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Meeting Our Cousins...

by Debbie Roy Lloyd

Through the wonders of the Internet, I had been communicating with **Pierre Bourgeois** who developed a database of people in the Franche Comte area. He is always very happy when descendants, from around the world, make connections to someone in the database. E-mails flew back and forth between us - as I made more and more connections to my ancestors!

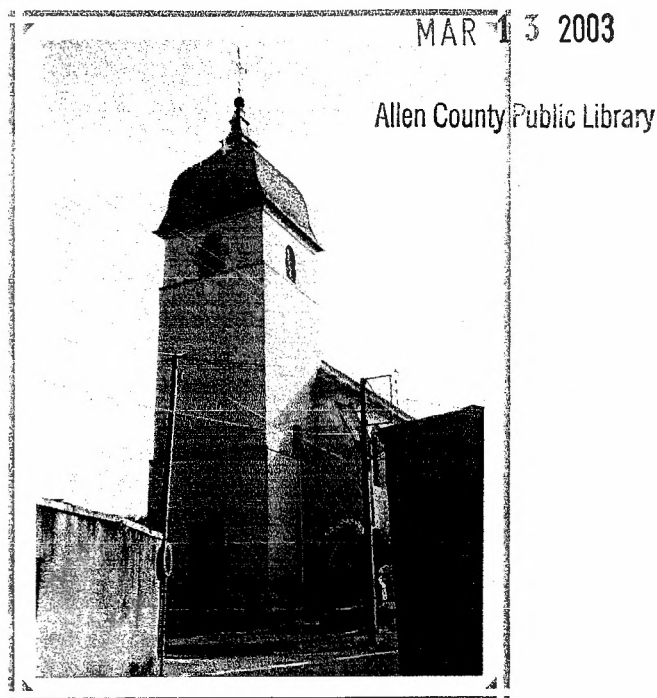
When we made plans to visit this area again, Pierre offered to connect me with people from their local genealogy society. **Philippe Pelletier** soon Emailed us that he would be our host during the two days that we planned to spend in Besançon - he also mentioned that he was a relative, through the Roussey's!

The morning he picked us up at our hotel, he came with an itinerary for two days - and lots of new genealogy information! He gave me two more generations back on the **Roussey** side, and more on **Roy** information. I was thrilled! Little did I know that the best was yet to come ...

We started the morning off by visiting several small ancestral villages. Moncey (birthplace of **François Roy**); Thurey (birthplace of his mother); Pompierre (other Roy ancestors). Then, we arrived in Soye (birthplace of **Pierre Louis Roussey's** mother). We were joined by Pierre's wife, son and two other Roussey relatives: **Monique Sancey and Michel Pouthier**.

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The Church in Moncey - The village where Debbie Roy Lloyd's great-great grandfather, **François Roy** was born.

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President's Message ... January, 2003

*Bonne annee, bonne sante,
et tu paradis a la fin de vos jours!
Good year, good health, and heaven at the
end of your days!*

In December, heaven gained a truly exceptional person in **Gladys Nail Lomont**. I met Gladys when I joined the DAR. She was a very active member. With research of Gladys, **Mildred VanHorn** and **Margaret Hahn**, the first records of Besançon were published, and now can be found in the Allen Public Library. Gladys was a lifelong Jefferson Township resident with a wealth of information. We will miss her.

At the November meeting, the members voted on meeting 6 times a year. The dates for 2003 will be January 25, March 22, May 31, July 26, September 27, and November 29. We will continue to meet at the parish office at 9:30 A.M.

The Besançon choir along with the Historical Society usually sponsor a Christmas program. Since there were too many conflicts with schedules in December, a Easter program will be presented instead. We welcome ideas for the Easter program, and the Besançon Historical Society will be in charge of refreshments and any donations will be greatly appreciated.. A date will be announced at a later time.

Tamyra and Phil Jauregui have completed the index of the baptism records. These will be kept at the archives and will be available for research. Another great job! Thank you! No books are to be published at this time.

Jerry Begue has donated a copy machine to the Historical Society, and it has been placed in the archives. Thanks, Jerry!

Marianne Doyle who edits "*French Ancestors*" has retired after 15 years of publishing this newsletter. Marianne showed us rural life in France and researched the microfilm for family records. This newsletter will be missed but hopefully, Marainne will write some articles for the Chronicles.

In this issue of the Chronicles we are adding some things that are of general genealogical interest. So many times in research we find a word or words we do not understand. On page 6 you will find a list of occupations translated from French that can be found in the American-Canadian Genealogist, Volume 18, Number 2 Issue 52. I have five pages translated, but picked out some of the more common ones. Please let us know if you find a word or words you need translated. And if **you** find anything of interest to our readership, especially if it is a Besançon connection, do not hesitate to share it with us.

*"May all your branches and twigs grow into trees
in 2003!"*

Barbara ...



MISSION of The Besançon Historical Society

ARTICLE II - SECTION 2:

The mission of the Besançon Historical Society of East Allen County is to preserve, interpret, and foster a deeper understanding of the history, heritage, and culture of the rural community know as Besançon, Indiana, generally located in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, and which has as its central focus,
Saint Louis Catholic Church

Established: 1994

GLADYS NAIL LOMONT
AUGUST 07, 1903 - DECEMBER 16, 2002

Gladys Nail Lomont, a charter member of the Besançon Historical Society, died December 16, 2002 at her rural New Haven home, at the age of 99 years old. She was the daughter of John W. and Juliette Coulardot Nail of Maples, Indiana. She was the eldest living member of Saint Louis Catholic Church and a member of its Rosary Sodality; she was a charter member of Do Better Home Economics Club, and a charter member of the Old Ridge D.A.R. Chapter. Her husband, Allen J., died in 1989. She was preceded in death by a son, Gary, in 1942 and a son, Marshall, in 1997.

Besançon Historical Society is privileged to share in the celebration of the life of Gladys Lomont. At an age where most people retire, sat back and watch someone else do it, Gladys Lomont set an example for all of us. She only worked harder. She realized the history, heritage and culture of the area, with its central focus, Saint Louis Catholic Church, had to be saved and was willing to work to preserve it for generations to come.

I cannot be objective in writing this tribute. My memories, my friendship, my relationship goes too deep. I remember a young mother with an apron, standing on a back porch, after burying her oldest son; welcoming people into her home. I remember cousins playing in a soft summer night, I remember laughter, and tears. Tears of happiness, when our families shared the ending of WWII. I remember a woman with laughter, creases in her face from smiling, a woman with well worn hands, I remember watching those hands tearing bread into crumbs, bread that the women from the church had brought over - so she could do her share for the chicken dinner the church gave. That was when she was 97 years old. I remember looking out the window, and talking about the flowers growing in her yard. She loved peonies. I remember a garden growing, a clothes line, empty. I remember blue, blue eyes; searching your face. Asking questions, keeping informed. Reading, up to date. Questioning. I remember being in awe of strength and intellect. I remember a head bent over mine, in prayer. I remember her faith in GOD. Her faith in people, in doing the right thing.

There is no doubt someone would have gone ahead researched and had the Church and all its grounds placed on the "National Historical Register", and someone else could have headed the project to have the windows replaced in Saint Louis Church, and of course, someone else would have research and copied the records of the Church to be published and placed in the Allen County Library, and yes, someone else could have compiled the historical sketch of the parish. Someone would have found a way to found a historical society, and written articles; on the area, on the history and times of the Jefferson Township founders. Of course she did not do these things alone, Gladys Lomont worked with many, many people on all these projects; and she was first to give credit to others. But she gave to her family, her Church, and her community. a lifetime of devotion, hard work, and a zeal for life that was uniquely hers.

Our thoughts and prayers to her three daughters: Barbara Broach, Annette Raaberg, and Joan Bail, her two sons: Jim and Mick. And to Jane. And to 22 grandchildren, and 42 great-grandchildren.

Benjamin Franklin said:

"If you would not be forgotten as soon as you are dead;
either write things worth reading, or do things worth writing"

GLADYS NAIL LOMONT DID BOTH.

Joyce Lomont Crowl

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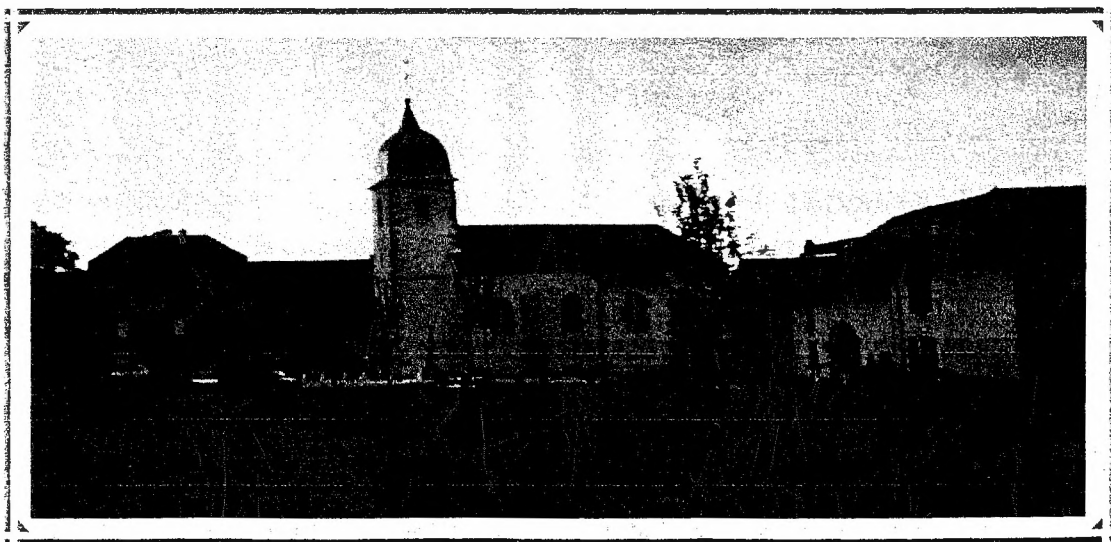
We were then shown original town records and the Church. After a tour and a lunch at the Castel Bournel (which is another story), we arrived in Bournois, the Roussey village. We walked around the village, toured the Church, which certainly resembled our St. Louis Besançon Church, and walked through the cemetery. Michel noticed that **Roger Roussey**, the mayor and a farmer, was driving through the village in a red pick-up truck. He walked over to tell him that 'les cousins americains' were visiting. However, Roger would not come over because he was not presentable to meet 'les americains' Next time, we will make plans to meet with him.

Our next stop was Viethorey, the village of **Joseph Girardot** and family. We were told that we would be meeting the mayor, **Michel Gonin**. Were we surprised when we walked into the town hall, and there were many relatives to meet! It was fantastic to meet so many cousins at once. One cousin with whom I had communicated by E-mail is **Claude Guyon** (his mother is a Girardot); and he also does genealogy. He brought a long printout of his work. It was so much fun for people to show us where they fit in, and we showed them our line. A few people spoke English well, but most of the cousins only spoke French. We communicated well.

Currently, the village has 107 residents, only a few farmers remain. Most of our relatives drive to jobs in the bigger towns in the area. The village is small; the church and homes, many dating back to the 1700's. It was amazing to stand inside the church; Immaculate Conception and know that is where my great-great grandparents - **François Roy and Françoise Girardot** were married in 1850.

Everyone was very happy, and honored, that we had come to visit. We were told that was the first time that any Americans had visited their village. We had wine, we had champagne, we had nutbread, we had many laughs. We have fond memories of that day.

The second day, Philippe and his family took us to the Open Air Museum, which depicts life of the Franc Comtoise, in the late 1700's and early 1800's. This trip was truly a wonderful visit to my ancestral area. I can't wait to go back again.



Immaculate Conception in the village of Viethorey, France



L to R: **Philippe, Catherine Pelletier, Monique Sancy, Debbie Lloyd and Michel Pouthier.** Kneeling in front: **Julien Pelletier**
Debbie is related to Philippe, Monique and Michel through the Roussey's.

Friends of Besançon: ...

B. H. S. Membership Drive 2003. How short the years can be. It is already 2003 and time to renew your membership to the Besançon Historical Society. This years' membership theme is "Member Get a Member", so please help us expand membership by asking any friend or relative interested in family research or history to join us. Included in this issue is a membership form. ... *Special Thanks to Ron Venderly, Jerry and Pam Begue and Don Fry* for their donations to the 'Library Fund'. ... Two genealogy books have been donated by **Alyce Jane Morrow**. They are "**Descendants of Lawrence Jacquay**" by **Dr John Ternce Golden** and "**Martin Family History**" by **John V Aubry**. ... Another book added to the library is: "**Converset Family History/Genealogy/Descendants**" by **Sister Lucille Converset**. ... *Welcome a new member* **Father William (Bill) L. Martin**, 419 Autumn Trail South, Michigan City, IN 46360. He traces his family lineage to 1835 when **Jean F and Margurie Martin** and their six children arrived in America. Their oldest son, **Nicholas**, married **Francis C Bouvier** and moved to Besançon, Indiana. We hope to feature more on this family in a later issue. It is interesting to note that the Martin Family just celebrated their 50th reunion this past year in Monroeville. A wonderful article was published in the NW Indiana Catholic 'Senior View', October 27, 2002 issue, written by Father Bill with great emphasis on family roots!

"Digging into the family tree"...

While exchanging information with **Carol Shipley**, a **Reffelt** cousin in Colorado, we discovered that the first child of my GGGrandparents Reffelt, born 1864, was baptized **Margaret Eugenia**, while the record book of the Fort Wayne Catholic Cemetery listed **James** as the name and also that he was buried in the same plot as **Mary C Manier Reffelt**.

In reading research of others it is about 50/50 the ones that have listed James and the name, Margaret Eugenia. In my Grandmother's album there was a photo of her mother's gravestone and as I looked at the picture there was a small gravestone *immediately* to the side. The photo was really clear and you could read everything on Mary's stone, but nothing on the small stone. There is no stone there now, but I got the idea that the stone might be buried. I went to the gravesite with a probe and almost immediately hit something solid. Shovel in hand, carefully removing about 4" of soil, there it was! Broken, but still in good condition.

'Jane, daughter of R.W. & Mary Reffelt, died Sept 5, 1865 Aged 1 yr - 7 m 10 d

It is great when you can dig up the facts and set the record straight. After a little work on the stone, it will be placed back in its proper position, hopefully for someone else to discover in future generations.

... by **Jerry Begue**



"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called Opportunity and its first chapter is New Year's Day."

Edith Lovejoy Pierce

Translated French Occupations American-Canadian Genealogist Volumn 18, Number 2, Issue 52

agriculteur	farmer
arpenteur	land surveyor
aubergiste	innkeeper
bedeau	church caretaker
boucher	butcher
boulangier	baker
brasseur	brewer
bucheron	woodcutter
chapelier	hatter
charpentier	carpenter
charron	wheelwright
chevalier	horseman, cavalry
chirurgien	surgeon
cloutier	nail-maker, dealer
cocher	coachman, driver
commis	clerk
cordier	rope maker
cordonnier	shoe maker
controleur	superintendent
cultivateur	farmer
ecolier	student
forgeron	blacksmith
imprimeur	printer
ingenieur	engineer
macon	mason, bricklayer
maitre	master, teacher
marchand	merchant, shopkeeper
matelot	sailor
megisseur	tanner
menuisier	joiner, carpenter
notaire	notary, solicitor
orfevre	goldsmith, silversmith
ouvrier	workman, laborer
passeur	ferryman
patissier	pastry cook
pretre	priest
procureur	attorney
relieur	binder of books
soldat	soldier
syndic	trustee
tisserand	weaver
tonnelier	cooper
voyer	surveyor of roads

yesteryears ...

copied and submitted by Jane Morow



From the Fort Wayne Sentinel, Dec 29, 1899 ... ZULU ITEMS

Lecie Reuilder was buried last Wednesday from the St Louis church, Besancon. **George Vanderley** has traded his farm for **Justin Conno's** saloon. **George Townsend** sold his eight acre lot in Zulu to **George Vanderly** for \$600 **Louis Reuille** had a husking bee last Saturday. A good time is reported. **Ike VanHorn** gave the young folks a hop at **Lew Roy's** last Saturday. **Louis Reuille** is thinking of selling his farm. **Mike Gladieux** went to Chicago to attend a funeral of a relative. ...

From the Ft Wayne Sentinel, February 3, 1906... The members of the French Reading Club and a number of young ladies spent a delightful afternoon Thursday with **Mrs August Pepe** at Besancon. The guests were served a bountiful country supper at 5 o'clock and at close sang the "Marsellaise Hymn". The members of the club are **Mrs R S Robertson, Mrs Ben R Barva, Mrs J J Reed, Mrs A J Lanternier, Mrs James Barnett, Mrs J B Reuss, Mrs Louis Roy, Mrs Dan Shordon, Mrs Will Ryan, Mrs J Parnin and Miss Roche**. The young ladies who participated were **Miss Loretta Reed, Miss Irene Lanternier, Miss Loretta Barva, Miss Clara and Miss Linda Pepe**.

February 26, 1906 A COUNTRY PARTY ... A merry company of the friends of **August Chevillot**, of Jackson township, gathered at his home Friday evening in honor of the son of the family, **Romey Chevillot**. Pedro and a supper were the principal features of the evening. The guests were Messrs. and Mesdames **Charles Bammert, D., Lostie, William Pio, S. Emmenheiser, A. Girardot, J. Voirol, P. and E. Urbine George Moore, Violand, Misses Rose Lomont, May Jones, Helen Davis, Irene Roy, rose Rorink, Laura Urbine, Mileton Pio, Rhoda Jones, Martha Bonjour, Ernestine Bonjour, and Messrs. Raymond Maurey, J. W. Jones, Frank Voirol, Clarence John and Ernest Lomont, Polite Bonjour, Jay Rorink, Orley Harvey, Asker Urbine, Edward Voiland, Jesse Lothamer, and Clarence Roy**.

August 12, 1906 ... **August Beauchot** and son, **William** were guests at the **Louis Beauchot** home near Monroeville Friday...**Miss Amelia Perry**, of Ft Wayne, accompanied by **Louis Martin**, of Besancon, visited with **Jane and Sophia Martin** Saturday ... **Joseph Roy**, who has been dangerously ill with smallpox, is much improved at this writing. **Mrs Roy** is now confined to her bed with a severe attack of small pox. ... **Julian Martin** and daughter **Louisa, Mr and Mrs Louis Roussey, Mrs Elizabeth Reuille** of Ft Wayne, and **Rosa Mourey** were pleasantly entertained by **Mr and Mrs Peter Reuille** last Friday. ... **Laura Ternet**, of Besancon, spent Sunday the guest of **Belle Richard**. **Mae Bacon**, of near Woodburn, is here spending a vacation with her aunt, **Mrs John Gerardot**. ... A large crowd of young people from Jefferson and Jackson townships were entertained by **Ella Bacon** Thursday evening.

Not all were parties - included in the material from Jane Morow were many obituaries, including **Alexander Pichon**, Feb, 1899, **Mrs Virginia Boiteux**, Feb, 1899, **Frank Rondot**, August, 1899, **Mrs Hortense Cochoti**, May, 1901, **Victoria Lomont**, May, 1901, **Frank Bardey**, Feb, 1902, **John B. Sausotte**, Feb, 1902, a very detailed and gruesome account of the terrible accident that caused the death of **Louis J. Reuille**, Feb, 1902, **Mrs. Elizabeth Pio**, March, 1902 and **John B Dupeyron**, Feb, 1906.

Editor's note: These and many other obituaries are all indexed and filed in the Besancon archives for your research They are a great source of information, and hold many bits of little know facts.

Descendants of John Townsend

Researched and submitted by Susan Marie Townsend Downey

Generation No. 1

1. **JOHN¹ TOWNSEND** was born Abt. 1725. He married **ELIZABETH PEARSON** Abt. 1755. She was born December 08, 1726 in Payne, Paulding County, Ohio.

Children of JOHN TOWNSEND and ELIZABETH PEARSON are:

- i. **JAMES² TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1755; m. **MARY (MARTHA) COOK**, April 06, 1775, Bush River MM, Newbury District, South Caroline.
2. ii. **WILLIAM TOWNSEND**, b. September 12, 1759; m. **Martha Matson**, d. September 04, 1824, Martin Cemetery, Greenville Twp, Darke County, Ohio.
- iii. **ELIZABETH TOWNSEND**, m. **AMOS COOK**, April 12, 1775, Bush River MM, Newbury District, South Caroline.
- iv. **JOHN TOWNSEND, JR.**, b. December 08, 1763, Pennsylvania; d. August 25, 1853, Whitewater MM (Wayne) Indiana; m. **ELVIRA CAIN**, May 06, 1783, Newbury District, South Caroline.
- v. **MARGARET TOWNSEND**, m. **SAMUEL HUNT**, February 11, 1789, Bush River MM, Newbury District, South Caroline.
- vi. **RUTH TOWNSEND**, m. ? **YOUNG**, October 19, 1799, Cane Creek MM (Union) South Caroline.
- vii. **SARAH TOWNSEND**, m. **COX OR CAIN**, March 24, 1798, Cane Creek MM (Union) South Caroline.
- viii. **ESTHER TOWNSEND**, m. **JAMES PARNELL/PARSEL**, May 18, 1784, Bush River MM, Newbury District, South Caroline.

Generation No. 2

2. **WILLIAM² TOWNSEND (JOHN¹)** was born September 12, 1759, and died September 04, 1824, he is buried in Martin Cemetery, Greenville Twp, Darke County, Ohio. He married **MARTHA MATSON**. She was born Abt. 1760, and died November 12, 1845, she is buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Children of WILLIAM TOWNSEND and MARTHA MATSON are:

- i. **JOHN³ TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1780, Newbury District, South Caroline; d. June 23, 1836, Darke County, Ohio; m. **MARY EASTERLAND**, July 23, 1807, Warren Ohio.
3. ii. **JOSEPH TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1780, Newbury District, South Caroline; m. **Barbara Studebaker**, May 29, 1806 d. April 11, 1843, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- iii. **MARY TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1786; d. April 01, 1826, Buried in Martin Cemetery, Greenville Twp, Darke County, Ohio; m. **ABRAHAM STUDEBAKER, JR**, March 24, 1806, Warren, Ohio.
- iv. **ELIZABETH TOWNSEND**, b. July 12, 1790, Newbury District, South Caroline; d. September 18, 1828, Buried in Martin Cemetery, Greenville Twp, Darke County, Ohio; m. **WILLIAM ARNOLD**, July 04, 1815, Warren, Ohio.
- v. **ELI TOWNSEND**, d. Darke County, Ohio.
- vi. **JAMES TOWNSEND**, b. September 12, 1796, Newbury District, South Caroline; d. December 21, 1847, Martin Cemetery, Greenville Twp, Darke County, Ohio; m. **LYDIA ARNOLD**, April 17, 1818, Darke County, Ohio.
- vii. **WILLIAM TOWNSEND, JR**, b. Abt. 1800, Newbury District, South Caroline; m. **Mary Edwards**, July 3, 1823, Darke County, Ohio. d: August 29, 1829. Buried Martin Cemetery, Greenville Twp, Darke County, Ohio
- viii. **JONATHAN TOWNSEND**, b. 1800; d. 1837, buried in Abbottsville Cemetery, Van Buren, Darke County, Ohio.

Generation No. 3

3. **JOSEPH³ TOWNSEND (WILLIAM², JOHN¹)** was born Abt. 1780 in Newbury District, South Caroline, and died April 11, 1843 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. He married **BARBARA STUDEBAKER** May 29, 1806 in Warren, Ohio, daughter of **ABRAHAM STUDEBAKER** and **MARY WHITEHEAD**. She was born 1788 in Newbury District, South Caroline, and died 1875 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Children of JOSEPH TOWNSEND and BARBARA STUDEBAKER are:

- i. **MINERVA⁴ TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1806, Clinton, Ohio; d. buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- ii. **GEORGE TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1807, Clinton, Ohio; d. Allen County, Indiana; m. **SUSANNAH DINGMAN**, January 17, 1832, Allen County, Indiana.

- iii. **RACHEL TOWNSEND**, b. June 06, 1808, Clinton, Ohio; d. June 11, 1870, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana; m. **DAVID W. MILLER**, August 13, 1828, Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. March 31, 1895, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- iv. **JONATHON TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1811, Clinton, Ohio.
- v. **JAMES TOWNSEND**, b. Abt. 1813, Clinton, Ohio; d. buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- 4. vi. **PETER TOWNSEND**, b. October 05, 1816, Warren, Ohio; m. **Esther Neal**, January 14, 1841, d. March 20, 1875, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Generation No. 4

4. PETER⁴ TOWNSEND (**JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹**) was born October 05, 1816 in Warren, Ohio, and died March 20, 1875 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. He married (1) **ESTHER NEAL** January 14, 1841 in Darke County, Ohio, daughter of **CALEB NEAL and ANN MILLER**. She was born December 10, 1819 in Neave Township, Darke County, Ohio, and died 1855 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. He married (2) **SARAH ANN NEAL** March 24, 1859 in Allen County, Indiana, daughter of **CALEB NEAL and ANN MILLER**. She was born December 16, 1832 in Neave Township, Darke County, Ohio, and died 1882 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Children of **PETER TOWNSEND** and **ESTHER NEAL** are:

- 5. i. **GEORGE WILLIAM⁵ TOWNSEND**, b. November 06, 1841, Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. March 26, 1911, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- 6. ii. **BARBARA ANN TOWNSEND**, b. 1844, Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. April 29, 1933, Edgerton, Ohio, buried IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana 02/May/1933.

Children of **PETER TOWNSEND** and **SARAH NEAL** are:

- 7. iii. **CALEB⁵ TOWNSEND**, b. August 21, 1859, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. July 08, 1859, Monroe Twp, Buried IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- 8. iv. **ADEMA J. TOWNSEND**, b. July 09, 1861, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. December 18, 1904, Monroe Twp, Buried IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- v. **AMANDA L. TOWNSEND**, b. 1864, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. Allen County, Indiana; m. May 25, 1882 **JAMES W. CHILCOTE**; b. 1864; d. Allen County, Indiana.
- vi. **WILLIAM SHERMAN TOWNSEND**, b. January 1866, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. August 1944, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana; m. (1) **STELLA M.**; b. November 10, 1879, Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. April 08, 1951, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana; m. (2) **LUCINDA (LUCY) A. ROSE**, December 29, 1885, Allen County, Indiana; b. June 24, 1866, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. February 10, 1941, Pemberville, Ohio.
- vii. **ULYSSES GRANT TOWNSEND**, b. February 02, 1869, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. February 17, 1869, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Generation No. 5

5. GEORGE WILLIAM⁵ TOWNSEND (**PETER⁴, JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹**) was born November 06, 1841 in Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana, and died March 26, 1911 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. He married **JOSEPHINE CECILIA GLADIEUX** August 23, 1860 in Allen County, Indiana, daughter of **JEAN GLADIEUX and ROSALIE ROSSAT**. She was born April 02, 1841 in Vellescot, France, and died October 12, 1919 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. Baptism: St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon

Children of **GEORGE TOWNSEND** and **JOSEPHINE GLADIEUX** are:

- 9. i. **CECILIA⁶ TOWNSEND**, b. September 1861, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. November 1955, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- 10. ii. **WILLIAM N. TOWNSEND**, b. November 27, 1863, Allen County, Indiana; Christened April 10, 1892, Besançon; d. September 15, 1903, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- iii. **GEORGE WILLIAM TOWNSEND, JR.**, b. 1866, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; Christened April 10, 1892, Besançon; d. March 25, 1949, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana; m. **MARY ELLEN TERNET**, November 03, 1891, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon; b. September 24, 1870, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. November 22, 1941, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- 11. iv. **LOUISE ELIZABETH TOWNSEND**, b. March 23, 1868, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. July 31, 1922, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. Christened: November 02, 1891, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon

6. **BARBARA ANN⁵ TOWNSEND** (*PETER⁴, JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹*) was born 1844 in Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana, and died April 29, 1933 in Edgerton, Ohio, buried IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana 02/May/1933. She married **JOHN MCCONNELL** July 18, 1867 in Allen County, Indiana. He was born 1839 in Hocking, Ohio, and died November 1927 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. **JOHN MCCONNELL**: served in military service: Civil War, Co A, 34th Volunteer Infantry Children of **BARBARA TOWNSEND** and **JOHN MCCONNELL** are:

- i. **EVA⁶ MCCONNELL**, b. 1868. m: **Thomas Savage**, 1888
- ii. **ELIZA MCCONNELL**, b. 1869.
- iii. **MARGARET J. MCCONNELL**, b. 1871
- iv. **WILLIAM S. MCCONNELL**, b. 1872; d. 1873.
- v. **JOHN A. MCCONNELL**, b. 1874.
- vi. **CALEB MCCONNELL**, b. 1875; d. February 1947, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.
- vii. **ADEMA MCCONNELL**, b. 1880.
- viii. **CHARLES FRANK MCCONNELL**, b. 1882.

7. **CALEB⁵ TOWNSEND** (*PETER⁴, JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹*) was born August 21, 1859 in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, and died July 8, 1907 in Monroe Twp, Buried IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. He married **SAMANTHA KRICK** January 24, 1882 in Allen County, Indiana. She was born October 28, 1862 in Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana. and died December 16, 1945 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana

Child of **CALEB TOWNSEND** and **SAMANTHA KRICK** is:

- i. **AMANDA ALICE⁶ TOWNSEND**, b. September 03, 1892; m. **WILLIAM L TAYLOR**, November 28, 1917, Allen County, Indiana.

8. **ADEMA J.⁵ TOWNSEND** (*PETER⁴, JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹*) was born July 09, 1861 in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, and died December 18, 1904 in Monroe Twp, Buried IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. She married **HENRY KRICK** December 23, 1880 in Allen County, Indiana. He was born 1859 in Adams Township, Allen County, Indiana, and died 1940 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Child of **ADEMA TOWNSEND** and **HENRY KRICK** is:

- i. **CHARLES⁶ KRICK**, b. 1881; d. 1951; m. **ETHEL BAKER**.

Generation No. 6

9. **CECILIA⁶ TOWNSEND** (*GEORGE WILLIAM⁵, PETER⁴, JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹*) was born September 1861 in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, and died November 1955 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. She married **LOUIS L. YOQUELET** September 26, 1878 in Allen County, Indiana. He was born March 1856 in Indiana, and died October 1929 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Children of **CECILIA TOWNSEND** and **LOUIS YOQUELET** are:

- i. **LOUIS E.⁷ YOQUELET**, b. July 1880, Allen County, Indiana.
- ii. **CORA E. YOQUELET**, b. December 1881, Allen County, Indiana.
- iii. **GEORGE YOQUELET**, b. March 1882, Allen County, Indiana.
- iv. **ELMER E. YOQUELET**, b. April 1884, Allen County, Indiana.
- v. **MINNIE L. YOQUELET**, b. August 1886, Allen County, Indiana.
- vi. **CHARLES YOQUELET**, b. August 1889, Allen County, Indiana.
- vii. **CLARENCE G. YOQUELET**, b. June 1891, Allen County, Indiana.
- viii. **IRENA J. YOQUELET**, b. August 1892, Allen County, Indiana.
- ix. **ARTHUR J. YOQUELET**, b. August 1895, Allen County, Indiana.

10. **WILLIAM N.⁶ TOWNSEND** (*GEORGE WILLIAM⁵, PETER⁴, JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹*) was born November 27, 1863 in Allen County, Indiana. Christened April 10, 1892, Besançon, and died September 15, 1930, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. He married **ANNA A. RYAN** April 28, 1892 in Allen County, Indiana, daughter of **THOMAS JAMES RYAN** and **MARY BRODERICK**. She was born November 11, 1873 in Milan Township, Allen County, Indiana, Christening: December 14, 1873, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon and died October 10, 1924 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Child of **WILLIAM TOWNSEND** and **ANNA RYAN** is:

- i. **CLARENCE WILLIAM⁷ TOWNSEND**, b. January 23, 1894, Paulding Road Farm, Jackson Township, Allen County, Indiana; d. May 06, 1966, Fort Wayne, Allen County, Indiana; m. **ETTA GERTRUDE FALLS**, January 28, 1913, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon. He was christened January 28, 1894, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon.



Four generations: L to R
Josephine Gladieux Townsend, her son,
William N. Townsend.
Williams's son, Clarence William,
and Clarence's son, Edwin Clarence Townsend

11. **LOUISE ELIZABETH⁶ TOWNSEND** (*GEORGE WILLIAM⁵, PETER⁴, JOSEPH³, WILLIAM², JOHN¹*) was born March 23, 1868 in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, Christened: April 12, 1891, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon and died July 31, 1922 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana. She married **CHARLES F. TERNET** April 14, 1891 in St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon, son of **CHARLES TERNET** and **JUSTINE RONDOT**. He was born January 06, 1864 in Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana, and died November 12, 1948 in buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana.

Children of LOUISE TOWNSEND and CHARLES TERNET are:

- i. **LESLIE GEORGE⁷ TERNET**, b. February 01, 1894, Allen County, Indiana; m. **LAURA P BOITET**, January 28, 1914, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon.
- ii. **CLETUS JESSE TERNET**, b. January 08, 1898; d. March 17, 1977, buried in IOOF Cemetery, New Haven, Allen County, Indiana; m. **SUSAN FALLS**, March 17, 1916, St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon.
- iii. **VELMA AGNES TERNET**, b. August 02, 1899, Jefferson Township, Allen County, Indiana; m. **CLEMENT MARQUARDT**, January 15, 1918.



Etta Falls on
her wedding day
28 January 1913



William N. Townsend and
Anna Ryan on their wedding day
28 April, 1892
St Louis Catholic Church, Besançon

Many thanks to Susan Townsend Downey for sharing this wonderful family tree! Susan is the granddaughter of William and Anna Ryan Townsend. She also included some newspaper articles she had collected. Here is one: **Zulu News** December 3, 1915. On Tuesday, Nov 30th at the home of **Mr and Mrs H S Coulardot** occurred the last meeting of the third series of the "The Jolly Club of Ten", the tenth falling to Mrs H S Coulardot and she in turn made the affair most interesting. The house throughout was decorated with ferns and cut flowers, fresh from the green house and the nation's color red, white and blue streamers neatly fastened with a bunch of flowers and ferns. **Miss Edna Monnot** assisted Mrs Coulardot with the serving of a delicious lunch the table loaded with all good things to eat consisting of fruits of all kinds, sandwiches, cakes, candies, celery, pickles and cheese. Beside the club members were **Mrs Frank Lothamer, Miss Edna Monnet, Master Edwin Townsend, Mr George Townsend, Mrs Clarence Townsend, and Mr H S Coulardot**. Miss Edna Monnot gave a few selections in music while the rest of the afternoon was spent in business transaction and social chat. (Fort Wayne Journal Gazette - 4 Dec 1915)

Genealogy on the Internet ...

by Joyce Lomont Crowl

Where did you come from? Not where were you born, but where did you really come from? Genealogy is not new. Since earliest times, man has thought to leave a record of himself. Cave paintings in France, tombstone art all over the world, petroglyphs and pictographs of Native Americans, Biblical references, Chinese and ancient Egyptians all indicate that early man wanted to be remembered by those who would come after. In 1998, it was reported 96 % of adults have tried to find out something about their ancestors. Books, magazines, radio programs, organizations, libraries, web sites, are all dedicated to family history. Genealogy is very addictive, it is like detective work. It is also a learning process. It is history, geography, wars, time periods, immigration (not only to this country, but the settling of America) tragedies, and life stories rolled into one.

What is *new* is genealogy on the Internet. Genealogy is the second most popular subject on the Internet in the United States. but how reliable is it? It should be used only as a tool. It is a good tool to get leads, but you can't accept things on the Internet as fact; there are a great many people out there who don't document or leap to conclusions - *you* have to do your homework.

We hope in the next few issues to give you some tips about searching for ancestors. We will try to add a little humor! We will be giving some of our favorite Web sites. We all work in different ways, but the key to a good researcher is documentation and organization. And stay organized! It is amazing how fast information piles up. My greatest pleasure about the research I have done in the last few years is corresponding with relatives or people I never would have had the opportunity to ever meet any other way.

Now here are some Internet sites for you to try: It is not meant to be comprehensive, it is just a good place to start your genealogical research on line. Let us know what are some of your favorite sites.

<http://www.familysearch.org> The web site for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, this contains the following computer databases: Ancestral File, International Genealogical Index, and Family History Library Card Catalog. Millions of names BUT, all submitted, not necessarily accurate.

<http://www.comsource.net/~kyseeker/Indiana> NGenWeb One of the best. Here you might find county census records, cemetery lists, marriage records, short bios, the works.

<http://www.ih1830.org/heritage.htm> Indiana History: Good for its links.

<http://www.ancestry.com> Ancestry: Contains the Social Security Death Index, (free) The World Tree (free) and many other data bases, many are a part of Ancestry's subscription service.

<http://www.cyndislist.com> Cyndi's List A listing of tens of thousands of genealogy links, organized by topic. Start here for ideas and from **Jerry Begue** a site he found interesting when researching French ancestors:

<http://www.geneactes.org/> Les médaillés de Sainte-Hélène

This medal was awarded to over 390,000 French soldiers still living in 1857, who had fought with **Napoleon I**. The medal was created in 1857 by **Napoleon III**

All officers are on the Internet: Let us know how we are doing!

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- ◆ "I would like to find out if I have any living relatives or dead relatives or ancestors in my family."
- ◆ "He and his daughter are not listed as being born."
- ◆ "My Grandfather died at the age of three."
- ◆ "We are sending you five children in a separate envelope."
- ◆ "The wife of #22 could not be found. Somebody suggested that she might have been stillborn, what do you think?"
- ◆ "I am mailing you my aunt and uncle and three of their children."
- ◆ "This family had 7 nephews that I am unable to find, If you know who they are, please add them to the list".
- ◆ "Enclosed please find my Grandmother. I have worked on her for 30 years without success. Now see what you can do".
- ◆ A 14 year old boy wrote: "I do not want you to do my research for me. Will you please send me all of the material on the Welch line, in the United States, England and Scotland countries? I will do the research".
- ◆ "Will you please send me the name of my first wife? I have forgotten her name?". *and last,*
- ◆ "We lost our Grandmother, will you please send us a copy?"

QUERIES

22a.

Anyone having information of a gentleman from Monroeville, IN. by the name of **Joseph J. Peters**. He was in the service during World War I, and is the author of a book "Before, During and After the World War". It was published in Fort Wayne, in 1933. Mr. Peters mentions a sister, **Laura**. It is mentioned he acted as an interpreter and also accepted the position of a secretaryship with the Knights of Columbus in France. Please contact Joyce Lomont Crowl, 5036 Abbey Lane, Shelby Twp MI 48316 or Email me, please.

22b. Does anyone have any knowledge of the club mentioned on page 12 of this publication. It was called "The Jolly Club of Ten". It would be interesting to find out who was members and what they did!! The mention of business transactions is intriguing! Any other clubs would be of interest to all of us, if you are aware of them. Thanks jlc

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