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THE MABEE BICENTENNIAL REUNION

"On July 24th, more than fifty descendants of Frederick and Lavinah Mabee and their spouses and children attended the Mabee Family Reunion to mark the arrival of our ancestor at Turkey Point, Charlotteville Township, Norfolk County, Ontario in 1793, the area's first settlers. The village of Turkey Point had a week long celebration of the occasion and all from age three to ninety-one enjoyed a full day of Saturday festivities held in our ancestors honor.

We gathered at 1 o'clock in the morning at the historic old Town Hall at Vittoria, a village which many of Frederick and Lavinah's descendants called 'home.' After an hour of lively conversation about the 'good old days' we formed a caravan and drove to Turkey Point where Bicentennial organizer, Tom Millar, was our host. It took two tractor-pulled tour wagons and a horse drawn carriage to carry all the Mabees in the gala parade which followed. Everyone enjoyed waving to the crowds and the applause given us. Wagon number two stopped from time to time to pick up the Norfolk County Militia and others of the fairer sex. The children thought it quite a treat to be celebrities for a day and youthful friendships were struck during the two hour long parade.

Afterwards, we returned to the Vittoria Town Hall for a sumptuous pot luck dinner featuring several tables of cold cuts, salads, Kentucky Fried Chicken and desserts. Whoever made that delectable blueberry pie gets a very special mention. Over dinner our Mabee ancestry was the main topic of conversation and we enjoyed the swapping of family stories which passed down through the various branches of the family. Some of us were sixth cousins meeting for the first time! Those attending came from as far away as North Carolina and Wyoming with AMh a strong contingent from Michigan and Ohio. There were many of us from the home province of Ontario. Towards the end all agreed that we should meet again for another enjoyable occasion. A tip of the hat goes out to Mr. Tom Millar,

organizer of the Turkey Point Bicentennial and to David and Hylda Howes for bringing us all together."

reported by R. Robert Mutrie

ALL IN THE FAMILY

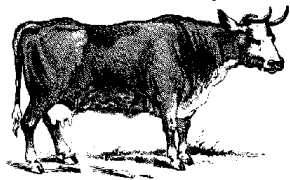
Everybody comes from 2 parents, 4 grandparents, 8 great-grandparents, 16 great-great grandparents, etc. Every generation back we go, we have twice as many lineal ancestors. This is very much like the Persian Chessboard problem. If there are, say, 25 years to a generation, then 64 generations is $64 \times 25 = 1600$ years ago or just before the fall of the Roman Empire. So, every one of us alive today had in the year 400 some 18.5 quintillion ancestors or so it seems- to say nothing about collateral relatives. But this is far more than the population of the earth, then or now. It is far more than the number of human beings who ever lived. Something is wrong with our calculation. What? We have assumed all those lineal ancestors to be different people. But, this is not the case. The same distant ancestor is related to us by many different routes. We are repeatedly connected with our relatives. Every marriage brings cousins together. If we go back far enough, any two people anywhere on the Earth have a common ancestor. Whenever a new American President is elected, someone -generally in England-- discovers that the new President is a distant relative of the Queen of England. This announcement is intended, perhaps, to soothe any residual American longing for a king of our own. Of course, when two people derive from the same small corner of the world; and their genealogies are well recorded, the last common ancestor can be discovered. But whether it can be discovered or not, relationship is clear: We are all cousins -- all members of a vast world-girdling family. It's time, I think, for a reunion.

The above article was sent to us
by Barbara J. Gaines, #122

JOSEPH MAYBEE

Joseph C. Maybee was the son of David Maybee and Charity Freimeyer. We believe he was born in the area of Otsego (now Cooperstown), Otsego, NY, about 1797.

Joseph settled in Parish, Oswego, NY, in 1820 in what they used to call a howling wilderness, where there were no roads, and you "could not get away from home without a compass, built him a log house," ... He began clearing a farm all by himself. At that time there were only two other families in the six mile square town. The first year he raised a little corn that he had to carry six miles to the grist mill to be ground. Their meat was the deer that he was able to shoot. At night, outside the little log cabin, the wolves would prowl around the house to pick up the crumbs and the bones they threw out. When it was decided to



acquire a cow, he left his wife at home with a woodchuck for meat and traveled 80 miles to Otsego County, Traveling on foot, he was gone for three days and nights."

He married a girl from, Connecticut, Sarah House, and they had a daughter Almira b. 17 Oct. 1822, a son Charles b. 8 or 17 Apr. 1828 or 1829; Joseph b. 6 Apr. 1832; and Clarissa/Clarisy (Clara) b. 1 Nov. 1834. Sarah died on the 4th of December 1834 when Clarisa was barely a month old. Joseph buried her at the cemetery located in Collose, Oswego, NY. and wrote the following on her tombstone:

SARAH CONSORT OF JOSEPH MAYBEE
WHO DIED 4 DEC 1834 AGED 36 YRS 3 MOS 25
DAYS JESUS CAN MAKE A DYING BED FEEL SOFT
AS DOWNY PILLOWS
AND WHILE ON HIS BREAST
I LEAN MY HEAD AND BREATHE MY LIFE OUT
SWEETLY THERE

Joseph then married Mariah Harrington, b. 1789. We do not have the date of their marriage but they were selling property jointly in 1836. He and Mariah (Sally) then had a daughter Sarah (Sally) b. 9 Jun. 1838 and then a son Ephraim Earl the 29th Nov. 1843. On the 25th of July 1845 they had a daughter Nancy (Lillian) and again on the 14th of July 1848 another daughter Alice Ophelia. The 15th of November 1851 tragedy again struck the family and Ephraim, now only 7 years, 10 months and 16 days joined Sarah at the cemetery in Collose.

EPHRAIM EARL SON OF JOSEPH AND MARIAH
MAYBEE
DIED NOV 15 1851 AGED 7 YEARS 10 MONTHS AND
16 DAYS

IF A MAN DIE SHALL HE LIVE AGAIN
HE SHALL CALL AND I WILL ANSWER THEE

It is noteworthy that in the 1850 census, Almira and Charles do not seem to be living at home, and that Mariah gives her age as 34 which would have made her much younger and put her birthdate as late as 1816.

Young Joseph described their homes, "I can remember the old log house with its chimney made of split sticks made of wood and mud, with the large fireplace. So you could put in logs five or six feet long. After- father built a frame house which was 24x 36 and painted red, trimmed with white with green and white door in front with wide hall running clear through the center--hard maple floors, two fireplaces large one in the kitchen with brick oven at the side which Brother Charles and I used to split oven wood to heat it for baking. And then the large fireplace with the large iron andirons. The potatoes we used to put in the ashes and cover them up with coals to bake them. Tin bake oven set before the fire to bake briskets and for Christmas a large sparerib or goose to hang up before the fire suspended by a string and a dish under to catch drippings and Charles or Joe to turn it and baste it so as not to have it burn and when it was done brown and with the other fixings sit around the table.. each one with a whole rib or the piece resistance of the goose whichever it was... didn't it taste good. ... "

While his family was growing so was Joseph's land. In 1822 he bought land from David Parish, et al; 1828 from Nathaniel Price; 1831 from Richard Cleavland; 1836- Lyman Austin; 1841- John Miller and Wife; 1842- Western Ashley and wife; 1848- John Becker and wife; 1849- Aurella Huntington et al; 1853 --Warren C. Reillson and wife; 1856- William Parcells and wife. In 1835 he sold land to Clauden Hutchens; 1836 he and Maria sold land to John C. Beardsley; 1855 he and Mariah sold land to Elbert J. Cone; 1857 he and Mariah sold land to Jacob Miller.

On the 21st of Apr. 1852, Joseph C. Maybee petitioned the government for the moneys, pension, bounty land etc. that was due his father David for his service in the Revolutionary war.

Joseph died the 13 Apr. 1864 and was buried beside his wife and son at Collose. His will gives us a fuller picture of Joseph and so we have included it. You will also find out more about Charles who is featured in this issue.



Cemetery at Collose

WILL OF JOSEPH MAYBEE

In the name of God. Amen : I Joseph Maybee of the town of Parish in the County of Oswego and State of New York of the age of sixty-six years and being of sound mind and memory do make, publish and declare this my last Will and Testament--in manner following That is to say:

First --I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mariah Maybee for and during her natural life or as long as she the said Mariah remains my widow my homestead where I now reside in Parish described in two deeds Viz.: One from George? Scirba and David Parish to Joseph Maybee dated the 25th March AD 1820 ... Said second deed executed by Richard Cleveland to Joseph Maybee the 20th day of October 1830 to have and to hold the use rents and profits of the above described two several pieces of land by paying the taxes thereon and performing the conditions hereinafter mentioned for and during her natural life or as long as she the said Mariah remains my widow. I also give and bequeath to my wife Mariah all and singular of my household furniture for and during her natural life or as long as the said Mariah remains my widow. I also give and bequeath all my farming tools farming tools to be and remain on the above described premises and all the stock on the said farm except one span of horses one lumber wagon and one set of harness one dray which is hereinafter disposed of

I further order and direct at my decease that my wife Mariah pay out of the above mentioned personal property One Hundred dollars to my daughter Almira wife of Warren Rulison.

I further order and direct that --my wife Mariah take care of and provide for my two daughters Viz.: Nancy Maybee and Alice Maybee during her the said Mariah natural life or as long as she remains my widow being the time that the said Mariah holds and is to use and occupy my homestead as above mentioned to furnish my two above mentioned daughters with board clothing and all the necessaries of life in sickness and in health and to treat them kindly unless they or either of them shall marry and wish to leave home.

Second I give and bequeath to my two above named daughters Viz.: Nancy and Alice and to their and each of their heirs the above described two several pieces of land being my homestead as above stated at the decease of my wife Mariah or at the time she the said Mariah shall marry again to have and to hold the same and to their heirs each and singular to have one equal undivided half of the above described premises at the decease of my wife or at the time she shall marry again should she marry again.

I also give and bequeath to my two daughters Viz.: Nancy and Alice all the household furniture and stock conveyed to my wife Mariah at her decease or at the time she shall marry again provided she shall marry again each of them to wit: Nancy and Alice to have one equal undivided half of said personal property at the time above mentioned to wit: At the decease of my wife of when she shall marry again

Third I give and devise to my son Joseph and his heirs the hereinafter described piece of land to have and to hold the same to his heirs forever. being and containing 50 21/100 acres as described in a deed executed by the attorney of George Parish to Joseph Maybee executed the 8th day of December 1834. I also give and bequeath to my

son Joseph Maybee one span of horses such as shall be on my farm at my decease also one two horse wagon and one set of two horse harness and one dray being the property mentioned and excepted above

Fourth I give and devise to my daughter Clarissa wife of Hurley Surgent and to her oldest heir two several pieces of land situate in the town of Parish and described in the two following deeds Viz.: 1st executed by Nathaniel Theis? to Joseph Maybee containing fifteen acres of land be the same more or less 2nd deed executed by William Parcels? to Joseph Maybee to have and to hold the above described premises to her own proper use and to her oldest heir living at my decease and the app____s thereunto belonging

Fifth I give and devise to my son Charles Maybee the following piece or parcel of land situate in the town of Parish in the County of Oswego being and supposed to contain 57? acres of land described as follows to wit: Bounded on the North by J. C Worn? and on the East by land owned by J Irish? and W. Coan? one or both of them on the South by land owned by Milow Coan on the West by land owned by William Owen and being the premises formerly occupied by Peter Dinehart?--Provided always. this will or conveyance is made on the express condition that unless my son Charles returns to Parish (Supposed to be in California now) within ten years from my decease and take possession of the above last described piece of land then I hereby devise and direct the same to go to my son Joseph and to his heirs forever I further direct my Executor to let my son Joseph have the use and occupation of said above described piece of land by paying the taxes assessed thereon until my son Charles shall take possession of the same provided he the said Charles return within ten years of my decease if not then the said Joseph is to have the said land to have and to hold the same and his heirs forever

Sixth I give devise and bequeath to my daughter Sally wife of Horace Hays and to her heirs forever the hereinafter described two pieces of land situate in the town of Parish in the County of Oswego and State of New York described as follows to wit: Being the same described in a deed executed by Lester A Huntington? dated the 4th March 1853 to Joseph Maybee and acknowledged before Larry? Thayer a Justice of the Peace. in and for the County of Oswego the 22nd March 1853 being and containing ten acres of land to have and to hold the same and to her heirs forever. Also about 20 rods of land lying south of said ten acres and north of the first described piece of land in the instrument conveyed to Joseph Maybee by Robert Mackie? the 18th day of March 1851 To have and to hold the same and to her heirs forever

I hereby appoint my son Joseph Maybee Executor and Clarissa Surgent wife of Hurley Surgent Executris? of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all other and former wills by me made

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the second day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight _Hundred and Sixty --Two

Joseph Maybee L.S.

The above instrument consisting of five half sheets was the at the date thereof signed sealed published and declared by the said Joseph Maybee as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of ____? who at his request and in his presence and in presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto
Larry? Thayer Reside in Parish Oswego County New York
Melgard? Thayer Reside in Parish Oswego County New York
Emeline? H Thayer Reside in Parish Oswego County New York

**A LONG WAY TO OREGON
via the *Oregon Trail* and way points
A Journey by Charles Maybee 1828-1878**

FOREWARD

Following is a narrative compiled by George Maybee Martin, grandson of Charles Maybee (b. 1828). After many years of collaboration with the great historians of the family, Frederick Secord and Royal Mabee, and from family records, correspondence and discussions with family members and others during a journey in 1929 when George and his sister Esther Martin retraced many of the travels of Charles Maybee, and on which trip we traveled over much of the route followed by thousands of pioneers who sought independence in the Oregon Country --- their routes began at what is now known as Independence, Missouri, and followed an old Indian trail that later became known as the Oregon Trail. That westward migration started about 1839 and continued through the 1880's when railroad transportation became available.

The migration crossed about 2,000 miles of extreme hardships and many who started failed to survive.

This narrative is not intended to be a detailed story of all of the travels and hardships of Charles Maybee. It does tell when and where he went and does provide more details of some of the unique experiences such as his trip down the Missouri River by raft from Montana to Kansas and Missouri.

It is suggested that his troubles and were very much like those of the thousands who sought independence and a better life in "Oregon" - which problems are well told and illustrated in several books such as *The Oregon Trail A Photographic Journey* by Bill and Jan Moeller and my readers might like to refer to such books.

Yakima, Washington, 1993

PREAMBLE

Some readers may say "WHOA" that this could not be a story of the Oregon Trail - a story that covers 50 years. But if you will reflect back after you have read this narrative you will see that the long journey of Charles Maybee and every event is indeed a part of his

trip over the Oregon Trail and to the Blue Mountains in Oregon and on to the Willamette that is recognized as the end of the trail.

So, read on and let your mind live with Charles Maybee as this fantastic and fascinating narrative unfolds.

THE NARRATIVE-

Charles Maybee was born in Parish, Oswego County, NY., on April 8, 1828, as the son of Joseph Maybee. He became proficient as a carpenter and a cabinet maker.

He and his father built a school in Parish- quite properly called the Maybee School.

When news of the California Gold Rush of 1849 came, Charles decided to seek his fortune in California. He headed Southeast to the Hudson River (likely by horse). He had many relatives along the way who helped his progress. That in itself was a long journey before he reached New York.

Charles then caught a coastal vessel that took him to the Isthmus of Panama where he rented a horse and rode across the Isthmus and caught another boat to California.

He had been a long time enroute and found that there were more gold-diggers than gold.

Charles then helped form a group of about 50 horsemen. They followed rumors of other gold finds and ranged all through California, Oregon Territory, Colorado and into Montana.

Doubtless the riders did find gold and each rider would have his own poke hidden on his person.

The riders would have carried some tools, such as axes, to help cut brush and timber when needed.

The riders, including Charles, entered into Montana in 1865 Charles wanted to get down the Missouri River to Olathe. Kansas, to visit his cousins, the Rulisons to check on his family in Parish and to then return to Parish.

It was decided that this could be best accomplished by building a raft to float down the river to Olathe. His fellow riders helped him build a raft and then took his horse and left.

The river flowed through the present states of North and South Dakota and Nebraska. Perhaps he misjudged the time and distance, but in any event he was exposed to the weather and the water and must have been short of food. When the raft reached St. Joseph, Missouri, Charles was almost dead, but he was rescued and taken to the St. Joseph Hospital operated by Dr. Thomas J. Mount and his nurse daughter Mary Jane Mount.

Charles was in the hospital for a long time, but he did recover. But he and Mary Jane had fallen in love and they married in St. Joseph, Missouri, on June 26, 1866. Mary Jane's father and his family were furious and disowned Mary Jane because she had married a "Damned Yankee". She never again saw or heard from her family, although she made many attempts to do so.

Charles and Mary Jane then continued up the Missouri River to Olathe Kansas, to visit his cousins, the Rulisons.

However, the marriage of Charles and Mary Jane changed his plans to return to Parish.

Joseph Maybee, father of Charles, died and left Charles a substantial estate in Parish, but Charles had to return to Parish to claim it, or it would pass to other family members so Charles lost his share.

He did have some funds and also worked as a carpenter. He was able to purchase tools and a covered wagon and the couple decided to head into Kansas for work and a farm where they could live.

At the time Kansas was Indian Country but the various Indian bands, together with some bands brought in from other areas were given homesites along the Kansas side of the Missouri River, The bands were peaceful and caused no trouble.

At one Indian village, Wyandot, the couple stopped for the birth of their first child, Clara Alma, on March 16, 1868.

Wyandot was the home of the Wyandot Indians who had been brought into Kansas from Lake Huron.

White settlers began moving into Wyandot, and the town later became Kansas City, Kansas.

The family then traveled southwesterly to central Kansas where they hoped to farm and to obtain work as a builder. They found a place called Agnes City near Emporia and there four more children were born: Charles E., Nov. 10, 1870; George W., Jan 13, 1873; Alice Fern, Oct. 4, 1874 and Janet Dove, Dec. 8, 1876.

Again Charles endeavored to follow his trade and to farm. Living was difficult. He had acquired tools and he built a wooden tool chest that he would take to Oregon (His grandson, George Maybee Martin, now has that tool chest.)

Charles had a yearning to return to Oregon - so he and his family and a neighbor family decided to go Northward in 1878 and join other families and wagon trains for the journey to Oregon.

By then the route was quite well established and was known as the Oregon Trail following an old Indian trail.

Although the way was well known they had many of the same difficulties as the earlier pioneer groups. There were no Indian problems.

The journey had one very interesting episode when the notorious female bandit, Calamity Jane, rode into camp one evening and wanted to spend the night. She was placed under heavy guard and the next morning a band of horsemen took her back along the trail for about 50 miles and sent her along the way with a dire warning to keep going.

After many difficult miles the train, always adding or losing groups, arrived in Denver.

The women folk had a very hard time with their many duties and often they had to walk for miles at a time. Mary Jane always claimed she had carried Janet Dove and drug Alice Fern (the second youngest) all the way to Oregon!

REDISCOVERING THE OREGON TRAIL

Charles and his family and his traveling companions traveled northward to Oregon at the place now known as Weston, Oregon, where the "Oregon Trail" had first entered Oregon Territory -- the beautiful Blue Mountains. Their companions remained there, but Charles and his family elected to continue down the Columbia River and through the Columbia Gorge (a very rough trip) to the turn off to Sublimity, Oregon, and the Willamette Valley, the end of the Oregon Trail.

Charles hoped to obtain work as a carpenter and a cabinet builder, but there was not enough work available so the family headed back to the Blue Mountains, where they settled and helped to start the town of Weston. He built the first school (still standing) and other schools in the vicinity. He was a great believer in education.

Charles and Mary Jane and all of their children and many of their family members now rest where the rolling Blue Mountains provide eternal peace.

EPILOGUE

Years later Janet Dove Maybee Martin had the thrill of having breakfast with her daughter Lenore in New York City and flying home to Yakima to have dinner with her son George and his wife Betty!

In 1929 Esther Martin and her brother retraced most of the routes followed by Charles Maybee, their grandfather. They followed much of the Oregon Trail and saw the ruts caused by the thousands of wagons. It was a thrilling adventure. They also visited Olathe where the Rulisons still lived!

COMMENT

The Oregon Trail was soon replaced by the railroad. Now many families endeavor dates and to define the trail - but no two are alike. After all it was an early Indian Trail and was used before the name "Oregon Trail" was used. But no one has the right to say that their dates and routes and hardships were the only correct ones.

Tyrone Tillson, #23 reports, "My wife and I just returned from a month long tour of the Oregon Trail and somehow managed to drive 6,000 miles. We began in Weston Oregon after attending the 101st Umatilla County's Pioneer's Picnic where we happened to mention our plans. The relatives had a brief conference and then presented us with a copy of great-great-great-uncle, William Lieuallen's diary which he kept on his trip out West in 1864. This we used as a tourist guide while following the Trail and happily most of the creeks, etc., still have the same names as they did over 100 years ago.

Our really enjoyable moment came while visiting the Saint Joseph, Missouri, library where we found a pile of 1860's City Directories where grandfather Charles Maybee was listed as living not more than three blocks from the jumping off point where pioneers left St. Joseph to cross the Missouri River on their way West. The old brick building where he resided still seems to be standing."

Tyrone and Penny Tillson

THE LONG POINT SETTLERS THE JOURNAL OF THE PIONEERS WHO STARTED IT ALL AND THEIR PROGENY

R. Robert Mutrie writes. "After considerable encouragement from many to proceed with the *LONG POINT SETTLERS* journal, we have a new publication in the offing! I say 'we' as all subscribers are invited and encouraged to participate. This is your forum for exchanging information and thoughts about the early days in Norfolk County. The journal will be in the same style and size as the Ontario Genealogical Society's *Record*. an upscale, quality publication. This will be a quarterly, published in January, April, July and October. I will be soliciting subscriptions from libraries so the information will be widely disseminated."

The Following features will be included:

.....Biographical stories, anecdotes, queries, early family bibles, church registers, account books, etc., book reviews; family reunions; advertisements; research register; photographs; sketches.

"I am open to further ideas. The charter subscription fee is \$15.00 until Nov. 30, 1993. Afterwards subscriptions will be \$20.00 per year. US. residents are requested to pay in US. funds to cover the higher cost of postage. The first issue will be in January 1994. All submissions must be received six weeks before the first of the month of publication."

For further information or guidelines for submission write:

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MARRIAGES OF BERGEN COUNTY

Judith Maby writes "I have a friend, Janice Conklin Hesselink, who is currently living in Athens, NY. She is researching the Delameter family and from time to time if she sees anything about the Maybee/Maby family she sends it to me.

I am enclosing a list of 23 marriages of Maybees/all spellings which she sent me and which I have transcribed and put into chronological order from her letter and notes." The reference, Marriages of Bergen County" (1929)

"She also came across the enclosed gravestone inscriptions on a trip and sent those along.

Perhaps one of these scattered marriage records may fill up the gap in someone's line.

Best wishes from us both.

from MARRIAGES OF BERGEN COUNTY (1929)

Cathintie Mabee and Rulof Haring 28 Nov 1795
William Maby and Altye Barns of Paramus 23 Oct 1802
Isaac Mabye of Saddle River and Caty Campbell 28 Oct 1815
Mariann Maybee and John H. Hopper of Saddle River 24 Jul 1824
Abel Smith Mabee and Jane Day at English Neighborhood 20 Apr 1826
Charity S. Mabee and Albert Demarest 3 Mar 1827
Abraham Maybee of Pompton and Pamela Ashton 4 Dec 1830
Frederick Mabee of Franklin and Mary Remsen 12 Apr 1842
John Mabee of Dumont and Catherine Anderson 23 Feb 1843
Peter Maybeie of Hoppertown and Ann Thompson 28 Sep 1844
James Mabee of Dumont and Elizabeth Moore 16 Nov 1844
Lydia Mabee and Hezekiah Alberts, Jr. 1 Jan 1860
Frederick B. Mabee and Ann Taylor 9 Dec 1866
Peter Mabee and Angelina Demarest 30 Jun 1866
Ann Maria Mabee and Charles Sageman at Hackensack 13 Feb 1868
Stephen S. Mabee of Paramus and Harriet Ann Ritter 31 Dec 1868
George H. Mabee of Hackensack and Emma L. Paulson of English Neighborhood 23 Nov 1870
John J. Mabee and Sarah Matilda Christie 25 Feb 1872
Mary Ann Mabee and Thomas R. Sendley 16 Apr 1872
Thaddeus D. Mabee and Jeannette Voorhis of Cherry Hill 23 May 1872
Mary M. Mabee of Closter and Theo. J. Westervelt 20 Feb 1873
Frederick Mabee of Closter and Martha Jane Chapel 13 Apr 1873
Peter Mabee of Old Tappan and Cathrine Ann Mabee of Closter 6 Nov 1873

THREE GRAVEYARD INSCRIPTIONS FROM OAK HILL CEMETERY, OAK HILL NY, (1991)

George H. Mabey	1834-1918
Helen R. Paddock his wife	1842-1927
Edward M. Mabey	1885-1967
Alice J. Barnes his wife	1891-1983
Edward G. Mabey	1914-
Miriam E. Clark	1931

GIFFORD MONTAGUE MABIE

We recently learned from Marjorie Best Mabee that her husband, Gifford Montague Mabee, #46, of Staunton Virginia passed away on January 26, 1992. Gifford descends through Abraham Mabee, b. 1705, and Sylvia Coquillet. His grandfather was one of the founders of the Mabee Brothers Circus. Our best wishes go to Marnie and the children.

MABEE COMPLEX DEDICATED APRIL 9, 1982 AT UNIVERSITY OF MARY HARDIN BAYLOR



This information from "The Bells" a publication of The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor is not current news but we thought that you would find it of interest. "Mr. Guy Mabee was on campus Friday, April 9, 1982, for the dedication of the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Health and Physical Education Complex.

Mr. Mabee is the president of the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation which gave UMHB a check for \$1 million when the university raised the \$2.5 million necessary to receive the Mabee challenge grant. This was the largest single gift in the history of Mary Hardin-Baylor and it made possible the expansion and renovation of the physical education complex.

The J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation of Tulsa, Oklahoma was organized in 1948 by the late J.E. Mabee, father of Guy Mabee. The bulk of the family fortune was placed in the foundation which bears Mr. and Mrs. Mabee's names. During their lifetimes the Mabees gave millions of dollars to hospitals, schools, churches, youth organizations and other civic endeavors.

Their son and the Mabee Foundation trustees have continued to carry out the philanthropic wishes of Mr. and Mrs. Mabee. This university has before been favored by the Mabee foundation. The Mabee student center was built with more Mabee money. ..."

This article about the Mabee foundation was sent to John A. Maybee by Carolyn Eye, daughter of Margaret Mabee, #87.

GOOD NEWS FROM PATRICIA MAGETTE

Patricia Magette, #91, has been very busy lately with The American Red Cross and Governor Hunt's "Smart Start" program. She has reason to be very happy as her two year old grandson, Garret, seems fully recovered from his heart operations and now is growing rapidly. His grin would melt an iceberg.

MORE MAYBEE LOCATIONS

SHELBURNE, VERMONT: References in surveys are often made to the MAYBEE LINE in conveyance of real estate. The line is a noted line, it is an East and West Line commencing on the lake shore and is the dividing line between Isaac Smith and Ezra Meisch. The line gets its name because a Maybee family lived there at the time the original survey was made. There is a small brook in the Southwest part of the Township known as MAYBEE BROOK, named after an early family.

ref. Vermont Historical gazetteer, Hemingway Vol. I, pp 857, 875.



MIKE MAYBEE JUGGLES HIS WAY TO THE FRONT PAGE OF THE LOCAL SECTION OF THE DAILY GAZETTE OF SCHENECTADY

picture by James Panetta for the Sunday Gazette

Mike McCrea (Maybee), #128, entertains the crowds at the 13th annual Larkfest Street Fair in Albany by juggling a sword, a torch and a chicken. Mike was one of the many performers to brave the morning rain and dismal skies to entertain an estimated 60,000 to 65,000 people attending the event.

FROM THE SPORTS SECTION OF THE DAILY GAZETTE OF SCHENECTADY

"Jon Mabee has been scoring big goals for the Scotia boys' soccer team all season. The goal he scored Tuesday was important from both a team and a personal standpoint as it gave the Tartans a 2-1 Suburban Council win over Burnt Hills and cinched a tie for the gold division title. ... Mabee's goal was his 27th this season, breaking the school single season record that had been set in 1983."

MAXINE LEE DAHLBERG

Maxine Lee Dahlberg is the third child of Otto Lee and Anina Williamson of Bingham Canyon, Utah. Her father's mother was Mary Louisa Curtis. Her mother was Sarah Van Orden, the second wife of Dorr Purdy Curtis. They lived in Lark, Utah at the base of the mountain where Bingham is situated. Melvin Van Orden, #41 is the great-grandson of Sarah's brother.

Maxine has spent many years compiling and researching for her various families. She reports, "I have a brother Gilbert who lives near the areas in New York and we have visited many of the areas where William and Julia Ann Haight lived. My brother researched much of the background that I had to find the background of the Mabelle family and was so pleased to learn there is a family organization."

"My husband and I are entering the retirement phase of our lives and will have time soon to devote to this endeavor. We live approximately one mile from the BYU library and will spend many delightful hours there."

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