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As President and Editor of your quarterly, I sometimes get a little discouraged that there just aren't enough people volunteering to keep up with the society's numerous projects. Inevitably an out-of-town member writes a letter that really lifts my spirits. That's exactly what happened this year when I received a letter saying "Recently I have also become a member of another Illinois genealogical society in addition to KVGs. I was surprised at the differences between the two. In my opinion, Kankakee Valley wins the prize for a more impressive, wide ranging, and useful quarterly; for giving its members more for their dues; and for how much information I am gleaned from my first year's quarterlies, etc. KVGs truly shines in comparison. Thanks for continuing to run such a good society!"

It really helps to get feedback from our members and thanks, Mardy and several others, for the encouraging letter. As in any job, it really helps to know our work is appreciated!

And now that I'm on a positive note, I'd like to thank one of our out-of-town members who is always willing to help. Leon Keller gave us our first index to quarterlies, Volume 1-15. He has now volunteered to index Volume 21-25. Computer literate members who can take on one of our many projects sure are appreciated. Thanks Leon!

The goal to complete all cemeteries was once again slowed down but I'm happy to say this was just a temporary situation. This next year Pilot and Limestone Cemetery Books will be available. We're also getting close to completion of the 1870 Census and hope to complete this book during 1996. We took the time to do a reprint of the 1883 Atlas this year since it is one of the best sources of historic as well as vital statistics on Kankakee County. I'm happy to say we had enough pre-publication orders to proceed with the project and now have a large supply of these atlases available. Anyone who hasn't ordered one yet should take advantage of this wonderful resource.

Marcia Stang

KVGs 1995 TREASURER'S REPORT

	ACTUAL FY 1994	ACTUAL FY 1995
Income:		
Memberships	1,212.00	\$1,179.00
Book Sales	2,257.50	4,244.95
Research/Copies	165.50	248.65
Donations	66.00	20.50
Postage & Handling	103.50	255.70
Interest	143.95	112.98
Total Income	\$3,948.45	\$6,061.78

	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET
	FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1995
Expenses:			
Equipment	2,538.64	0.00	0.00
Collection Acquisitions	135.95	254.53	300.00
Postage & Shipping	679.14	807.41	750.00
Copier Supplies (paper & toner)	452.48	611.34	500.00
Copier Maintenance/Repair	0.00	301.74	300.00
Spiral Binders & Covers	74.06	67.84	100.03
Misc. (floppies, envelopes, food, etc.)	41.22	356.30*	50.00
Advertising	0.00	44.62	50.00
Bindery Expense	0.00	142.90	250.00
P.O. Box Rent	49.00	58.00	5000
Printing	0.00	5,865.50	6,000.00
Refunds	44.50	0.00	0.00
Subscriptions/Memberships	25.00	25.00	25.00
Program	298.70**	87.32	150E0
Total Expenses	\$4,297.47	\$8,622.50	\$8,525.00

*Included \$73.33 for Letterhead, \$36.00 for photo pages, and \$112.45 for Shipping Envelopes for Atlas.

**1993 & 94 budgeted amounts.

The January Meeting was held at the Kankakee Co. Circuit Clerk's office. Monica Bauer, the Circuit Clerk, gave members of the society a tour of the Circuit Clerk's office as well as basement and spoke on the numerous records processed by her office. The Circuit Clerk's office has approximately 31 full time employees who handle all active records going through the court system. Some of the records handled by this office include Probate, Naturalization, Tax, Divorce, Adoption, Chancery, Mental Health, Juvenile, Small Claims, Traffic and Orders Protection.

Approximately two years ago the Circuit Clerk started microfilming all their records. Records start in 1853 and have been microfilmed through 1960. The Circuit Clerk keeps one copy of the microfilmed records and the Springfield archives has the other copy. The original records prior to 1903 have been shipped to the IRAD location at Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois.

Different records have to be kept for varying time periods. Felony cases are kept for at least 60 years, law and divorce cases for 21 years and traffic tickets for 5 years. All the files in the Circuit Clerk's office are color coded by year, type of record, and then case number. The office will make copies from records or microfilms at a cost of \$1 for the first copy and \$0.50/page thereafter. The best method to obtain records would be to write to the office stating what records you're interested in and asking the cost. Please include a S.A.S.E. for their response and then send in your check. Records the public can't see includes impounded records, juvenile and court records.

The society was given a tour of the basement of the courthouse where old records are kept as well as where all the microfilming is done. There are approximately 100 boxes of microfilmed records the Circuit Clerk is trying to find a permanent location for. The society was offered these

records but, unfortunately, we don't have a facility to house them. The Circuit Clerk doesn't want to see any of the old records destroyed and will continue to search for a location for these records.

Members had a chance to look at the Naturalization and Petition records. Anyone writing to this office for a Naturalization records should be sure to ask the office to search for a Letter of Intent or Petition for Naturalization. Naturalization Records have little factual information, but the Petitions/Letters of Intent contain a wealth of information including departure city, ship and the port of entry.

There are individual indexes for all the records of the Circuit Clerk's office but no master index for all records. This meeting was presented by the Circuit Clerk on a Saturday when the Courthouse is normally closed. A special thank you is extended to Karen Burden for setting up this program and Monica Bauer for presenting such an informative program. After listening to Monica Bauer and her goals for the Circuit Clerk's office, it is obvious our court records are in very good hands.

Canadian 1901 Census Available

The 1901 Census of Canada, with two separate schedules, is available on 129 rolls of microfilm through the LDS Family History Library, Salt Lake City, and family history centers. Schedule One lists the name and complete birth date and place for each member of the household. It also lists an immigrant's year of arrival in Canada. Schedule Two lists lands and buildings. It is cross-referenced to schedule one, giving specific lot numbers, to expedite land record research.

Although name indexes are not available for this census, the Canadian government has prepared a finding aid for the townships and villages called *Catalogue of Census Returns on Microfilm 1901*. This 200-page book includes 10 microfiche with 600 additional pages. It costs \$29.37 (Canadian dollars) if sent to addresses in Canada, or \$36.55 (U.S. dollars) postpaid if sent to addresses in the United States. It may be purchased as item SA 2-95/1-1901 from: Canada Communications Group - Publishing, Ottawa, ON, Canada K1A 0S9. *IL State Gen. Society Quarterly Vol. 27, No. 4.*

1995 Supplement to the Guide to Genealogical & Historical Research in Pennsylvania

This guide is Supplement III and is available at a cost of \$18.00 plus \$2/p&h. 1978 Guide is \$22.50; 1985 Supplement I is \$14.00 and 1990 Supplement II is \$16.00. Postage and handling charges for all guides is \$4.50. Check should be made out to: Hoenstine Rental Library, 414 Montgomery St., Hollidaysburg, PA 16648.

Colonial Virginia

The Southern California Genealogical Society Research Team will search the indexes of the

following Virginia references to find the name of your ancestor:

1787 Census of Virginia
Virginia Genealogies (14 volumes)
Virginia Colonial Abstracts (3 volumes)
Cavaliers & Pioneers, Abstracts of Virginia Land Patents & Grants 1623-1732
Marriages of Some Virginia Residents 1607-1800
Some Virginia Marriages 1700-1825

For a fee of \$14/name, you will receive a full report of the findings and copies of up to 25 pages of records.

Mail requests to SCGS Research Team, P.O. Box 4377, Burbank, CA 91503.

New Books from Ancestry

A Preservation Guide, By Barbara Sagraves, 48 pages, softbound, \$6.95 plus \$2.50 s/h. Chicago & Cook County (A Guide to Research) by Loretto Dennis Szucs, 350 pages, softbound, \$16.95 plus \$3.50 s/h.

U.S. Catholic Sources (A Diocesan Research Guide) by Virginia Humling, 112 pages, softbound, \$14.95 plus \$3.50 s/h.

Italian Genealogical Records by Trafford Cole, 265 pages, hardbound, \$34.95 plus \$4.50 s/h. Ancestry, Dept. S105, P.O. Box 476, Salt Lake City, UT 84110-0476

DuPage County Genealogical Society is presenting its 21st Annual Conference "Heart to Heart" on Saturday, February 24, 1996. There will be four German topics, two beginning topics, four methodology topics and two computer topics. Registration is \$20 to members and \$25 to non-members. For further information contact: Mrs. Margaret Weber, 1477A Woodcutter, Wheaton, IL 60187 (708) 690-6402.

Genealogical Institute of Mid-America

The third annual Genealogical Institute of Mid-America will be held in the Public Affairs Center on the University of Illinois at Springfield campus. Three intensive course offers are available: Genealogical Family History Research Methodology, Part I, and Genealogical Family History Research Methodology, Part II, each offer one research field trip. Bridging the Atlantic from 1640 to 1860 will be the third course offering. See flyers at the back of the quarterly.

4 Corners Ancestor Fair 1996

Northwest Arkansas Holiday Inn & Convention Center will host the Ancestor Fair from July 25-27, 1996 in Fayetteville, AR. Workshops include: Native American, Computers, Archival Preservation, Research Organization, Beginners Genealogy, LDS Research, Civil War, National Archives, and Frontier. Full day workshops are \$20 and half-day workshops are \$10.00. Registration should be mailed to 4 Corners, 509 W. Spring St., Fayetteville, AR 72701.

The following is a list of people who wrote to the society last year in search of their ancestors:

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GREAT & GREAT, GREAT'S

Marie Philomine Demers, spouse of deceased Joseph Friot/Fiotte/Huot, was in Bourbonnais 1870 as Philomine, seamstress, age 28, with children Emma 10, Freddie 4, and Wilford 3. Did she remarry? What happened to children? Did Antoine Lagesse adopt Freddie later that year?

Louis Demers dit Chedville married Angelique Demers in 1824 in Henryville, Canada. In 1830 he was in St. Anne, IL; was naturalized in 1868 and returned later to Canada. Children were Anglique married Edward Shelles, Sophronie married Cyprian LeMaire, Julie married Jean Baptiste Vigare, Marie married Georges Levitre, Richard married Emelie Lomme and then Lucie Hamel. Caroline married Francois Rainville. Geoffrey married Emerence Nadeau. Onesime married Joseph LeJeunesse and Narcisse married Adelaide Vien. Would like to correspond with any descendants.

Respond to Dorothy Demers, 1508 Crestview Dr., Modesto, CA 95355.

Seeking ancestors and information of Elbert Colstock (b. ca 1830, PA); died 1872 Kankakee Co. Married Deborah Elizabeth Ward 1865 in Joliet. Respond to Marian Biegel, 7925 W. 172nd Place, Tinley Park, IL 60477-6538.



In Volume 22 #3, we ran a listing of all the articles run in the quarterly from the very first issue through Volume 21. The following is a listing of the articles run in Volumes 22 through 25.

Article	Volume
Marriage Records - 1878 Kankakee Gazette	22 #1-23 #2
1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #3-25 #2
1880 Kankakee Gazette	25 #3-#4
Birth Records - 1878 Kankakee Gazette	22 #1-23 #2
1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #3-24 #2
1880 Kankakee Gazette	25 #3-#4
Death Records - 1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #3-24 #2
1880 Kankakee Gazette	25 #3-#4
Township Items -	
Pilot 1878 Kankakee Gazette	22 #1

Pilot	1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #4 24 #3 & #4 25 #3 & #4
Norton	1878 Kankakee Gazette	22 #1 & #4
Chebanse	1878 Kankakee Gazette	22 #2 23 #1 24 #2
Rockville	1878 Kankakee Gazette 1879 Kankakee Gazette	22 #4 23 #3 24 #3 25 #1
Momence	1878 Kankakee Gazette 1879 Kankakee Gazette	22 #4 24 #4 25 #1
Waldron	1879 Kankakee Gazette	24 #1 25 #1 & #2
Grant Park	1879 Kankakee Gazette	24 #2
Manteno	1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #4 24 #3 25 #1, #3, #4
Essex	1878 Kankakee Gazette 1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #1 23 #3 24 #3 25 #1-#4
Rockville	1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #3 24 #4 25 #2, #4
Buckingham	1879 Kankakee Gazette	24 #4 25 #1-#4
Cabery	1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #4
Salina	1879 Kankakee Gazette	25 #1, #3
East Otto	1880 Kankakee Gazette	25 #3

Grave Markers -	Mound Grove Cemetery, Kankakee	22 #1
	Momence Protestant Cemetery	22 #2
	Maple Grove Cemetery, Salina Township	22 #3
	Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Pilot Township	22 #4
	Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Yellowhead Township	23 #2

Grave Markers -	North Cemetery, Essex Township	23 #3	
	Pilot Center Cemetery, Pilot Township	23 #4	
	Eldridgeville Cemetery, Norton Township	24 #1	
	St. James Cemetery, Otto Township	24 #2	
	St. Peter & Paul, Pilot Township	24 #3	
	Sherburnville Cemetery, Yellowship Township	24 #4	
	Shrontz Cemetery, Momence Township	25 #1	
	Aroma Cemetery, Aroma Township	25 #2	
	Mount Airy Cemetery, Ganeer Township	25 #3	
	St. Anne Catholic Cemetery, St. Anne Township	25 #4	
	County Court -	1878 Kankakee Gazette	22 #1-#4
			23 #1 - #2
		1879 Kankakee Gazette	23 #3-25 #4
Other -	Chicago Burial Treasures	22 #1	
	Naming Illinois Prairies & Groves	22 #1	
	Kankakee County Research	22 #3	
	Past Theakiki Articles	22 #3	
	1906 History of Kankakee Co.	22 #4 - Present	
	The Public Schools - Sept, 1878	23 #1	
	Over the New Road - Progress of the Kankakee & Southwestern	23 #1	
	Diphtheria at St. Anne (1879)	23 #3	
	Marriage of Herman Kramer & Katie Knecht	24 #1	
	Old Settlers - A Slim Reunion at Chebanse	24 #3	
	Land Sales Records at IL State Archives	24 #4	
	Umbilical Lines and the mtDNA Project	24 #4	
	Asylum Notes 13 Nov 1879	25 #1	
	Potawatomi Trail of Death	25 #2	
	Bonvallet Asparagus Cannery at Wichert, IL Kankakee State Hospital	25 #3 25 #4	

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette.		1880 Kankakee County Marriages	
Bride	Groom	Where From	Date
Kerns, Mary	Martin, Edward	Kankakee/Limestone	25 Feb 1880
Casement, Sarah I.	Devoe, Elmer E.	Otto	29 Feb 1880
Hess, Maggie B.	Luhrs, Henry C.	K a n k a k e e	12 Feb 1880
Kennedy, Amelia (Mrs.)	Simmes, George W.	Kankakee/Greene, IN	04 Oct 1879
Durand, Victoria	Hudson, Wm. G.	Kankakee	25 Feb 1880
Bower, Mary M.	Reed, Eldon M.	Olney, IL/Rockville	26 Feb 1880
Brockway, Delia A.	Croxen, Thomas	Peotone	02 Mar 1880
Franklin, Mary (Mrs.)	Franklin, Sanford	Papineau	01 Mar 1880

<u>Bride</u>	<u>Groom</u>	<u>Where From</u>	<u>Date</u>
Lesch, Mary	Lukow, John	Pilot	15 Feb 1880
Rinehardt, Caroline	Wese, August	Pilot/Kankakee	29 Feb 1880
Schuark, Anna	Dickman, Fred	Salina	20 Feb 1880
Bryant, Paulina	Smith, John D.	Norton	03 Mar 1880
Palworth, Louise	Blanke, George	Yellowhead	21 Mar 1880
Jouberne, Gelino	Martin, Peter	St. Anne	24 Feb 1880
Anderson, Sarah	Hough, Nelson	Momence	03 Mar 1880
Sibert, Eveline M.	Lyon, Howard	Momence/Onarga	03 Mar 1880
Regnier, Emma	Paro, Eusebe	Papineau/ Aroma	08 Mar 1880
Chester, Alice M.	Severe, John W.	Salina	04 Mar 1880
Chipman, Annie M.	Paradis, John E.	Ganeer/Momence	03 Mar 1880
Schesoff, Rieka	Fawnselo, Ernest	Milk's Grove	04 Mar 1880
Gallagher, Mary A.	Winship, Charles A.	Chicago/Providence RI	23 Feb 1880
Winslow, Sarah L.	Simonds, Geroge C.	Kankakee	02 Mar 1880
Simonson, Jennie F.	Brink, John C.	Kankakee	15 Mar 1880
Ahrens, Rosina	Schrader, Samuel	Kankakee/Limestone	17 Mar 1880
Gridley, Mary	Conley, Hugh	Yellowhead/Chicago	18 Mar 1880
Kegebeine, Lena	Behm, Charles	Chebanse	18 Mar 1880
Schutz, Mary	Wiley, Clark	Limestone	20 Mar 1880
Vining, Minnie E.	Wilmot, Warren H.	Otto/Deerfield, Lake Co.	17 Mar 1880

1880 Kankakee County Births
Taken from the Kankakee Gazette.

<u>Son/Dau.</u>	<u>Parents</u>	<u>Date</u>
Son	John Rusch, Grant Park	11 Feb 1880
Daughter	Christ Gotsch, Kankakee	25 Feb 1880
Son	Charles Broegn, Manteno	21 Jan 1880
Son	Richard Bennett, Kankakee	01 Feb 1880
Son	Alonzo Cotton, Essex	06 Feb 1880
Son	Frank Pahanke, Kankakee	15 Feb 1880
Son	L. D. Legg, Jr., Aroma	03 Mar 1880
Son	Miles S. Taylor, Saline	? Feb 1880
Daughter	Gustave Veight, Salina	19 Dec 1879
Daughter	Obadiah Lancaster, Rockville	08 Feb 1880
Daughter	John Grimes, Yellowhead	01 Feb 1880
Son	Robert Stearman, Momence	04 Sep 1879
Daughter	Cyril Taylor, Momence	04 Nov 1879
Son	Frederick Schneider, Sumner	28 Jan 1880
Daughter	C. F. Quesse, Chebanse	02 Mar 1880
Daughter	Jacob Lang, Otto	10 Feb 1880
Son	John F. Riley, Otto	17 Feb 1880
Son	Wm. H. Lockery, St. Anne	06 Feb 1880
Daughter	Henry Law, Yellowhead	02 Mar 1880

1880 KANKAKEE COUNTY DEATHS

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette (publication date in parentheses).

(04 Mar 1880) In Norton, Feb. 27, A. A. White, aged 79 years. (04 Mar

1880) In this city, of cramps, Hulda Gotsch, aged 3 days.

(04 Mar 1880) One of the old residents of Kankakee county, William F. Dennis, died at his home in Sumner township, on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at the age of 70 years and 7 months. The Mومence Reporter contains the following obituary:

Mr. Dennis was born in Stonington, CT, July 7, 1808. He was married at Mernon, Oneida county, NY, in November 1830. His wife's maiden name was Jane E. Goodwin. He moved to Ohio City, but now incorporated within the city limits of Cleveland. He sold that farm and moved to Brooklyn, Michigan. From Brooklyn he moved to the town of Sumner, in this county, and bought the farm on which he afterwards lived and on which he died. He came to Sumner in the year 1857. Mr. Dennis' last sickness commenced in April, 1878. Since that time, though he at times was able to be up and out of doors, he has never been well. On Thursday night, Feb. 17th, he was taken very much worse, and he did not rally again. Mr. Dennis left surviving him a widow and four children, all of whom, except for his daughter Mary, were at the funeral. Mary resides at Beaufort, South Carolina. Mr. Dennis disposed of most of his real estate before his death, by deeds to his children, and his personal property and the remaining forty acres of his land he disposed of by will.

The Gazette just learned of the death of Ed. Lamb, a young farmer of Limestone, brother of Mrs. Melvin, of this city. Mr. Lamb died last Monday after a two weeks' attack of typhoid-pneumonia. He was an industrious and intelligent man, highly esteemed among his neighbors and a good man in his family. Further particulars will probably be furnished in time for next week's Gazette.

The death of Will Patterson, one of Mومence's most esteemed young men, of consumption, is momentarily expected, if indeed, he has not already passed away.

(11 Mar 1880) In St. Anne, Feb. 12, of cerebro spinal meningitis, Noamia Fournier, aged 12 years.

(11 Mar 1880) In Yellowhead, January 15, of laryngitis, Mrs. Essie D. Hewes, aged 26 years.

(11 Mar 1880) In Limestone, March 1st, of typhoid pneumonia, Mr. Edward W. Lamb, in the 47th year of his age.

The sudden death of Mr. Lamb was equally a surprise and a grief to the community in which he had won the respect of all who knew him. He was one of the most honorable as he was one of our best known and enterprising citizens. Uniting with fine social qualities the character of a strictly honest man, he had left the example of an exemplary life in everything which constitutes a good neighbor and a good citizen, while in his family, where he was best known he was most beloved. He leaves a wife and seven children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and affectionate father. His immediate neighbors testified their sympathy by constant attentions during his brief sickness and an unusually large attendance upon the last rites of the tomb. The sorrowing family and other relatives have the sincere sympathy of a large circle of friends.

(18 Mar 1880) In Essex, Feb. 17, of diphtheria, Ella R Johnson, aged 2 years, 8 months.

(18 Mar 1880) In Kankakee, March 9, of dropsy, Gottlieb Wunderlich, aged 64 years.

(18 Mar 1880) In Salina, Feb. 19, of inflammation of the bowels, Mrs. Jacob Obrecht, aged 50 years. Mrs. Obrecht was sick only five days and her death was unexpected. She was very patient in her sufferings and died a christian. She leaves a husband, three daughters, two grandchildren, three brothers, two sisters, and an aged mother to mourn her departure. The deceased was born in Burks county, PA, and came to Kankakee county with her parents, brothers and sisters (the Hertzes) in 1850.

(18 Mar 1880) The community was shocked last Sunday by the receipt of a telegram to F. S. Hatch, announcing the death on the evening previous of Miss Mary J. Davidson, assistance principal of the Kankakee high school. Last week's Gazette stated that Miss Davidson left the city on Monday to attend the funeral of her brother, who had suddenly died on Saturday, March 6th, and whose remains were to be buried at Steubenville, O. On Thursday, Miss Davidson sent back her resignation as teacher, saying that her mother needed her presence at home. Alas! the poor mother's comfort was of short duration; in exactly one week after her son's death she bade farewell to the daughter whom she could ill spare, and on the same day of the following week the mournful dirge was chanted through the house and the sad procession took up its march once more for the "city of the dead".

(25 Mar) In Bourbonnais, March 16, of typhoid fever, Mrs. Wilhelmina Muelling, aged 37 years.

(25 Mar) In Yellowhead, Feb. 28, of alcoholism, Frederick Myers, aged 49 years.

(25 Mar) In Quincy, Ill., March 22, Dr. John Moore, formerly of Kankakee.

COUNTY COURT - 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 18, 1880.

David Lynds. Claims allowed; W. F. Strunk, \$80.35; H. B. Hall, \$39.70; J. H. Freeman, \$387.23.

Frank Aldrich. Inventory approved. K. H. Howe. Inventory and appraisal bill allowed. Clarence Graham. Report approved.

Conservatorship Ambrose Styer. Petition by Fred. Styer for conservator; summons and publication ordered.

Franklin Worcester. Claim of Harriet and Ellen Worcester withdrawn by agreement.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 25, 1880.

Frederick Zahl was declared insane last week. Mary M. Hewett. Inventory approved.

Final certificates of naturalization issued to John Pruig, Francis Barton, Frank Laws and Annable Lanugue.

EAST OTTO - 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 11, 1880.

Mr. Dodson has moved into his new quarters.

Henry Adams has returned; he has been visiting his friends in Vermont for the last two months.

Mr. Dugaw has finished his school near Milford and his smiling face is again among us.

Mrs. Snyder is moving his things and will soon be settled near us.

Miss Eliza Huckins closed her school near Papineau after a month's term. We are very glad to see her home again.

We learn that Miss Dora Sammons has finished her term of school near Herscher and will soon return to her home.

Joseph Valencourt is a favored one; it's a boy, and you can see Joseph grin before you get within half a mile of him.

A great deal of sickness through these parts. Only a few are severely sick, the others are suffering from colds.

One of the saddest occurrences which we have been called upon to notice was the very sudden death of our young friend, Miss "Sannie" Pruitt. She was taken with the lung fever. In a few days it ran into the typhoid and she died in less than a week from the time she was first taken sick. Miss Pruitt leaves many warm friends who will long mourn her loss, and may close relatives. To them her loss can never be supplied.

Mr. Gubtail has decided to go to Missouri, so he rented his farm. Now he has given up going but has to leave his house.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 25, 1880.

R. J. McDonald, with several others, have gone west to seek their fortune.

V. K. Porter will soon go back to Colorado, taking his family with him.

Daniel Everett has gone to Indiana. Lawrence Hawkins has returned from Chicago, where he has been under medical treatment. He is much improved.

Mrs. Emma Rowell, wife of Prof. Rowell, late principal of the Chebanse High School, is visiting her many friends in Chebanse. She was favored, one afternoon, with about forty calls, and she was not receiving calls, either.

Mrs. James Barnett, Sr., has been quite sick for some time, but is now better.

BUCKINGHAM - 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 4, 1880.

Scarlet fever has raged rather severe in the west part of town.

The report comes to us of the death of Mrs. Avery, of Pilot, from small pox. Our physicians are making arrangement to vaccinate to guard against it.

W. L. Conrow has returned from the South and thinks the trip did not benefit him very much.

Father A. A. White was buried on Sunday. The funeral sermon was to have been preached at the church, but owing to the conditions of the roads, it was thought to be impossible to get to the church and back to the burying ground. Mr. W. was an old settler of this town and member of the M.E. church for upwards of 50 years, and mourned and respected by all who knew him. Rev. Wilson conducted the funeral services at the house.

Mr. Georgie, son of M. Georgie, has moved here from Fairbury and bought the restaurant building of George Williams and will open a restaurant and barber shop.

Geo. Jeffers took a car for Iowa county, Iowa, loaded with his farming tools and stock, and thinks of locating there.

R. M. Riggs has removed from the B. L. Cornwell farm and Mr. Cornwell is expected to take possession of it soon, from Battle Creek, where he has resided the last three years.

A. Doffan has bought the little drug store of Dr. Farley and will open a restaurant.

CHEBANSE - 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 11, 1880.

Henry Grosse, of Chicago, formerly a resident and a merchant at Chebanse, died recently aged forty-eight years.

Chebanse has organized a republican club with Frank Babcock as president, and H. J. Swim as secretary.

Rev. Mr. Brown, the Baptist minister at Chebanse, has removed to Loda. His departure is regretted.

John Franklin bought the 200 acres lying east of the Peter Enos place, paying \$30 per acre of it. Pretty good price for pasture land, but it is good land, however.

Scarlet fever is still raging west of Cabery, along the Wabash road. "Mr. Lower lost a child last week. James Farley lost his wife and oldest child. Quite a number more deaths are reported. Mr. Edward Clayton's family have got the fever, but are doing as well as can be expected.

Considerable building has lately been done, Dr. Walworth has just finished his house, and Mr. Babbitt has the lumber on the ground for a house. Mr. Jas. Wright also expects to build a home this spring. Mr. Michael Pitts' house, which was finished last week, was blown from the foundation last Saturday night, and was considerably racked.

THE LOCAL NEWS - 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 4, 1880.

Smith & Johnson have enlarged their coal office.

The average cost of each ton of coal used by the Illinois Central during 1879 was \$1.50 per ton.

Wm. Potter has bought the Henry Tupper property on Dearborn avenue, between Bourbonnais and Hickory streets, for \$1925.

Adam Umback has opened a new harness shop under Knecht's clothing store and invites patronage.

The village of Deselm now consists of one store, a post office, one blacksmith shop, two churches, one school house and eight dwelling houses, all within a radius of eighty rods.

Lafayette Martin and Daniel Jilson have rented the "old Todd farm" in Rockville of A. Payne, and will at once stock it with dairy cows. Mr. Payne talks of taking a trip to California.

Statistics show that there should be each year 30 births from every 1000 population. According to this the Kankakee county records ought to show returns of 1000 births during 1879. Yet there were actually 385 reported - a deficiency of 615.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 11, 1880.

Dr. Warner is again ill with pneumonia.

Henry Winslow is East with a carload of fine buggy horses.

Mr. & Mrs. G. V. Huling are at Hog Springs for a few weeks sojourn.

Zeno Streeter, of Chebanse, as original subscriber of the Gazette, who has occupied for 28 years the farm he now owns, was among the callers this week to pay an advance subscription.

Miss Davidson, assistant principal of the high school, was called to her home in Steubenville, Ohio, last Monday, by the sad news that her youngest brother, aged 24 years, had died suddenly at Poughkeepsie, NY.

Mrs. G. W. Nichols (colored) was adjudged insane last Saturday. She will be sent to the asylum at Kankakee. Women are not received at the Kankakee asylum. The completion of the ward building now in progress is first necessary.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 18, 1880.

Peter Cooper celebrated his 90th birthday not long ago, and attributes his longevity to the fact that he has never known a sick day since boyhood.

Within the past few years, 200 French Canadians have left St. Anne and vicinity for Kansas. Probably as large a number have immigrated from Bourbonnais also.

Some of our Kankakee county physicians have ceased making returns of the births and deaths attended by them. They say it is a great amount of trouble and they believe the law unconstitutional. We have a pretty clear impression that at least one Kankakee doctor has never returned a death. The law is certainly a useful one, and just why it is "unconstitutional" we have no idea.

ROCKVILLE - 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 11, 1880.

School in Dist. No. 5 closed last Friday, Mr. Robertson teacher. School in Dist. No. 6 is still continuing with good success, Miss Scobey from Essex teaching.

Mrs. H. Noble has been sick for some time; her recovery is doubtful.

Mrs. H. B. Durham has gone to Elwood to attend the bedside of her mother who is not expected to live.

Mr. C. Durham's child is quite sick with typhoid fever.

Thomas Gordon has rented Pete Porquette's place, instead of Pete Bedore, as stated by "Thomothy Seed".

Jared Johnson, who is attending school at Valparaiso, will be home soon.

Madam Rumor says that Elden Reed has taken to himself a better half. Success go with him.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, April 1, 1880.

Mr. Warriner, father of Mrs. Bilyard, died last Thursday at his daughter's home. The deceased was 83 years old, an Englishman by birth. He walked a half mile on Wednesday before his death. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. S. F. Medlar, at the house on Saturday.

Mr. Samuel Taylor has purchased the Todd 80 acres adjoining Mr. Payne's farm. Miss Ella Seward will teach the spring and summer term in District No. 10.

MOMENCE 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 18, 1880.

We notice in the proceedings of the county court that papers were issued against Simon Hayhurst for contempt of court. The facts are: Hayhurst, in answer to a subpoena appeared before the grand jury and testified in the Peter Hill case, in the county court, but when the case was tried he was sick abed and could not obey the writ, and now he expects the sheriff after him for contempt.

Joe Clark was accidentally shot by a hunter who was examining a breech-loading gun. The charge entered Clark's shoulder near the neck, some of the shot just missing the jugular vein. The wound is not dangerous.

The following Momence people are seriously sick; Laura Chipman, Mrs. Lucy Pemble, Mrs. F. X. Longpre, Mrs. Rev. Roads, and Sumner Wallace.

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 25, 1880.

E. A. Wikstrom has gone on a six months visit to Sweden.

Elder Roads' wife is still dangerously ill, and two of his children have been severely attacked with diphtheria.

W. F. Singleton has a local reputation as a temperance and religious evangelist. His wife is also said to be a good platform talker.

Mrs. Stephen Pemble died last week, aged 29 years.

H. B. Hall, Jr., and Etta Deerson and Lillie Teeter were the victims of a severe runaway accident last week. Returning to Momence from an evening party the buggy ran off a bridge, throwing Hall out, and Miss Teeter upon the front axletree between the wheel and buggy box. In this position she clung while the horses ran three-quarters of a mile when they were stopped by the lines getting entangled in the wheel. The young lady was severely bruised and her clothes were ruined.

SALINA 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 4, 1880.

Arthur Keefe started for Missouri Monday on a land-inspecting tour, and Albert Shreffler Tuesday for Kansas.

Mr. W. S. Hawker is on the sick list again; so is Miss Gertie DeLamartre.

The literary society was well attended Saturday night. Dr. Holly, in behalf of the Dramatic club, presented Mr. Shreffler, in a neat speech, with a handsome violin box, to show him their

appreciation of the music which he and his son, Master "Liss", furnished them in their late exposition of Ten Nights in a Bar-room at this place. Mr. Shreffler responded with a few well chosen remarks, after which he treated the audience to some excellent music.

MANTENO 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 11, 1880.

Labrie has resigned his position as postmaster, and there are two petitions in the field, one for J. D. Breen, and one for Oliver Barnard.

Mr. Wortman has been fitting up his home aided by the excellent skill and taste of his father-in-law.

B. G. Lee, S. D. Herman, Mrs. Lydia Brayton and Joe Adams have moved into town and taken up dwellings that have long stood empty.

Mr. William Vanderwater has taken his position as teacher in a higher room

ESSEX 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, March 11, 1880.

D. Sennott is drilling again for coal. Coal at Norton, on Henry Shelly's farm, from 2 feet 8 inches to 3 feet at a depth of about 80 feet. They will start to sink a shaft in a few weeks.

Mrs. Gennett Gronso, who has been visiting in New York, is at home again.

Charles Kluckhohn, of Lemars, Iowa, has spent a few days in this vicinity visiting, but it was too muddy to suit him.

Mrs. George Schosser ended her earthly career on the 29th ult. She was of the Catholic faith. Her remains were interred in the cemetery in Pilot. She leaves a husband and three children. She was 63 years of age.

G. S. and Sam Boyer and H. T. McLane started for Kansas to-day; will stay two or three weeks.

ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH, CHEBANSE

The Society recently received permission to run the following "Supplementary to the History of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church. It will be presented in two parts, the second to run in Volume 26, No. 2.

In the fall of 1994, Zion Lutheran Church, Chebanse, Illinois, opened its Centennial Year. At that time a History of the congregation was published as a memento of the blessings of God to this Congregation. This monogram contains some of the interesting events that surrounded the organization of the congregation and the construction of the first church building, the cornerstone laying and the dedication of the Church building to the honor and glory of the Triune God. We are also publishing the list of those who have been BAPTIZED, CONFIRMED, MARRIED, and BURIED from Zion Lutheran Church. These lists have been taken from the official record books of Zion Lutheran Church.

The Early History of Zion Lutheran Church

In the late 1800's many families were immigrating from Europe to the new land of opportunity. Many of these were from Germany and settled around the Chebanse area, bringing their Lutheran Faith with them. In order to attend a church they had to travel to Kankakee (by horse and buggy) and other distant places to worship. On July 30, 1895, a group of Lutherans gathered in Forester Hall, Chebanse, intent upon organizing a congregation. The efforts failed at this first meeting, principally for the reason that there was no Lutheran pastor to guide them. On August 3, they met again and invited the Rev. Frederick Schroeder of Kankakee to assist them. At this meeting a constitution was adopted and Zion Congregation came into being. Among the signers of this constitution we find the following names: Henry Lesch, Edward Irps, William Wilkin, William Friese, William Behm, George Ritter, C. Ruebensam, William Schultz and John Konow, Sr. The first services were held in the local Methodist Church.

Plans for a new church were presented and adopted at a meeting held on August 11, 1895. Within less than four months the church was completed and it was dedicated on December 22, 1895. Zion's first pastor, the Rev. Ferdinand W. Seehausen of Clay Center, Kansas was installed on February 16, 1896. He served Zion congregation for about 28 years, resigning on account of failing health on July 6, 1924. He preached his farewell sermon on Sunday, August 10 on the lawn of the Otto Nordmeyer home.

During the vacancy of the year 1924 the church was enlarged and a basement constructed at the cost of about \$12,000. It was enlarged by 20 ft. Long and 32 ft. Wide making the entire structure 70 ft. By 32 ft. In November of that same year, Zion extended a call to the Rev. Walter W. Winter at Cushing, OK. His installation as Zion's second pastor took place on February 8, 1925, which was also the occasion for the rededication of the remodeled and enlarged church building. After faithfully serving the congregation for about 27 years due to a throat ailment, the Rev. W.W. Winter felt constrained to relinquish his office as pastor of Zion congregation in the spring of the year 1952.

Laid the Cornerstone September, 1895

Interesting and impressive ceremonies attended the laying of the cornerstone of the new Zion Lutheran Church last Sunday. Fully five hundred were present including about one hundred from Kankakee. A platform had been erected in Henry Lesch's front yard and seats were provided for nearly all.

The exercises were opened by all singing an old familiar song which was led by the Lutheran choir composed of about twenty voices. After prayer Rev. C. Weber, of Bonfield arose and delivered an excellent sermon in German. Rev. Schroeder, of Kankakee followed Rev. Weber, and spoke in English for the benefit of those who could not understand German. His sermon was good and much appreciated by the vast assembly. At the conclusion of his remarks the choir rendered a beautiful anthem, and during the song which followed a collection was taken for the church amounting to \$82.00

At the conclusion of the services at the grove all repaired to the church where everything was in readiness for the laying of the stone. A hole had been hewed into the stone of sufficient size to admit the tin box 5 x 7 inches which was deposited into the aperture. The box contained the names of Grover Cleveland, President of the United States, John P Altgeld, Governor of Illinois, President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Chebanse, trustees of the church, the church members, the building committee, Edward Irps, Contractor, Ernest Wolfe, mason and a copy of the Chicago Inter Ocean Chicago Free Press and Chebanse Herald. After the box had been put in place and cornerstone placed over it and sealed, Rev. Schroeder made a few appropriate remarks usually attending such exercises, bearing on the importance and sacredness of the occasion. After prayer inviting God's blessings to rest upon the church and its members, Rev. Schroeder pronounced the benediction and services were concluded.

The choir favored the audience with several more selections and later went to the home of Mr. Irps where the afternoon was spent socially. The church started out in a flourishing condition, having forty members. Rev. Schroeder will be pastor until completed when a resident minister will be secured.

Original Cornerstone Letter - 1895

History of the Evangelical Lutheran Zion's Congregation U.A.C. at Chebanse (from the original cornerstone of Zion Lutheran Church, translated from German)

30 July 1895 a number in and out of Chebanse gathered, local Lutherans, to consult regarding the founding of an Evangelical Lutheran Congregation. Those present resolved to -?- themselves as the Evangelical Lutheran Congregation U.A.C. and accepted the constitution of the Evang. Lutheran St. Paul's Congregation at Kankakee in its essential points as the constitution of the newly founded congregation. In a meeting held on the 3 August, the constitution was thoroughly considered and accepted and at once subscribed to by 24. After in the meantime still more came namely the Mist'ers: Heinr. Lech, Ed. Erps, Carl Behny, Aug. Wolf, Wm. Schultz, Fried. Emme, Christ. Meyer, -?-, ? Lukow, H. Luedike, Joh. Boetcher, Joh. Rahn, Carsten Lesch, -?-, Geo. Ritter, Joh. Haseloh, Wm. Frise, Christ Weinlaeder, C. Ruebensam, Henry Luedeke, Christ Schultz, Joh. Forman, Wm. ?, F. Holtmann, Wm. Imhaeser, Fried. Schatz, Aug. Schultz, H. Tannenbaum, Wm. Wilken. Fr. Giertz, Heinr. Burmeister, Fr. Schultz, -?-, then in -?- for that purpose additional meeting -?- Geo. Ritter, Heinr. Lesch, C. Ruebensam, Wm. Schultz -?- officers elected. In this meeting the congregation accepted the offer of ? Heinr. Lesel, who to the church -?- the church is being built, as a gift with thanks.

In a meeting held on 25 Aug. there was purchased to the gift of the building place an addition 20 feet wide for the sum of \$50.00 from -?- Reich. Furthermore it was decided in this meeting to build a church 32 x 50 with gallery and tower and to build an addition 16 x 20 for school work. As building committee the Misters Hein. Lesch, Wm. Wilken, Wm. Freise were elected. With zeal, pleasure, and joy man went at once -?-in days and work so that we already today, on 8 Sept. 1895 are here gathered to lay the cornerstone to this our house of God, which the contractor, Mr. Ed. Irsps, with God's help by 1 November of this year thinks to have finished. May the Lord, our God, who in grace so far has helped, stand by us further in grace, may He build and further -?- and church to the glory of His name and to the salvation of undying souls. Amen.

Friedrich Schroeder

Pastor of the Ev. Lutheran St. Paul's congregation at Kankakee, IL and the temporary pastor of the Ev. Lutheran Zion's congregation at Chebanse, IL. 8 Sept 1895

At present our country rejoices under God's blessing of a good peace and Christian success.

Governor of the State of Illinois is John P Altgeld.

The officers of Chebanse are John Burrell, Pres. of the Board, Martin Gross, Henry Gierke, Ed Hope, John Hennig, B.J.H. Treasurer. Sam McCuen.

(Translated by Pastor Christian Adam, Kankakee)(UAC stands for Unaltered Augsburg Confession)(Blank places and question marks indicate that the original paper was missing at that point.)

Dedicated the Church - December 22, 1895

After a weeks steady downpour of rain, all the friends of the Lutheran Church were delighted to see a pleasant day on last Sabbath, making it possible for a large crowd to attend the dedicatory services of the new Evangelical Lutheran Zion Church. Although the rain of previous weeks had rendered the roads almost impassable, the people from the country began early in coming in great numbers. At 9:35 the special train arrived bringing three carloads of friends from Kankakee A large crowd had gathered at the door of the church when the key was formally given by the trustees to Rev. Schroeder of Kankakee, who offered a short prayer and unlocked the door.

Immediately all available space in the audience-room, vestibule, gallery and even aisles was taken and large numbers coming later were unable to gain admission.

The interior of the church presented a very pretty appearance with its hard oil finish, stained glass windows and artistic pulpit. The decorations, consisting of evergreen and flowers tastefully arranged, were specially attractive and added much to the beauty of the room. Above the door of the vestry room was the appropriate motto, "Glaube, Liebe, Hofnung," and translated reads, "Believe, Love, Hope."

During the services some appropriate music was well rendered by the Lutheran choir of Kankakee, Mr. George Seitz presiding at the organ. Prayer was offered by Rev. Schroeder and after an impressive opening service, Rev. G. Blanken, of Buckley, preached the dedicatory sermon. The discourse was of great power and was highly appreciated by the attentive audience.

After the morning service all the visitors who were not entertained in private families were invited to partake of a bounteous dinner, which was spread by the ladies of the church in the store room of Mr. Ed Irsps. It was but a token of gratitude the Chebanse Lutherans felt for the visiting friends who so kindly had joined them in the services and gave them an insight into Chebanse hospitality and good will.

The afternoon services were in English and again the house was filled. The Kankakee choir rendered some excellent music after which Rev. Schroeder preached a practical sermon upon the use to which a church of God is dedicated.

He deprecated the growing practice of introducing secular themes for discussion in the pulpit and expressed the hope that nothing but the word of God should be preached from that pulpit.

The services of the entire day were of a high order and the Lutheran Society may well flatter itself upon the perfect success attending every detail of the service and management, while all Chebanse may be glad that they could participate as friends and well-wishers.

The special train left at 4:30 p.m. and the visitors returned home conscious of having rendered valuable assistance and carrying with them the best wishes of the Chebanse people for their kindly interest.

The new building is a neat structure with a seating capacity of 300, nicely furnished bright and cheery within, and the Lutherans are certainly to be congratulated upon having such a pleasant place in which to worship. Its costs is about \$3,000 all which is pledged except \$700 and the large collection taken last Sunday will lessen that amount considerably. That so much money has been raised in the short time which has elapsed since the enterprise was undertaken, reflects great credit upon the liberality of the Lutheran community and the people in general and the enterprise of the management. ,

Less than six months ago - early in August - the Lutherans in and around Chebanse commenced agitating the advisability and desirability of building a new church. Rev. Schroeder of Kankakee, became interested in the movement and the local community is greatly indebted to him for the advice and valuable assistance in the enterprise.

A lot was donated by Mr. Henry Lesch, but being insufficient, fifty feet more were purchased by the society.

Henry Lesch, George Ritter, William Schults, William Behm, John Konow, and Charles Reubensam were elected trustees and have acted as a building committee. To them is due the credit of pushing the work with such care and rapidity. The cornerstone was layed September 8, 1895, Rev. Weber of Bonfield and Rev. Schroeder of Kankakee conducting the services.

It will not be known until after Jan. 1st whether the call extended to Rev. Seehausen, of Kansas, to become pastor will be accepted or not, and the congregation are inclined to think that their invitation will receive a favorable answer and that Rev. Seehausen will be here as their pastor in the near future.

It is probable that the trustees will not join the Missouri Synod as the Chebanse Lutherans are inclined to look with favor upon secret societies, some of the heaviest donors being members, while the Missouri Synod cannot reconcile membership in the Lutheran Church and in Secret Societies.

WALDRON 1880

Taken from the Kankakee Gazette, April 1, 1880.

The village school commences a week from today with Mr. Wright as principal and Miss Eva Meyers assistant.

Mt. Langum, the ancient land mark of the aborigines who foot prints are still visible by the trail as he roamed in his native state, is being plowed up by the husbandman and put in a state of cultivation. This does the hand of civilization dispel the wilds of our once great northwestern frontier.

Dr. Hawley has been very sick with spinal cerebro meningitis but is now convalescent.

Uncle Sammy Lacock has become an inhabitant of our village and with his jelly countenance talks hoss to the native villager.

One of the big jobs of house moving was accomplished by John Love in hauling a 1 1/2 story house about two miles from the west side of the Iroquois river which he pulled through; he used 24 horses in the operation.

FREQUENTLY USED GERMAN WORDS

geboren	born on	vater	father
mutter	mother	sohn	son
heirat	marriage	hochzeit	wedding
ehemann	husband	ehefrau	wife
erstgeborener	first born child	tochter	daughter
sterbeeintrag	deathrecord	tod	death

German Numers:

erste	first	funfte	fifth
zweite	second	sechste	sixth
dritte	third	siebte	seventh
vierte	fourth	achte	eighth
neunte	ninth	zehnte	tenth

German Months:

Januar	January	Juli	July
Februar	February	August	August
Marz	March	September	September
April	April	Oktober	October
Mai	May	November	November
Juni	June	Dezember	December

SMITH CEMETERY

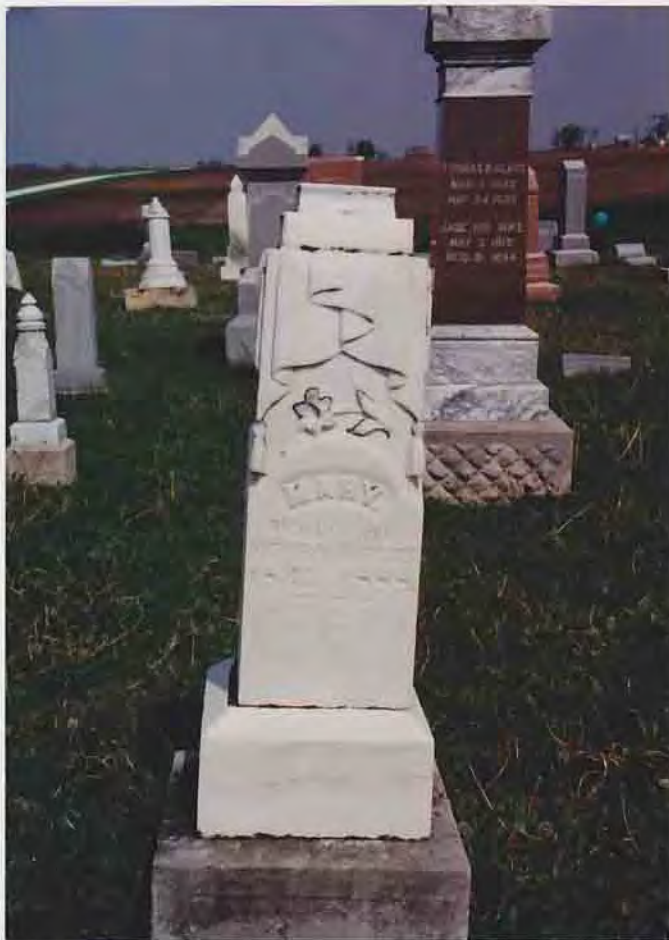
Photographs on the next two pages are from the Smith Cemetery in Norton Township.



Rhoda E., dau. of W.H. & H. VanDoren
Apr. 5, 1883, Ages 19 yrs. 7 m. 10 d.



W. G. Armstrong, died Aug. 1, 1876
62 yrs. & 4 ds.



Mary, wife of Henry Ingles
1832-1888



Clarissa J., wife of J.J. Armstrong
died July 18, 1883, aged 33 yr. & 9 m.



William H., son of Wm. V. & S.C. States
Died Dec. 24, 1886, 6 Y. 7 M. & 1 D.



Clara E., dau. of F.M. & G. Penry
Died May 9, 1887, Aged 18 yrs. 7 m. 25 d.



Julius Ulrich, born July 22, 1842, died March 18, 1888
Aged 45 Y. 4 M. 26 D. "There is no Death....."



Syreille Williams, Died July 30, 187?, Aged 2 Ys. 22
Julia M., Died Jan. 17, 1881, Aged 1 Y.

Park, Illinois circuit. It is now in a flourishing condition, having a building worth \$16,000, a membership of three hundred, and a Sabbath school attendance of three hundred twenty. The parsonage is valued at \$4,000. The following pastors have served since 1863;

T. C. Young, M. C. Smith, G. W. Hawks, O. E. Burch, T. L. Helliwell, G. S. Young, S. Earngy, W. Clark, I. Rhodes, George K. Hover, G. Miller, M. C. Smith, J. E. Mercer, J. F. Robinson, R. B. Seaman, John Wilkinson, D. S. McGowan, T. S. Pittinger.

The total contribution last year amounted to \$3,500.

BUCKINGHAM AND HERSCHER.

The Buckingham and Herscher churches, or the Buckingham charge, was organized about 1865 from the Union Hill circuit, then comprising about thirteen appointments. The following men have served this pastorate:

Rev. I. H. Costler, 1864; Wm. M. Collins, 1865-67; S. P. Alford, 1868; A. S. Atherton, 1869; William Hogobam, junior pastor, 1869; Joseph Kern and B. V. Denning, 1871; S. B. Howard, 1872; W. A. Cummings, junior pastor, 1872; James P. Coffman, 1873; and J. N. Deach, 1874. Since 1874 the churches have been under the ministry of Revs. Joseph Flowers, Samuel Wilson, Joseph Bell, Deny Wert, E. Burnett, J. H. Hobbs, S. P. Alford, E. Bird, O. A. H. De la Guardie and Jonn Small, the present pastor.

The present membership of the Herscher church is forty-four and the Sabbath school, one hundred. The value of the church property is \$10,000. Total contribution last year, \$828.

The present membership of Buckingham is forty-four, Sabbath school, one hundred. Value of church property is \$13,000. Contribution, \$828.

DeSELM.

The Methodist Episcopal church at DeSelm was organized in 1862 by Rev. W. H. Gloss. He was succeeded by G. W. Winslow, Rev. Irwin, G. C. Smith, S. H. Earngy, Rev. Ruggs, Philo Gorton, T. C. Young, William Craver, W. H. Neadham, H. Antes, G. Miller, C. W. Cardis, L. D. King, John Ferguson, C. B. Allen, W. F. Jamesson, J. A. Edwardson, B. F. Mattox,

R. D. Russel, J. Bartle, J. H. Hobbs, B. L. Reed, T. C. Davis, A. L. Baker and C. N. But-

terfield.

The church property is valued at \$1,500. Membership of seventy-five, Sabbath school, seventy. Contribution last year amounted to \$785.

WALDRON.

The Waldron charge which comprises Waldron, Exline and Switzer, was organized at Waldron in 1866, by Joseph Hartwell, pastor of the First Methodist church at Kankakee. Rev. Evans who was appointed in 1868, was succeeded by the following pastors:

Deach Mariam, Joel Stokes, M. C. Wilcox, Patrick Kite, John Dale, S. Chipperfield, W. K. Collins, M. C. Smith, J. E. Mercer, J. F. Robinson, M. L. Miller, P. A. St. John, W. G. Miller, T. H. Pyre, W. D. Benjamin, B. F. Maddox, I. W. Puffer, C. C. McGowan, W. Butterfield, C. A. Wright, W. D. Evans, S. S. Langdoc and Ernest Johnson.

The church at Waldron is valued at \$2,500. There is a membership of one hundred and the Sabbath school numbers one hundred and twenty-five. The total contributions last year were \$500.

The church at Exline, four and one-half miles east of Waldron, has a building valued at \$1,200, a membership of fifty, and a Sabbath school of seventy-five. Contributions amounted last year to \$250.00. Switzer is eight miles south-east of Waldron, with a church building valued at \$1,200. Membership, thirty, and a Sabbath school of fifty members. Contribution, \$150.00.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

Kankakee.

The first Presbyterian church of Kankakee was organized September 28, 1854, by a committee composed of Rev. Wilson, of Chicago, and the Rev. Peck, of Rockville, both appointed by the Chicago New School Presbytery.

The first meeting, held at the home of Jeptna Ripley, on West Court street, was attended by the original members of the new church, of whom Mr. and Mrs. Jephtha Ripley, John C. Mateer, Mrs. Jane Blackstone, Mrs. Sarah Brown, were received by letter from other

churches, and Augustine Chester, Thomas D. Brown, Cortlandt Strong, and Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell upon profession of faith. Jephtha Ripley and Augustine Chester, elders, completed the attendance at this session. The regular weekly services were held in the freight house of the Illinois Central railroad until the fall of 1855.

During this time the church was supplied by Rev. Austin, of Chicago, and Rev. Loss of Joliet. In the fall of 1855, the membership having increased, the society built a chapel twenty-six feet by thirty-six feet, on the lot still occupied by the Presbyterians, at the corner of Court street and Indiana avenue. This lot was the gift of Messrs. Ketcham and Gray, representatives of the Illinois Central railroad.

The church grew rapidly in numbers and the services for two years were conducted by Presiding Elder Wilder B. Mack. Rev. Castleman, of the Episcopal church conducted „services for a few moliths in 1857. In 1855, Samuel Oakes and James Crozier, and in 1856, John C. Mateer and James Elder, were elected to the session, Mr. Mateer serving the church in this capacity until his death, in January, 1900.

During the summer of 1858, the question of changing the attitude of the church from the New School to the Old School body resulted in a renewal of faith in the Presbyterian standards, and in uniting with the Old School branch of the Presbyterian church. Soon after this, Rev. M. W. Staples, formerly of Janesville, Wisconsin, accepted the position of first pastor of the church. The first building, located on the west side of the lot facing Court street, was enlarged during the fall of 1858, by extending the rear twenty feet north, thus making a room twenty-six feet by fifty-six feet. Later a further addition thirty feet by thirty-two feet on the east gave the building the form of a "T" in which shape it stood until 1879, when it was removed to make room for a new church on the same site. Under the pastorate of Rev. Staples the membership increased from twenty-eight to one hundred and seven. He resigned in April, 1865, and in July, Rev. H. B. Thayer was installed as pastor, his service, until 1870, resulting in the addition of forty-five by letter and forty-seven by profession of faith to the church membership.

His successor, the Rev. Joseph K. Barnard, of Waukesha, Wisconsin, was a strong

doctrinal preacher, and under his ministry the congregation became rooted and grounded in the faith of Presbyterianism. Its membership increased and in 1871 a parsonage was erected at a cost of \$2,300, and became the memorial offering of this church to the Presbyterian church of the United States, then celebrating its centennial year. In 1877 Rev. Barnard, accepting a call to Muscatine, Iowa, was succeeded by Rev. E. C. Oggel, of Grand Haven, Michigan, who was pastor for two years. For some time the old frame building had proved inadequate for the needs of the congregation, and in 1879 a generous sum was raised, and work on a new brick church was begun. The building was completed in June, 1880, at a cost of \$8,100, and was dedicated July 18, 1880.

In the spring of 1881, Rev. John Worrall of Loveland, Ohio, accepted the pastorate of this church, and in 1888 was succeeded by Rev. Charles E. Upson, under whose able pastorate the Christian Endeavor Society was formed and the church placed upon a firm spiritual and financial basis. The congregation, loath to part with Mr. Upson, who was compelled to return east July 1, 1890, because of the ill health of Mrs. Upson, secured the services of Rev. W. H. Prestley, formerly of Decatur, Illinois, who served very acceptably until April 2, 1897. During the pastorate of Mr. Prestley the congregation purchased from Samuel C. Kenaga the reversionary interest in lots 13 and 16 on block 12, upon which the church is built, paying therefor the sum of \$100.00. It will be noted that the original deed of donation contained the clause by which the lots reverted to the original owners if ever used for other than church purposes.

October 31, 1897, Mr. Prestley was succeeded by Rev. Augustus M. Ayers, during whose pastorate three hundred and fifty-four members were added to the church, two hundred and twenty-nine on profession of faith, and one hundred and twenty-five by letter, making the communicant list four hundred and thirty-one members. The foreign and home missionary offerings were greatly increased, and the average yearly receipts and expenditures were about six thousand dollars. The south and east wings of the church were extended at a cost of \$4,000, increasing the seating capacity to one thousand, including the Sunday school rooms. January 27, 1901, during Mr. Ayers' pastorate, occurred

the lamented death of the senior elder, John C. Mateer, in a loving commemoration of whose faithful services of forty-eight years as elder the congregation placed a beautiful window in the east wing. Ill health necessitated the much regretted resignation of Mr. Ayers in April, 1903, Rev. L. F. Laverty, the present pastor, assuming charge March 1, 1904. During the first year of his pastorate seventy-one persons united with the church. As a memorial of the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the church a substantial parsonage was erected at a cost of \$6,000. The church is in a prosperous condition, spiritually and financially. The total value of its property is about \$35,000, on which there is some indebtedness. The contributions and income for all purposes during the year ending April 1, 1905, was \$6,410. The total membership at the same date was 450.

MANTENO.

Certain Presbyterians of the township of Rockville met for organization in the Merrick school house April 7, 1853. Three years later, in 1856, the church was transferred to the village of Manteno, and its name changed to the "First Presbyterian Church of Manteno." Meetings thereafter were held in a school house on the south-east corner of Leon Euziere's residence lot, but later, the old Illinois Central freight house was used until removal was made to a school house on the south-east corner of the public school block. After this services were held in the old Methodist church. In 1859, with Elder C. A. Spring and others in charge, plans were made for the erection of a permanent home to cost \$1,800. Towards this church the McCormicks of Chicago donated \$800, and much of the labor was contributed by members and citizens. The building was dedicated in January, 1860, and in the same year the church withdrew from what was then the New to the Old School branch of the church. During the period of 1860 to 1901, the membership varied, the church at different times sending out three colonies to help form, other churches, The first large addition to the church building was the 'Memorial Chapel' built at the south end at a cost of \$800, contributed by Mary C. Cooley, a beloved young member who died in January, 1894. Extensive alterations were made in 1896, but these proved inadequate to the growing needs of the church, and in 1904, preparations were made for the complete rebuilding of the

church at a cost of \$7,000. This church, practically a new one, with beautiful stained glass windows and furnace heat, was dedicated, free from debt, January 29, 1904, with a week's services of thanksgiving and praise. The parsonage and lot was the gift of Elder Charles M. Springs. The original parsonage' was built in 1866 and burned July 4, 1895. It was replaced by the present comfortable building at a cost of \$1,200.

Since the establishment of the church the following fifteen ministers have served: Rev. Chauncey Eddy; Rev. S. S. Wells; Rev. Mr. French; Rev. Samuel Hair; Rev. Theophilus Packard; Rev. Dr. Water; Rev. William C. Campbell; Rev. P. Leiter Carden; Rev. William C. McDougal; Rev. H. H. Lipes; Rev. J. H. Harris; Rev. E. R. Davis; Rev. J. B. Howard; Rev. W. T. Angus and Rev. Warren F. Goff, who is ministering very acceptably at the present time.

The amount raised for all purposes, including part of the cost of the new church, for the year ending April 1, 1905, was \$9,032. The present value of the entire property is estimated at about \$12,000.

ST. ANNE.

The First Presbyterian church of St. Anne, or its precursor, was founded by Rev. C. Chiniquy, who withdrew from the Roman Catholic communion April 9, 1858, followed by about 1,000 adherents. For many years much religious controversy accompanied the secession, and great bitterness of religious strife, into which it is not our province to enter. At first known as the "Christian Catholic church," two years later, in 1860, it assumed the present name. Rev. C. Chiniquy became a person of almost world wide reputation through his writings and public addresses, and frequently traveled to Australia and other countries, giving lectures bearing on his controversy with Roman Catholics. He retained, however, his leadership of the body until his death, in 1891, having been served, in the meantime, by many assistant pastors. In 1861 there was a second separation, resulting in the formation of the "Second Presbyterian church," which continued as a distinct organization for thirty years under several pastors,

until in 1891, the two became reunited under the original name of "First Presbyterian church." The present pastor is the Rev. Louis R. Giroulx; preceding him, after the Rev. C. Chiniquy and his assistants, from 1891 to 1898, came the Rev. Placide Bourdeau. The membership of the church at the last official report was two hundred and seventy-five, and of the Sunday school, one hundred and seventy-five. The total present value of all church property is \$15,000, and total income the past year was \$1,635. There has never been a parsonage.

BUCKINGHAM.

The Presbyterian church of Buckingham was organized October 13, 1898, with the following elders: Henry S. Randall, Henry W. Montieth and Charles Boswell. The Rev. Louis H. Mitchell was the first pastor. The church building was completed in the early part of the winter, and was dedicated December 18, 1898. The second pastor, Rev. Thomas R. Quayle, served from 1900 to 1903, and was succeeded by the present pastor, Rev. G. E. Young. Mr. Young resides in Herscher, preaching at the Presbyterian church there in the forenoon, and in the church at Buckingham in the afternoon. The church, which is now out of debt, has a seating capacity of about two hundred and fifty, and a membership of thirty-six. The total amount expended for the year ending April 1, 1905, was \$442.00.

HERSCHER.

The Presbyterian church at Herscher was established as a mission in 1879, with a membership of twenty-three. In 1881, Rev. E. A. McLean was installed as the first regular pastor, and succeeding him, in 1884, was Rev. J. B. Stillson, under whose direction the present church was built. Rev. W. H. McKee succeeded Rev. Stillson, and in 1888 Rev. Stillson returned and remained until 1891. He was succeeded by Rev. James W. Campbell, who, in 1898, gave place to Rev. Alexander Hartman, followed by Rev. L. H. Mitchell, in charge also of the new society formed at Buckingham at this time. Rev. T. R. Quayle ministered to the church from 1900 to 1903, when Rev. G. E. Young, the present pastor was called. The organization has prospered financially and grown in membership, proving an influence for good in the community in which it is located. The church

is not only self supporting but 'contributes to the several boards of the church. Total amount raised for all purposes year ending - April 1, 1905, was \$1,202.

BAPTIST CHURCHES.

First Baptist, Kankakee.

So far as can be ascertained, the First Baptist preaching in Kankakee was by Elder Freeman, in the summer of 1854, under the shade of a "big basswood tree" on the banks of Soldier creek, near what is now the corner of Third avenue and Chestnut street. But it was not until 1856 that regular services were conducted by Rev. William Simms, of Philadelphia, in Durham hall, on the southeast corner of Court street and East avenue. The church was organized July 10, 1858, in a school house on the west side of Dearborn avenue, about one block north of the river, with Rev. James S. Reed as minister in charge. The constituent or charter members of the society were Geo. H. Andrews, Sarah Andrews, Miss Mary Lease, Miss Julia Lease, Benjamin Lease, J. P. Gamble, Antoinette Ford and Harriet J. Eldred. From 1859 to 1860 Rev. I. J. Kinney, of Chicago, took charge of the congregation and held services chiefly in a small Congregational church on Harrison avenue, near Court street, which church has since been removed and that society disbanded.

In 1860, Rev. John Higby became pastor, and in 1863 Rev. G. W. Dodge assumed charge for a little over one year. During his pastorate, in 1863, Mr. Geo. H. Andrews, in behalf of the trustees of the church, purchased lots 11 and 12, in block 13, on the north-east corner of Court street and Indiana avenue for \$1,000. The situation, opposite the court house square, continues to be one of the best in the city.

In the spring of 1864 the tug of war began for building a house of worship, and August 26, following, the cornerstone was laid. The Rev. Mr. Dodge having resigned the pastorate, the Rev. J. M. Whitehead began his memorable labors on the first of October, 1864. Under his rare organization and business ability the building of the present stone church went forward to successful completion. It was "In war time" when gold, labor and material had enormous

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b. Date of Birth

p.b. Place of Birth

m. Date of Marriage

p.m. Place of Marriage

d. Date of Death

p.d. Place of Death

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4 Jule Gileste THIBODEAU

(Father of No. 2)

b. 5 Oct 1824
p.b. St. Basile Canada
m. 16 Nov 1856
p.m. Kankakee, IL
d. 30 Dec 1862
p.d. Holly Springs Hosp.,
Mississippi

7 Joseph THIBODEAU

(Father of No. 1)

b. 5 May 1858
p.b. Bourbonnais Grove, IL
m. 9 Oct 1892
p.m. Crookston, Minnesota
d. County Farm, Turkey, Kansas
p.d. 11 Dec 1917

(Lenay)
Lucy GAUTHIER

5 (Mother of No. 2)
b. Aug 1834
p.b. Canada
d.
p.d.
c.d.

1 Alfred Joseph THIBODEAU

b. 12 Jul 1895
p.b. Clyde, Cloud Co., Kansas
m. 20 Jun 1921
p.m. San Francisco, California
d. 30 Oct 1950
p.d. San Francisco, California
c.d.

6 Michel CHARPENTIER

(Father of No. 3)

b. c 8 Jul 1837
p.b. LaBaieDuFebvre, Quebec
m. 5 Apr 1864
p.m. LaBaieDuFebvre, Yamaska
d. 20 Sep 1912
p.d. Moxee City, Yakima, WA
c.d.

Marie Aldéa CHARPENTIER

(Mother of No. 1)

b. 1 Jun 1870
p.b. LaBaieDuFebvre, Quebec
d. 12 Oct 1935
p.d. Moxee City, Yakima, WA
c.d.

Marie Olive FORET

(Mother of No. 3)

b. 11 Jun 1847
p.b. LaBaieDuFebvre, Quebec
d. 16 Nov 1921
p.d. Moxee City, Yakima, WA
c.d.

8 Firmin THIBODEAU

(Father of No. 4)

b. 1798
p.b. Canada
m. 5 Nov 1822
p.m. St. Basile, N.B., Canada
d.
p.d.
c.d.

9 Victoire THIBODEAU

(Mother of No. 4)

b. 1804
p.b. Canada
d.
p.d.
c.d.

10 Joseph GAUTHIER

(Father of No. 5)

b. Canada
p.b. Canada
m. Canada
p.m. Kankakee Illinois
d.
c.d.

11 Lenay (Lucy) (Mother of No. 3)

b. Canada
p.b. Canada
d.
p.d. Kankakee Illinois
c.d.

12 Michel CHARPENTIER

(Father of No. 6)

b. 31 Mar 1805
p.b. LaBaieDuFebvre, Canada
m. 2 Mar 1829
p.m. LaBaieDuFebvre, Quebec
d. before 1861
p.d.
c.d.

13 Thérèse BOISVERT

(Mother of No. 6)

b. c 4 May 1803
p.b. LaBaieDuFebvre, Yamaska
d.
p.d.
c.d.

14 Joseph FORET

(Father of No. 7)

b. Canada
p.b. Canada
m. 3 Feb 1846
p.m. LaBaieDuFebvre, Yamaska
d.
p.d.
c.d.

15 Sophie BOISVERT

(Mother of No. 7)

b. Canada
p.b. Canada
d.
p.d.

16 Joseph THIBODEAU

b. 1770
m. 28 Sep 1795 L'Île-à-Veuve
d.

17 Marie Josephe CÔTÉ

d.
18 Georges THIBODEAU

b.
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d.
19 Françoise THIBODEAU

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b.
d.
24 Marc CHARPENTIER

b. 23 Jan 1787
d.
25 Marguerite SENNEVILLE

d.
26 Antoine BOISVERT

b. 5 Nov 1793
d.
27 Ursule BOUJEAU

b.
d.
28 Joseph FORÉT

b. 20 Nov 1809
d.
29 Elizabeth JUTRAS

d.
30 Joseph BOISVERT

b. 2 Feb 1805
m. 19 Jul 1819
d.
31 Elizabeth CÔTÉ

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