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## Who Are Your Ancestors?

George N. Angell

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She is a tall, handsome, "dark" blonde — easy enough to look at and charming enough to be with so that for me, it was fortunate my wife saw her first. After she became an accepted member of our small family, I had to take a good deal of ribbing about who took her in.

She was home demonstration agent in our county — as a representative of the state college she worked with farm women on home-making projects. I was with a farm paper, so I was familiar with all branches of the extension service and for many years we had taken personal interest in the young women who came and went in extension at the county seat. One of them met her future husband in our home; another was married there, so when this one came it was another "adoption" and, all the members of her family being in distant states, it was a little more thorough one than usual. Gradually she came to realize that our invitations were not perfunctory ones, and more and more often we got together. Whenever the notion seized her or us, we joined forces on week-end trips or short vacations. As a party of three we covered the entire Pacific northwest; she went with us to California, to Alaska, and on a flying trip east. In short she became the daughter we never had, and often was taken for our own.

Imagine our astonishment upon learning through our pursuit of ancestors that she actually was a relative!

As a youngster I had become interested in my forbears when my mother's sister researched her way into Colonial Dames through the famous General Bradford. About two years ago I reactivated this interest and undertook to revive the drooping family tree on behalf of a grand nephew who was the only male to perpetuate the Angell name in this line. Anything that interests me interests my wife, and on my birthday two years ago I presented her with Sedgely's voluminous history of the Burbank and allied families. She was off to the races on that, and presently had traced her heritage clear back to the John Burbank and the Hugh Smith who lived within stone's throw of each other on Bradford street in old Rowley, Mass. Coming down from there she discovered that six generations back, one Sally Burbank married a Joseph Taylor of Lyman, Me., and became the great-great-great grandmother of our home demonstration agent. Thus my two Burbanks became sixth cousins twice removed. Sally was a great-granddaughter of Caleb Burbank (Caleb, John), while my wife descended from his brother Eleazer. One day in 1949 before there was even a hint of relationship — before we two even were interested in genealogy — we three called in Saco, Me., on Mrs. Eva Eldora Waterhouse ("Cousin Eva" to our home agent's father), who was third child of Olive Hill Taylor the fourth daughter of John Burbank Taylor and granddaughter of Joseph and Sally. Relations between her and our "daughter's" parents had been maintained by mail over the years and it was through application to her genealogy as outlined in Sedgely that my wife traced her relationship to the Taylor clan.

Another interesting discovery was of "our" relationship to a woman friend about our age whom we had known 40 years, whom we had entertained in our western home and whom we revisited upon every occasion of a trip east; but to whom we had not an inkling that we were related. Back in the mid-1600's one Sara Kimball of Bradford, charming (no doubt) daughter of Henry and Mary (Wyatt) Kimball, married Daniel Gage, son of John and Anna (Wilford) Gage of Ipswich. Their daughter Lydia married a Burbank (the Eleazer mentioned above), and that alliance made my wife and our New York friend eighth cousins.

Apparently that sort of thing could go on forever, for last year upon leaving our home of 35 years and moving into a cooperative apartment where there was more time for genealogy, I gathered up my genealogical documents one summer afternoon and started for the apartment of a new friend who, like me, was interested I knew in stamps, pictures and ancestors.

"Ask him if he has anything on the Gages", called my wife who at the moment was dusting off the Gage-Kimball alliance. I did so, and he said he believed he had, but it turned out to be "Sage" rather than "Gage" and my mother was a Sage, so we parted that afternoon as sixth cousins, I with a large quantity of new material on the descendants of David Sage of Middletown, Conn.

Later in 1955 my wife and I made another trip east, and on her return here were telling a table companion about our adventures in New England.

"You didn't run across any Burbanks, did you?" said she — and at once the two women took up the trail of a relationship which might easily prove to be closer than either of the two mentioned above.

I have said ever since starting on this interesting hobby, that one could find an ancestor under almost any stone he turned over, and certainly we have made some interesting finds. Another case in point is that of Mrs. Angell's great-grandfather Jacob Durgin Burbank, b. 4/2/1792 in Sanbornton, N. H.; m. Sophia Healy Corbin and d. 5/18/1872 in northeastern Pennsylvania's Warren township. Both of her mother's parents having been born in Ireland, her father's ancestry is all she has tried to trace, and even in that, at first she could go back only three generations. She knew the name of her father's mother, Mary (Belding) Burbank; and of that Pennsylvania-born young woman's parents, Dr. Daniel and Harriet (Black) Belding. Further than that on the distaff side she could not go. Her father's father, Dr. James Coburn Burbank of Sioux City, Ia., she knew was born October 12, 1833, in Warren township, Pa., was married in Rock Creek, Ill., practiced homeopathic medicine across the country to Iowa and died there in 1924. Of his relatives he apparently knew little and cared less. He scoffed at the fact of his distant relationship to the plant wizard Luther Burbank, and his own son, who still lives, not only did not know his paternal grandfather's first name but asserts that he never heard his father use it. Thus what my wife calls her "meager little genealogy" was without even a great-grandfather on the spear side.

About two years ago however, in correspondence on this very subject with her 80-year-old uncle in California's Imperial Valley, she was deluged with correspondence between him and one James W. Burbank, of Narrowsburg, N. Y., who likewise had been in pursuit of a great-grandfather. After spending an entire summer in New York and New England in the quest he had found one in the Big Bend of the Susquehanna river just over the New York border in Pennsylvania, and had established claim to him by restoring the old man's gravestone, photographing

his haunts in New Hampshire and Pennsylvania, and getting photostatic copies of records of his family Bible, which is in possession of a descendant in Binghamton, N. Y. James was preparing to publish a supplement to the Sedgley volume, which left Jacob Durgin Burbank out entirely for the very good reason that no one knew what became of him after he left New Hampshire about 1813; and he was seeking information about him from another descendant, my wife's uncle. The latter turned the correspondence over to us; we since have met and collaborated with our new-found "Cousin James"; and we hope that his publication will interest not only his charming daughter Margaret but my wife's tall and handsome young Cousin Mike, who is in Florida in his first year of training for the Navy air force. This Mike, incidentally, is in the same position relative to my wife's Burbank line as is my grand nephew to my Angell line. He is the only male to carry it on.

We find no end to the interesting developments that come from genealogical research, elemental as ours has been. It turned out for example that on the same Bradford street in old Rowley where lived my wife's John Burbank and Hugh Smith, lived side by side my own Joseph Jewett and Thomas Dickinson. Naturally enough the son of one married the daughter of the other, and from that union came my connection with the distinguished Jewett family into which my mother's Sages married, in up-state Rensselaerville, N. Y. Imagine my delight in visiting, under guidance of the indefatigable Everett Jewett, secretary of the family corporation, these homesites in Rowley while in New England last fall; and in being able to bring my wife pictures of the surroundings from which we sprang and through which we are related "by lot".

My own family came, after New England, chiefly from the Schuyler lake area in Otsego county, N. Y., and I have had some happy experiences collecting ancestors there. It was through the records in an 1824 Moss family Bible which my wife and I have treasured for itself all these years, never dreaming that the records would be useful; through references to happenings in that area which my grandfather, George W. Angell, recorded in the diary that is part of our collection; and through information gathered personally from some of the cemeteries and libraries there, that I was able to establish my descent from Thomas Angell, the personable young man who helped Roger Williams and his distinguished associates settle Rhode Island and establish the city of Providence. More than helpful in my doing so was the gladly offered cooperation of Mrs. Gertrude Sanderson, historian of Morris, N. Y.; and that is another astonishing and pleasing feature of genealogical research — the eager willingness of nearly evryone in the hobby to help anyone else in the anxious group find his ancestor. Of course there are some not so willing — what genealogist hasn't a string of stamped and addressed envelopes staked out around the country and champing to be returned? But that's a side I'll not go into — I'll stick with the boys and girls who answer courteous letters of inquiry promptly!

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The author is a native of up-state New York who graduated from Syracuse university, went west in 1908 and most of the time since has been in one form or another of journalism — for 35 years as field editor of the state farm papers comprising the Pacific Northwest Farm Trio. Besides the Dickinsons and Jewetts of Rowley, the Angells of Providence and the Bradfords of Plymouth, his family tree bears the names of the Iveses of Quinniapiac (New Haven), the Greenes of Rhode Island and (still subject to pruning) the Cookes of Newton, Mass. Like Mrs.

Angell's great-grandfather Jacob Durgin Burbank, George's great-grandfather Jonathan Angell shook the dust of New England from his feet and departed without ado and without a backward glance, into a new wilderness. And when in 1872 Avery F. Angell came to write his genealogy of the family, not a word could he get out of any member of this branch. More than likely this is where George's pet hate of non-letter-answerers was born.



## The Gold Rush

The following are, as far as known, the names of the persons who went from Georgetown, Mass. to California during the gold excitement of 1849.

Sailed in the schooner "B. L. Allen", Nov. 13, 1849, via Cape Horn: Alfred McKenzie, Thomas N. Hosmer, Stephen Osgood, Walter McLaughlin, Thomas Marshall, Moses W. Follansbee, Henry Hoyt.

Steamer "Unicorn", Feb. 1849, via Straits of Magellan: Asa Swett, William Hayward, Leander Spofford, Thomas Nelson, G. Edward Bateman, William Putnam Perley.

Brig "Annah", Nov. 1849, via Cape Horn: Charles Nason.

Brig "Ark", Oct. 1849, from Newburyport, Mass., via Cape Horn: Alonzo Thompson, Ebenezer Jewett.

Ship "Charlotte", Feb. 1849: William K. Lambert.

Travelled overland, Spring of 1849: Stephen Jewett, Jacob Edgerley.

Ship "Richard Cobden", from New York, Nov. 2, 1849, via Cape Horn: Green Wildes, Ira Jewett, Mrs. A. A. Lunt.

Via Panama in 1852: Samuel Pillsbury.

Date and route not known: George Nelson, William Marshall, Samuel C. Weston, Theodore O. Elliott, Lyman W. Elliott.

## New Members

Chaplain Charles S. Jewett, Captain, U. S. Army, born in Philadelphia, in 1916. He is residing in Bridgeville, Penna., having just completed his tour of duty in Korea. He is married and has 3 children. Line: Benjamin, born in Yorkshire, England; William born in Wrexham, Wales; William E. born in Philadelphia; Rev. Charles S.

Douglas H. Jewett, Novato, California and Mrs. Jane A. (Jewett) Hadley, Montclair, New Jersey. They are descended from George R. Jewett #2904 who was born in Berkshire, Vermont, July 7, 1807; married in Remson, New York, January 18, 1832, Belinda Cuthbert, she was born in Leicester, Vermont, June 28, 1810 and died in LaPorte, Indiana, April 15, 1858. He died in Dassil, Minn., August 24, 1899. They had nine children all were born in Portland, New York. Their son, William was born February 18, 1853; he married in Jewett's Mills, Minn., Aug. 6, 1874, Sarah Ann Quinn, who was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, Sept. 11, 1854 and died in Annandale, Minn., October 14, 1914. He died in San Jose, Calif., February 12, 1934. They had two children; Myrtle, born at Jewett Mills, May 15, 1878 and died in Stewart, Minn., March 19, 1907; and Harold W., father of our two new members, born in Waterville, Minn., May 2, 1891. He resides in San Jose, Calif. and is also a member of our association.

Two other new members are: Mrs. Helen I. (Gott) Jewett of Manhattan, Kans., and her son, Raymond L. Jewett of Lexington, Mass. Helen I. Gott born in Farlinville, Kansas; married Lea Nathan Jewett of Chicago, Ill. #9348 in the genealogy and a descendant of Joseph Jewett. They had three children; Raymond L., our new member, Arthur L. and Frances L.

Charles Alan Phelps of Houston, Texas and his sister, Mrs. Cornelia P. Pruett of Plano, Texas are new members. They are descended from Maximilian, through Daniel who left Boxford, Mass. in 1762 and moved to New Brunswick. Their line is continued in the genealogy to John Henry Jewett #6290, born in New Brunswick, February 2, 1861, moved to Wisconsin where he married in 1888, Cornelia Templeton, they spent many years in Michigan, finally moving to Arkansas about 1950, where he died in 1951 and she died in 1953. Their daughter, Mrs. Helen T. Wells, our Honorary Vice President for Arkansas is the mother of our two new members.

Russell T. Jewett, Long Beach, California. Descended from Maximilian through Enoch #913 as follows: Enoch married Lydia Pike, they had ten children, the eldest, Isaac married Polly Parker, (who were her parents?) they had twelve children born in Hebron, New Hampshire and Thetford, Vermont. Their son, Parker was born in Thetford, May 28, 1807 (Vt. vital records). He married in Belfast, Maine, Dec. 27, 1831, Mary Cochrau, see #10125, Jewett genealogy. Their son, Ferris M., grandfather of our new member was born in Belfast, April 4, 1847 and died in Gridley, Ill., Sept. 5, 1880, two children, of whom, Fred W., born in Gridley, April 30, 1875; died in White Pigeon, Michigan, June 27, 1934, was the father of our member.

Josephine (Jewett) Lloyd, Morristown, New Jersey. We do not have her line as yet.

D. Herbert Jewett, Sandy Creek, New York. A descendant of Maximilian. Grandson of Nathan A. of Watertown, N. Y. #1992, born April 12, 1807; son of Franklin, born in Sacket Harbor, New York, March 1, 1836.

Wilfred Jewett, Mason, Michigan #9354; Laylin L. Jewett, Mason, Mich., son of Arthur, #9355, Mrs. Bessie (Jewett) Dermody, Miami, Florida #9357, and James Jewett, Holt, Michigan.

Mrs. Winifred (Jewett) Josephson, Bristol, Conn. A descendant of Joseph Jewett. Her father, Morris L. Jewett is listed in the genealogy #8648.

Osborn Jewett, Raymond, Maine. No record of his line at the present time.

George N. Angell, Oswego, Oregon. Descended from Joseph Jewett through Capt. Caleb and Rebekah (Cook) Jewett, #228. Their daughter Sybel, born April 22, 1760, (she is not listed in the genealogy with his other children) married Daniel Sage. Jewett Sage, son of Daniel and Sybel, born in Rensselaerville, New York, married Susannah Jaycox; they had ten children, Nelson L. who was next to the youngest married Harriet E. Greene and they had four children, Abbie J. who was their oldest daughter married Olin T. Angell. They were the parents of our new member. It is interesting to note that although Mr. Angell is five generations removed from the Jewett line, the Baptismal name of Jewett has been carried down in each generation until the present one.

## "Old Hermitage"

It was built in the 18th century by a descendant of Maximilian Jewett, the first of the name in Byfield, Mass., who was dismissed from the old Church in Rowley, January 15, 1710-11, to the then new Church in Byfield, and became one of the Deacons, and who died about 20 years later. But we do not think that the Deacon built the house, although he might, it is more likely that his son, Jeremiah, did about 1740. From him it descended by inheritance and purchase from the other heirs, to Samuel, the father of Robert, whose name it now bears, "The Old Robert Jewett House". Robert was the father of James and Gorham P. Jewett, and died here in 1871, aged 81 years.

The house was originally a one story gambrelled roofed one, but later, probably about 1780, another story was added. It had a solid white oak frame, some of the timbers being a foot square. Some of the outside walls and partitions were of two inch oak plank. Every spike and nail was of wrought iron and it is said, "They were made on the premises". The style of architecture was of an English Yorkshire Inn, and it was an exact counterpart of the house built by the Joseph Jewett branch of the family and now standing on Bradford St. in Rowley.

For many years it was kept as an ordinary inn and bore the name of, "The Old Top House". Samuel Jewett, the father of Robert, kept it as such from about 1790 until his death in 1800. Probably his father, Jeremiah, kept the tavern before him. Samuel's widow kept the house public for a few years after her husband's death.

The beautiful elms that adorn the front yards were planted by Samuel's two eldest sons, Ebenezer and William, before the beginning of the 19th century.

The old well is a curiosity. It is 30 feet deep, very small in diameter, and nicely bricked from top to bottom. A very small sized man had a life contract to clean the well once a year. The bricks were made from clay dug on the place, the pit was on Jackman Street. They were of a peculiar shape, not unlike a keystone with the broadest side concaved.

## Jewett Reunion, Hampton, Conn.

Mrs. Viola J. Clapp, President

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The seventeenth reunion of the Jewett Family of Hampton, Conn. was held Sunday, October 17, 1955 at the Congregational Church. The group attended the Church services after which they adjourned to the Chapel where dinner was served.

The report of the Secretary and Treasurer was read and other business transacted. A program arranged and directed by the President Mrs. Clapp, in which the Jewett children took part, was enjoyed.

The family was honored by having as guests, Mrs. Susan Griggs, Mr. Wallace N. Jewett of Los Angeles, Rev. and Mrs Herbert Hainer, Mr. and Mrs. Everett D. Jewett and family of Ipswich, Mass. Due to the inclement weather the attendance was not as large as usual, only sixty signed the register.

The first reunion held by this group was on July 28, 1935 at Elmer Jewett's grove, at Clarks Corner, in Hampton. Elmer C. Jewett was elected president, Susan Jewett Griggs, vice president and Viola J. Clapp, Secretary and treasurer. Attendance at this gathering numbered sixty three, a picnic luncheon was served followed by a program of music, reading of greetings, telegrams and letters. The guest speaker of that occasion was Mr. George Kimball, whose subject was "Early Jewetts in this Area". After the gathering twenty-seven automobiles decorated Jewett colors and the Coat of Arms visited the homesites of the early Jewett families and those occupied by Jewetts at that time. Similar programs have been held since.

In 1940 our president, Elmer C. Jewett retired as did the secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Clapp. Mrs. Susan J. Griggs became president, William W. Jewett, vice president and Bertha Weeks Greer, secretary and treasurer. The group met that year in the schoolhouse. In 1941 the day at the "Wolf Den" in Pomfret, Conn., the same officers were re-elected.

In 1946, after a lapse of five years the eighth reunion was held at Mashamoquet Park in Abington. The meeting was opened by first attending church services at the Congregational Church in Hampton. The program was repeated in 1947. In 1948 after attending Church the group adjourned to the Grange Hall where dinner was enjoyed followed by pageant called "The Jewett Family". Invited guests at that gathering included Rev. and Mrs. Charles Peeples. A memorial service was held by Rev. Mr. Peeples for the departed members.

Commencing in 1949, the officers were elected for a term of two years. That year Kermit Howe was elected president, Donald Hoffman, vice president, Viola Clapp, secretary and treasurer. The meetings in 1949 and 1950 were held at the Grange Hall. 1951 through 1954 the group went to General Lyons Chimney in the State Park. Officers elected in 1953 and reelected in 1955 were Mrs. Viola J. Clapp, president, Carl W. Jewett, vice president, Mrs. Bertha Weeks Greer, secretary and treasurer.

It has been customary to hold the meetings on the last Sunday of July, however in 1955 the gathering was postponed until October.

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This group of Jewetts is descended from Benjamin #283, born in Ipswich, Mass., moved to Manchester, Mass., and about 1753, removed to Windham county, Conn. He was a blacksmith by trade, having served his apprenticeship for seven years.

Mrs. Susan Jewett Howe Griggs of Abington, Conn. has compiled a genealogical record of Benjamin Jewett's descendants who remained in the vicinity of Windham county. It is entitled, "A Bird's Eye View of the Jewett Family." It brings the genealogical record down to 1950 and includes the story of "The House the Women Built".

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## Extract From Interesting Letter

October 10, 1955

Dear Mr. Jewett;

I was pleased to get your letter and I think it was very kind of you to write me. I never expected to be able to write a letter to one of my Jewett relations after all of these years. And I am sure you would not expect to find a descendant of the Rev. Jedediah Jewett (5th minister of Rowley Church) living in the wild woods of New Brunswick.

You see we were United Empire Loyalists and at the time of the Rebellion, Dorothy (Jewett) Calef, daughter of Rev. Jedediah Jewett engaged a boat to take her and her six children and all of their goods to St. John to await the return of her husband, Dr. John Calef, who had been sent to England by the Castine Loyalists to negotiate the question of the boundary line. He was gone for two years and was entertained at Windsor Castle by King George (3rd) and held the little Princess Amelia on his knee.

I have written a full account of this and of their arrival in St. Andrews. I published it in a little book which has just been brought out in a second edition called "The Diverting History of a Loyalist Town". I think that it would save time if I just send you a copy of the book.

I still live on the old farm that my grandfather and his brother cleared and where they built the house where Mehitable Calef died just fifteen years before I was born.

I could have contributed some relics of the Jewetts for your celebration. I have the old Bible and other books of Rev. Jedediah; also an old chair still referred to as "Grandmother Dummer's chair".

Very sincerely yours,

Grace Helen Mowat,  
Beech Hill,  
St. Andrews  
New Brunswick.

## Deaths

From the Daily Gleaner, Fredericton, New Brunswick.

The community of Millville and York county has lost in the passing of Dr. Marcus Lorne Jewett one of its most well known and respected citizens. Dr. Jewett died at Victoria Public Hospital Saturday, October 8, 1955. He was born in Keswick Ridge, New Brunswick, January 29, 1888. He was a graduate of the Keswick Ridge Superior School. Provincial Normal School, 1906-1907. McGill University, 1909-1914. He was a conservative member of the Provincial Legislature, 1930-1935. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the County Finance Board. Dr. Jewett had practiced medicine in Millville since 1914. He is survived by his wife, the former Myrtle Lawrence, a son, a daughter and five grandchildren.

Bellows Falls Times, Bellows Falls, Vermont.

Dr. Fred T. Jewett of this city died suddenly, Sunday, Dec. 18, 1955 at his home on Williams Terrace. He was born in Marlboro, New Hampshire, July 16, 1896, a son of Fred. T. and Mary (White) Jewett. He graduated from Keene High School and received his degree from Tuft's Dental School in 1917. Dr. Jewett was affiliated with the Knights Templars, Ancient Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and the Bellows Falls lodge of Elks. He was a member of the American Dental Association and the Vermont Dental Association. He is survived by his wife, the former Kathryn M. Reilly of Keene, one sister and two nephews.

Frank C. Jewett, age 76 years of Jackson, Michigan died of a heart attack, January 12, 1956 while serving on a Coroner's Jury. He was born in Aurelius Township, Ingham county, Michigan, June 12, 1879, son of Lester Jewett #5114. He is survived by his wife Minnie, his brother, George and a number of nephews and nieces. Mr. Jewett was a street car motorman and bus driver until his retirement in 1949 after a service of 32 years. He was a member of the Home City Lodge #536 I.O.O.F. He is mourned by the many friends whom he has made throughout the City of Jackson by his courteous manner and always pleasant smile.

Col. George A. Taylor, age 76 years died at his home in Hadley, Mass. January 8, 1956. Col. Taylor had been in ill health for sometime and had just returned from the Cooley Dickinson Hospital in Northhampton where he had been a patient. Born in Providence, Rhode Island, April 23, 1879, he graduated from Brown University in 1901. He served in the army for 31 years, until his retirement in 1932 with the rank of Full Colonel. He was a nephew of John Howard Jewett, the author of children's books. Col. Taylor was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Mass., The Spanish War Veterans, The Veterans of Foreign Wars, The Society of Mayflower Descendants, The Sons of the American Revolution. He was the commander of the 128th F. A., 35th Division in France in 1918. A Commander of the Order of Polonia Restitute; also a "chasseur de premiere classe honoraire de 20eme Battalion, Chasseurs Alpins" (Blue Devils). He is survived by a brother, a niece and a nephew. Col. Taylor #9990 has been a member of the Jewett Family of America for many years.

Harry W. Jewett, age 83 years, died at his home in Groton, Mass., January 13, 1956. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge. Mr. Jewett is survived by his wife, the former Annie S. Swank

Mrs. Margaret Jewett Cheshire of West Peachtree St., Atlanta, Georgia passed away at her residence, December 16, 1955 after a long illness. She was the daughter of the late Dr. Henry R. Jewett of Atlanta #8559. Mrs. Cheshire was for many years a bookkeeper for a group of Atlanta physicians. She is survived by two sisters, a nephew and two nieces.

Sarah E. James Jewett died in Baldwin Park, California October 7, 1955. She was born in Amador county, California in 1876 and married John Frederick Jewett #8072 about 1895. He passed away in 1948. Mrs. Jewett is survived by two daughters; two sons and four grandchildren.

Mrs. Lela M. Hammond of West Franklin, New Hampshire, a member of The Jewett Family for a number of years died February 5, 1956 after a long illness. She was the daughter of George W. and Mary Lois Jewett Melcher, a descendant of Maximilian Jewett. Mrs. Hammond is survived by her husband, William Hammond; also a daughter by a former marriage.

Mrs. Mary V. Wendell Jewett of Grosse Point, Michigan died at Henry Ford Hospital, Dec. 30, 1955. Her husband Harry Jewett who died in 1933 was affiliated with the Paige-Detroit Motor Car Company, predecessor of Graham-Paige and served as President and Board Chairman for 18 years. Mrs. Jewett is survived by two children, Mrs. Eleanor Jewett Dwyer of Detroit and Edward H. Jewett of Lapeer, Michigan.



## To The Reunion

William H. Jewett

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It was quite a trip, indeed you might almost call it a journey, to cross the North American continent from the City of Eureka, California facing the Pacific to Rowley, Massachusetts, facing the Atlantic. And to Boston and New York and on to Washington. That is hardly all, for we went south first to San Francisco, then north to Vancouver, British Columbia, then east to Montreal; from there directly to Boston and Rowley. To tell it all would be to write a book. So just the High Spots.

On the morning of the 13th of August 1955, my brother, Arthur N. Jewett, aged 84 past and myself aged 82 past, left Eureka by Greyhound bus for San Francisco, the beginning of our planned itinerary which would bring us to Rowley, Mass., in time to attend the Jewett reunion at that place. We made our own plans for the trip, but the reunion was the arrangement of the officers of the Jewett Family of America, Inc. The dates of the meeting at Rowley were August 26, 27 and 28, 1955.

On the 16th, we took the Southern Pacific ferry to the Oakland pier, formerly known as the "Oakland Mole". Here we boarded the train called the Shanta Daylight; a train running from Oakland, California to Portland, Oregon. It was a comfortable and pleasant ride, somewhat long to be called "Daylight", for we reached Portland at 12:30 Standard time, and an hour later by Daylight time.

Two days were spent in Portland and we took occasion to visit once again our friends there.

The train to Vancouver is a "pool" train, operated by three different railroads. It leaves Portland at 11:45 P.M. and reaches Seattle, Washington early in the morning, giving us ample time to board another daylight train for Vancouver. And in the afternoon of the same day we took passage on the "Super Continental", the crack train of the Canadian National, heading across Canada as far as Montreal. Again we changed trains, riding on the Canadian Pacific to Boston.

No matter which route you take, the ride across the Rockies will always be interesting and spectacular. Having travelled all of the other railroads which cross the Rockies, I was prepared to enjoy this ride and I did. No two routes are to be compared. But we most thoroughly enjoyed the trip along the rushing rivers, the high mountains and beside the rich cultivated fields. On a previous trip across Western Canada, the fields were snow covered and it was rather a strange sight to me to see the shocks of wheat, snow capped, standing in the fields like regimental soldiers. But this trip we saw snow only on the highest places, while the richness of late summer on every hand showed the abundance of a "Good" year.

We spent three days in Boston, stopping at the Statler Hotel. And we enjoyed the usual Statler hospitality. We took rides around the city and to Cambridge and along the water front to see the Constitution, better known as "Old Ironsides", to Bunker Hill Monument and a host of other places.

And then to Rowley, a relatively small place 28 miles north of Boston. We were domiciled at a fine Motor Court and found there excellent accommodations and a genial host. For the time being we remained in the "Cabin" for on the outside there was a most active host of mosquitoes, which we estimated in numbers to be something over ten millions. I suppose they would not have refused other kinds, but it seemed to me as though they preferred to taste "Californians".

Rowley and its people were well prepared to make the visitors at home. And as far as the California contingent was concerned, they were well prepared to accept and enjoy all preparations arranged for them. For one thing, the banquet of Boston Baked Beans and Brown Bread. On a visit to Boston a few years ago, I endeavored to purchase at a restaurant some Baked Beans and Brown Bread. None were to be had. So when it was announced that such a meal would be served in the Church Vestry, I suppose that I was among the first to appear and possibly not far from the last to leave.

I also enjoyed very much indeed the luncheon served in a huge tent on a parked block not far from the Historical Building in which we were meeting at the time. The viands were delicious, the entertainment very enjoyable. But best of all I had the privilege of sitting beside Stephen and Mary Jewett, son and daughter-in-law of our past president.

I know that mention of names is dangerous, since one cannot mention all, and may leave out one who should be mentioned if any are, yet I must make mention of those to whom we were indebted to rides about the countryside: Mr. Leonard Peabody; to Miss Evelyn Pattison and to Mr. and Mrs. Geigel and I am sure others whose names I have forgotten. But I believe that Walter Jewett was one of those. We were taken to the eating place in Ipswich just beside the Railroad station and to Callahan's by the Essex river in which ducks and geese and mudhens seemed to think they owed something to the visitors.

These delightful three days: Never shall I forget them. And the pleasures of the visit were added to by the graciousness and personal attention of all we had the pleasure to meet. All things, I suppose come to an end. At least the reunion did, but the memories will last. Even while travelling to New York, Washington and Chicago, we took time out frequently to speak of so many people whose kindness we shall never forget.



## Notes from the Secretary

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Members of our Family Association are scattered about the world: Mr. Samuel Newman, living in Rio De Janerio, Brazil. Mr. Peter McCrillis Pozzy in Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Malbourne Peabody in Saipan.

Janice Jewett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Jewett of Grand Junction, Iowa, is a new pledge of Sigma Alpha Iota, national women's music honorary at Iowa State College.

More descendants of Holland Jewett #1632 are: Paul Allen Gibbs, born Dec. 13, 1955 to Wilmer A. and Jean P. Gibbs of Middlefield, Ohio. And a child born December 24, 1955 to Laverne and Alvin Eaton of Colebrook, Ohio.

Martha Jean Peabody, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest W. Peabody of Danvers, Mass. has been attending Boston Conservatory of Music for the past two years. Her mother is a noted organist.

If those new members who have not received a membership certificate wish one, please write to the Secretary, Box 151, Rowley, Mass.

Travelling or visiting in the South are: Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Wiggins of Antwerp, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Jewell of Leslie, Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Humphyres of Boone, Iowa. Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace of Lunenburg, Mass.

Judith L. Jewett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett D. Jewett of Rowley, Mass., is working for Braniff Airlines in New York City, after completing her training in Boston, Mass., and Dallas, Texas. Those of you who attended the reunion will remember her as one of the two young ladies who handled the registration.

If you have a change of address, please notify the Secretary, Rowley, Mass. The Quarterlies are not forwarded, but are returned.

We were pleased to see Bob Jewett on TV for a few minutes at the Rose Bowl game. A number of letters have been received asking who he was. No doubt you will meet him at the reunion next summer as he lives in Mason, Mich., and is the son of Wilfred and Pearl Jewett. His father attended the game as a Representative of the State, having been sent by the Ingham County Board of Supervisors. His uncle Arthur Jewett also attended, this being his fourth trip to a Rose Bowl Game. And playing in the Michigan State Band between the halves was Ronnie Benson, grandson of Mattie Jewett Mixer. Ronnie is attending Michigan State Theological School where he is preparing for the ministry.

We wish to acknowledge the many greeting cards we received at Christmas time. Not only did they come from all parts of the United States, from many parts of Canada as well. They were without number and very beautiful. Mrs. Jewett and I appreciate your thoughtfulness in remembering us and take this opportunity to say, "Thank You".

Through the effort of Mr. Elliot A. P. Evans of Berkeley, California we have acquired an early Bible containing many Jewett records not included in the genealogy.

This bible belonged to the ancestors of a Jewett who went to California many years ago. We hope to publish the records in this Quarterly in some future issue.

Although we have had a few contributions toward the cost of publishing this paper, at the present time the main expense is borne by your annual membership fees. About nine-five percent have paid their dues for 1955-56, if you have overlooked yours, please send it along. Now is a good time to suggest that if any member thinks that this Quarterly is something special and wishes to assist in defraying the expense of publishing it. Send your Thoughts, Ideas and Checks to the Secretary, Rowley, Mass. They will be acknowledged.

We enjoyed reading the reports of some of those who attended the reunion and wish that they could all be published; however we have room for only one and so we have included in this issue the story of William and Arthur Jewett who came from Eureka, Calif. Others who wrote, telling us of their trip were; Miss Evelyn Pattison of St. Louis, Mo., Mr. Clyde Jewett Skinner, of Boulder, Colo., and Miss Bulah C. Sweet of Conneaut, Ohio.

Congratulations to Clifford L. Jewett of Minneapolis, Minn. who has been promoted to General Manufacturing manager of the Printing Products Division of Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co. Mr. Jewett will direct all manufacturing, research and product developing for the division which makes and markets presensitized lithographic plates. For the past five years he has been technical director of the division. He joined the firm in 1932 as a research chemist in the roofing granule laboratory and in 1945 he was assigned to the new products division as product development engineer. During Mr. Jewett's 23 years with the Company a number of patents have been issued to him on artificially colored granular roofing, and on the presensitized lithographic plates, which are used all over the world. Mr. Jewett is a very enthusiastic member of the Jewett Family of America. He visited Rowley last spring and again in August with Mrs. Jewett and his sister, Miss Ethel Jewett, to attend the reunion.

I wish again to stress the importance of the genealogical data sheets. More and more are being returned, however there are some who have not sent theirs back. We would like you to fill yours out and mail it to the Secretary, Rowley, Mass. In this way we will have a record of your branch of the family in our files. Again we shall mail extra copies of this Quarterly to a list of Jewetts who are not members and include an invitation to them to join. If you are not a member we would like to hear from you.

Three trips have been made this fall: to South Paris, Maine to visit Mrs. Florence Haskell, our member there; to Portland, Maine to do some research work at the Maine Historical Library and to Hampton, Conn. to attend the annual gathering of the Jewetts in that locality. We have also had the pleasure of entertaining Mr. J. D. Wood of Glenn Ridge, New Jersey and Mr. G. N. Angell of Portland, Oregon.

Are you planning to be in Mason on July 28 and 29, 1956?

The two articles, "The Gold Rush" and "Old Hermitage", taken from unpublished manuscripts of Georgetown, Mass. and printed here through the courtesy of Albert N. Meader of that town. In the list of those who went to California in the Gold Rush, nearly all were of Jewett descent. Mrs. A. A. Lunt, the only woman on the list, was the daughter of Almira (Jewett) Weed #3965. We published Mrs. Lunt's Experience in the Summer 1954 issue, page 12.

## Wanted — Information About the Following

Who were the parents of Theodore Jewett? Our record of him is as follows: He served in the War of 1812, in Capt. Samuel Atkin's Company, enlisting as a private, Sept. 26, 1814. Length of service, 60 days. Residence at the time of enlistment, Chester, New Hampshire. He married Dorothy Smith, a daughter of Benjamin Smith; she was born in Chester. They moved to Rowley Parish (Georgetown) Mass. where he was a cordwainer and where he died, Nov. 22, 1840, age 43 years, 6 months. His wife married, 2nd, in Ipswich, Mass., August 24, 1850, William V. Spiller of that town.

Children of Theodore and Dorothy born in Georgetown, Mass.

James Peabody, born August 15, 1827.

Emily Spofford, born July 3, 1830. (The Georgetown records list an Emily S. Jewett who married Washington Hills, August 7, 1843. If that was the daughter of Theodore, she would have been only 13 years at the time of her marriage).

James Peabody Jewett, son of Theodore married in Ipswich, December 30, 1845, age 20 years, (Ipswich records) Susan W., daughter of James and Mary (Kimball) Caldwell. She was born in Ipswich, January 4, 1824 and died there, January 5, 1895. He died in Ipswich, October 12, 1913, age 88 years, 1 month and 16 days.

Children of James P. and Susan W. Jewett

James, born 1847; died August 25, 1848; age 1 year.

George A., born Dec. 5, 1849; died May 10, 1850.

William H., born Feb. 2, 1851; he married, June 10, 1880, Annie, daughter of Richard and Mary (Choate) Sutton. She was born in Ipswich in 1847 and died there, in 1929. He died in 1936. S. P.

Frederick Maynard, born 1852; he married Nov. 24, 1880, age 28 years, Lucy S., daughter of Sylvester and Lucy (Haskell) Goodwin, age 32 years. Two children, Lois C., born Sept. 28, 1884 and Emma S. born July 26, 1886.

Charles H., born August 4, 1885; died young.

Charles Milton, born June 22, 1863; he married, Dec. 24, 1885, Estella, age 21 years, daughter of John and Harriet Dunbar. They moved to Florida. One daughter of record in Ipswich, Elmira D., born October 5, 1891.

Luther D., born Dec. 18, 1865; died Aug. 18, 1866.

Clarence A., born October 1, 1867.

Who was George Jewett listed in Biddeford, Maine, 1790 census as having 1 male person over 16 years of age living with him? Was he the George Jewett who died in Biddeford, April 26, 1797, age about 30 years leaving an estate of \$271.42? His wife, Polly, was administratrix. Was he the George Jewett listed in the genealogy, #10861 who was living in Fryeburg, Maine in 1792, when he married Molly Walker? Did George and Polly have a daughter, Betsey, who was living in Biddeford, Oct. 6, 1810, when her marriage intentions to Eleazer Jeffrey were published? Would like any information about this family.

Who were the parents of Nathaniel Jewett who was living in Sweden, Maine in 1845? He had two children; William Henry and Nathaniel.