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HFA Reunion Report and Next Hotchkiss Book

My Trip to the 2018 HFA Annual Reunion in Mexico, New York

The Hotchkiss Family Reunion was held Sat. August 4th in Mexico, NY (about 35 miles north of Syracuse). Your editor attended the reunion for the first time in a few years and decided to drive to be able to research in the Archives in Ontario County, NY. Heading from northern Michigan to Erie PA, I drove 494 miles the first day. The next day it was 250 miles to the Records and Archives Center in Canandaigua, NY. I reviewed a dozen microfilms, copied eight deeds for three Hotchkiss' and two affiliated families. Next stop was Gorham Cemetery located in a town of the same name to clean my grandparents and g-grandparents headstones.

Then drove by my grandparents house which always seems smaller than it did when I was a kid; the trees were huge and the hedge around the drive was no longer neatly trimmed. Memories of visiting are still sharp decades later. Grandpa, Olin C. Hotchkiss was the principal of the Gorham High School for fifteen years after serving as principal of schools in Schenectady for nearly twenty years. After he retired to his mother's family homestead he had an egg farm. A three story barn and two large chicken houses were full of chickens. Grandpa's barn was an exciting place to explore. As city kids we found it fun to explore. One of the highlights was his barn elevator, open on two sides and operated by pulling one rope to go up and another to go down.

Forgive my reminiscing, but just driving by evokes many memories. We only saw them once a year and sadly that annual trip ended in 1957 when Grandpa passed away.

BACK to the reunion: The evening of August 3rd, the Board met informally and discussed cutting storage space, making the newsletter available by email only and another Hotchkiss book that could cover the

rest of Samuel's children: Samuel, Sarah, Thomas and Daniel. Response from descendants of these children will affect the coverage of each of these children.

On August 4, twenty-one of us met at the Starr Clark Tin Shop and Underground Railroad Museum in Mexico. Starr Clark arrived in Mexico about 1832 and became active in the abolitionist community. He wrote the first antislavery petition Oswego County sent to Congress and made his shop a meeting place for local abolitionists. The tin shop was the last stop before escaping slaves could catch a freighter to escape to Canada. It was wonderfully restored and filled with artifacts from *Cont'd on page 2*

The Next Hotchkiss Book

To review...

The HFA first published a book on Samuel, the Immigrant, The First Six Generations. The second book covered Joshua, His Fifth Child and 14 generations of Joshua's descendants. The third is a two volume set on the Line of John, Samuel's First Child and covers 13 generations.

That leaves Samuel's other children which include Samuel, James, Sarah, Thomas, and Daniel. James died young, so four children to be covered in any following books. How much material is available on these four siblings is not known yet. We are ready to gather more information on these four to determine the likely scope of the next book. Money was left to the association years ago earmarked for publishing books on Samuel's descendants.

Descendants of these four siblings are the main focus, but it will also include the latest information on Samuel (c1622-1663). Your editor is collecting information on these four children of

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Samuel. Our past, much loved genealogist, Joan Johnson's collection of information will be coming to me in the coming months.

If you have been your family's historian, or can refer your Hotchkiss historian to us, we hope you'll share information on your ancestors of these children of Samuel & Elizabeth:

**Samuel
Sarah
Thomas
Daniel.**

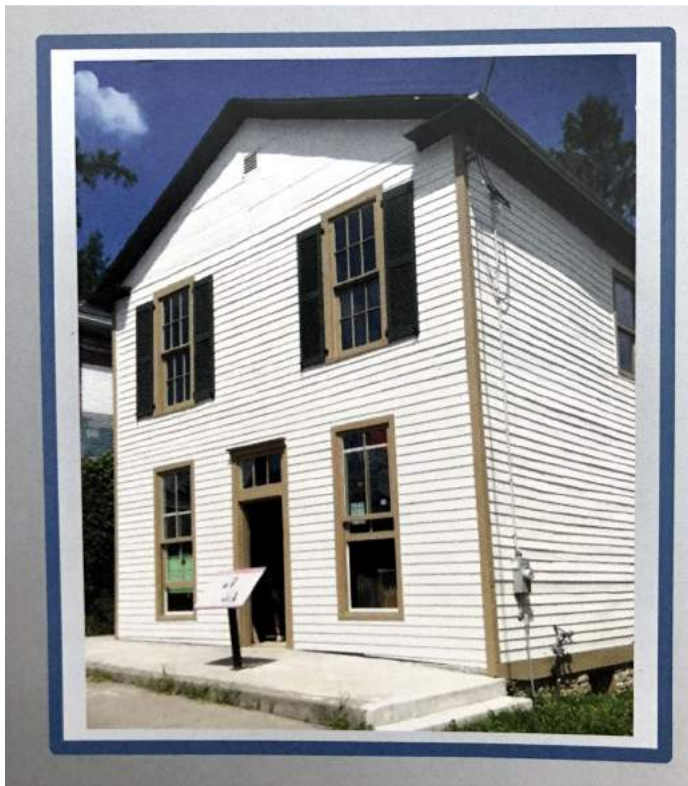
If you'd like to contribute, have questions or comments, please email or write Lin Meeker. A five generation chart that can help you organize the information you have can be printed from the website. If you have trouble downloading it, email me. Information from land records, pensions, birth, death & marriage certificates can be scanned and sent or copied and sent. Information about living people should only included if you have their consent.

Hotchkiss Veterans of WWI

If you have a Hotchkiss ancestor who served in WWI, check the Fold3.com list under WWI. This list shows those Hotchkiss first names listed with a file, some small, some large files. It does not include WWI draft cards, but those are also at Fold3. Although a paid site, your main library may have a subscription. The list has added names & includes new listings.

2018 is WWI Centennial Commemoration.

Allen	Joseph	Percy	Samuel
Clarence	Lee	Peter	Seymour
Dale	Mark	Philo	Stephen
Douglas	Merle	Porter	Sylvester
Edgar	Merritt	Ralph	Thomas
Elton	Morgan	Ray	Walter
Gordon	Newell	Raymond	William
Harry	Oliver	Richard	Wooster
Hervey	Orrin	Robert	Zeroy
Horace	Paul	Rollin	Zina
Jesse	Paxton	Roy	
Joseph			



Starr Clark Tin Shop , Mexico, NY

Cont'd from page 1 the original tin shop and from the Civil War era. We had very knowledgeable museum tour guides. Tinsmiths made many useful items for homes and farms such as lanterns, candle safes & holders, stove pipes, buckets, pots, and pans. Tin made them longer lasting than similar items made of pewter or wood. Yankee peddlers sold these tin products for over 150 years.

In 2010 The Mexico Historical Society obtained funding to begin the restoration of the Starr Clark Tin Shop.

Next we drove to the Mexico Point Club in the state park of the same name. The original Club was built before the turn of the century. The hotel was badly damaged by fire and was rebuilt in 1906. It became a thriving summer resort. Vacationers were met at the railroad station by a horse-drawn bus and would stay for several weeks, perhaps even all summer. It was damaged again by fire, and again rebuilt. All that remains today are thick stone walls, a fireplace and heavy chains that connected the pillars at the entrances.

Casey's Cabin is also located there on Lake Ontario, a lovely spot on a hot summer day. William Casey, a professor at Columbia University turned the carriage house into an 11th century manor house. Each summer, Casey would bring his students to the cabin and they would add medieval art to virtually every surface of the cabin. You can read more about it at www.mexicopointpark.com/casey-s-cottage.html

We enjoyed the story of the cabin told to us by another tour guide. The cabin is shown on page 6 with examples of the art are on website version of the newsletter.

Later, we shared dinner at The Eis House which was a wonderful opportunity to get to know cousins better.

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Jim Hotchkiss, President of HFA introducing us to the Starr Clark Tin Shop.

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WALLES HOTCHKISS.

Wales is listed in the NY Historical Society's Dictionary of Artists in America, 1564-1860. by George C. Groce & David H. Wallace. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 1957. Researching further, a Wales O. Hotchkiss (b 1827) appeared. He was a saloon keeper who crossed paths with the law. Several

Wales Hotchkiss

Thank you to Dennis Miller for another interesting Hotchkiss. Wales Hotchkiss was born in 1826 in Bethany, New Haven Co., CT. He painted portraits in oil, but also worked in watercolors. Below is his "A New England Stream in Fall" as shown at AskArt.com

Wales is listed in the NY Historical Society's Dictionary



newspapers listed his court appearances. Wales is on the Thomas line, s/o of Hiram & Rebecca. Wales O. on the Joshua line, s/o of Zaccheus & Martha.



Joseph Hotchkiss house

The lineage of Joseph², Joseph¹, Samuel³, Samuel³, Samuel¹ First Generation

1. **Capt. Joseph Hotchkiss Jr**¹⁻⁵ was born 31 Jul 1756 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁶ He died 2 May 1825 at the age of 68 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT. He was buried at East Haven, in Old Cemetery. (picture of Joseph Hotchkiss above) This quaint old story and a half cottage was built by Joseph Hotchkiss. He was born in 1756 and died in 1825. He was one of the three men who met with a serious accident while raising the last window cap on the back side of the Old Stone church when the scaffold gave away and the three men with the stone in their arms fell to the ground. Mr. Hotchkiss had one leg crushed by the stone; he passed through 10 months of suffering, but finally regained his health in time to aid the Patriots of East Haven during the events of the Revolutionary War that started in the following year.

Lyman Hotchkiss, his son was born in 1784 and occupied the house upon the death of his father. The house was next occupied by the son of Lyman Hotchkiss, Joseph I. Hotchkiss, born in 1814. Mr. Hotchkiss was one of the last of his generation in East Haven at the time of his death in 1906. Joseph Hotchkiss who gained his title in 1840, was selectman in East Haven for several years and also represented East Haven at the General Assembly in 1869. He was a farmer in a small way and afterwards took up joiner work which was his occupation until his death. At the death of Captain Joseph Hotchkiss this house fell to his daughter Sarah who was born in 1835 and lived practically her entire life in this house. Upon her death in 1914, the property went to her nephew Clifford H. Street. The house now remains in the hands of the descendants of the first Joseph Hotchkiss all of those 142 years.¹³ Joseph served in the company commanded by Captain Bradley of Regiment commanded by Col _____ in Connecticut Line for 2 months as a private in the infantry and 15 months 4 days private of artillery. Temperance was awarded a pension of \$69.17 per annum to commence 4 Mar 1831. The certificate of pension issued 23 May 1837.

He swore in an appearance before Charles Ingersoll, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of New Haven that in the "latter part of July or the first part of August 1776 he was drafted in the Militia Company under Capt Josiah Bradley of East Haven, went with said company to New York, ___ to Brooklin [sic] ___ there some time, returned to New York with the American Army, continued in...." "That in September 1777 he was drafted in the Company of the Militia under the command of Capt Josiah Bradley of East Haven, marched with said company to Fishkill in the State of New York (then to Red Hook where they were part of Col. Thompson's regiment in General Putnam's division) and continued in service about two months..." He served in Phineas Bradley of New Haven on the 27 April 1780 and served through first of January 1781 a term of eight months. He entered again under Capt William

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Vendeugen [?] and was employed most of the time at the fort on the east side of New Haven. On the 10th of April 1781 said fort was taken by the enemy and with others was taken as a prisoner of war, conveyed to New York and detained according to her recollection until some time in the month of July following the first of August a term of seven months. Stephen Dodd, clergyman of East Haven and Thomas Barnes both swore to Temperance's statements.⁴

Feb 5th, 1798 "Voted that Capt. Heminway & Joseph Hotchkiss be appointed for to employ a singing master, two months for to teach a singing school in this Town, & to draw money out of the Town Treasury, to pay the singing master for his service."⁵

"Jan 1801. Voted. Joseph Hotchkiss and Sebulon Bradley be a Committee for to lay out \$12 as they shall judge best advantage to increase the singing."⁵

Capt. Joseph Hotchkiss Jr and Temperance Andrews were married 27 Jan 1780 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁷ **Temperance Andrews**, daughter of Timothy Andrews and Anna Smith, was born 7 Oct 1760 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT. She died 7 Jan 1846 at the age of 85 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.

Joseph Hotchkiss and Temperance Andrews had the following children:

- +2 i. **Anna Hotchkiss**, born 22 Sep 1780, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Abraham Pardee, 11 Jun 1806, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; died 4 Dec 1852, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.
- +3 ii. **Lyman Hotchkiss**, born 20 Mar 1784, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Sybil Bradley, 17 Nov 1806, North Haven, CT; died 16 Jul 1861, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.
- +4 iii. **Esther Hotchkiss**, born 28 Jun 1787, East Haven, CT; married John Smith Bradley, 10 Jul 1805; died 2 Apr 1869, East Haven, CT.
- +5 iv. **Orilla Hotchkiss**, born 14 Apr 1791, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Thomas Barnes, 16 Oct 1808, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; died 8 Nov 1838, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.
- +6 v. **Polly Hotchkiss**, born 15 May 1793, East Haven, CT; married Henry Oakes, 29 Jan 1815; died 9 Nov 1826.
- 7 vi. **Huldah Hotchkiss** was born 11 Oct 1797 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁷ She died 3 Dec 1797 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁸

Second Generation

2. **Anna Hotchkiss** (Joseph-1) was born 22 Sep 1780 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁷ She died 4 Dec 1852 at the age of 72 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁹ She was buried in Old Cemetery, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.

Anna Hotchkiss and Abraham Pardee were married 11 Jun 1806 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁹ **Abraham Pardee**, son of Jacob Pardee and Mary Hemingway, was baptized 16 Aug 1778 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁹ He died 7 Feb 1826 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁹ He was buried in Old Cemetery, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT. Administration on his estate was granted, 6 Mar 1826 to Thomas Barnes and Lyman Hotchkiss. The inventory showed personal estate amounting to \$284.58 and real estate \$1560; the dwelling house, barn and 5 acres of land constituting the homestead were listed at \$700.

Abraham Pardee and Anna Hotchkiss had the following children:

- +8 i. **Esther Hotchkiss Pardee**, born 1807; married Levi G. Luddington, 12 Oct 1828; died 13 Oct 1865.
- +9 ii. **Mary Ann Pardee**, born 1809; married Willet Bradley, 4 Apr 1830; married Willet Bradley, 1830; died 17 Apr 1884.
- +10 iii. **Charlotte Pardee**, born Feb 1812; married William S. Luddington, 29 Aug 1835; died 1840, Savannah, GA.
- +11 iv. **Eunicia Pardee**, married Seth Bonfoy, 1816.

3. **Lyman Hotchkiss** (Joseph-1) was born 20 Mar 1784 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁷ He died 16 Jul 1861 at the age of 77 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁹ He was buried in Old Cemetery, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT. In the Barbour Collection there is an Elizabeth Amelia, d/o Lyman who died 14 Nov 1825, age 3.

In the East Haven Register, Stephen Dodd lists infant of Lyman Hotchkiss dying 21 Jun 1810.

1850 CT New Haven Co., East Haven census

Lyman living with Thaddeus Street, his daughter, Elizabeth's husband & names are incorrect, he is listed as head of household Thdeus[sic] Street, 27, farmer, real estate \$1000, b CT; Elizabeth, 24, b CT; Nicholas Street, 78, farmer, real estate \$4000, b CT; Betsey Street, 45 [maybe dau], b CT; Edwin Street, 38, no occupation, b CT; Edwin Street, 13, in school, b CT; Elizabeth Street, 14, in school, b CT; Lyman Street [should read Hotchkiss], 66, no occupation, real est. \$500, b CT; Owen Street, 33, no occupation, b CT; Sybil Street [Hotchkiss], 66, b CT; Davis Sullivan, 30, laborer, b Ireland

1860 CT, New Haven Co., East Haven, PO Branford census; Thaddeus Street, 38, farmer, real est \$6000, personal property \$500, b CT; Elizabeth Street, 33, b CT; Samuel Street, 9, b CT; Frederick Street, 6, b CT; Thomas Oconnel, laborer, 19, b Ireland Margeret Shareoff, 46, b NJ; Hugh Bradley, laborer, 50, b Ireland; Lyman Hotchkiss, farmer, 76, b CT

Lyman Hotchkiss and Sybil Bradley were married 17 Nov 1806 in North Haven, CT.⁹ **Sybil Bradley**, daughter of Daniel Bradley and Eunice Ives, was born 7 Nov 1784 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁹ She died 21 Nov 1855 at the age of 71 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.⁹ She was buried in Old Cemetery, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.

Lyman Hotchkiss and Sybil Bradley had the following children:

- +12 i. **Grace Anne Hotchkiss**, born 25 Apr 1808, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Capt. Samuel C Thompson, 9 Sep 1832; died 4 Apr 1885, New Haven, New Haven Co., CT.
- +13 ii. **Sophronia Hotchkiss**, born 1 May 1812, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Lembert Moulthrop,

- 18 Oct 1829, Branford, CT; died 17 Jun 1849, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.
- +14 iii. **Joseph Ives Hotchkiss**, born 24 Apr 1814, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Sarah Ann Bradley, 24 Oct 1836; died 1906, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.
- +15 iv. **Lyman Hotchkiss**, born 24 Apr 1816, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Sarah Belden, 15 May 1844, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; died 14 Nov 1888, Prob East Haven, New Haven Co., CT.
- +16 v. **Samuel Russell Hotchkiss**, born 2 Aug 1819, East Haven, CT; married Cornelia Clarissa Street, 5 May 1847, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; died 1 Jul 1850.
- 17 vi. **Elizabeth Amelia Hotchkiss** was born 9 Aug 1822 in East Haven, New Haven Co., CT. She died 15 Apr 1825 at the age of 2.
- 18 vii. **Daniel Bradley Hotchkiss** was born 20 Jun 1825. He died 14 Nov 1825.
- +19 viii. **Elizabeth Amelia Hotchkiss**, born 28 Oct 1826, East Haven, New Haven Co., CT; married Thadeus Street, 9 Jan 1850; died 9 Oct 1900.

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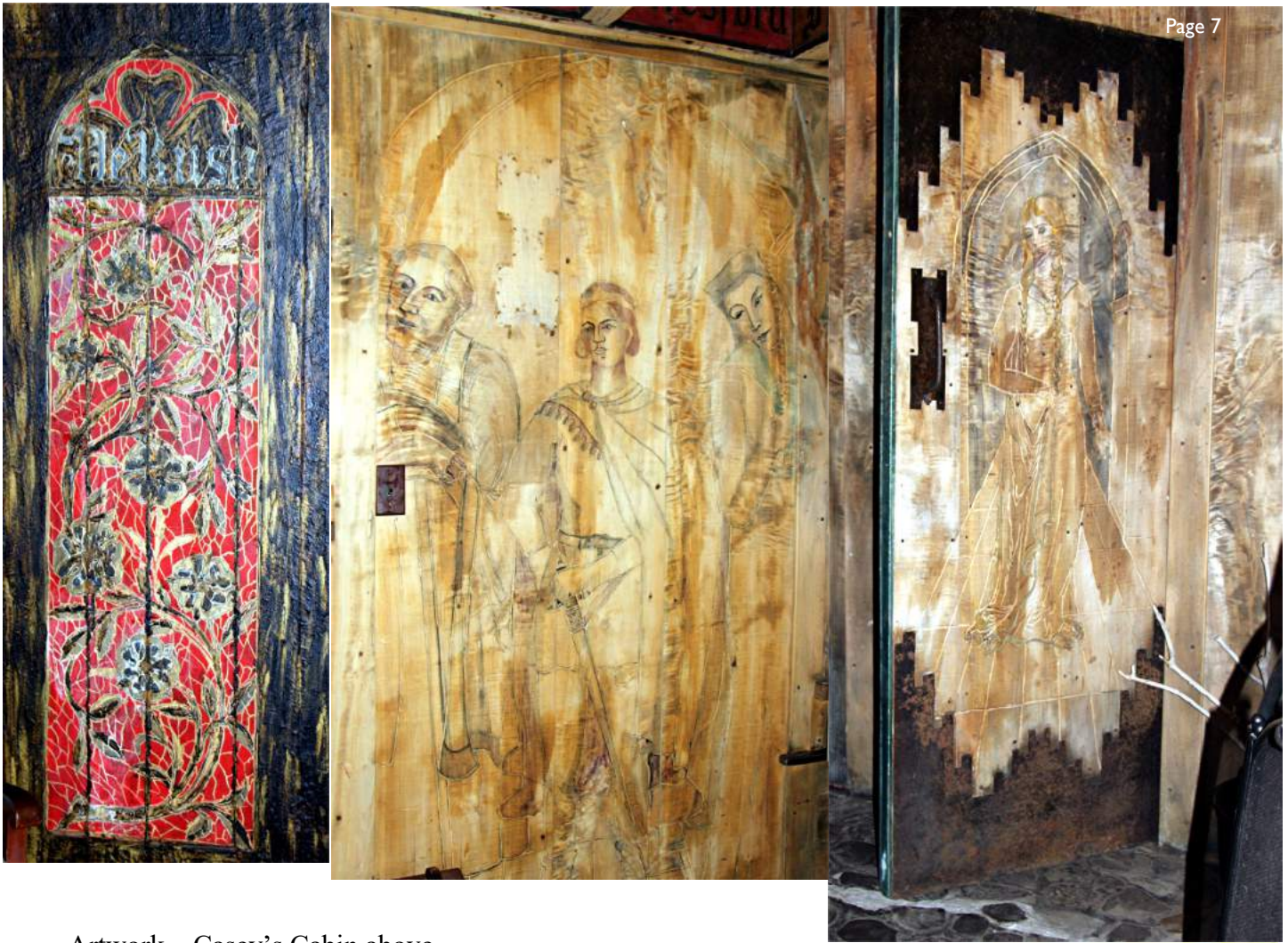
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Next issue will continue with Esther daughter of Joseph² Joseph¹ Samuel³ Samuel² Samuel¹



Top left: tin products at Starr Clark Tin Shop Bottom left: Casey's cabin
Below: Most of the reunion attendees at Casey's Cabin
[More pictures of both the Tin Shop and Casey's Cabin at our website with this edition of the newsletter.](#)





Artwork—Casey's Cabin above



Above - Sleigh at Starr Clark Tin Shop

Left -Tools at the Tin Shop

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 p birth place d death date 3 mother

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