

# THE AUSTIN NURSERY

F. T. RAMSEY, PROPRIETOR

RESIDENCE, OFFICE AND GROUNDS,  
TWO BLOCKS NORTH OF ELECTRIC CAR LINE,  
HYDE PARK.

100 VARIETIES OF PLUMS  
AND BEST OF ALL OTHER FRUITS.

THIRTY-FOUR YEARS' EXPERIENCE IN BURNET COUNTY; MOVED TO AUSTIN 1894.

AUSTIN, TEXAS.

Sep. 20

1901

## Family History

In a letter written to brother Emmet (R. E.) by  
Martha Martin, dated at 715 Capitol St. Harrisburg Pa. Sep.  
9<sup>th</sup> 1901, I take the following:

Her husband Hon Al Martin was recently addressing a  
Lamar's Institute. at Potts Grove, Pa. and remarked that his  
wife's <sup>grand</sup> father moved from that county (Northumberland) when he  
met a number of relatives; she was with him and visited the  
old cemetery. From the monuments and relatives she gathered the  
following:

She visited Wm D. Van Horn 85 years old and his sister Charity Ann  
Silaspy 80 years old near Danville, Pa. - Another full cousin of our  
parents, by the name of Wilson lives near Bloomsburg Pa.

Our Grandmother's name was Ann Wilson (Mother's mother)  
Her mother's name was Mary Speedy. Her mother's name was  
Mary Peck. Our great grand father Joseph Wilson died Jan 4, 1815  
72 years.

F. T. Ramsey

JOHN HAMILTON,  
SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

A.L.MARTIN,  
DEPUTY SECRETARY

JESSE K.COPE,  
DAIRY & FOOD COMMISSIONER

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



Department of Agriculture  
HARRISBURG.

BENJ.F. MACCARTNEY,  
ECONOMIC ZOOLOGIST

J.T.ROTHROCK,  
COMMISSIONER OF FORESTRY

LEONARD PEARSON,  
STATE VETERINARIAN

July 18th, 1901.

R. Emmet Ramsay,  
Elgin, Tex.

Dear Cousin:-

Your very highly appreciated gift to the Taylor Reunion--enlarged picture of grand father and grand mother Taylor--duly received. These come in the absence of Mrs.Martin, visiting amongst the people of Lawrence County.

We shall be proud to present the same to Secretary of the Reunion. Also have your letter read on that occasion.

It was our very rare privilege of visiting the old home in Northumberland County, Pa., where Mother Taylor was born and where they were married. Quite a large gathering of the kindred met with us and we indeed had a very pleasant time. We also visited the old graveyard near Pottsgrove, Pa., in which rest the remains of our great-grand father and grand mother, Jos.Wilson. It is indeed very interesting to go over these old land marks and learn of the doing of our ancestors at least 150 years ago.

With love and kind regards to yourself, wife and daughter and all the family, I remain,

Sincerely, your Cousin,

Samuel Taylor

*Charity Mercer*  
*A.L. Martin*

husband of Martha Taylor

(Algerion) 26 Aug 1844 →

buried - Little Beaver Cemetery

to <sup>money</sup> end of Row 6

1928

Mrs. H. C. Herchenroether  
158 Dickson Avenue  
Ben Avon  
Pittsburgh, PA 15202

September 16, 1985

Dear David:

It has taken me a little while to get some of this material put together. I have a man doing some research for me in Ohio, and he has kept me busy getting materials ready for him. He has filled in quite a lot of detail on one of my mother's lines, so I can't complain.

I am sending the typed Wills for both William and Ann Taylor, which you wanted. In addition is a copy of the article on the Depreciation and Donation Lands which I wrote for the QUARTERLY of the Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society, and a copy of the separations and mergers of the various Presbyterian Churches. This is very helpful in keeping track of what happened to the various individual congregations.

I am not sending anything on the deed because it needs work done on it. I have spent quite a bit of time on the deed from the Pennsylvania Population Company to John Sprott because it was from that deed that William Taylor's farm came from. However, there is a mistake, as I told you, in the description, and in order to figure out what it should be I will have to go to the Courthouse in Beaver and see if the deeds which are on the boundaries will clear up the problem. I think I know what it should be, but can't rely on that. I don't know when I might be able to get to Beaver.

I do have an abstract of William Taylor's deed, but should have the complete deed for him, so I can do that at the same time. I just realized in going over the Sprott deed that there was a John Chambers on one of the boundaries. I feel pretty sure that he was probably the father of the James Chambers who married Nancy Taylor, and if I can find a Will for him, it might clear up some problems involved with her descendants.

It was most interesting to hear from you and I am anxious to get the material you have on the Taylor family for me. I have now gotten a copy of the Geological Survey which includes the cemetery of Potts Grove. The Quadrangle I had didn't have the cemetery on it. There is a map store here which carries all the local ones, but which will order the others for you. I wanted some others for Lebanon Co. so got them at the same time. Now all I need to do is find time to make a trip there to see what I can find in the Courthouse.

When I write again I will send copies of the Family Group Sheets for all your families, and would appreciate it if you would check what I have to see if it is accurate with your material. Much of mine comes from the Taylor Family History, and I know it is not accurate. In addition I do have a little from other sources.

Sincerely,

*Herchenroether*

In the name of God, Amen, I, William Taylor of Little Beaver Township, Lawrence Co. and State of Pennsylvania, being of sound and perfect mind and memory but become frail in body, do make and ordain this my last will and testament namely, to my beloved wife Anne Taylor I bequeath the use of the farm on which I now reside with all the buildings thereon during her life. I also give her all my household furniture, two cows and the use of one thousand dollars of the price of my farm which I recently sold to my son Samuel, he not to obtain possession of it till the death of my wife. I give her also the use of whatever balance of the price of my farm may remain after my just debts and the following legacies shall be paid, she to dispose of said balance and of the thousand dollars as she shall judge right.

To my sons John, Samuel and William I give five hundred dollars each to be paid within two years after the death of my wife.

To my son Joseph I give four hundred and twenty dollars, he having received already eighty dollars to be paid within two years after my wife's decease.

To my son Thomas I give three hundred eighty dollars to be paid within three years after my wife's decease he having already received one hundred twenty dollars.

To Mary Ann Patton and Martha Servis daughters of my daughter Mary Patton, dec'd. I give one hundred sixty-six and one-third dollars each and to Amanda Pierce, daughter of Mary Patton dec'd I give sixty-six, and one third dollars she having already received one hundred dollars. These to be paid within three years after my wife's decease.

To the four children of my daughter Martha Stewart dec'd, namely, Alvan, John Quincy, Thomas Morris and Anne Ellen, I give five hundred dollars to be equally divided between them. To be paid within four years after the death of my wife.

To Horatio Davis, son of my daughter Nancy Davis, dec'd I give one hundred dollars and to her daughter Nancy I give one hundred dollars and a horse. Her two sons Nelson P. and James H. Chambers have already received two hundred dollars each. Horatio and Nancy to be paid within five years after the death of my wife.

To each of my daughters Anne Young and Sarah Sampson I give five hundred dollars to be paid within six years after my wife's death.

And to my daughter Ellen Ramsey I give five hundred dollars to be paid within one year after the decease of my wife.

And I hereby constitute and appoint my friend James Stewart, Esq. to be the Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the sixteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

Signed: Wm. Taylor

Witnesses: David F. Cross & Robert McNutt

L. W. & T.  
of  
Anne Taylor

Lawrence Co., PA  
W.B.: 2-177  
Date: 17 July 1862  
Pro.: 29 Dec 1863

I, Anne Taylor of the township of Little Beaver, County of Lawrence and State of Pennsylvania, being of sound mind and memory, do hereby make and publish this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills and testaments. I give and bequeath to my sons John and Joseph W. each one hundred dollars. I give and bequeath to my sons William and Thomas M. each two hundred dollars. I give and bequeath to my granddaughter Martha Servis fifty dollars and my granddaughter Amanda Peirce twenty-five dollars. I give and bequeath to the four children of my daughter Martha Stewart, dec'd. twenty-five dollars each. I give and bequeath to my two grandsons Nelson P. Chambers and Horatio E. Davis twenty-five dollars each. I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann Young one hundred dollars. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah E. Sampson one hundred dollars. I give and bequeath to my daughter Elanor Ramsey one hundred dollars. And lastly after all my just debts and funeral expenses are paid I give and bequeath the remainder of my estate to my son Samuel. I direct that the bequests hereinbefore specified and made be paid within four years after my decease, and I hereby nominate and appoint my son Sam<sup>l</sup> Taylor of Little Beaver Township, County and State aforesaid, executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I the said testator have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal this 17 day of July 1862.

Signed: Anne Taylor

Witnesses:

Charles Silliman  
Alexander Silliman

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PREFACE

Two or three summers have been spent in making a record of Little Beaver Cemetery, located in Little Beaver Township, Lawrence Co., Pennsylvania, and the resulting record is of June 1976. I am including separately the history of the cemetery, written by the Little Beaver Cemetery Association for the Bicentennial in July 1976, which includes the names of veterans buried there. In addition to this it might be noted that there was a Little Beaver Presbyterian Church across the road from the cemetery for some years. It did not come into existence until 1834, some years after the origin of the cemetery, but it is likely that many of its members were buried in the cemetery. I have made maps showing the location of the cemetery in Little Beaver Township, and a rough sketch of the cemetery itself. The original acre of the cemetery is now surrounded by the newer part, but many later burials are mixed in with the older ones. Because of this I have included all of the stones, old and new, except for the newest part of the cemetery south of the road.

The record has been made in rows from south to north. It begins with the section marked "C" on the map, working from the road east to the fence. Then it starts at the road again with section "B" and works west. I tried to keep the rows as straight as possible, but was not completely successful, especially in the original section "A", where the rows are at a different angle from the ones in the newer part. I also tried to keep all the stones in one lot together, but this did not always work out. It is possible that some names from a lot will occur in rows before or after the others. The cemetery is kept in good shape, but there are still many of the older stones which have been loosened or broken over the years. These are scattered over the cemetery, and may not be near where they were originally.

Each individual stone has been listed with the surname in capital letters first, followed by the given name and dates. If more than one name follows the surname, this indicates that all the names were on one stone. In some cases a family stone gave the surname, and there would be individual stones with the given name. In a few cases it was not always certain what the surname was, and I then checked with Gladys Anderson of the Cemetery Association for the correct name. If this was so, the surname will appear in parentheses. If two or more stones were on the same base, this has been noted; as were stones of a similar design placed together. In one case involving my own family there were several children's stones with a similar design, all of whom had the same grandfather, but were not children in one single family. There are a few cases where a new monument has been erected, which includes all the information about a family from several of the older stones. In this case both the old and the new stones have been recorded, making a duplication of some names. Sometimes the form will vary a little, and give additional information in this case. I did not include any quotations on the stones, but all military information has been noted.

The record has been checked and rechecked for errors, but I'm sure that some still exist. Many of the older stones are very difficult to read, and I have worked long on some of them trying to decipher them. Still there are times when it was not clear. In this case a letter or number will be underlined to show that it was not clear. If I thought it was between two letters or numbers, such as c and e, or 1 and 4, then this will show in the record as c/e or 1/4. In order to save both time and space in the typing abbreviations have been used. They are:

a.	aged	inf/s/o	infant son of
b.	born	m.s.	military stone
con/o	consort of	nlm	no last name (on the stone)
d.	died	s/o	son of
d/o	daughter of	w/o	wife of
f.s.	footstone	wid/o	widow of
h/w	his wife	y-m-d	years-months-days, as
inf/d/o	infant daughter of		65y 4m 10d

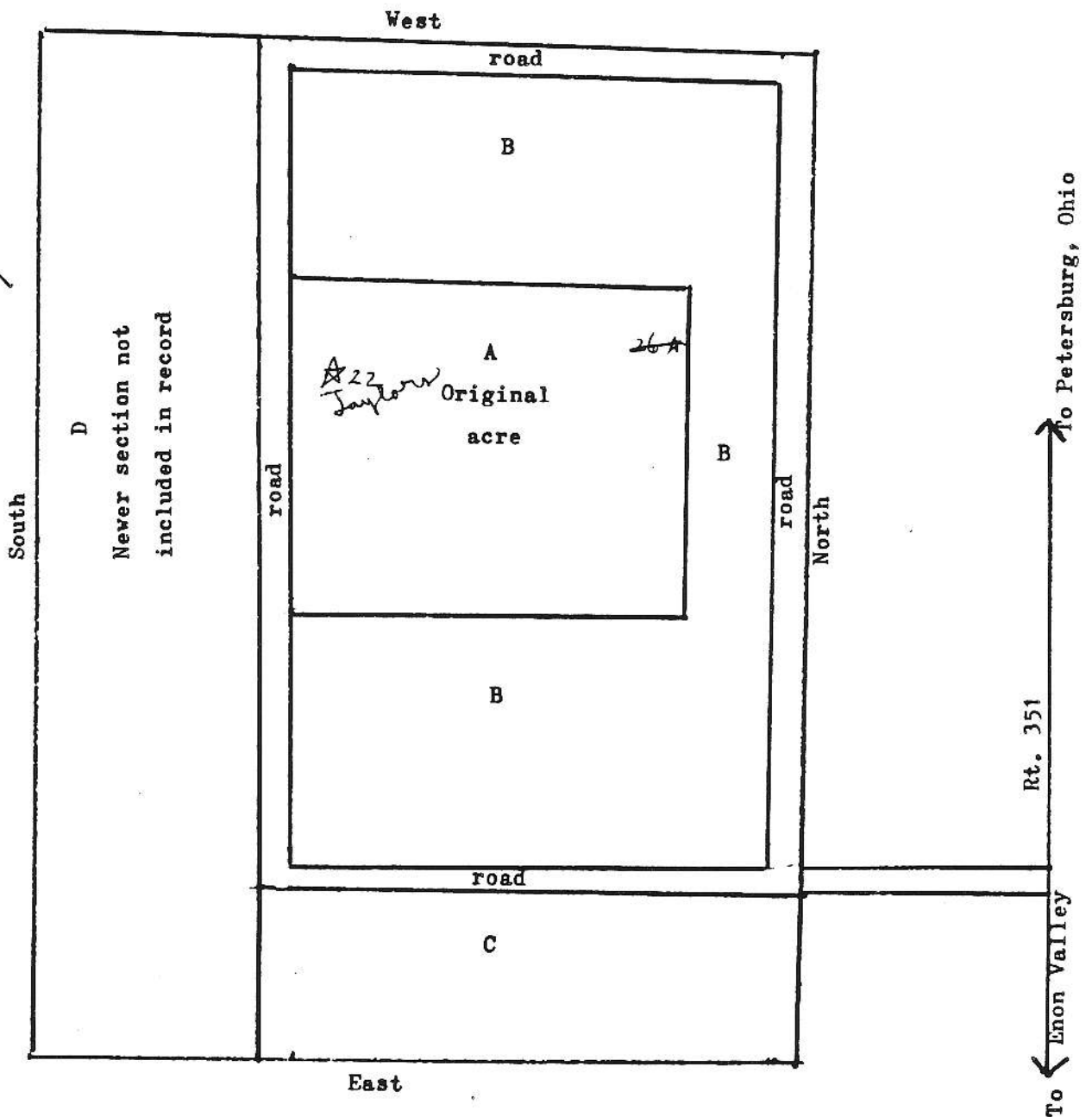
Keep in mind that if the inscription reads "in the 68th year of her age" this means she has passed her 67th birthday, but has not yet reached 68.

My most grateful thanks goes to Gladys Anderson, Secretary of the Little Beaver Cemetery Association, who has been very kind and helpful to me. I hope that the record will be of help to her in answering the inquiries she gets about the older burials.

Nell Young Herchenroether  
June 1977

Mrs. Henry C. Herchenroether, Jr.  
158 Dickson Avenue  
Ben Avon  
Pittsburgh, PA, 15202

*1-3 miles,  
old home*  
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LITTLE BEAVER CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Enon Valley, Pennsylvania

James G. Nesbitt, Pres.  
Chester F. Stewart, Vice-Pres.  
Gladys Anderson, Secy.-Treas.  
Theo. McCoy, Sexton

JULY 17, 1976

Henry Speerhas  
Frank Huston  
Nevin Stuart  
Bruce Wallace  
Robert E. Poster  
Mrs. Howard Marshall

Little Beaver Cemetery was started by a John Beer giving an acre of ground for a burial place for his wife, Jean, who died November 29, 1797.

We do not have records of the cemetery work until 1877, when it was incorporated and an association formed. There were 59 original stockholders owning 80 shares of stock at \$5.00 per share. We have on display the statements of the purchase of the official seal, the interment record book and the original deed book. Over the years, additional ground surrounding the original acre was purchased - that is the present cemetery.

In 1931, the Cemetery Association was re-organized for the primary purpose of creating an endowment fund for Perpetual Care of Little Beaver Cemetery. The endowment fund was invested with the Lawrence Savings & Trust Company of New Castle, which merged with First Seneca Bank in 1973. The directors at that time were Mr. James W. Gilmore, President; Mr. Wm. K. Poster, Secy.-Treas., and Mr. Andrew Moore. Six additional directors were elected, being Wm. A. McKean, Geo. R. Andrews, Clarence L. Marshall, John McGinnis, Frank R. Robertson and Miss Mable Nye.

The arch at the entrance was a gift from Mr. U. H. Simpson as a memorial to his wife. The arch was built by Charles H. Albright. The row of Corillian Cherry Trees were given by Mr. & Mrs. Fred Stark. A well was drilled and a hand pump installed with the donations of lot owners and friends who come to decorate the graves of those they love.

We are proud of the appearance of the cemetery grounds. We depend on the income from our endowment fund for care and maintenance. The endowment fund was made up by the original pledges, sale of lots, gifts and bequests, and is now over \$27,000.00. Any new or additional endowments would be very much appreciated.

VETERANS BURIED AT LITTLE BEAVER CEMETERY:

REVOLUTIONARY WAR:

John Saviers

WAR OF 1812:

John Beer, Jr.            Joseph Cessnas  
William Madden        James McCarter  
                                 William Taylor

MEXICAN WAR:

William Erb  
Valentine Steer  
John Beer

INDIAN WAR

John Sprout  
Samuel Sprout



ADAMS, Margaret James	b. 8 Oct. 1803 b. 18 Sept. 1807	d. 25 Apr. 1889 d. 1 Oct. 1889	
WILSON, Samuel Nancy	d. 9 Sept. 1883 d. 31 Mar. 1882	a. 86y 3m 14d a. 83y 4m 3d	Father Mother
WALLACE Family stone			
WALLACE, John Angeline Wilson h/w	26 Jan. 1821 9 Dec. 1840	18 May 1899 20 July 1914	
SAVIERS, John	d. 1 Mar. 1834	a. 71y 8m 18d	
SAVIERS, John fs Pvt. 2 Bat. Wash. Co. Mil. 1776 - 1778			
SAVIERS, Elizabeth con/o John	d. 23 Jan. 1853	a. 79y 6m 20d	
SAVIERS, Jesse Father	b. 26 Aug. 1797	d. 9 Mar 1843	same base, one
SAVIERS, Elizabeth Mother	b. 16 Oct. 1805	d. 24 May 1886	stone loose
FERREE, Irene S. d/o Milo P. & Martha	d. 8 Mar. 1836	a. 2m 23d	
FERREE, Rebecca A. w/o Milo P.	d. 24 Mar. 1849	a. 21y 2m 1d	
HARRAH, Milo M. s/o W. & E.	d. 10 May 185	a. 5y m d	similar stone
HARRAH, Samuel J. s/o W. & E.	d. 26 Oct. 1849	a. 1y 3m 15d	"
RAINEY, Mary A. w/o Robert A.	d. 31 Jan. 1880	a. 22y 9m 22d	similar to ? Smith, below
SMITH, Emily C. d/o J. & R.	d. 1 Aug. 1873	a. 4y 6m	
SMITH, ? d/o John & Rebecca	d. 19 June 1880	a. 19y 11m 16d	similar to Mary Rainey, above
ADAMS, Margaret E. w/o Sam'l C.	b. 22 Aug. 1854	d. 28 Dec. 1876	
ADAMS, Glennie Wilson s/o Samuel C. and Elisabeth A.	d. 17 Sept. 1885	a. 1y 8m 14d	
ADAMS, Robert Guy	1889 - 1890		
ADAMS, Elizabeth A.	1852 - 1929		
ADAMS, Samuel C.	1842 - 1922	Co. I, 134th Reg. Pa. Vol.	
DOUGLASS, George	1838 - 1915		
" fs Pvt. Co. D, 134 Reg. Pa. Vol.	1862 - 1863		
DOUGLASS, Jennie H.	1842 - 1921		
DOUGLASS Family stone			
<u>Row 22</u>			
PATTON, Mary w/o John	d. 10 Oct. 1832	a. 22y 5m 11d	
★ TAYLOR, William	d. 25 Oct. 1856	a. 79y 10m	
TAYLOR, Ann w/o William	d. 19 Dec. 1863	a. 83y 27d	
TAYLOR, Samuel H. s/o J.P. & R.P.	d. 9 June 1862	a. 1y 5m 7d	duplicate on pag
HANAHAN, Mary Ann w/o Enos, sister of the Hon. S. Taylor's wife	d. 28 Nov. 1870		in the 70th year of her age
MUSSER, Mary wid/o John Fleming, w/o J. Musser	(See FLEMING p. 25) d. 19 Dec. 1860	a. 43y 1m 2d	
RUSSELL, Alexander	d. 30 Sept. 1847		in the 84th year of his age
SMITH, Rebecca w/o Thomas	d. 13 Feb. 1851		(Broken and fixed with concrete, broken again. Only age legibl
SMITH, Mary A. w/o Thos.	d. 22 June 1846	a. 38y 1m 28d	

KENNEY Family stone - Information recorded just as it appears on stone.  
 Irwin 1819 - 1881 Margaret h/w 1825 - 1915  
 Nellie 1866 - 1882 Robert 1848 - 1898  
 Maggie 1863 - 1884 Anslem 1853 - 1928  
 Thomas 1855 - 1928 Martha h/w 1840 - 1918  
 Samuel I. 1860 - 1933

STEAR, George P. b. 15 Apr. 1854 d. 16 Apr. 1909

TAYLOR, John P. Family stone

John P. Taylor 1836 - 1916  
 my wife Rosa Paulena 1843 - 1905  
 Laura 1868 - 1968

Individual stones in same lot, last names not on stone except for Rhodes.  
 (Taylor), Samuel H. 1861 - 1862 (see also p. 24)  
 (Taylor), Charles M. 1865 - 1928

Father  
 Mother

RHODES, Laura T. 1868 - 1968

WILLIAMSON Family stone

WILLIAMSON, Hart W. 1859 - 1912  
 WILLIAMSON, Ella M. 1863 - 1941  
 WILLIAMSON, John W. 1881 - 1947

Row 27

SEANOR, Elizabeth A. 1850 - 1922 double stone  
 ARDARY, Sally P. 1856 - 1933 "  
 SEANOR, Katie, d/o J.G. & S. b. 28 Oct. 1862 d. 12 July 1880 K.S. fs

TRUDAL, Carl 1878 - 1923  
 Etta 1885 - 1965

McCOY Family stone

Father, Theodore 1904 -  
 Mother, M. Helen 1908 -  
 Son, Robert T. 1943 - 1969  
 ms Robert T. McCoy Pa. BT 3 U.S. Navy 8 Nov. 1943 - 21 July 1969

NEWELL, Joshua (Joshua and Emeline on one side and Thomas on  
 Emeline the other; no dates for any of them.)  
 Thomas

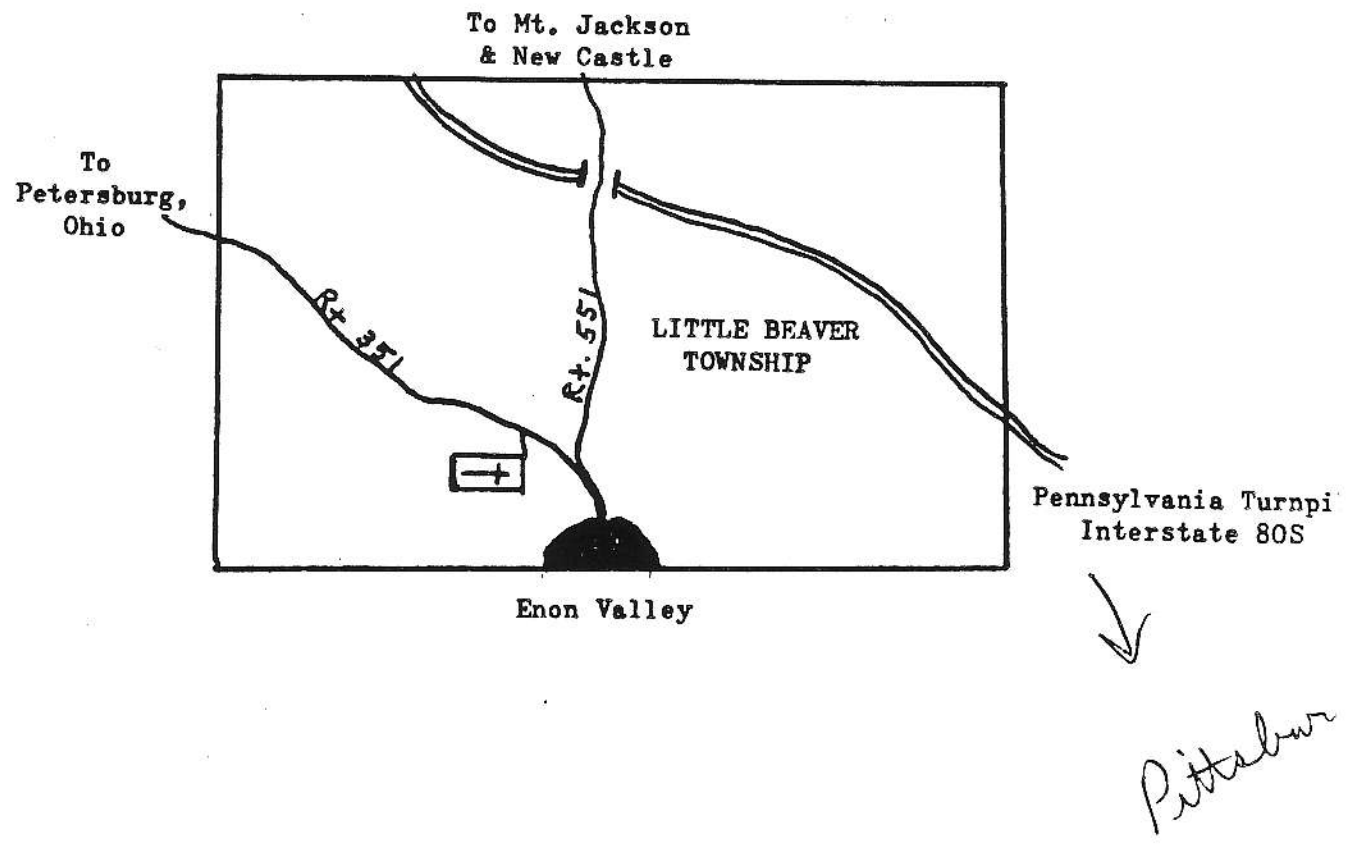
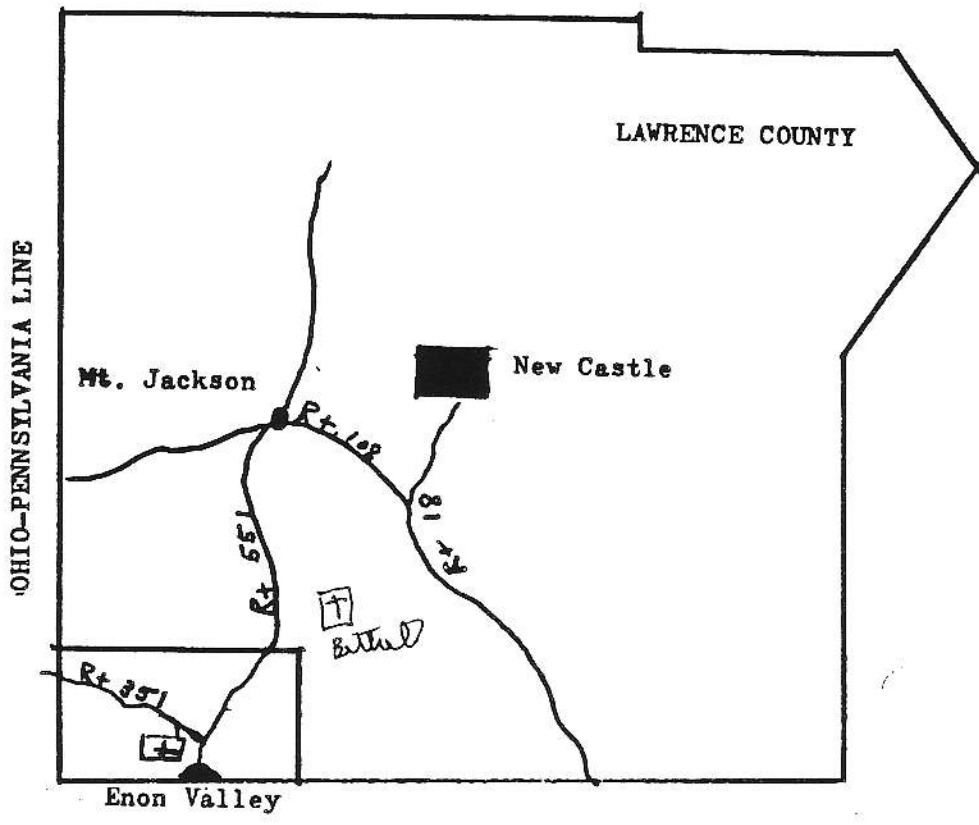
NEWELL, Family stone

Nancy J. 1854 - 19\_\_  
 Joshua, Jr. 1846 - 1931  
 NEWELL, Nancy b. 8 May 1811 d. 9 Aug. 1887 (common base  
 NEWELL, James b. 6 June 1809 d. 27 Apr. 1887 both, but lo

McCLURE, Anna M. w/o R., Sr. d. 16 Oct. 1889 a. 78y  
 R., Sr. d. 12 Oct 1884 a. 84y

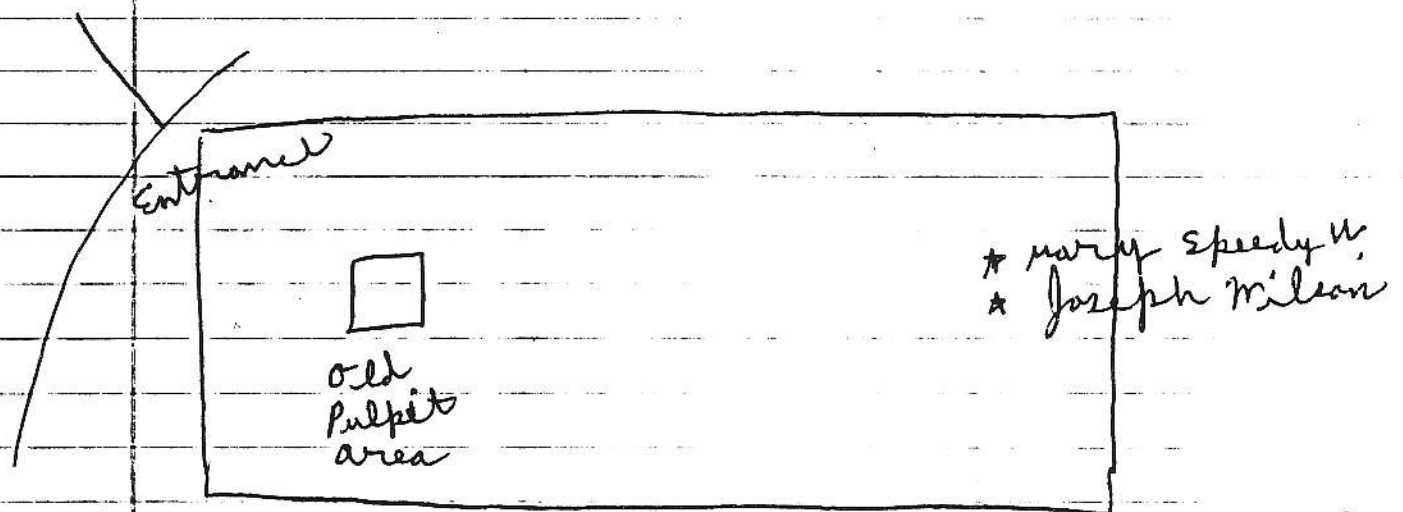
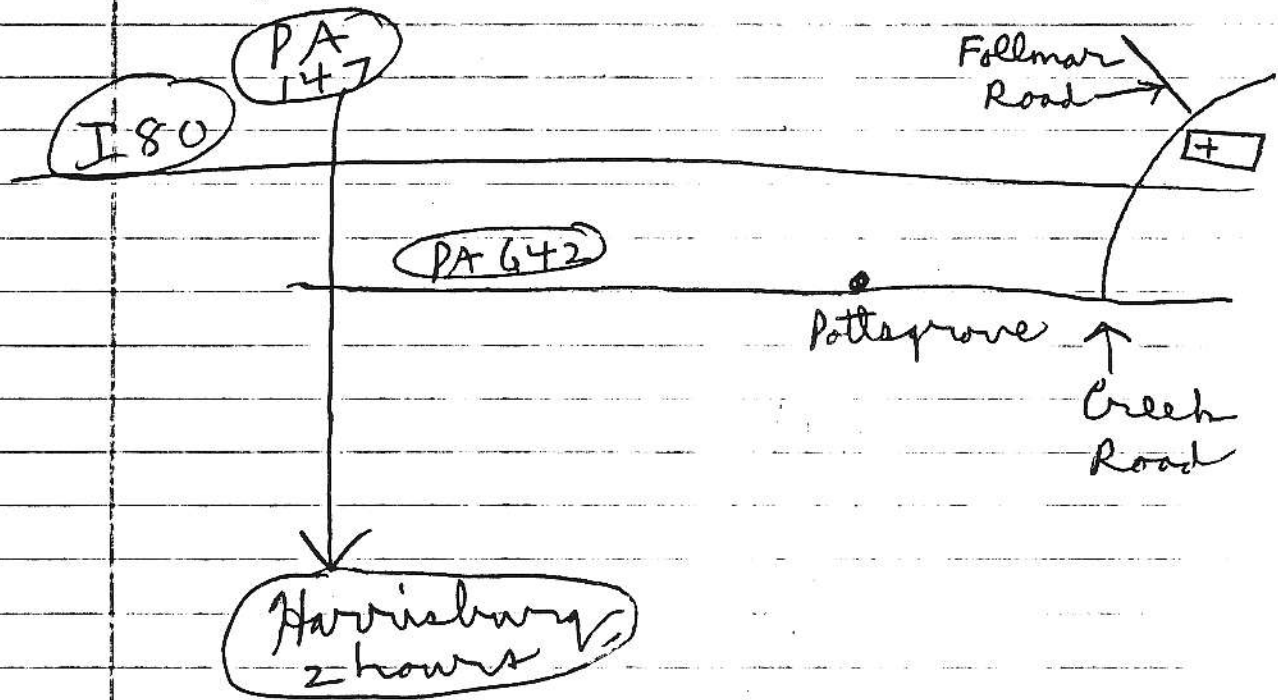
SHAFFER, Belle L. 1858 - 1931 Mother  
 SHAFFER, Jacob S. 1855 - 1932  
 SHAFFER, John 1894 - 1896 (metal plate)

There was another metal plate beside John Shaffer, but it was broken, and all  
 that could be seen was \_\_\_hur 18\_\_ - 1897



Chillisquaque Presbyterian  
Church Cemetery  
near Pottsgrove PA

just inside Montour County



In memory of  
Mary (Speedy)  
wife of Joseph Wilson  
who departed this life  
May 25 AD 1820  
aged 65 years

In memory of  
Joseph Wilson  
who departed this  
life  
January 1 AD 1815  
aged 72 years

Charlotte Walter Northumberland Co. Historian

- says speedy family came from  
Schooler's Mountain, New Jersey

4. History of North Co PA Bell 184,  
974, 831 B Hist. Coll.  
Chicago F. L. Brown, Rank & Co.

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one extended  
to N. Y.

Lehigh River to Allegheny  
= 1/3 of PA 21 March 1772

Chall. 776-726 ✓ 1813-1815 Columbia Co.  
Bsq 1106-1141 ~~490~~ 102 ~~239~~  
Swabert 692 - 697 ✓

1815 reattached 1816 that part forming  
Montour let go

5. 266 354

Northumberland Co. in the Amer. Rev  
Nor Country Hist Society  
Charles F. Snyder Editor 1976

a. Soldiers of the Rev:

P. 266 Solds who received pay for their  
services Joseph Wilson, Private

b. Solds who received Reappraisal Pay  
P. 354

1-5, 12-20, 25-26 '18

3. Chillesquaque [Church] Belle  
974.8 L Hist. Call Lantz 1982

by Rev William Gardner Finney 1926

P. 1 on mail route, Northumberland  
to Jerseytown  
Shawnee Indians "Chillicote" = town  
P. 2 Moravians 1742

scotch - brush 1719  
pH 1755-1780 Indian raids  
1756 Ft. Augusta

French + Indian war & band - 1769!  
1774 Chill. Church

2 July 1805 Joseph Wilson elected  
to serve in place of deceased  
pioneers on the warrant from  
the Penns  
- had applied 3 April 1769  
- paper dated 20 Sep 1774

P. 5 Great Runaway July 1778  
P. 12 John Wilson 2 Lt 11<sup>th</sup> Co, 2d Bn  
Northumberland Co.  
surveyed what is now the Mantow  
Co. line

P. 13 14  
P. 15 for Wilson signed call for Rev John  
Bryson, pastor 1789-1839!

