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PURPOSE

The purpose of this newsletter is to facilitate the exchange of research information among Jabez descendants and to encourage and assist with ongoing research.

Joe Barber's Column

The calendar tells us spring is here but winter seems reluctant to release the grip it has had on us for so many months. After the winter we have been through I'm sure everyone is looking forward to spring. Last time we had an account of the 'Journey to the Olmstead Ranch' that Terry Grover had provided. At that time Terry was looking for information on William Olmstead the rancher and what happened to him and his family in later years. Terry has since found a date and place of death for William and where he is buried. The search still goes on and we hope Terry has further success in the days & month ahead.

We spent January 2010 in Apache Junction, AZ and that was a most welcome break in winter 2010/11. One of the things I did genealogy wise was go through the google entries on the net for Olmstead/Olmsted again. I saved several entries for later review as time permits. Another genealogy event was to meet Ronald E. Olmstead who resides in Mesa and who is a trustee with the Olmste(a)d Family Association. Ron is of the Richard line and he has a keen interest in the genealogy of

that line.

In this issue is an obituary for Thomas Olmstead. Thomas was a Jabez cousin and a subscriber to our newsletter. I never met Thomas in person, however I did meet Helen McLeish, one of his daughter, during a visit to Calgary in 2007. Helen is the webmaster/administrator for the McLeish Olmstead Family website. This is quite an extensive website with some 4790 relatives being mentioned and some 918 photos. To access this site go to www.tribalpages.com. The user ID is Helen 52 and the password is shanty.

Have you ever heard of *Wife-Colored Glasses*. How about this little chuckle – A women walked into a store to return a pair of eyeglasses that she had purchased for her husband a week before.

“What seems to be the problem, madam?”

“I'm returning these glasses I bought for my husband. He's still not seeing things my way.”

May you all have a great spring & summer.

Joe Barber

DOREEN DOLLMAN'S RESEARCH

Jabez Olmstead

Son of Moses

Part 2

By Doreen Dolleman

This is a continuation of my previous article on Jabez Olmstead of Vermont. I was somewhat disappointed as I usually manage to find so many old New York newspaper articles to help fill in the family records with interesting details about their lives, but this time had little luck. I'm not certain if there were missing gaps in the St. Lawrence County older newspapers, or if these Olmstead's just managed to avoid the news. The descendants of Jabez Olmstead are covered in detail in the "Genealogy of the Olmsted Family in America" 1912 by Henry King Olmsted, so I have not carried out the lineage any farther than the g-grandchildren of Jabez. Any more would take up too much room in the newsletter. Also Walt Steesy has some of this family right up to the current generation. The following are the seven children of Jabez and Martha Chapman and the one child of Jabez and Lydia Ives.

Jonathan – 16 January 1779 Pittsford, VT– 18 December 1842 (a vital record in local newspaper tells that he died of cholera at 64 years of age) Parishville, NY. He defended Plattsburg in the War of 1812 (Corbin Collection). Married Eunice Bisbee, daughter of Issachar Bisbee and Mary (Harlow), 1800. Eunice was still alive in 1860 and was living in Pierrepont, NY with daughter Abigail. Children:

Chapman 8 Oct. 1801 Pittsford, - 1860 Duane, Franklin Co. NY, m. Eliza Snow 1821, daughter of John and Anne (Forbes). Children:

Mary Harlow 14 Jan. 1823 – 25 May 1904 (m. Hiram Chatterton),

George Washington 13 Nov. 1824 – 13 Aug. 1862 (died in Civil War),

Miranda 6 (8) Aug. 1827 – 3 Aug. 1874 (m. Frank Reynolds),

Annette 28 Dec. 1829 – 5 Nov. 1848,
John Snow 2 Sept. 1832 – 22 Jan. 1872 (m. Eliza Briggs),

Emma 1 Sept. 1835 -23 Sept. 1856 (m. Isaac Utter),

Angeline 1 April 1838 – 4 May 1849,

Emeline 1 April 1838 – 11 June 1852,

Lucy 1 Oct. 1841 – 12 April 1842,
infant died at one month.

Harlow - 13 November 1807 (Goshen) – 1 July 1847 cholera, m. Betsey Weller 1831 Parishville, NY, daughter of Ira Weller. Children:

Abigail 20 Sept. 1832 – 15 Feb. 1844,

Katharine Sally 27 Jan. 1835 – 6 Nov. 1860 (m. Jeural Butler),

Lorenzo David 8 April 1838 – 16 Nov. 1889,

Caroline Emma 14 Feb. 1839 – 5 May 1861.

A strange note on the deaths of both Harlow and his wife. Both are recorded in a local newspaper on the same date, 1 July 1847 and both say they suffered a painful illness for 4 years and both were 39. The only difference was that Harlow's mentioned that he was a mechanic. I wonder if Betsey's was an error, or did they both really die on the same date!

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Chester 1809 – 2 December 1842 cholera.

Rhoda 10 March 1810 Goshen.

Abigail 1811, married John S. Leonard. She died 16 April 1886, at 83 years of age.

Relief 31 October 1813 Goshen.

Angeline 1817. There was a marriage record of an Angeline Olmsted marrying a David Robertson 1 August 1839 in Ogdensburg.

Timothy 1819.

Lemuel – 23 October 1781 Pittsford – 1860, m. Relief Squires. He was living in Colton, NY in 1860 at 79 years of age with John and Adelia Wells. A presumable wife was also in the same household. Her name was Firilolz (?possibly Relief) age 64 and born in VT.

Sarah – 19 December 1785 Pittsford – 1819, m. Isaac Segar 26 March 1812.

Henry – 2 (28) February 1789 Pittsford – 26 August 1855 (Parishville cemetery record 1854), m. Martha (Patty) White 26 March 1812 (same date as his sister Sarah) Goshen, Children:

Alonzo 1816-1900, (m. Martha M. Davis 8 September 1868),

Melissa 24 September 1818 (death record states born 30 Sept. 1817) – 1 April 1908 old age, (m. Smith Kingsbury), Children:

Amanda,

Martha,
Lovina,
Betsey,
Mahala,
Ladocia,

Alonzo 850 Canton, OH, m. (Lavinia Dockum 16 Sept. 1871 Oakland Co., MI).

Alanson 4 June 1820 – 26 August 1864 Reams Station, VA, (m. Adelia Ewings). Alanson enlisted in Civil War at Parishville in Company A. He was wounded in June of 1864 and died from those wounds. Children:

Alma Leonora 14 December 1849 – 22 March 1900 NH, (m. John Dowst)

Jemima 1824 – 1849 (m. Henry Smith).

Mary 14 March 1828 (m. John Stark 22 January 1851). Children:

Henry Wilder 4 Oct. 1843.

Moses 7 September 1831- 1907 (m. Adeline Bicknell 14 March 1854). Children:

Alfred d. 22 June 1868 age 13,

Harry 30 November 1859 – 1928 (m. Nellie Gleason),

Charles I. 29 June 1862 - 1945,

Ada 12 August 1868,

George 7 April 1871- Sept. 1893,

Frankie E. d. August 1872,

George Asa 1872 – 1940 (m. Etta Young).

Dimmis – 28 May 1792 Pittsford, m. Asa Granby 23 May 1810 (killed at French's Mill in War of 1812), m. 2nd Timothy Weller, Children;

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Asa 1821 – 1872 (m. Martha Irish),
Sewell Weller 30 June 1828 or 1829 - 26
Aug. 1893 Colton NY, (m. Harriet Spear
Hibbard, Mercena Tilden Spear), Chil-
dren:

Estella born 1855

Myron born 1859 (m. Ella Enslow),

Landus 1860-1894 (m. Bertha
Whittaker),

Nellie b. 1868, died 31 March 1880
N. Colton at 13 yrs of age from Typhoid
fever.

Mercena Spear Sewell married Mer-
ritt White Jan. 1913 and died in 1925.

David – 28 May 1794 Pittsford – 4 May
1842. Killed in battle at French's Mills (his
death date appears to be wrong as 1810
would be right for battle at French's Mills).
However, if he was married twice before
age 18 then the 1810 date does not seem
correct. He married Rhoda Manley and
Elizabeth Moore. Children: (1st marriage)

William. Lived in Maine.

Moses – 28 January 1798 Pittsford – 26
February 1892 Parishville, NY, m. Sarah
(Sally) Weller 1798- 8 March 1892. An
obituary written after the death of both
Moses and Sally gave some details about
their lives. They had been married for more
than 75 years. They settled in Willisville and
built a brick house around 1842. Their prop-
erty of 400 – 500 acres included barns, out-
buildings and orchards. When Moses was 69
a fire destroyed all he possessed with the ex-
ception of his potato and apple crops. He
saved bonds from the Ogdensburg and Lake
Champlain railroad which he obtained by
the sale of right of way through land he had
purchased. Being left penniless after the fire
he sold his railroad bonds for forty cents on

the dollar and successfully saved himself from em-
barrassment. He established several of his children
in business by presenting them with a good number
of acres of farmland. Sally was nearly blind and in
poor health for several years before her death, but
Moses was hale and hearty. Children:

Orange 23 July 1821 – 15 January 1892 (m.
Laura Dana December 1843), Children:

Alice (m. Henry Gleason),

Melanethon 27 February 1864 (m.

Susan Maxfield),

America (m. Thomas J. Brown),

Annette 23 August 1851 (m. George

Munger),

Jabez

David 25 October 1823 – Jan. 1825

Chloe died 12 Jan. 1825 at 1 month of age

Chloe 2 July 1826 – 24 Nov. 1913 (m.
Chauncey Fuller 2 December 1856), Children:

Dr. Ira (m. Mamie Wheater),

Lewis

Jonas 15 March 1830 – 16 Dec. 1906 (m. Lucy
Bundy Chapman 1864). Only newspaper refer-
ence I found on Jonas was that he killed a bear
in October of 1878. He was a shoemaker and
farmer.

Betsy 8 February 1832 – 1913 (m. Silas Prince
White 5 March 1851), Children:

Chloe A. 5 June 1853,

Moses N. 5 Oct. 1855,

Mercena D. 2 Jan. 1858 (m. Parker Ames,

Harvey Shores 24 Sept. 1898),

Orange E. 7 Jan. 1861,

Lucy 27 March 1864.

Ira 11 May 1836 – 10 December 1858 (m.
Betsey).

Luman 6 February 1839 – 18 March 1927 (m.
Olive Montague (1837-1875)), Children:

Nina 23 August 1875 – 22 April
1903, m. Arthur Jenner 20 November 1895. Nina
died from consumption after a year's illness, leav-
ing behind a young daughter, her husband and fa-

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ther. At 4 years of age, Nina was living with her aunt, Chloe Fuller in the 1880 census Pierrepont.

Mary – The only child of Jabez and his 2nd wife was born around 1805 Pittsford, VT - 1880, m. Wolcott K. Baird (1810 – 1890). Children:

Wolcott Baird Jr. b. 23 Sept. 1841 Chittenden, VT, d. 10 June 1899, Goshen cemetery (m. Caroline Melissa Durkee), Children:

Abbie Mary 1861-1887

Artha Isobel 1879-1882.

In the 1880 census Mary was living in Chittenden with her son, and was blind.

A RISING STAR

by Joe Barber



Lauren
Olmstead

This picture and short biography are from the concert program for a Young People's Theater production of the Walt Disney classic, "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang". The concert was held at Regina, SK, in March 2011, and was the Canadian premiere of this musical, which was first produced in 2002.

Lauran is a Jabez cousin. Her parents are Richard James Kevin and Joanna Olmstead. Kevin descends from Jabez, b. 1774, who was recorded in the 1802/3 census of Marlborough Twp., ON. Jabez descends from Jeremiah and Elizabeth (Litton), (first son of Capt. Jabez and Thankful (Barnes)) through their eldest son, Jabez.

Lauran started singing when she was six and hasn't stopped since. She has been in the cast of "Do It with Class" for five years, and takes pride in her previous shows, such as "Wind in the Willows", "Hair" and "Titanic". Lauran has enjoyed working as a tour guide in the tunnels of Moose Jaw, SK, playing the role of Miss Fanny. She is currently studying at the Doris Sitter School of Dance, doing mostly ballet, jazz and contemporary. Her previous Moose Jaw roles include Dorothy in "The Wizard of Oz", Ruby in "Anne of Green Gables", and Snoopy in "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown".

Thomas OLMSTEAD - (1924-2011)
Passed away peacefully on the morning of February 22nd at the age of 86, in Sarnia. Born and raised in Thessalon, Tom had many relatives in the Thessalon area. He served in the navy during WWII and worked for the Great Lakes Paper Company for over 25 years. He is survived by his loving wife, Mary (nee Lavigne). Tom is also survived by 7 children of a previous marriage, Helen McLeish, Mary Joy Lovering, Tom, Karen Larsen, Tracey (Roy) Goosen, Deanna Hoffer, Clinton and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Tom is also survived by his sisters, Pat Beemer (late Hartley) of Iron Bridge and Ruth Ann (Gerry) Buchanan of Sudbury. He was predeceased by his mother, Mary, his father, Tom and brother Stan. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews and extended family. At Tom's request there will be no funeral service. The family wishes to thank the doctors, nurses and staff of the St Joseph Hospice for their loving care and ONTARIO CREMATION SERVICES for their assistance in this difficult time.

Sault Star

HELP

A Message from the Editors and Publishers: We need reader input for future issues. Last year, when Doreen was taken ill, we asked three subscribers for articles, thinking we might get one. WE GOT THREE. None of them had ever written before, and they were a bit scared. But they all came through wonderfully. If they can do it, so can YOU.

The future of this Newsletter depends on your support. Do not be surprised if this is the last issue.

OLMSTED/OLMSTEAD'S ON THE INTERNET

Joe Barber has told us about an OLMSTEAD Forum WEB PAGE
at:

<http://genforum.genealogy.com/olmstead/>

There is also an OLMSTED Forum WEB PAGE at:

<http://genforum.genealogy.com/olmsted/>

There is an OLMSTEAD RootsWeb Mailing List, and an OLM-
STED RootsWeb Mailing List, in which subscribers can exchange
information, post queries, etc. To subscribe, send E-Mail to:

OLMSTEAD-request@rootsweb.com

and to:

OLMSTED-request@rootsweb.com

with the command "subscribe" (without the quotes) in the subject
block, and in the body of the message, and NOTHING ELSE.
Turn off your signature file if you are using one. I (COH) am the
List Administrator for both Lists. Posts sent to one Mailing List
are not sent to the other List, so one should subscribe to both Lists.

There is also an Ancestry OLMSTEAD Message Board and an
Ancestry OLMSTED Message Board, at:

<http://boards.ancestry.com/surnames.olmstead/mb.ashx>

and at:

<http://boards.ancestry.com/surnames.olmsted/mb.ashx>

Messages from the OLMSTEAD Board are gatewayed to the
OLMSTEAD Mailing List, and likewise the messages from the
OLMSTED Board are gatewayed to the OLMSTED Mailing List.
However, they are not cross-gatewayed.

The Forum, the Rootsweb Mailing Lists and the Message Boards
are not restricted to the Jabez Line, but contain information and
queries from all OLMSTED/OLMSTEAD's.

Back issues of this Newsletter, Olmsted/Olmstead ancestor and
current member pictures, and historic documents and plats, can be
found at

<http://www.jabezolmsted.com/>

Walt Steesy's Website, Place at the Elms, is at

<http://www.olmsteadfamily.com>

or

<http://www.olmstedfamily.com>

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