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Goodrich Family Association DNA Project

~ Delores Goodrick Beggs

Our Goodrich Family association DNA project now includes a total of 61 members.

Great news! FTDNA has just put out a very special test price for folks who don't yet have a yDNA test, to get started...YDNA12 for just \$39.00 instead of the normal \$99.00! Spread the word to all folks who have held off on yDNA testing. (This test is for males only.)

The special price is already on our GFA DNA site under the order tests tab at <http://www.worldfamilies.net/surnames/goodrich>. The problem is FTDNA has not said how long they will offer this very special price for the test which normal price is \$99.00, so new folks need to hurry and order from our test site so they will automatically be members of our project.

What information will you discover from this test of the first 12 alleles? Basically, which Goodrich haplogroup you belong to – Ensign William Goodrich, Goodrick, Goodridge, etc. and if the numerical values indicate a close enough match, then perhaps you'd want to test higher in future and see what other Goodriches in our project you match.

Have you looked at your personal DNA Home Page recently? FTDNA has redesigned the home pages to make them easier for us to move around and access our information. THREE different migration/origin maps are now available on our home sites – Migration map, Matches map and SNP map.

The Y-STR box is right there to click and view your numerical values, (those used on the yDNA chart) available to view on our DNA site to see how close a match one is to others in any group they match. A box on our personal page shows us both our y Haplo and our mt Haplo now. (Note: yellow boxes on the yDNA chart identify mismatches – the fewer the yellow boxes, the closer the match with others of the same Haplo identification.)

A number of our GFA members were able to take advantage of the annual special Christmas prices and order additional discounted DNA Tests. Those who took advantage of the Family Finder discounted test may experience a delay in the posting of results due to the system being rerun using the autosomal dataset provided by the National Center for Biotechnical Information (NCBI), applying the latest scientific advances, which allows more precise matching blocks. I was thrilled to discover a match with my paternal grandmother's family several generations back through my Family Finder test; I previously had no information on that family, but now we have shared and put our lineages together.

Due to the test system having been upgraded, some of your results may have changed. You can view your personal page to see any changes.

We invite all Goodrich and alternate spellings to join our DNA project. Note you will receive the best test pricing if you order your test from our Goodrich DNA site:

<http://www.worldfamilies.net/surnames/goodrich>

Any questions may be sent to me at gfaelores@verizon.net.

GFA Membership Chairman Michelle Hubenschmidt Honored by SAR

~ Delores Goodrick Beggs



Congratulations to our Goodrich Family Association Membership Chairman Michelle Hubenschmidt, who has received the prestigious honor of being named Florida American History Teacher of the Year by the Lakeland (Fla.) chapter, Sons of the American Revolution.

She will represent Florida in the National Contest for the Tom and Betty Lawrence American History teacher of the Year Award sponsored by the National Society Sons of the American Revolution (NSSAR) This award is given to a teacher who educates students on the American Revolutionary era, 1750 – 1800.

Michelle teaches American History at Mulberry Senior High School, where she is said to be exceptional and innovative in making learning exciting and enjoyable for her students, even dressing in period style clothing to correspond with the subject matter. Many of her students have attended the Congressional academy, Congressional Congress, Boys State and Girls State programs.

Michelle earned a Bachelor's Degree in History and Education from the University of Michigan, a Masters Degree in Education from Cambridge College in Boston and a Masters Degree in History and Government from Ashland University among others; she graduated Summa Cum Laude Cambridge College in Boston with a Master's in Education, and graduated "with distinction" University of Michigan.

In 2010, Michelle was awarded two special study opportunities, a week with the Massachusetts Historical Society to study the Battles of Lexington and Concord, and a \$25,000.00 James Madison Foundation scholarship to earn a second dual Master's Degree in History and Government, part of the studies to be done at Georgetown University, which courses she completed with graduation last year.

Michelle has spent several years conducting extensive research of her Goodrich line through her great-grandmother Grace Goodrich (1902 - 1980) tracing the migration of her lineage from Hancock, MA (with Elijah Goodrich, 1724 - 1791) to Washington County, Pennsylvania (with Jesse Goodrich) to the central Ohio counties of Knox, Morrow and Marion (with Rufus Goodrich). Her genealogical research provided the impetus for her thesis when she wrote the biography of her American Revolution ancestor Jesse Goodrich - entitled "Revolution, Religion and the Building of America."

Again, our thank you and heartfelt congratulations go to our hard-working GFA membership chairman, Michelle!

A Betsy Ann Goodrich Saga

~ Carl J. Hoffstedt

I came across some Milo Goodriches on the Find a Grave website and tried to connect them to The Goodrich Family in America book by Lafayette Wallace Case, 1889. Since my Grandfather John Addison Goodrich came from Chautauqua County, New York, I found a Milo Goodrich #2108 on pages 177 and 274 in the Case book being in Chautauqua County, New York. He was the son of Chauncey Goodrich #1054 found on page 177 in the Case book.

Chauncey (Stephen #392, Stephen #136, William #47, Ephraim #16, William “The Ensign” #2) was born December 17, 1803 in Middlebury, Addison County, Vermont. From the History of Chautauqua County, New York by Andrew Young, published in 1875, “Chauncey Goodrich was born in Middlebury, Vermont, December 17, 1803 and removed with his father to Cayuga County, New York in 1809 and in 1822 to Stockton and settled on Lot 52 bought in 1826. He was married to Phoebe Rogers of Stockton. Their children are: Betsy Ann wife of John E. Hassett, and resides in Chatfield, Minnesota; Milo who married Emily Babcock of Busti, and resides in Sherman; Henry R., who married Martha Geer and lives in St. Joseph, Missouri; Ellen, wife of Henry Q. Ames, school commissioner of the first assembly district of the county; Corydon, who married Nancy Ann King of Stockton and resides at Salt River, Michigan; Alice M., wife of Levi N. Flint of Erie, Pennsylvania. Mr. Goodrich now resides at Delanti.”

In the Young book, Chauncey was listed as one of the original purchasers of land in Township 4 Range 13 in Stockton Township. He was shown in the 1830 and 1850 US Censuses for Stockton, Chautauqua County, New York.

Since Betsy Ann resided in Minnesota, my interest in connecting Goodriches in Minnesota to the Case book was enhanced. Betsy Ann Goodrich #2107 was born April 14, 1828 per the Case book and married J. E. Hassett. Per Ancestry.com, Betsy was born in Stockton, Chautauqua County, New York and married John Earl Hassett on January 29, 1851 in Stockton, Chautauqua County, New York. He was born October 23, 1828 in Attica, Wyoming County, New York. John was the son of John Hassett and Eliza Kidney. Betsy and John had relocated to Chatfield, Fillmore County, Minnesota after a brief settlement in Pennsylvania where their first child was born. The June 16, 1860 US Census for Chatfield, Fillmore County, Minnesota listed:

John Hassett 34 born in NY farmer
Betsy Hassett 30 born in NY
Melbourne Hassett 8 born in PA
Ella Hassett 3 born in MN

The July 1, 1870 US Census for Orion, Olmsted County, Minnesota listed:

Hassett, J. E. 42 born in NY farmer
Hassett, Betsy 42 born in NY keeping house
Hassett, H. M. 18 born in PA
Hassett, Ella B 12 born in MN
Hassett, Chany G. 5 born in MN

The family had moved to New Haven, Olmsted County, Minnesota by the May 1, 1875 Minnesota State Census. The June 14, 1880 US Census found the family back in Orion, Olmsted County, Minnesota and they were there in the 1875 Minnesota State Census.

Betsy died August 3, 1895 in Olmsted County, Minnesota and John remarried as he was found in the June 5, 1900 US Census for Chatfield, Fillmore County, Minnesota.

Hassett, John, 70, born January 1830 in NY, married, 4 years, miller

Hassett, Martha, 56, born October 1843 in NY, married 4 years

Sometime between 1900 and the April 20, 1910 US Census, John and Martha moved to North Ward, Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota. They had been married for 10 years with Martha, the mother of one child, with none living. It was a second marriage for each of them. The Minnesota Death Index #1912-MN-010783 shows that John Earl Hassett died on December 12, 1912 in Rock County, Minnesota. Henry Melbourne Hassett was born in December 1852 in Pennsylvania per the June 8, 1900 US Census for Elmira, Olmsted County, Minnesota. Henry was in the July 1, 1870 US Census for Orion, Olmsted County, Minnesota still living with his parents as an 18 year old. Henry married Anne E. about 1879 as they are in the June 4, 1880 US Census for Spring Water, Rock County, Minnesota. They moved back to Olmsted County for the June 1895 Minnesota State Census for Elmira and they were still there in the June 8, 1900 US Census:

Hassett, Melbourne, 46, born December 1852 in PA, married 21 years, farmer

Hassett, Annie, 40, born May 1860 in MN, married 21 years, mother of 3 children with 3 living

Hassett, Earl, 19, born March 1881 in MN

Hassett, Martin, 9, born April 1891 in MN

Hassett, Luella, 4, born December 1895 in MN

The April 18, 1910 US Census for Ward 2, Estelline Township, Hamlin County, Minnesota:

Hassett, H. M., 59, married 30 years, born in PA, farmer

Hassett, Amy, 50, married 30 years, born in MN, mother of 3 children with 3 living

Hassett, Earl, 28, born in MN, farmer

Hassett, Martin, 18, born in MN, laborer

Hassett, Luella, 14, born in MN

The South Dakota Death Index gives Henry's date of death as October 5, 1919 in Estelline, Hamlin County, South Dakota.

Betsy's daughter, Ella B. was born in Chatfield, Fillmore County, Minnesota May 15, 1858 per Ancestry.com. Sometime between 1875 and 1880, Ella married Frederick Emery Herrick. He was born October 1854 in Ohio. Some census records have him being born in Minnesota. About 1870, the Hassett and Herrick families both lived in Orion, Olmsted County, Minnesota and they are found on the same census page. Ella and Frederick are found in the June 7, 1880 US Census for Rose Dell, Rock County, Minnesota:

Herrick, F. E., 24, born in OH, farmer

Herrick, Ella B, 21, born in MN, house keeper

Herrick, Loren G, 6/12, born in MN

In June 19, 1900 the family is living in Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota and in the April 21, 1910 US Census. They are in North Ward, Luverne, Rock County, Minnesota in the same location as her father, John Hassett.

Ella B. Hassett and Frederick Emery Herrick had the following children:

Loren Gilbert Herrick, born December 16, 1873 in MN

Milo .J Herrick, born abt 1882 in MN
Mabel Herrick, born 1883 in MN
Marble G. Herrick, born March 1884 in MN
Grace H. Herrick, born October 1888 in MN
Elmer Ray Herrick, born September 1890 in MN
Marian A. Herrick, born September 1899 in MN

The January 2, 1920 US Census has Ella B., Fred E. and Marian E. in Berkeley, Alameda County, California. Ella died May 4, 1924 in San Diego, San Diego County, California. The April 7, 1930 US Census for San Diego, San Diego County, California:

Webster, Carroll S., 36, born in MA, civil engineer railroad
Webster, Marian A., 30, born in MN
Webster, Floyd W., 11/12, born in CA
Herrick, Frederick E., 74, born in MN, father-in-law

Not much is known about Chauncey G. Goodrich except that he was born February of 1866 in Chatfield, Fillmore County, Minnesota and married Frances in 1892 and she was born in August of 1872 in Maine.

So Betsy started out in New York, moved to Pennsylvania, Minnesota and then to California which was quite a journey during her lifetime.

Betsy's younger brother, Henry Rowe and younger sister, Ellen Rosetta, had an unusual experience per Ancestry.com. They were among the survivors of a boating catastrophe on Cassadaga Lake, about 3 miles from Stockton, on September 12, 1852. The accident claimed the lives of 8 persons who were passengers on a large scow, including their first cousin Elizabeth Minerva Goodrich, age 27.

Milo Goodrich had only one living child, Ernest Milo Goodrich born December 13, 1855 in Stockton, Chautauqua County, New York. Ernest married Clara Elizabeth Butterfield on February 27, 1878 in West Spring Creek, Warren County, Pennsylvania. She was born July 10, 1857 in Chautauqua County, New York. They had 8 children: Chauncey 1878, Maurice 1880, Angeline 1882, Franklin 1884, Orville Milo 1886, Evelyn 1888, and Jerome 1890. This pattern of having children about every two years can be found in many ancestral Goodrich families.

Ernest also kept the family names of Chauncey and Milo going and Jerome was Jerome Ernest. Ernest died January 5, 1901 in Buffalo, Erie County, New York and Clara died August 4, 1934 in West Spring Creek, Chautauqua County, New York.

In the May 18, 1877 edition of the Chautauqua County News, Sherman had Chauncey Goodrich of Stockton visiting relatives, Ernest Goodrich family. The July 4, 1888 edition had Chauncey visiting his daughter, Mrs. H. Q. Ames, and the August 1, 1888 edition had Chauncey returning home to Stockton after weeks with daughter, Mrs. H. Q. Ames.



The Benjamin Franklin Goodridge Line

~ Delores Goodrick Beggs

William Goodrich,¹ d. 1645, Colonial pioneer from Suffolk County, England, to Watertown, Mass. with wife Margaret

Capt. Joseph Goodridge,¹ b. 1639, d. 1716, resided Watertown and Newbury Mass., m. 28 Aug. 1664² Martha Moores²

Lt. Philip Goodridge,^{1,9} b. 13 Nov. 1669,² d. 16 Jan. 1728,² resided Newbury and Lunenburg Mass., m. 16 Apr. 1700⁸ Mehitable Woodman,⁸ she d. 24 Feb 1755²

Benjamin Goodridge,¹ b. 1701, d. 1773,² resided Lunenburg, Mass., m. 1730 Sarah Phelps

Oliver Goodridge,^{1,2} b. 27 Oct. 1749,³ d. 04 Jun 1809³ resided Lunenburg, Mass., m. 30 Apr. 1780² Elizabeth Hastings^{2,3}

Benjamin Goodridge,^{1,3} resided Lunenburg, Mass and Salt Lake City, Utah, m. 1823 Penelope Gardner

Benjamin Franklin Goodridge (this lineage, LWC4035 in the Case book, is not continued there) was born in Lunenburg, Mass. 03 Oct. 1794² and died on 02 Dec. 1860,^{12,14} the son of Joseph Oliver Goodridge,^{2,3} born 27 Oct. 1749,³ Lunenburg, Worcester, Mass., d. 04 Jun 1809,³ Lunenburg, who m. 30 Apr. 1780⁶ his wife Elizabeth Hastings.² He had four brothers, Oliver,⁴ Benjamin (deceased),⁴ Sewall⁴ and Zabdial,⁴ and one sister, Elizabeth.⁴ His mother died in 1787 when he was four years old and his father did not marry again.⁴

Benjamin F. Goodridge married Penelope Randall Gardner 01 Apr. 1823.⁶ She was b. 27 Dec. 1791⁵ and d. 18 Dec. 1875,^{5,13} the daughter of Abel Gardner 1763 – 1840⁵ and Susannah Bryant 1767 – 1833.⁵

Benjamin, a farmer, was active and influential in both proprietary and town affairs,⁷ his continual elections to office spoke volumes about his character: 30 years as selectman,⁷ twenty-two years as town clerk,⁷ and school committees,⁷ constable,⁷ collector,⁷ magistrate,⁷ captain in the French and Indian War⁷ all speak of the man. He died of lung fever in 1860.¹²

Benjamin Goodridge and his wife Penelope had six daughters and one living son:

- a. Mary Jane Goodridge b. 11 June, 1825,²⁶ d. of breast cancer (Deseret News Obituary),¹⁵ Jan. 20, 1883,²⁷ m. William Flint¹ 24 Dec. 1850.¹ Children:
 - Valeria Ann Flint Laird
 - William Leonard Flint
 - Fidelia Lovantia Flint Jacobs
 - Abel Josiah Flint
 - Harriet Rosella Flint Dickson
- b. Sophia Lois b. 03 July 1826,¹⁷ d. 03 Nov. 1903¹⁸ m. 25 Dec. 1845¹¹ Abraham Quimby, Jr.,¹¹ son of Abraham and Maria Quimby.¹¹ She had nine children.¹⁷ She had the distinction of being the first to sing in public the famous song "The Glorious

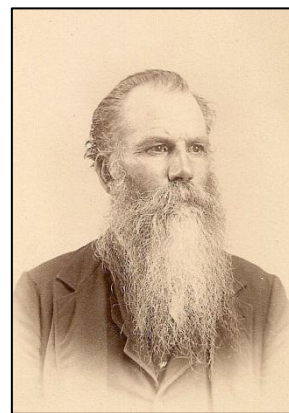
"Light of Truth," composed for her by William Clayton, which she first sang in the old bowery in 1851.¹⁷ She married Leonard W. Hardy, leader of their wagon train, who later became a Bishop. His occupation was listed as a shoemaker in the 1950 census. Children:

Leonard Goodridge Hardy
 Oscar Harvey Hardy
 William Bell Hardy
 Sophia Manselena Hardy
 Jesse Wallace Hardy
 George Goodridge Hardy
 Marion Penelope Hardy
 Lusannah Jane Hardy
 Martha Lois Hardy



Sophia Lois Goodridge Hardy

- c. Harriet Ann Goodridge b. 09 Mar. 1828,¹⁰ d. 30 May 1904,¹⁰ m. Leonard W. Hardy. She devoted much of her time to the care of sick women, as a midwife. She first married Seth M. Blair 05 Oct. 1851; they divorced. Harriet married 2nd Leonard Wilford Hardy 28 March 1858. She had four children, they d. in infancy.²³
- d. Leonard Burrage b. 04 May 1830, d. 10 May 1831
- e. Sarah Louisa (Lovisa)¹⁹ b. 05 June 1832 m. Joseph Grafton Hovey 28 Nov. 1850.²⁰ She had a baby boy, John G. Hovey Sept. 1851.¹⁹ Sarah died when the baby was eight days old. Her sister Lusannah took the baby and cared for him,
- f. Lusannah Emiline b. 24 Mar. 1834,¹ d. 14 July 1910, m. Joseph Grafton Hovey¹ 14 Jan. 1852,¹⁹ her dead sister's husband and became baby John's mother. She courageously raised a family of 8 children after her husband's death.
- g. Esther Smylinda b. 16 Mar. 1836, d. 29 Aug. 1914, Preston, Idaho,²¹ m. Leonard Wilford Hardy 20 Aug. 1854,²¹ had four children:
 Edward Hunter Goodridge Hardy,²¹ b. 07 May, 1857, d. 09 Mar. 1859²⁴
 Owen Smoot Hardy,²¹ b. 22 Feb. 1860, d. 15 Feb. 1942²⁵
 Rhoda Alice Hardy Gran,²¹ b. 03 Jan. 1862, d. 28 Sep. 1938²⁵
 Sarah Louisa Hardy,²¹ b. 19 Sep. 1864, d. 10 Sep. 1865²⁵
- h. George Albert Goodridge b. 03 Mar. 1839,²² d. 19 Feb. 1911²² after several months illness. In 1850 at the age of 11 years he left home with his father and family and joined the Wilford Woodrow Company. Soon after their arrival in Utah he joined the Utah Militia. He drove a team back across the plains to assist more persons to migrate to Utah; on his return, he returned to the militia, was made captain, and served in the "Black Hawk War."²² He married 1863²² Eliza Ann Taggart²² and later Harriet Taggart.²² A state boundary survey determined they were in Nevada, and when Brigham Young sent them their release the family left and resettled in Morgan County. where he operated a saw mill and then a flour mill.²² He married a third time, Rhoda Slade.²² His three wives bore him thirty-two children.²²



George Albert Goodridge

The Benjamin Goodridge family, father, mother, brother and six sisters, all left their eastern home 21 May 1850 with the Wilford Woodruff Company, under the command of Leonard W. Hardy, heading for the Rocky Mountains. The family had been baptized, except for Mary, her husband, and brother George who were baptized 10 July 1850 when they reached the Platt River.

The family endured many hardships during the long trip from the East to Utah, and again after their arrival in Utah.

Oldest daughter, Mary Jane, quickly became an experienced ox team driver, a dangerous task because ox teams, consisting of two to five yokes, often stampeded, causing injuries and destruction, and the covered wagons often broke down, causing delays; as a result, the group didn't reach Salt Lake Valley until 14 October 1850, after five long months on the trail. The Goodridges were part of a smaller group under the leadership of Leonard W. Hardy, who later married three of Mary Jane's sisters.

A drought during the summer of 1852 made provisions scarce and cooking was done over the fireplace; they had no stoves.²² Times continued hard, until in the summer of 1855, meals consisted of dandelion and pig weeds boiled.²² The series of hard times continued with grasshopper scourges eating their crops, but they preserved and remained in Utah. The family left an unparalleled legacy of perseverance, strength and brotherly kindness.

Photos courtesy of Rhonda Holton

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Goodriches in Hamlin Cemetery, Wayne County, PA

HAMLIN
Cemetery Road, Salem Township,
Hamlin, Wayne County, PA

The Old Cemetery was started October 14, 1840 by Presbyterians and Methodists. Land was purchased from Luther Weston.

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GOODRICH, Anson: 1792 - 1861
GOODRICH, Charles: 1790 – 12 October 1857
GOODRICH, Ermina: 1835 - 1856
GOODRICH, Eunice (Andrews): 1797 – 1851 (wife of Anson Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Finetta: 1848 – 25 September 1851 (daughter of George E. and Lois Goodrich)
GOODRICH, George L.: 26 December 1818 – 05 April 1865
GOODRICH, George: 1795 – 15 December 1853
GOODRICH, Harriet: 1810 – 29 February 1818 (daughter of Seth and Polly Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Hiram B.: 1830 – 05 November 1924 (son of Anson and Eunice (Andrews) Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Janette: died 29 February 1818 (daughter of Seth and Polly Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Judith: 1804 – 08 April 1879 (wife of Charles Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Martha: 22 December 1836 – 01 July 1920 (daughter of Anson and Eunice (Andrews) Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Mary (Phillips): 1778 – 25 February 1838 (2nd wife of Seth Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Phebe: 1841 - 1904
GOODRICH, Polly: died 31 May 1821 (1st wife of Seth Goodrich)
GOODRICH, Rachael: 1835 - 1868
GOODRICH, Seth: 1849 – 01 November 1851
GOODRICH, Seth: 27 January 1767 – 21 December 1841

Callahill M. Goodrich Family

~ Delores Goodrick Beggs

Callahill M. Goodrich was born in Ohio² the son of Daniel and Jane Damron⁸ Goodrich¹ abt. 1834, and lived in Indiana in 1850,¹ later moving his family to Loup, Merrick, Nebraska.²

He married Gertrude A. Leroy 21 Dec 1858⁹ at South Bend, Indiana.¹¹ She was b. 10 Aug. 1830,¹¹ the daughter of Stephen and Phoebe Pearsall Leroy.⁴ Daniel and Jane Damron Goodrich were married 24 Oct 1827 in Bedford County, VA.⁸



Gertrude A. Leroy & Roy Horton
Photo courtesy of Orin Hunkins

This is a Goodrich family we are trying to connect to their ancestors. We have not yet found the parents of Callahill's parents Daniel and Jane. If anyone has additional information about this family, please contact me at gfdelores@verizon.net.

Callahill and Gertrude were blessed with three daughters:

- A. Phoebe Jane Goodrich, b. 1860,² and d. 1927,⁵ m1 Charles Norton 1855, m.2 Franklin Baker Smith, 1855

Children:

Charles Leroy Norton, b. abt. 1880

Earl Smith, b. abt. Aug. 1893¹⁵

Gladys Smith b. b. abt Apr. 1895¹⁵ m. #2613 29 Oct 1913¹⁷ Walter E. Pease,¹⁷
son of James F. Pease and Sarah E. Kile¹⁷

Frances Smith, b. abt. July 1897¹⁵

- B. Laura May Goodrich Knapp, b. May 1864,¹² d. 07 Dec 1952, m. John K. Knapp 1855. He was b. 24 Feb. 1859 and d. 07 Mar. 1942.

Children:

Mary E. Knapp, b. Aug. 1886¹² m. #2575, 25 June 1913¹⁷ Norris E. McCann,¹⁷
son of Robert C. McCann and Mary L. Chambers

Collahile Knapp, b. Nov. 1888¹² a farmer

Bessy Knapp, b. Dec. 1893¹²

Helen F. Knapp, b. Sept. 1892¹²

Charles Knapp - b. Feb. 1894¹² shown farming next door to parents in the 1910
Loupe, Merrick, Census

Barbara A. Knapp b. Aug. 1898¹²

Evva Knapp b. Feb. 1879¹²

Martin Knapp b. abt 22 May 1907¹⁶ m. Gladys Timmerman, she d. 1995.¹⁶ He
worked for UPRR in Omaha, NE¹⁶

- C. Mary Virginia Goodrich Colborn, b. 17 Aug. 1866,¹³ Indiana d. 31 Mar. 1954^{9, 13} Los Angeles, CA,¹³ m. Hiram Ernest Colborn³ in Indiana

Children:

Gertrude Coleborn, b. abt 1890¹⁴

Lisle Colborn b. abt. 1891,¹⁴ #2562 Lisle Coburn, farmer, m. 17 May 1913¹⁷
Rena E. Ferris,¹⁷ dau. Albert J. Ferris and Lizzie Davis¹⁷

Etoil Colborn, b. abt. 1896¹⁴

Avery Colborn, b. abt. 1900¹⁴

Kate Colborn, b. abt 1903¹⁴

Jesse Colborn, b. abt. 1909¹⁴

The family left Indiana and went to California by 1920.

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A Goodrich By Any Other Name

~ Barbara Ristow

I am 11 generations removed from my ancestors Ensign William Goodrich and his wife Sarah Marvin. In fact, William is the only American ancestor in my family tree who was both born with, and died with the Goodrich surname. But Goodrich DNA exists in me every bit as much as any 11th generation descendant, or perhaps even more than many of you who still bear the name, as two of William's daughters are both my ancestors, Elizabeth and Abigail. (I have underlined the names of all direct descendants of William and Sarah.)

Elizabeth Goodrich was the 5th child and 3rd daughter of William and Sarah Marvin Goodrich. On 09 Jun 1675, at the age of 17, she married 25 year old Robert Welles in Wethersfield, Hartford, Connecticut¹.

Robert Welles (1651-1714) was the oldest son of John Welles (1621-1659) and Elizabeth Bourne (c.1626-1668). John Welles' will was dated 19 October 1659, and he died soon after, as he was deceased before his father, Governor Thomas Welles, who died the following January. (Governor Thomas Welles is the only man in Connecticut's history to hold all four top offices: governor, deputy governor, treasurer, and secretary.) John Welles bequeathed to wife Elizabeth and his children; gave his son Robert to his father to be educated and, although the grandfather died a little more than two months afterward, Robert went to Wethersfield, lived and died there, receiving a considerable portion of his grandfather's estate.²

Elizabeth Goodrich Welles died 17 Feb 1698. Husband Robert Welles's will dated 04 Jan 1711 named four sons: Thomas, Joseph, Robert and Gideon; and one daughter: Prudence.³

Prudence Welles was born c. 1682 in Wethersfield, Hartford, CT and died 16 Apr 1715. At the age of about 18, on 20 Oct 1700³, she married the Reverend Anthony Stoddard⁴ who was born

09 Aug 1678 in Windham, Northampton, Massachusetts, and died 06 Sep 1760 in Woodbury, Connecticut.⁵



Rev. Anthony Stoddard, husband of Prudence Welles; portrait hangs in the Curtis House Inn.

Reverend Anthony Stoddard graduated from Harvard in 1697, and shortly after was ordained minister at the 1st Church of Christ in Woodbury. Anthony was the son of Solomon Stoddard (1643-1729), who was the son of the elder Anthony Stoddard, a wealthy Boston merchant, and Mary Downing (sister of Sir George Downing, for whom Downing Street in London is named, and niece to Governor John Winthrop).⁶ As such, Solomon was born into the highest stratum of aristocratic New England. Stoddard significantly liberalized church policy while promoting more power for the clergy, decrying drinking and extravagance, and urging the preaching of hellfire and the Judgment.⁷

Anthony and Prudence were married in March 1700⁸ and had 9 children, seven sons and two daughters, before Prudence died in 1714.⁹ Before the year 1736 Anthony built a house for his son in Woodbury that is still standing today, now named the Curtis House Inn; it first opened as an Inn by Anthony and Prudence's grandson in 1754. Reverend Anthony's portrait hangs in the hallway. If you find yourself in the area, I highly recommend a stay there.

Elisha Stoddard was the 4th son and 5th child of Anthony Stoddard and Prudence Welles.¹⁰ Woodbury town records tell us "Elisha Stoddard ye son of Mr. Anthony Stoddard by his wife Prudence was born in Woodbury November 24th 1706." He died 27 Aug 1766.

The name of Elisha Stoddard's wife was Rebecca, but controversy exists over whether her surname was Curtiss or Sherman. (History of Ancient Woodbury volume 1 says Rebecca Curtiss, daughter of Stephen and Sarah Minor Curtiss. Volume 2 names her Rebecca Sherman.)

Elisha's will names his three sons Solomon, Elisha, and David, and daughters Damaris Smith, Mary Judson, and Mehitable, along with wife Rebeckah and granddaughter Mehitable Judson. Woodbury town records identify a fourth daughter who died before her father: "Rebecca the daughter of Capt Elisha Stoddard died September 30 1749."

Barbour records show "Elisha, son of Elisha and Rebecca born Nov 14 1735." Elisha Stoddard Jr. was a Revolutionary War Soldier, serving in the 8th militia regiment for the defense of New York. He enlisted Feb 12 1777, was discharged Feb 12 1780, and then again June 28 1780 to October 09 1780; was at Valley Forge, and fought at Monmouth.¹¹

Woodbury town records tell us that : "Elisha Stoddard Junior and Ann Hunt were married May 29th 1760," and that "Ann the daughter of John Hunt by his wife Thankfull [Galpin] was born 1739." In the census of 1800, Elisha Jr and probably his wife were in Woodbury Connecticut, but I have not located the place or date of death for either.

The youngest of Elisha Stoddard Jr. and Ann Hunt's nine children was Olive Stoddard,¹² b.c. 1777, died 06 Jun 1833 in Woodbury.¹³ Olive was my g.g.g.grandmother- and by about the year 1803 (her first child was born in 1804) she married Thaddeus Cramer, sometimes Crammer,

my g.g.g.g.grandfather and direct descendant of Abigail Goodrich, William Goodrich and Sarah Marvin's youngest daughter.

Abigail Goodrich was the youngest daughter of William Goodrich and Sarah Marvin, born 05 Jun 1662, and married Thomas Fitch on the 15th of September, 1680.¹⁴ Abigail died at the young age of 22, on 07 Nov 1684. She and Thomas had just one child, a daughter Abigail¹⁵ who was probably raised by her maternal grandparents, William and Sarah Goodrich. Granddaughter Abigail Fitch was named in Sarah Marvin Goodrich Curtiss's will. Abigail was probably born shortly after her parent's marriage about 1681, as she married 11 May 1696 in Stratford, Abraham Kimberly Jr., grandson of Thomas Kimberly, one of the founders of Hartford, Connecticut.¹⁶

Abraham Kimberly Jr. and Abigail Fitch were the parents of at least 8 children (named in Abraham's estate settlement), including daughter Abia Kimberly, wife of John Curtiss, Jr. (1710-1743), the son of Ensign John Curtiss and his wife Joanna Burr.¹⁷

Abia Kimberly Curtiss was pregnant with their 9th child when her husband, John, was killed by lightning in 1743¹⁸, while standing in the doorway of his house.¹⁹ Abia's DOB, DOD, and place of burial are unknown. Their daughter, Joanna Curtiss, was baptized 22 May 1737 in Woodbury (Woodbury town records).

Joanna Curtiss married, the 5th of December, 1753²⁰, Henry Cramer, sometimes Crammer, son of Adam Cramer [Kraemer], b.c. 1697 in Germany, one of the Palatine orphans who arrived in 1710 and was apprenticed out by Governor Hunter of New York.²¹

Henry Cramer and Joanna were the parents of six known children, 5 sons and a daughter.²² All of the sons, and possibly husband Henry were living in Rutland, Vermont several years before their mother died in Woodbury on 13 August 1788. Her estate inventory lists her as insolvent, and owing the town of Woodbury more than 30 pounds. Her possessions included a satin clock, a looking glass, several gowns, and a spelling book and paper. There was no mention of a husband. Henry returned to Connecticut and married Olive Armstrong, and lived in Litchfield, Connecticut until at least 1815.

Son Amos Cramer, probably named for his uncle, Joanna Curtiss's brother Amos Curtiss, was born about 1754 and lived in various places including Vermont, but died in Woodbury 19 December 1824. He was married at least twice, his second wife abandoning him and taking their two children. His first wife's name is unknown. Their son Thaddeus Cramer is my g.g.g.g.grandfather, and the husband of Olive Stoddard, the Goodrich descendant through daughter Elizabeth. Elizabeth Goodrich's g.g.grandson married her sister Abigail's g.g.granddaughter.

Thaddeus Cramer and his wife Olive were the parents of 10 children, and they lived and died in Woodbury, Connecticut.²³ Their house is still standing, known as the Thaddeus Cramer house, at 14 Weekepeemee Road. The house and land was the property of Olive, given to her by her father Elisha Stoddard Jr., and taken away from Thaddeus after Olive died and given to their children. Their daughter Ann Marie Cramer (1811-1856) married Smith Gunn (1807-1850) and lived in Oxford, Connecticut. Anne Marie and Smith had 2 sons and four daughters, including Jane Adeline Gunn (1833-1922), my g.g.grandmother.

**There are numerous sources to verify the above information, I have listed a variety. I welcome all additions, corrections, suggestions, and questions, in hopes that we can all strive to find the truth of our ancestry. ristowb@gmail.com

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The Vermont Farmer (Tucker and Neighbor Hiram Goodrich)

~ Mrs. Rebecca M. Nalley, West Newbury, Vermont

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Nathaniel Abbott Tucker rolled over and peered at the gray square of window. Some sixth sense developed through years of rising at dawn told him that it was the beginning of another day though the low heavy morning clouds made it seem much earlier than four-thirty. He glanced at [Hepsy?]. Humph, still sleepin' the sleep o' the just. He reached over and laid a heavy hand gently on her shoulder.

"Hey, Hepsy, it's four-thirty. Time t' git up..." Hepsy murmured and stretched. While she was waking, Nate slipped his pants on over his nightshirt and padded to the kitchen in his stocking feet. He banged on the stovepipe for the hired man to wake and then tackled the kitchen stove...

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A few twists of paper, some fine stuff and pine cones, then a stick of dry birch with the bark on and the fire roared merrily up the chimney...

While the fire was getting under way Nate put on his clothes which had hung over the back of a chair in the warm kitchen all night. Nate was always the last one to go to bed and in real cold weather they used the settin' room or the kitchen as dressing rooms. The bedroom was an unheated ice-box in winter. Hepsy came, walking carefully on feet not yet limbered from their early morning stiffness - she suffered from fallen arches - and it made it hard to get going. She was fully dressed in a starched gingham dress covered by a belt-gathered apron whose small bib was a postage stamp on the vast expanse of her bosom. She stepped into the bathroom to wash her face and comb her wavy grey hair. Nate always made his morning ablutions at the kitchen sink from force of habit set during the years when they had no bathroom. He soused his head and splashed water over his neck and arms. After a good lathering and rinse he come up blowing and puffing like a grampus and dived into the great roller towel that hug on the back of the door. Hepsy always said Nate sounded like a walrus "takin' a mornin' ablution."

Nate shoved his long legs into rubber boots and struggled into his frock which had hung on a hook behind the door. He collected the clean and shining milk pails from the "buttry" and started for the barn...

Hepsy began to step the stiffness out of her feet. She wouldn't any more than have time to get the hearty breakfast onto the table before the menfolks would be up from the barn. She set the big double-boiler of oatmeal, which had been cooking all night, on the back of the stove, down front to git het-up, cut up cold boiled potatoes in a skillet with a little bacon fat melted in the bottom. She fried up some bacon and half a dozen eggs, set the coffee pot to goin' and got out a plate of doughnuts to balance the thick slices of home-made bread. Hepsy stepped light for all her heft and lame feet and the only sound over the whisper of her shoes in the pleasant warm kitchen was the boiling kettle and the sizzling fry-pan...

Nate... had stepped cut into the early morning air, so clear-clean feeling that there was something heady about it... Inside [the milk house] was scrupulously neat, every window and door screened against flies. The cement floor was center-drained and flushed clean after each milking. In the depths of the electric cooler were several cans of milk from the last night's milking. On wooden pegs hung the paraphernalia of the milking machine.

Nate owned his farm free and clear... He would like to sell. One of his favorite dreams is a little house built up in the pine woods on the bluff where he and Hepsy can live out their days. The big place is bleeding them gradually and unless a miracle happens they will never be free of it.

The cows changed from restless anxious creatures to the heights of bovine contentment. Cleaned, watered, stomachs full and heavy udders emptied, they contemplated the narrow gap in their horizon with wide, placid, vacant eyes. Natural desires fulfilled, they neither asked nor expected anything more. Nate has carried on this farm all his life...for nigh onto seventy-four years. His philosophy of life he will tell simply. "Do the best ye can, take what comes an' leave the rest to the Almighty."

Nate's consuming ambition at the time he was graduated [from school] was to become a surgeon. "A Doctor," he says, with the faint awe of never satisfied desire lingering in his voice. He

contemplates his hands and ruefully shakes his head. Gnarled, rough, weather-worn with tough skin and knotted knuckles, "Don't look like they'd ever make a doctor's hands, would they?" He sighs a wafted breath for lost dreams, "But that was a good many years ago."

In his early twenties he met Hepsibah Lovewell from down below and he smiles reminiscently, weather wrinkles breaking out at the corners of his eyes. "I knew she were my mate the fust time I set eyes on her. I got her, too, by gum."

After a hearty breakfast washed down and settled by several cups of coffee strained audibly through his grey moustache, Nate and Hepsy settle in their rockers before the plant screened windows with their Bibles.

After their morning devotions are completed Nate and Hepsy turn willing steps toward whatever the day may hold for them... Everything comes at once. Corn to plant, potatoes to get in, vegetable garden to plow. Nate has the long traces down from the front of the corn barn where they have made a pretty red and yellow pattern against the weathered red paint all winter, a pretty sight there, out of reach of bird and rodent...

Potatoes... he spent many an afternoon sprouting the "Tatties" which persist in acting as though they couldn't wait to get into the ground at first whiff of spring... There in the cellar long sprouts lay like ghostly fingers. Nate knows you must never wash tatties before putting them away to the cellar for that would destroy their keeping properties, also you must never keep them in the light, for they will turn green, nor freeze them, or they will be sweet to taste after they are cooked...

Nate steps through into Hepsy's preserve caller... Against the walls stand long rows of shelves and there, even this late in the season, stand rank upon rank of full jars.

It gives a man a good safe feeling to have provisions stocked up like that...

In June all activities except the inevitable chores and necessary eating and sleeping are suspended for the big event of haying. Sun-dried and fragrant the heavy grass is swallowed by the loader and disgorged in the huge barn mows. This is the stuff of which a farm is made.

While Hepsy tends the vegetable garden and cans, pickles, jells, spices, and salts-away its various products, replenishing those long shelves and huge crocks in the preserve cellar, the men march on with the summer's work. Haying is followed by corn cutting and the filling of the great round silo, thrashing comes and the empty oat bins once more overflow their golden store. A thousand and one are the things which must be done to keep animal in production and man in food and clothing. When winter again lays its white hand gently down and suspends the feverish activity, when the night holds day in dark lingering grasp, and the sun withdraws its warmth, then comes days of relaxation. In the long evenings hard by the fat stove Hepsy mends while Nate reads aloud from one of the farm journals and the local news sheet...

The blue sky shines softly over the hills and lazy spring cloudlets drift silently, tag ends whipped by some high unseen wind. A capricious small breeze born of the distant hill, ruffles the horses' manes and tails, scuffs up a cloud of sun-dried loam and races off to shake the new pale green leave which have come out behind the bright red tassels of the maples. Nate is not thinking of these things as he mechanically drops the potatoes into their summer camps. He is thinking of

the afternoon to come. His good friend **Hiram Goodrich** lies in state down there in the parlor of his home place. This afternoon last rites will be held for him. Nate is thinking of a prophesy told long since by Elder Carleton Beckwith.

The prophecy had come true and one by one friends and neighbors had gone on down the last long road ahead of him. Now Hiram's turn had come and he was the last, except Nate, of the "old guard." Sometimes Nate thought, "How long, oh Lord, how long?" and then he chided himself and resigned his spirit to living its time out. He guessed he could stand it long as Hepsy was hard by. Anyway, 'twas only fools and quitters who challenged the will of the Almighty.

At noon Hepsy blew a tremendous blast on the old conch shell. The hills caught the sound and bounced it back waking little grumbling echoes which ran way off to fade in the distance... Nate finished out the row they were on... and started for the barn... Nate...would foot-it down to 'tend the funeral. 'Twouldn't take more'n an hour or two to see Hiram to his last restin' place over in the old cemetery but it broke up the afternoon. 'Twould be time for chores before they got done visitin' and back up to the farm again.

Nate was sorry Hiram was gone but still he could find a solemn pleasure in the prospect of seeing so many folks that he hadn't seen for years, as would tend the funeral that afternoon. Quite likely there'd be city people there, relatives and friends and young folks who hadn't been back to their native village for a spell. "Funny," Nate thought, "how folks can't never find time to get back to visit while you're alive and can enjoy it. But you jest let somebody die and they'll all come flockin' to ease their consciences and pay their last respects. Most likely to keep folks from talkin' some, too..."

They ate in silence except for an occasional remark about the farm work or the food. After dinner Hepsy stacked the dished in the sink and put the food away in the "buttry" and went up to change into her good dress. The funeral wasn't 'til two, but Hepsy would go down early to help Mis' **Goodrich** get things red-up. Probably there'd be dishes to do after the raft o' relatives that would eat there at noon. She tucked a stiffly starched apron into her bag and took a big apple pie down from the buttry shelf. Probably, too, Mis' **Goodrich** could use it. Some of the other neighbors would send in pots of baked beans, scalloped dishes or maybe cake to help out. Hepsy like to help out, might be her turn to need help sometime, but she didn't like to think about that. Take each day as it comes and then it'll likely bring you enough grief.

Hepsy went in the side door and left Nate and Ben to talk with the little group of men gathered on the side porch, **Goodrich's** hired man, the undertaker's assistant and a couple others. They discussed the weather, crops, the milk situation, in subdued voices. There were none of the wide gestures, the ribald burst of laughter which usually marked a meeting of kindred spirits. All was restrained in proper proportion to the solemnity of the occasion.

Hepsy went quickly through the kitchen with her pie. She left it in the buttry, hung her coat over the broom handle behind the door and slipped her apron on. The family and relatives were still in the dining room. Mis' **Goodrich** came out when she heard Hepsy. The two women clung to each other for a moment, then Hepsy wiped her eyes and in an attempt to attain the everyday in an unusual situation started in on the dishes.

Mr. Bainbury, the undertaker, came to the door and summoned his assistant with a nod. They kept going in and out with chairs and boxes of flowers. Mis' **Goodrich** left the kitchen to Hepsy

and the women-kin and tended to Mr. Bainbury. As the women finished redden'-up, the folks began to come. Cars drove up in the yard and horses lined the barnyard fence with buggies at all angles. Nobody felt comfortable to use the front door, it didn't seem neighborly somehow, even at this special time. The kitchen filled with farmers, passed, combed and shined. The butcher was there, the storekeeper (the store at the four-corners was closed during the hour of the funeral), the select'men came all together, the school teacher, and folks from the Center all took their places in the quiet rooms. You could smell the flowers clear out in the kitchen.

The undertaker's bald head shone above dark thatches and thin grey locks. Folks liked Mr. Bainbury to do their services for them. He invested even the simplest task with a quiet dignity and reverence which gave it that touch of mysticism and final peace which helped to bring a surcease to the troubled hearts of the next-o'-kin. He never rushed around important like, as though he couldn't get through the thing quick enough. My shake, the smell of flowers was powerful, roses, carnations, snapdragons, lilies. Such a raft of 'em!

Parson Potter rose to his feet from his place near the front of the room. The nearest relatives were gathered in the seats of honor directly in front of him. To his right lay the flower banked casket. He cleared his throat and the faint murmur and rustling ceased. It was quiet with that heavy quiet that comes of many folks together trying to still their noisy living in the face of death. The little yellow canary in the cage twittered and hopped about from perch to perch. His bright eyes roved restlessly about over the crowd, he didn't quite like so many folks around. It was not natural. When May Brigham and her Pa rose up to sing the tow old hymn that Miram had so loved in life, the canary became a vibrating ball of yellow and lent a torrent of liquid melody to the harmony of the two voices.

Nate had been asked to be bearer. Hiram had made all the arrangements for this, his last earthly journey, before he went, even to the choice of hymns and the bearers. It had all been settled proper and to his satisfaction and he had gone out quietly and securely in the knowledge that his life was completed to the last detail. That happens sometimes with very old people who have worked hard and "wore out instead of rusted out." Nate took a strange comfort in the thought that his own life-ending would be marked with just such a simple and satisfying ceremony.

The long line of cars crawled over the road between the fields and meadows, church and hall, through the village and up the rise to the "burying' ground" which covered the knoll behind the church. Some of the men footed-it over through the fields and a little group of bareheaded men and quiet women gathered by the flower covered mound for the short commitment service.

After the funeral the store at the four-corners opened and the folks began to come and go. Except for so many folks dressed up in their Sunday best, life took on its usual weekday face.

Hepsy comes down from the house and she and Nate go up the hill toward home. Ben catches up on them. They say little. Each is thinking thoughts provoked by the service. As they near home the daily round drops down over their minds and they take up life where they left off, glad to be back in the security of normal ways, in the shelter of accustomed routine. They do not fear death. Too often they have seen the resurrection and the triumph of life. Death itself is not a stranger. The cycle is ever before them in its completeness through the seasons. The fundamental elements of man's existence are always with them, Life and Birth and Death...

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Our NGS organizational membership (National Genealogical Society) serves to widen the bases we touch in our search for Goodrich information; the more we obtain, the more Goodrich researchers we are able to assist.

We have, as a community, built an organization to provide excellent support to those who research Goodrich and variant spellings of the name. But we can't do it alone. We need every member, all our volunteers, fresh ideas, and new visions to pursue. We need YOU!

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It may be the love of noble deeds,
Perchance 'tis pride, but he who reads
Of these who did and dared and died –
Then be it love or be it pride,
There is a link that seems to hold
Us bound to ancestors of old.

~Author unknown

