other in the fertile valley of the St. Lawrence, at what came to be defined as the Township of Dundee, Huntingdon County, Province of Quebec.

To Alexander Gardiner and Mary Brodie, devout Presbyterians, nothing seemed more natural than to seek divine guidance in arriving at so important a decision. It was agreed that after "committing the subject to the Lord in prayer" the choice should be determined by the flipping of a coin. This was done, the penny falling three times in favor of Dundee. Thither, with ox teams, over almost impassable roads, the family and their belongings were transported.

In "stories of the old days of Huntingdon County and the early settlements, there, of the Scottish Colony", Watson Sellar relates (Antiquarian and Numismatic Society, Montreal) that the district including Huntingdon County was purposely retained as a wilderness and game preserve until 1763, when it was thrown open for settlement. By 1826, a fairly large Scotch settlement had grown up, and competition on the ferries crossing the Chateauguay River had become so keen that an enterprising ferry owner employed a Scotch piper to play on his barge.

The present boundary lines of Huntingdon County and its westernmost township, Dundee, were not defined until 1836.

When, in the spring of 1821, Alexander Gardiner brought his family to the site of his prayerful selection, they found a



of three hundred acres of unbroken forest, except for a clearing of about twenty acres, on which stood a log house of fair dimensions.

There was little time for regret or homesickness. Time was precious. The crops must be planted and the forest felled. Of great assistance to their parents at this juncture and the years succeeding was their large family of children. This number was increased as the years passed by the addition of four more.

Three years after establishing their new home, Barbara, their eldest daughter, was given in marriage to James Farlinger, son of another Dundee family of prominence, whose forebears, as royalists, had fled from New York State during the American Revolution. This alliance between the Gardiner and Farlinger families, initiated at that early period, established a congenial social and family relationship that has continued through four generations.

Success in agriculture not alone depends upon fertile soil and abundant crops; markets and transportation have ever been equally important. For several years after the establishment of his wilderness home, Alexander Gardiner struggled to advantageously market the surplus products of his farm. Steam navigation of the St. Lawrence River was in its infancy. The DeSalliberry and St. Francis, large side-wheel steamboats, did not yet ply their bi-weekly trips between Montreal and the port of Dundee. Beau Sacours market, Montreal, offered ready sale for farm produce, including live stock. The latter must be driven to market on the hoof. Hogs and calves, butter and cheese, potatoes and apples, must be transported over sixty miles of country roads. The route led through Huntingdon, the Chateaugay Basin, to Coteau Landing, thence, to Montreal. And on this route settled along the Chateaugay River was the Brodie colony. Its membership finally included the entire family of Robert Brodie and Margaret Burns of Bankside, two sons and six daughters, with the exception of William, the eldest of the family, and Mary Brodie of Dundee.



Among the Colony's more distinguished members were the Holmes. James Holmes of Kilmalcolm, boyhood friend of Alexander Gardiner, and graduate of Glasgow University, had come out to Canada, bearing a letter of introduction to Lord Monck, Governor General of Canada. He had won the hand of Barbara, Mary Brodie's younger sister (known among the relatives as Aunt Holmes. They were the parents of Mrs. Garth, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. James Parkyn and John Holmes).\*

Alexander Gardiner, on these business trips to Montreal always saw his Brodie relatives. Theirs, was the natural half-way stopping place. There, he always found sympathy and good cheer. These congenial meetings helped cement family friendships and encouraged interchange of visits between the Holmes and Brodies, and the Gardiners and Farlingers of Dundee, and perhaps accounts for the many marriages between cousins.

From the first, success crowned the efforts of Alexander Gardiner and his family, but not without hardships, discouragements and deaths. John, their eldest son, and Mary, their second daughter, succumbed to tuberculosis in 1830, and Robert three years later. The survivors, however, forged ever ahead. In a few years the log house was replaced by a large block and frame house with gabled roof and a colonial entrance. A huge stone chimney starting in the cellar had fireplaces, ovens and closets opening from its four sides on the main floor. There was a second story and a large attic. Farm buildings, too, were erected that became the pattern for the whole county.

But not in agriculture alone did Alexander Gardiner make progressive strides. Honors came to him from the commonwealth and the church. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace by the Crown and elected by his fellow citizens Mayor of the County. His outstanding ability received general recognition, and throughout his long career he was an influential factor in public affairs. In the organization of the Fort Covington (N.Y.) Presbyterian Church in 1826 he took a leading part and his name appears on its first Board of Elders, an office he continued to hold until the end of his life.

(NOTE: Fort Covington and Franklin County, New York State, were settled from Vermont and other New England states at a period





somewhat earlier than the contiguous Canadian territory of Dundee and Huntingdon County. The establishment of the Scotch Presbyterian Church of Dundee with services in Gaelic as well as in English did not come until some years after the organization of the Fort Covington Presbyterian Church. Thus it followed that in his church relations as well as the education of his family Alexander Gardiner became affiliated with the American side of the International Border).

The education of their family was not neglected. They all received a good education. The fond hope of devout Scottish parents was realized when their seventh son, Hugh Brodie, baby of the family upon their perilous voyage from Scotland, decided to make the Christian ministry his life work.

Charles, eldest of the four children born in Canada, also decided to enter the ministry. He succeeded his brother Hugh Brodie at Yale College, but typhoid fever contracted while an undergraduate, cut short his promising youth. Among Charles Gardiner's attainments was the gift of writing verse. Some very creditable verse, written before he entered college, is still in possession of family descendants.

Margaret, second daughter, possessing strength of character, ability, and fondness for poetry, could recite the poems of Robert Burns in correct Scottish dialect. She never married, made her home with her parents, and survived her mother several years.

As the older sons came of age, one by one, they left the parental roof and pushed on ever westward to the new lands of opportunity. Alexander and William settled in the vicinity of Chicago; David and James, in 1849, joined the mad gold rush to California, and both met untimely deaths.

"But time and tide for no man stay." Alexander Gardiner had passed the three-score year and ten milestone. His pioneering days and active career had weakened his towering frame;



already he leaned heavily upon his two remaining sons, Joseph and Peter. They must be encouraged to remain on the place. Reserving life tenure for himself and wife, Mary Brodie, and making provision for his daughter Margaret, he divided his acres between them. To Joseph he gave the southern half and built for him a new house. To Peter fell the home place with the original block house, to which was added a large wing for the better accommodation of the two families.

Thus, relieved of care, there followed a few years for rest and reflexion. During this period he found great enjoyment in his grandchildren and Farlinger great grandchildren. The writer, a boy of five years at the time of his grandfather's death, well recalls walking with his grandfather, who held the hands of his older brother Charles, and himself.

In the year 1862, his work finished, Alexander Gardiner passed to the Great Beyond, aged eighty years. His wife, Mary Brodie, of more gentle disposition, and inherited Brodie longevity, survived her masterful husband fourteen years, greatly beloved by all her friends and descendants. She died in 1876 at the full age of ninety years.

As Peter Gardiner's large family matured, the sons, under the leadership of Charles, the eldest, early sought the enlarged professional and business opportunities of New York City. Soon after the advent of the Twentieth Century, James, the last remaining son, left for New York. The sisters finally joined their brothers, and the old home was regretfully sold, fortunately to an estimable Scotsman.

Joseph Gardiner's son, Hugh Brodie, and the latter's son, Earl Brodie, still reside upon the southern half of the original Alexander Gardiner heritage, and loyally carry on to Earl's son, Brodie Brooks Gardiner of the fifth generation, the Gardiner name and the Gardiner prestige.



\* Barbara Brodie, youngest daughter of Robert Brodie and  
Margaret Burns of Bankside, Kilbirnie,  
Ayrshire, Scotland, married

James Holmes, of Kilmalcolm, Renfrewshire, Scotland.

Margaret Holmes )  
John Holmes )  
Robert Holmes ) Their children.  
Barbara Holmes )  
Mary Ann Holmes )

Margaret Holmes married James Parkyn.

Herbert Parkyn )  
Margaret Parkyn )  
Winifred Parkyn ) Their children.  
Mary Ann Parkyn )  
Casimir Parkyn )

Mary Ann Parkyn married Rev. Samuel L. Jackson.

John Holmes Jackson )  
Horatio Nelson Jackson )  
Samuel Hollister Jackson ) Their children.  
William Parkyn Jackson )  
Joseph Addison Jackson )  
Margaret Jackson )

Barbara Holmes married James Thomson.

Barbara Thomson )  
Margaret Thomson )  
Ann Thomson )  
John Thomson ) Their children.  
Mary Thomson )  
Johnstone Thomson )  
Florence Thomson )

Mary Ann Holmes married Charles Garth. Their children were:

Barbara Sophia Garth (Sophie Garth Bulmer)  
John Henry Garth  
Albert Edward Garth.





In the Peter Gardiner plot of the Fort Covington (N.Y.) cemetery stands a modest shaft of Vermont marble bearing this inscription:

"In memory of Alexander Gardiner, a pioneer and for forty years an upbuilder of this community. Born in Burnbrae, Parish of Kilmalcolm, Scotland, February 25, 1782.

Emigrated to Canada in 1820. Died at the Gardiner Homestead, Dundee, Province of Quebec, October 19, 1862.

Also, his wife Mary Brodie, daughter of Robert Brodie and his wife Margaret Burns of Bankside, Kilbirnie, Ayrshire, Scotland. Born at "Bankside" January 8, 1786. Died at the Gardiner Homestead, Dundee, Province of Quebec, April 3, 1876."



Inscription on tombstone of Robert Brodie (father of Grandmether Mary Brodie Gardiner) in Parish Kirkyard, Kilbirnie, Scotland - copied by Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Gardiner during their visit to Kilbirnie, July 1897.

"To the memory of Robert Brodie who died at Bankside in February 1835, in the 100th year of his age, and Margaret Burne his wife who died in 1789, aged 45 years.

Also, William Brodie, their son who died at Cayenne, South America in 1809, aged 36 years; and Mary Lockhart his wife who died at Bankside in October 1851, aged 72 years. And of William Brodie their son who died at Bankside 9th of January 1864, aged 36 years; also of their daughter, Mrs. Margaret Brodie or Lockhart, who died at Lochhead House, Lochwinnoch, on the 14th day of May 1866, aged 61 years."

"BLESSED ARE THE DEAD WHO DIE IN THE LORD"

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