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From the President

In this letter from the President, I am standing in for Jeff as he and his family are grieving for a loved one. At this stage in our lives, I think we can all appreciate how important family ties can be. As members of the Dunham Genealogy Research Association, there is comfort in knowing that we all share a family connection in some way, whether by descent, marriage, adoption or rescue of a furry friend. On behalf of Jeff's extended Dunham family, we send warm thoughts and prayers to him and his loved ones.

As many of you know, Jeff is the administrator of our FamilyTreeDNA 'Dunham Project'. It is an amazing thing that we are able to use science in conjunction with proof arguments and documentation to validate our heritage. You may remember from our last newsletter that he was working on a connection between his father's line and Jackie Dunham, a descendant from Samuel Dunham of Grand Manan, New Brunswick, Canada. We look forward to hearing more about the connection using Y-DNA and autosomal DNA in upcoming issues of our newsletter.

With that lead in, I encourage you all to enlist your family members to take a DNA test. If you take or have taken a test with Ancestry or 23andMe, you can upload your autosomal DNA results to FamilyTreeDNA. But for the males in the family, we recommend taking a Y-DNA test at a level that you can afford, directly with FamilyTreeDNA. Remember, the more people that test, the more refined and accurate the results can be to determine lines of descendency. If anyone needs help in how to approach a family member to take a test, please let Jeff or myself know. We live for the DNA science!

On behalf of Jeff and until we speak again next quarter – I wish you all health and happiness.

With Best Regards,

Joann S. Dunham for Jeffrey M. Dunham
President
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Editor's Corner

Happy October to everyone! Finally, my favorite season has arrived – Fall. After spending the past summer in Arizona, I welcome the drop in temperature, viewing the changing colors of the leaves in the Adirondacks of NY, and of course, all things pumpkin. The smells of Fall always take me back to visiting my Dunham grandparents in Piseco, NY. The car ride was a visual scene of beauty and with the windows down, a crisp foretelling of what was to come – Apple Pie, Pumpkin Pie, family gatherings, hayrides, spooky nights, and warm fires with the magic 8 ball foretelling our future.

My grandparents, Lewis and Rosalie Judway Dunham split their time between Frankfurt, NY, and the family house in Piseco. The house was originally built by my grandmother's parents, Peter Alfonse Judway (Jodoin) and Lana Courtney Judway. They raised their family there of 4 girls and 1 boy. The house was also used as 'The Judway Store'. The house was across the street from the Dunham Tea House / Store / Post Office / and home to William Dunham and Charlotte Abrams Dunham. Lewis and Rosalie grew up together, and when they eventually married and had their children – my Aunt Jean and my father James, they lived in the Judway house.

The house itself was a mythic entity that my cousins and I remember as being magical, and haunted! Since it was built at the turn of the century, there were rooms within rooms, porches added upon porches, an attic we were told to never enter, a sunken bathroom and stairs that could invoke vertigo due to how steep they were. And then, the basement, where my grandparents were ham radio operators. There was a piano in the main living area, an armoire in the bedroom where fur coats were stored (with ghosts) and its primary resident, Skipper the dalmatian seemed to live forever, and ever, and ever.

The reason I bring up the Judway house, where the Dunhams also lived is because over the summer it was bought by a family from Westchester, NY who intend to renovate it and return it to its former glory. My cousins and I were invited to tour the house as the new owners had started to tear down walls and in doing so, found up to 4 walls with its own wallpaper behind the primary wall. There was writing on the original wall, of my grandmother and her siblings and cousins as they practiced their writing skills. In a future edition of the newsletter and as the house undergoes its renovations, I will write an article about the history of the house and its inhabitants.

For this newsletter, Gratia Dunham Mahony our resident genealogist has provided articles about the Dunhams in New Jersey, a follow up article to the 'The Search for Van Rensselaer Dunham' (Volume 19, #1, 15 January 2022) on Daniel Dorance Dunham a member of that family, and a book review for American Migration Routes, which I know I will be purchasing. And James Streeter has included his 'What's New on the Dunham Website'.

Always feel free to send me ideas and articles for future publication. Until next quarter, enjoy your Fall!

Joann S. Dunham, Editor, Dunham Genealogy Research Association Newsletter

The Dunhams of Hunterdon County, New Jersey

The Clinton Mill

By Gratia Dunham Mahony

On a summer visit to my daughter in New Jersey we went to Clinton in Hunterdon County to see a beautiful old grist mill.



Stone Mill in Clinton, NJ, now the Hunterdon Art Museum

According to the literature about the mill a Nehemiah Dunham built the stone mill in 1836. He managed it for several years before Samuel Parry took over the operation, and the family ran it for a half-century. The building is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as Dunham-Parry's Mill.

The original mill on this site is said to have ground wheat for General Washington's revolutionary army during its encampment in Morristown. That earlier mill burned down, and the new 4 story stone building was constructed on the site. This stone mill building is now the home of the Hunterdon Art Museum. In 1952 it was put up for sale by the current owner and miller. It was purchased with the goal of becoming an art center and the trustees worked diligently to save as much of the historic character of the old mill as possible. It is currently an impressive restoration,

and the Hunterdon Art Center has a well-established reputation for its educational programs and exhibitions.

There is, however, some discrepancy in the literature about the Dunham connection to the mill. The literature states that Nehemiah Dunham built the stone mill, and in another part of that same document says that in 1834 the mill was sold to George W. Taylor and James R. Dunham. In 1836, the previous mill burned, and the current mill was constructed by Charles and James R. Dunham. This literature also says that James R. Dunham was a son of Nehemiah Dunham.

In my research on the Dunhams of Hunterdon County, New Jersey, and in trying to document that James R. Dunham was a son of Nehemiah Dunham, I believe that I have identified the correction that should be made to the literature about the old stone mill. This will become apparent in the following portion of this article.

I also think that it is probable that the Nehemiah Dunham (who would be Nehemiah⁵) who built the stone mill, either built or provided the limestone for building the first mill on the site; and that Charles⁷ and James R.⁷ Dunham who constructed the 1836 mill building were first cousins twice removed of Nehemiah⁵ Dunham. Their line (given in greater detail below) was from Jacob⁶, Azariah⁵, Jonathan⁴, Edmund³, Benajah², John¹ Dunham).

Ancestry of Nehemiah⁵ Dunham

In the early 1760s three sons of Edmund⁴ (Edmund³ Benajah² John¹) of Piscataway, New Jersey moved to Kingwood and the adjoining township of Bethlehem in Hunterdon County. These three sons were Nehemiah⁵ Dunham, the oldest son born 1 November 1721; Daniel⁵ Dunham born 5 February 1727/8; and Stephen⁵ Dunham born 1 October 1737. [See web site www.dunham-singletary.org #s 302.3, 302.6, 302.9 under line of Dunhams in America, Benajah² Dunham].

On 4 July 1763 these three bought a large amount of land from Jonathan Robeson; Nehemiah bought 600 acres in that part of Kingwood now called Clinton, New Jersey on westerly side of the South Branch of the Raritan River; Daniel bought 216 acres of land; and Stephen Dunham "innholder" bought 100 acres of land "where on Stephen now dwelleth in the township of Bethlehem and part of Township of Kingwood." [Ref. NJ land Record HH:287-288].

In 1767 Nehemiah Dunham sold 40 acres to Abraham Bonnell and on this land Bonnell built the Tavern which still stands there today. The Bonnell Tavern became a meeting and voting place for Hunterdon County. In 1775 Charles Stewart called a meeting of the local inhabitants here and organized a regiment of "minute men".

Nehemiah⁵ Dunham, Esq., Kingwood, Hunterdon Co. is listed in "Revolutionary Census of NJ, An Index, based on Rateables, Inhabitants of NJ During the Period of the American Revolution" (1778-1780), by Kenn Stryker-Rodda, Hunterdon House, 1986. From the Find a Grave web site for Nehemiah Dunham he was assistant commissary of purchases from 1777-1781; was in the NJ Legislature, 2nd, 3rd, and 7th Assembly from 1777-1782; and served as Justice of the Peace for Kingwood Township from 1790-1801. He was also an Elder in the Bethlehem Presbyterian Church and is buried in the Old Bethlehem Presbyterian Church Cemetery.

Nehemiah⁵ Dunham (Edmund^{4,3} Benajah² John¹) born in Piscataway New Jersey 1 November 1721, died (probably in Hunterdon Co. NJ) 12 March 1802. He married four times. He married

first in Piscataway, NJ **Esther Dunn**, born about 1722, daughter of Samuel Dunn. He married second **Susannah Clarkson**, daughter of James and Christian (Spence) Clarkson. He married third in Hunterdon Co. NJ 25 October 1768 **Antje McKinney**. He married fourth in Hunterdon Co. NJ **Mrs. Bethany (Berdin) Adams** who is the wife named in his will dated 16 December 1801.

Children of Nehemiah⁵ Dunham, first one by Esther Dunn, rest by Susannah Clarkson:

- i. Sarah⁶ Dunham b. 27 August 1746 in Piscataway
d. 29 Sept. 1821 Bethlehem, Hunterdon Co. NJ
m. 30 Oct. 1765 Capt. Adam Hope, in Hunterdon Co. NJ
- ii. Asa⁶ Dunham b. 1751
d. Sept. 1825 at Shamokin, Columbia Co. PA
Asa was a minister at Shamokin, PA
m. 1 Sarah McPherson
m. 2 (--) Traphagen
m. 3 Rebecca Axford
m. 4 Mary McKinney
m. 5 Elizabeth Moore on 21 Nov. 1806 in Hunterdon Co. NJ
- iii. Joanna⁶ Dunham b. 1752
d. 18 March 1820
m. Benajah Dunham, son of Benajah and Hannah (Martin) Dunham
- iv. James⁶ Dunham b. Oct. 1754
d. Sept. 1820 in Bethlehem, NJ
m. 1 Mrs. Mary (Dunham) Carhart, daughter of her uncle Daniel⁵ Dunham
m. 2 Elizabeth Carpenter 12 March 1805 in Hunterdon Co. NJ
- v. Aaron⁶ Dunham b. 1759
d. 25 Nov. 1802 in Kingwood, Hunterdon Co. NJ
m. Elizabeth (--)
- vi. John Clarkson⁶ Dunham b. 1761
d. 1839
m. Martha Washington Willis

Daniel⁵ and Stephen⁵ Dunham

Daniel⁵ Dunham (Edmund^{4,3} Benajah² John¹) born in Piscataway New Jersey 5 February 1727/8,¹ died in Washington, Morris County New Jersey between 3 September and 29 September 1804. He married in Piscataway New Jersey in December 1749 **Elizabeth Martin**. She was daughter of Jonathan Martin and his third wife Dinah Pyatt. They were married by Rev. Jonathan Dunham.

Daniel⁵ Dunham lived in Hunterdon Co. NJ until at least October of 1776 as shown by a deed, and probably several years longer. He purchased land in Tyger Valley on Elk River in the state of Virginia on which his son Archelaus resided. This land is at the junction of Marion, Harrison and Taylor Counties, and is now in West Virginia. After 1797 he moved to Washington, Morris County, New Jersey where he died.

Daniel Dunham, Bethlehem, Hunterdon Co. NJ is listed in "Revolutionary Census of NJ, An Index, based on Rateables, Inhabitants of NJ During the Period of the American Revolution", by Kenn Stryker-Rodda, Hunterdon House, 1986. The DAR Patriot Index gives Daniel b. 2 February 1727, d. about 29 September 1804, m. Elizabeth Martin PS NJ.

Children of Daniel⁵ and Elizabeth (Martin) Dunham:

- i. Archelaus⁶ Dunham b. 1751 in Piscataway, NJ
- ii. Daniel⁶ Dunham b. 1753
- iii. Elizabeth⁶ Dunham b. 1755
 - m. Mr. Mosher in West Virginia
- iv. Priscilla⁶ Dunham
 - m. Levi Lanning
- v. Catherine⁶ Dunham
 - m. Edward McShane
- vi. Mary Elizabeth⁶ Dunham b. 1 Jan. 1760
 - m. 1 Charles Carhart
 - m. 2 James Dunham, son of Nehemiah⁵ Dunham her uncle
- vii. Dinah⁶ Dunham
 - m. Alexander Dunn
- viii. Sarah⁶ Dunham
 - m. Cornelius Carhart in 1783
- ix. Isabella⁶ Dunham
 - m. Abraham Wyckoff
- x. Jacob⁶ Dunham b. 25 August 1771
 - m. Mary Foster

Stephen⁵ Dunham (Edmund^{4,3} Benajah² John¹) born in Piscataway New Jersey 1 October 1737, died probably before 1800 in Monongalia Co. VA and buried at Woodbridgetown, Fayette Co. PA. [descendant information, Joann Gwinn] He m. Elizabeth (Unknown) 1763 in Piscataway NJ. She was b. in Piscataway and d. aft. Oct. 28, 1824. "A History of Seventh Day Baptists in West Virginia", states that he left NJ with his family about 1790 to establish churches in Virginia. He was a church clerk for several years in what is now Monongalia Co. WV. He was a farmer, member of Seventh Day Baptist Church at Woodbridgetown. He served as a 1st LT in the Rev. War from NJ. Capt. Peter Dickerson's 2nd Company, Colonel Alias Dayton's 3rd Regiment, Hunterdon Co. Militia Feb. 7, 1776-1779.

This Stephen Dunham was a Rev. War soldier. First Lt. Stephen Dunham in Capt. Dickerson's Co. 3rd Battalion, Feb. 7, 1776-resigned. Ensign Capt. Baldwin's Co. 1st Battalion-November 29, 1776, retired September 26, 1780. New Jersey Militia, Stephen Dunham, Lt. 3rd Regiment Hunterdon Co., also in the Commissary General's Department; Foragemaster-Stephen Dunham.

Children of Stephen⁵ and Elizabeth/Ruth (--) Dunham: from descendant JoAnn Gwinn

- i. Gideon⁶ Dunham b. 5 October 1757
- ii. Jeremiah⁶ Dunham b. say 1758
- iii. Mordecai⁶ Dunham b. say 1760-1762
- iv. Rebecca⁶ Dunham b. say 1765

m. Amos Spencer by 1803

From 1800 Census of Springhill Twp. FAYETTE CO. PA, p. 594;

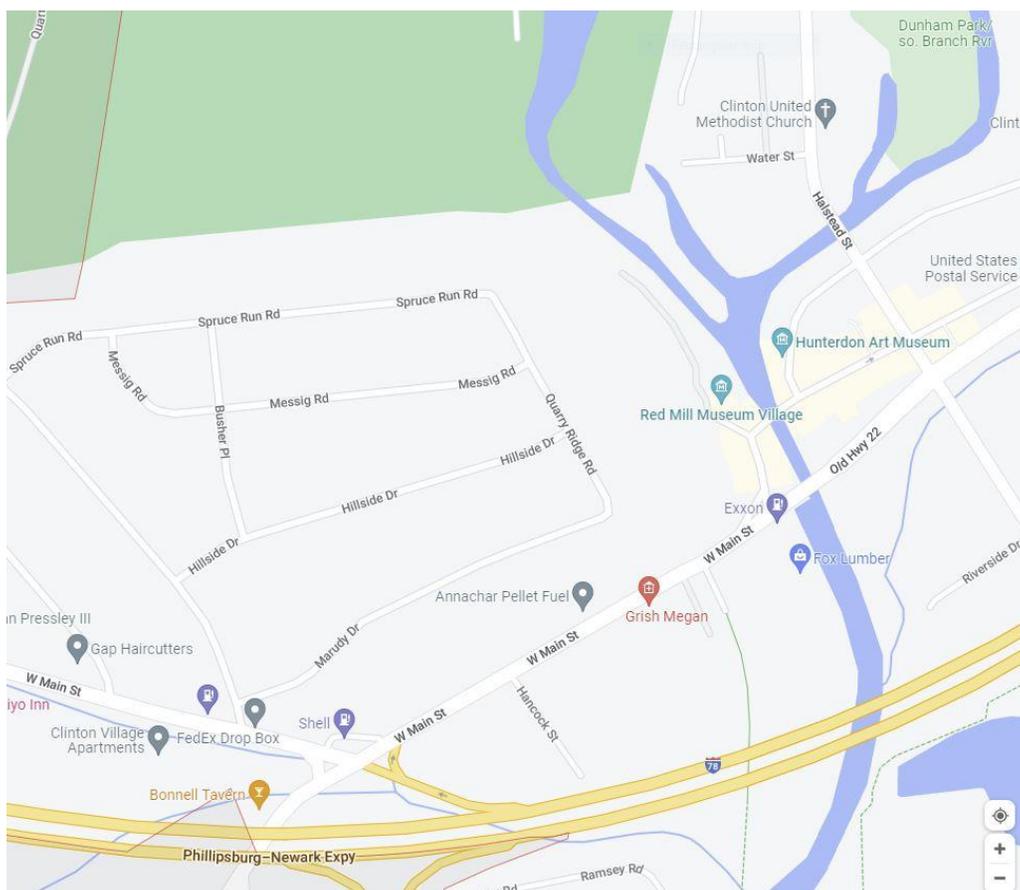
Elizabeth Dunham 30000-10001

3 males under 10; probably Gideon ⁷, Mordecai ⁷ and Jeremiah ⁷ all b. 1790-1800

1 female under 10; probably Rebecca ⁷ b. 1790-1800

1 female over 45; Elizabeth; probably widow of Stephen ⁵

JoAnn Gwinn's line is from Mordecai ⁶ Dunham who m. Peggy (Margaret) Van Garden/Gorden about 1792. These Dunhams subsequently went to Brown County, Ohio.



Current Google Map of part of Clinton, NJ

All of the land west of the South Branch of the Raritan River once belonged to Nehemiah⁵, Daniel⁵ or Stephen⁵ Dunham. The "Great Road" is now W. Main St., note Bonnell Tavern was built on 40 acres purchased of Nehemiah⁵ Dunham. Also note in the upper right corner of the map is Dunham Park. This seems to be an undeveloped tract of parkland with a walking path.

Line of James R. ⁷ and Charles ⁷ Dunham, 1C2X Removed of Nehemiah ⁵ Dunham

According to the literature of the Stone Mill, now the Hunterdon Art Museum, the old mill was sold in 1834 to George W. Taylor and James R. Dunham. In 1836 the old mill burned, and the current mill was constructed by Charles and James R. Dunham. They are called “sons of Nehemiah” in that literature, but my research shows them to be cousins. They were sons of Dr. Jacob Dunham, a well-known surgeon and merchant of New Brunswick, Middlesex County, New Jersey.

James R. Dunham (1802-1873) listed as a “merchant” in the 1850 census, was probably looking for an investment when he and George W. Taylor bought the old mill in Clinton. The Dunham descendants of Benajah² Dunham of the Piscataway, NJ line were all close in their relationships with each other and doubtless knew the family of Nehemiah⁵ Dunham of Clinton.

Dr. Jacob ⁶ Dunham (Azariah ⁵ Jonathan ⁴ Edmund ³ Benajah ² John ¹) born in New Brunswick New Jersey 30 Sept 1767, died 7 August 1832, age 65 years. He married **Elizabeth Lawson**. She was born about 1770, died 13 September 1840 in her 71st year. He is buried in Christ Church burial ground, New Brunswick, New Jersey. She died in Clinton, Hunterdon Co. NJ, 9 September 1840 but is buried in New Brunswick with her husband Jacob⁶ Dunham (Azarich⁵, Jonathen⁴, Edward³, Benajah², John¹ Dunham). She is probably the female aged 60-70 on the 1840 census of Clinton, NJ living with James R Dunham. Note that James R Dunham and his brother Charles were the ones who constructed the new stone mill in 1836 after the old mill had burned down. The first child of James R Dunham was born in Clinton, NJ 22 March 1836 and named Charles Stewart Dunham. James R Dunham subsequently moved to Camden, Camden Co. NJ where he died 24 November 1873.

From Hutchinson, Elmer T. *NJ Death and Marriage Abstracts 1792-1865*, Notices from New Brunswick, New Jersey Newspapers, (LDS microfilm, 0852831) alphabetical; *New Brunswick Fredonian* issue 10/21/1840; E. widow of Dr. Jacob Dunham, died at Clinton Hunterdon Co. NY 9 September 1840 in her 71st year.

Children of Jacob⁶ and Elizabeth (Lawson) Dunham:

- i. Catharine Lawson Dunham (1791-1875)
- ii. Charles Dunham (1793-1872)
- iii. James R. Dunham (1802-1873)

Description of the mill in the application to the National Register of Historic Places states that the mill building is a three and a half story stone building with a gambrel roof. The stone walls are between 18.5 to 23.75 inches thick. Dunham’s Mill, also known as Parry’s Mill, was in operation from 1837 to 1952. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places on 15 April 1982 for its significance in commerce and industry. In 1995 it was also listed as a contributing property of the Clinton Historic District.

The Red Mill in Clinton, NJ

Directly across the South Branch of the Raritan River is another mill at one time owned by David McKinney and known today as the Red Mill. It is very picturesque and often photographed.



The Red Mill, Clinton, Hunterdon County, New Jersey

David McKinney owned the land on the west side of the Raritan River when he built his mill, but the property was bounded by land belonging to Nehemiah⁵ Dunham. This Dunham land was probably the source of the limestone used in the construction of the mill on the east side of the river, and of the many stone houses which are still standing in this part of New Jersey.

McKinney needed an outlet to the "Great Road" (now Main Street), and he bought an acre and three quarters of land from Nehemiah⁵ Dunham to create this service road. On this site the Clinton House and stables were built and still stand today, adjacent to an old stone quarry.

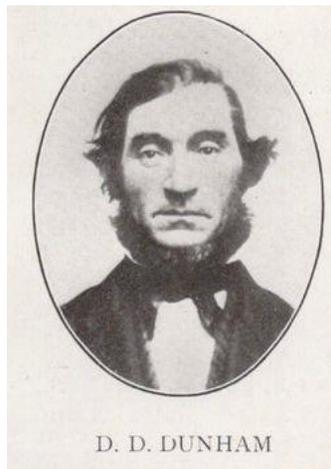
The Search for Daniel Dorance Dunham

By Gratia Dunham Mahony

In (Volume 19, #1, 15 January 2022) of this newsletter an article entitled The Search for Van Rensselaer Dunham described the probable line to which he belonged. Circumstantial evidence identified the father of Van Rensselaer as David ⁷ Dunham, son of Edward ⁶, and the line back as Daniel ⁵, Jonathan ^{4,3,2} Deacon John ¹ Dunham.

From the 1830 census of Barre, Orleans County, New York we note that Van Rensselaer and Archibald Dunham (brothers) appear on census image on line 31/52, and their father David ⁷ Dunham appears on image 33/52. By the time of the 1840 census Archibald Dunham was living in Richmond, Macomb County, Michigan, and Van Rensselaer was living in the adjoining town of Armada, Macomb County, Michigan. Also living in Armada, Macomb County, Michigan was Daniel Dorance Dunham, born about 1813.

A long-time member of the Dunham Genealogical Research Association was Jane E. Devlin who was a descendant of Daniel Dorance Dunham, and who searched for years for his ancestors. I worked with Jane to try to locate her Dunham line but neither of us established the connection until I did the research for the article about Van Rensselaer Dunham in the above-mentioned newsletter. Sadly, Jane Devlin died a few years ago, probably without learning her Dunham ancestry. Her web site remains viable and is maintained by family members at www.dunhamwilcox.net.



Daniel Dorance Dunham
(1813-1867)

According to Jane Devlin's record Daniel Dorance/Dorrance Dunham was born New York 19 July 1813; died in Armada, Michigan 11 November 1867 aged 54 years. He married Julia Ann Clark

who was born in Elba, Genesee County, New York 18 March 1815; died in Armada, Michigan in 1891. Both are buried in Richards Cemetery, Richmond Twp. Macomb County, Michigan.

Research established the seven children of Edward⁶ Dunham, and his first wife as follows:

- i. David ⁷ Dunham b. about 1774
He married first and unknown wife; married second Sarah Pierson on 27 Oct. 1808.
- ii. Daniel ⁷ Dunham b. about 1776.
- iii. Silas ⁷ Dunham b. 27 June 1781 in Northumberland, Saratoga County, NY; d. 13 Feb. 1839 age 57 years in Cooper, Kalamazoo Co. Michigan. He m. ¹ Dolly (unknown) before 1807; m. ² Tirzah Noble, about 1814 in Henrietta, Monroe County, NY.
- iv. Elijah ⁷ Dunham b. say 1782; m. Ann (Humphrey) before 1810 in Madison Co. NY.
- v. Lydia ⁷ Dunham b. 2 Nov. 1784 (calculated from grave stone); m. Ira Clark in Cazenovia, Madison Co. NY in 1808.
- vi. Rachel ⁷ Dunham b. 1788 in Washington Co. NY m. Joseph Pierson, Jr. in 1808 in Cazenovia, NY.
- viii. Lois ⁷ Dunham b. about 1790 (she was age 59 on the 1850 census of Gun Plain, Allegan Co. MI. She m. Sheldon Pierson.

The article in the 15 January 2022 newsletter presents circumstantial evidence that the children of David⁷ Dunham (first son of Edward⁶ Dunham b. about 1774) and his first wife were:

- i. Archibald⁸ Dunham b. 1802.
- ii. Van Rensselaer⁸ Dunham b. 1807.

Children of David⁷ and his second wife, Sarah Pierson, widow of William Crane, were:

- iii. Calvin H.⁸ Dunham b. Madison Co. NY 27 Feb. 1810; d. 1887.
- iv. Alonson⁸ Dunham b. Henrietta, Monroe Co. NY 1812; d. 1814.
- v. Mary Ann "Polly" ⁸ Dunham b. in Henrietta, Ontario Co. NY abt. 1813.
- vi. Franklin⁸ Dunham . Henrietta 1814; d. 1830.
- vii. Sarah ⁸ Dunham, b. Henrietta abt. 1815.
- viii. Mary⁸ Dunham b. 17 March 1816 in NY.
- ix. Orson David⁸ Dunham b. Henrietta 17 Nov. 1818; d. 1902.
- x. Abel S. ⁸ Dunham b. Henrietta NY 13 Apr. 1820; d. 1913.
- xi. Hartwell B.⁷ Dunham b. Henrietta NY 23 Aug. 1822; d. 1898.
- xii. Benjamin Franklin⁸ Dunham b. Jan. 1827; d. 1913.

Given the above birth dates for the children of David⁷ there is no room for a child named Daniel Dorrance supposedly born 19 July 1813, so that would preclude his being a child of David⁷ Dunham.

If we look at Silas⁷ Dunham (third son of Edward⁶ Dunham b. in Northumberland, Saratoga Co. NY 27 June 1781; d. in Cooper, Kalamazoo Co. MI 13 February 1838 at age 57 years, we see that he married first before 1807 Dolly (unknown) and married second about 1814 in Henrietta, Monroe Co. NY Tirzah Noble. We have a record of the children of Silas⁷ Dunham and his second wife from the *Noble Genealogy*, p. 307-8 & 233-4.

Children of Silas⁷ and Tirzah (Noble) Dunham from descendants of Thomas Noble p. 308:

- i. Edward Noble⁸ Dunham b. 1 Oct 1814 in Henrietta NY.
- ii. Alfred Dwight⁸ Dunham b. 1 Apr 1816.
- iii. Silas Edwin⁸ Dunham b. 22 Feb. 1819.
- iv. Wesley Higgins⁸ Dunham b. 6 Sept. 1820.
- v. Tirzah Maria⁸ Dunham b. 12 Sept. 1820; d. 10 Aug. 1826.
- vi. Tirzah Maria⁸ Dunham (again) b. 8 June 1829.
- vii. Albert Cyprian⁸ Dunham b. Rochester, NY 1 Oct. 1831; d. there 28 Aug. 1833.

So, there is a possibility that Silas and his first wife were the parents of Daniel Dorrance Dunham b. 19 July 1813 in Batavia, Genesee Co. NY as Jane Devlin states. Batavia is slightly west of Henrietta, NY. I find no record of either a Silas or a Daniel Dunham in Batavia where there were other Dunhams but not from this line.

The Past & Present of Macomb County: (article on son-in-law, James Madison Hathaway) "Her (referring to Jane P. Dunham Hathaway) father was Daniel D. Dunham, a native of Batavia, New York, and the grandfather, Daniel Dunham, Sr. was also born in that place."

There is also the possibility that Daniel Dorrance Dunham was the son of the second son of Edward⁶ Dunham who was Daniel⁷ Dunham born about 1776. These four sons of Edward⁶ Dunham do appear on the 1810 census of Nelson, Madison County, NY.

From 1810 Census of Nelson, Madison Co. NY Series M252, Roll 28, p. 131 (these would be the four oldest sons of Edward⁶):

- D. Dunham (Daniel⁷ Dunham) 30010 20010
- D. Dunham (David⁷ Dunham) 30010 01010
- E. Dunham (Elijah⁷ Dunham) 30010 01010
- S. Dunham (Silas⁷ Dunham) 10010 10010

From 1810 Census of Nelson, Madison Co. NY Series M252, Roll 28, p. 134:

- E. Dunham (Edward⁶ Dunham) 22101 10010.

There are a series of deeds in which Elijah, David, & Silas are grantees of land (all located close together) in Nelson; and then deeds in 1810 and 1811 in which these same brothers were grantors; Elijah with wife Ann; David with wife Sally; Silas with wife Dolly and Abigail (Jackson) who m. Oliver Alger. These lots were all together in the northwest corner of Nelson Twp. (which is quite near Cazenovia).

From "Sketches of the Pioneers of Madison County, NY", by William H. Tuttle there is mention of David Dunham, "Ensign in Militia 1809, Lieut. 1810. Res. Cazenovia 1812. Married Sally Crain (or Crane) 27 Oct. 1808 in Nelson."

When I was doing research in Madison County, NY I found no deeds for Daniel. He may have not owned land, or he may have sold land earlier and I just didn't find a deed. The rest of this group had gone from Madison Co. NY by the time of the 1820 Census; and deeds show Edward⁶, David⁷ and Silas⁷ to be in Henrietta (then in Ontario County) and in Henrietta (by 1830 in Monroe Co.) Some descendants are found in Monroe Co. NY in 1850. Note that Edward⁶ Dunham died in Henrietta, Monroe Co. NY in 1844.

Two other facts should be taken into account in the search for the parents of Daniel Dorrance Dunham. The first is that Jane Devlin states that the first child of Daniel Dorrance and Julia Ann (Clark) Dunham was Jane P. Dunham, and she was born in Henrietta, Monroe Co. NY 9 December 1834, and she married James Madison Hathaway on 23 April 1854.

The second fact to note is that members of the Dorrance family were living in Madison County, New York. From "The Dorrance-Turner-Hill families in America, published by Goodenow Print Co. Inc. in 1989 [database on-line at Ancestry.com] pp 3-6, the Dorrance family immigrated from northern Ireland and settled in the area of Voluntown, later Sterling, Connecticut. Later a descendant of this Dorrance family named Samuel Dorrance married Rebecca Gordon and they settled in Hampton, Connecticut. Their son, Dr. John Dorrance moved to Peterboro, Madison County, NY in 1806 and was in Smithfield, Madison County in 1810.

Circumstantial evidence indicates that Daniel Dorrance Dunham was closely identified with the descendants of Edward⁶ Dunham and the sons David⁷, Daniel⁷ and Silas⁷ Dunham. The migration pattern of these sons going west shows them to be in Henrietta, Monroe Co. NY (Daniel Dorrance's oldest child was born in Henrietta in 1834) and by 1840 Daniel Dorrance himself was living in Macomb County Michigan where both Archibald and Van Rensselaer Dunham were living. We do not have a death date or place for Daniel⁷ Dunham the brother of David⁷ Silas⁷ and Elijah⁷ but the brief comment from "The Past & Present of Macomb County, (which source is not primary data, and indeed would have been impossible because Batavia, NY was not a place in 1776 when Daniel⁷ was born,) is an indication that the grandfather of Daniel Dorrance Dunham was named Daniel.

As a guide to future researchers studying this family, I would note that the result of a great deal of research indicates evidence that Daniel Dorrance Dunham was the son of Daniel⁷ Dunham in the line of Edward⁶, Daniel⁵, Jonahan^{4,3,2}, John¹ Dunham. Hopefully someday documents will be found to prove the point.

You Never Know What You May Find

Just follow the trail to see where it leads

by James Alan Streeter

I received a message from My Heritage.com that they had found a newspaper article connected to my grand-mother's brother, Wesley Hastings Talbert. As I only have the basic membership with My Heritage all that was provided was his name, a publication year, and State and if I wanted to see more information, I would need to upgrade my membership.

Now, I also have a full membership with Newspapers.com so I took the information that had been provided by My Heritage and entered that in a search on Newspapers.com and it found 2 articles that had been published in 2 newspapers on 2 different dates that were for a reception of the marriage of my grand uncle, Wesley Hastings Talbert and his new wife, Helen Elizabeth Shaw. I also found a 3rd article that was published a month later about a basketball game where the Married Men played against the Single Men in Cabot, Washington, VT, and Wesley was mentioned.

Since I had good results with the search on Newspapers.com I did another search for 1927 where I listed only the last name – Talbert, Vermont and 1927. This search also resulted in several additional relatives being mentioned in several newspapers and publication dates. One of the articles was about Roxie Jennie Talbert, sister to the above Wesley and my grand-mother, Freeda Margaret Talbert. The article was on the teachers that had been named for the 1927-1928 School year in St. Johnsbury, Caledonia, VT. Roxie was listed as the principal and teacher for grades 5 and 6 at the South Building (school) in St. Johnsbury. 3 additional teachers were for grades 2, 3 and 4, grade 1 and music.

“Aunt Roxie” was one of my favorite people when I was growing up as a child. We would do things like go to the 5 & 10 cent store and get fresh roasted cashews, go to a drive in and get fried clams and frog legs. She taught me how to play the card game Canasta and got us lost returning me home, a 200-mile trip after having chicken pox, age 6. The road was being worked on and the signs had been removed and I told her that that was the correct road to take. After getting lost, she asked for direction that returned us to the correct road where it was being worked on and we were home a short time later.

I knew that she was a teacher at an early age, but not that she had been a principal for a time. Finding the above article provided new information that I did not know. She retired in 1956 after teaching for about 30 years in a number of Vermont Schools.

Book Review

American Migration Routes

Part I

Indian Paths, Post Roads & Wagon Roads

Book by William Dollarhide

Review by Gratia Dunham Mahony

You all know the author, William Dollarhide. He is the man who compiled the extremely helpful reference book **Map Guide to the U. S. Federal Censuses, 1790-1920**. This year he has published another “must have” book for genealogical researchers. In this new book, **American Migration Routes, Part I – Indian Paths, Post Roads & Wagon Roads**, William Dollarhide has laid out the routes that many of our ancestors followed during their travels and migrations.

This fantastic book is full of maps that will allow one to precisely trace their ancestor’s footsteps. Knowing the location of these early trails and being able to reference them and compare them with current roads of today will allow us to add detail and descriptions to the stories of our ancestors.

This book is organized into seven sections, each illustrating a specific era of development of the migration route.

1. Indian Paths to Post Roads (1630-1669)
2. The King’s Highway (1680-1765)
3. Scots Irish Wagon Roads (1720-1750)
4. Trans-Appalachian Trails & Roads (1755-1796)
5. Roads to the Ohio Country (1787-1818)
6. Roads of the Old Southwest (1806-1832)
7. Western Migration Routes (1821-1869)

Then modern highway maps have been adapted to show a highlighted old migration route as part of the current state or federal highway system. It enables us to follow either virtually, or as we travel the route in person, the specific route of our interest.

To add to our knowledge the book includes the URL for web sites which contain even more detailed information about a specific section of the trail or about the area through which it passed. With the aid of this book researchers can follow an exact route and identify the counties, towns, and cities to search for more evidence of our ancestors that live there. We could even plan and repeat their exact journey today.

This book was published by Family Roots Publishing Co., 2022 and may be ordered from GenealogyBank.com or from Amazon.com. The price is \$39.95.

What's New on the Dunham Website

by James A. Streeter

The new Collection: Photographs of Dunham Ancestors, has been added to the Dunham Families in America Site. A link to the collection can be found on the Main page of the Site at: [DFIA - Dunham-Singleton Family Connections](#) or you can go direct to the Collection at: [Photos - Dunham-Singleton Family Connections](#).

The Photo Collection is divided into several Dunham Family Groupings; the Deacon John Dunham lines, the Richard Singleton /Johnathan Dunham alias Singleton lines, Other Dunham lines and Dunham Family Reunions from all lines. Some family lines have photographs of six generations while other lines are represented by a single photo. There are also lines that are waiting for its first photo.

There will be a set of instructions provided on how to submit your photos and how to complete the information on your Dunham line.

HELP NEEDED!

DGRA is looking to expand the Deacon John Dunham line that is posted on the Dunham Families in America Site from the current 4 Generations to 5 Generation along with the birth information on the children found in the 6th generation. Gratia and James will both be researching the families and as each person is completed the material will be added to the site. If anyone has information on the 5th generation Dunham's or is interested in helping research, please let James know.

We are also looking for help to review Dunham lines found in previous issues of the DSFC Newsletters and prepare them for addition to the Dunham Families in America collection. If you have questions about what is involved or if you can help, please contact James A. Streeter - james8313@sti.net.