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SAVING OUR FAMILY RECORDS

I have received several letters lately asking where Royal Mabie's records and pictures could be found. The Society has three large binders of Royal's records, including one of French Huguenot information with maps, but we do not have all of his records.

In 1987 Belva wrote this letter to a Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Mabie, "We appreciate your letter telling us that all of the information you had was supplied to Royal A. Mabie. Our President, George

Mabie Martin, now deceased, worked many years and collaborated on the Mabie line, each of them keeping a portion of the files. At Royal's death he placed his records in the archives of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society in New York City. Copyright law permits them to allow no more than 4 pages at a time to be photocopied. "Mr. Secord's record were placed in the Newberry Library in Chicago. Mr. Martin felt that he would prefer his records to go where everyone would have access to them and thus established the Maybee Society."

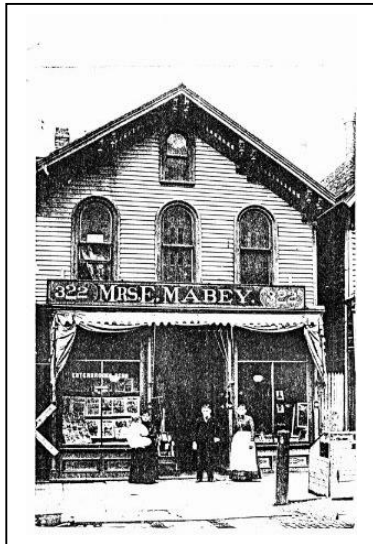
It is vitally important that each member of the Maybee Society share the family records that he or she has by sending them to the Maybee Society archives.

(Maybee Society, 1611 -128th St. SW, Unit 102, Everett, WA. 98204)

This not only enables others to find their history, but also provides a backup for the person who submitted the information in case of fire, flood or other catastrophe. If you have information or pictures that you have not sent, please consider doing so.

In this and future issues of the Communicator, we will share some of those wonderful pictures and stories.

This month our pictures are from Sandra Sue O'Hayer, Member # 226.



EMMA MABEY'S STORE

The back of the photo says M. E. Mabey. Name of store is Mrs. E. Mabey.

Emma Edmonds was born Dec. 12, 1831 at Woolrich, England. She married Alfred Mabey August 5, 1860 and died June 8, 1911 at age 79.

Their children are;

Charles Henry Mabey –1861 to 1907

Alfred George Mabey – 1862 - 1900

Walter Joseph Mabey – 1864 - 1908

Mary June Mabey – 1866 – 1945 (raised in London with her Aunt Kate Morre. She married Joel Phillips and possibly a Mr. Jones),

Emma Ada Mabey – and

Alice (or Alier) Kate Mabey, twins - 1869

Frederick George Mabey - 1870

Baby Mabey – 1871 - 1871

William Mabey. – 1873

MABIE, VAN NORDEN AND VAN ORDEN FAMILIES:

The Maybee Society has had a long and wonderful relationship with Van Norden and Van Orden descendants. Over the past decade, however, it has been discovered that the Mabie, Van Orden and Van Norden families are not connected.

Two articles have been published on this subject. The first of these, by Ethel Kolenut, appeared in *The Archivist*, published by the Genealogical Society of Bergen County, New Jersey, Vol. XXIV, No. 1, February 1997. This article, titled "*The Mabie Virus*", traces the roots of both the Van Norden and Van Orden families, and demonstrates their independence from each other and from the Mabie family. From this article, it is clear that the progenitor of the Van Norden family in America is Pieter Wesselszen, who married Josyntje Jans on 19 May 1669 (NYDC 1:33). Meanwhile, the Van Orden family is found in the New York Lutheran Church records and the Hackensack and Schraalenburg church Records in Bergen County, New Jersey, starting with Jan Van Orden and his wife Lysbeth Andries Rees.

In December 1999, this article was brought to the attention of Steve Mabie, member #257, by Frank Van Orden, member #229. In the meantime, several ancient letters, dating from the early 1700s, were found in the Maybee Farm in Rotterdam Junction after it was donated to the Schenectady County Historical Society in 1993. Jack Maybee, our

President, says that John Van Schaick did the translations with the help the head of the New Netherland Society at the NYS Ed. Department, then Jack sent a copy to Steve.

Steve wrote an article, based on these letters, which has now been published in the New York Genealogical & Biographical Record's January 2002 issue. This article, titled "*Mabie Family Update*", addresses the inconsistencies in the two previous NYG&BR Mabie family articles, the last of which, *The Mabie Family* by Sarah Adelaide Mabie, was published in 1921. This 1921 article, relying on the notes of Edward C. Marshall, had claimed that the eldest son of Pieter Casparszen (Jan, born 1654) used the surname Van Norden or Van Orden (the article confuses the two surnames). The new article lays out a proof that Jan Mabee of Schenectady was, in fact, this son of Pieter Casparszen born in 1654.

The Maybee Society has many binders of Van Orden material, which will always be available to Van Orden researchers, and if the family has a central repository, we will send them copies of all the material.

Our Data Coordinator, John MayBee, member # 8, writes; "The section of our files on the Van Orden line that was on WorldConnect has been separate from the Jan Pieter Mabie line for a few years. I maintained it on WorldConnect until early this year, but was unable to continue fielding queries and additions to it, and have taken it off the web. I would like to find someone who is currently actively working on the Van Orden line to take the Van Orden, Mabile, and royalty file to maintain (and possibly put it back on RootsWeb World Connect.")

THANK YOU BRET



Bret, Vickie and Tylor Perry

(Bret and Vickie now have 4 children.)
Bret Perry has been the website coordinator for the Maybee Communicator for many years. We appreciate the hard work he has done. The two websites have now been combined. The new website is at:
<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~maysoc/index.html>

SCHEDULE AT MABEE FARM

(From Kim Mabee, Member #78)

June 16 – Forefather's Day, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
July 4th – Cullings Family Reunion
July 5th or 7th – Bradt Family Reunion
July 21 – Rotterdam Days
July 27th – Mabie Family Reunion
August – Schaller Family Reunion
August – Clark Family Reunion
September 21st – Farm Fall Festival
September 28th – Last day of season tours

QUERIES:

Karen Davis writes, "The wife of **Charles Maybee, Esq.** was **Harriet Josephine (Hattie) Smith**. She was the daughter of **John C. Smith** and his 2nd wife **Hannah Barbara Morehouse Smith**. I would like more information on the life and family of Charles and Hattie Smith Maybee. Can you help me please? Karen Davis, kdavis@attitude.com

Glen Mabie, #302, sent this information to us, which we thought you might find interesting. It is from *The Record*, Tappan, New York on Thursday, May 27, 1965

TAPPAN MAKES LAST-DITCH TRY TO PRESERVE COLONIAL HERITAGE

Last in a series by Fred Farrar, Staff Writer.

Tappan, N.Y. – Proposals for historic zoning of this hamlet have come 350 years too late for the Tappan Indians whose first sight of white men came in September, 1609 when Henry Hudson sailed past the Tappan Zee on his way up the Hudson River.

The Tappan tribe was to be wiped out in the next century.

Only now have residents come forward to preserve Tappan as it was during the Revolutionary War. The proposal rests with a special Orangetown Citizens Committee on Zoning, which is expected to make a recommendation next month on the matter.

POWERFUL TRIBE

The Tappans were influential and powerful and controlled land from Hook Mountain in Staten Island. The Palisades made their territory all but impregnable from the east, enabling them to repel attacks easily made through the few openings in the chain of cliffs.

Their encampments were situated at or near these openings with the main village near the present site of Tappan.

The Tappans at first were affable and generous to the European strangers who invaded their lands, but they were apt to retaliate for injuries received and harbor resentment against injustices for long periods of time.

500 ACRES BOUGHT

In 1639, Dutch Captain David Peterson De Vries bought about 500 acres around Piermont for a farm. But 2 years later the Tappans, in revenge for an affront inflicted upon them by the Dutch colony of New York City wiped out all 34 persons living in the settlement while De Vries was away.

The Dutch did not immediately seek revenge. But 2 years later, after the Tappans had been weakened by a war against the Mohawks, the colonists attacked the Tappans, massacring 70 Indians as they slept. A 2-year period of open warfare followed, and the Tappans were so badly defeated they were never again a threat. The tribe slowly drifted west.

The first church organized in the county (which included and was called until 1798 Orange County) was the Dutch Reformed Church, in 1694. Its first minister was the Rev. William Bertholf, who became the pioneer minister in northern New Jersey.

Tappan itself was given its name 22 years later, in 1715, when it was named after the Indians who so recently had owned all the surrounding lands.

CHARTERED IN 1683

Although what is now Rockland County was chartered in 1683, it was not allowed to have its own courthouse and government until 1763, when the

County's first courthouse was constructed in Tappan. The first board of Supervisors meeting was conducted here on April 7, 1703.

Beginning in 1727, court was conducted alternately in Tappan and Goshen, some 24 miles away, for convenience, but all elections were conducted exclusively in Tappan until 1749 when Goshen opened its polls for the first time.

All County records, however, were kept in the courthouse in Tappan, which was rebuilt in 1739.

All the Colonies drew closer to the break with England, the people were quick to react angrily to what they considered acts of oppression by the British. By 1774, their sentiments crystallized in the Orangetown Resolutions, signed in Tappan on July 4, 1774. The action was taken at Mabie's Tavern – now the '76 House – and made a profound impression throughout the colonies.

The signers called for a boycott of all British and West Indies goods, saying that would prove to be the quickest way to get repeal of burdensome taxes.

The Orangetown Resolutions were one of several documents studied by delegates some 2 years later, when the Declaration of Independence was written in Philadelphia.

The County courthouse in Tappan was destroyed by fire in 1774, a few weeks after the Orangetown Resolutions were signed, and it was then decided to move the county set temporarily to a more central location. New York City, a few miles north of Tappan was chosen for

the temporary site of the County Courthouse.

The Courthouse is still there. Tappan today lives largely on memories. There are no large industries in the hamlet, and none are anticipated. Its people are perhaps friendlier now than they were in the late 1800s when Dr. John T. Stephens refused to allow visitors to inspect the DeWint House.

The Dutch Reformed Church has been rebuilt twice since Major John Andre's trial was conducted in it and the '76 House is in better shape now than it ever has been. The Old Manse, traditional home of ministers in the Church, built in 1700, sits on a slight hill about 200 yards from the Church.

The hamlet is quietly awaiting word on its fate. The Tappan Civic Association led by President Richard Goodwin, has been trying for the last 6 months to have some 85 acres around the Church declared a historic zone, and declared off-limits to real estate speculators and modern commercial interests.

The proposal has been forwarded to a committee studying all of the Town Board's zoning proposals. The Town Board has indicated it will support the historic zoning ordinance if the supervisory committee recommends its adoption.

Tappan has reached its crossroads. It will either remain a unique monument to the colonials and musket fire or possibly become another in an endless chain on neon-lighted suburban shopping complexes. The decision is not far away."

MABIE CHILDREN PORTRAIT

Barb Kineke daughter of Luella Mabie Brodie, member #159, wrote us recently.

“I just received the newsletter and noticed the article in there concerning the Mabie Children Print. Anita Brooks wrote the information. I just want to let you know, as I will email her also and let her know, that I also have scoured the web looking for these prints. Found them in a lot of places, various prices. However the best place I have found is ebay.com. It is an auction site that you bid on items. You need to fill out a password and user name to use this site. But the site is free.

There is a seller on there with the user name of artsbazaar. He sells these Mabie prints regularly. I bought one for my mom for Christmas at a total of \$18.95! However the print is 24 by 30 inches. That means you need a custom frame for it. My husband is making one for my mom. That would be the biggest expense, the frame. This man ships them perfectly so that they are not damaged. They are new prints and a very good print. There was another one on ebay the other day for sale. \$9.99 I believe you can buy it for. Just go to ebay and put in a search for the Mabie children and do the buy it now offers”.

FREE BOOK:

Laird Towle, editor of Heritage Books, wrote us recently to let us know about a free e-book edition of “Genealogical Periodical Annual Index”. This is a valuable resource for any researcher. It indexes contributions from genealogical publications. The Maybee Society is listed under Surname publications. For those of you who do not have computers, the index is also available in book form. I downloaded a copy and was thrilled with the amount of information available.

He says, “The latest edition of "Genealogical Periodical Annual Index: Key to the Genealogical Literature," (Vol. 39, 2000) is being given away FREE by Heritage Books, Inc. in an all-electronic e-book format.

Go to <http://www.heritagebooks.com> and follow the link from the "News Flash," and download your free copy.

Each new edition of "Genealogical Periodical Annual Index" provides thousands of name, locality, and topical index citations to hundreds of English-language historical and genealogical periodicals published in the preceding year. The latest edition, Vol. 39, provides about 15,000 citations to about 1,500 issues of about 350 periodicals published in the year 2000.

In addition to citing all the articles of archival value published in these periodicals, GPAI also indexes all the book and CD reviews, so by using GPAI the researcher learns of recent book and CD publications as well as the vast quantity of valuable genealogical and historical data published in genealogical periodicals during the preceding year.

For the past thirty-nine years GPAI has been an essential key for unlocking this vast storehouse of information, but it has not been readily accessible. Accordingly, Heritage Books, Inc. has now converted all the volumes of GPAI for the years 1992 to 2000 into the exciting new, all electronic e-book format. The files are in Adobe Acrobat PDF format, and can be read on virtually any computer system using the Adobe Reader, which can be downloaded free from <http://www.adobe.com>.

The e-book editions of GPAI for 1992 to 1999 are available for purchase from the

Heritage Books web site, and they are also all available to subscribers to the HB online library; see the web site above for further information.

QUERIES:

Barbara Spidle writes, "I was looking over the database list in your Dec. 2001 issue 51 of the Maybee Society news and I may have some information concerning the **John Lynford Mabee** you have listed. According to my records he was born 29 March 1882, Wayne County, Iowa; married Dora B. Couchman 23 Jan. 1910, died 22 May 1941, buried Tharp Cemetery near Seymour, Iowa.

He also had a sister and brother, but I did not see them listed. I hope this is the person you are looking for, but if it isn't please disregard my input.

I have just started working on my Mabee line and it gets very involved with so many names that are the same.

SEARCHING FOR DAVID MABEY:

Petula Chamber Mills writes, "I am trying to trace child of Catherine Mabey and Arthur. His name is David. I want to know if this is the said David who has children Frederick and Horatio. Did David or his children lived in Jamaica?"

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I hope you will forgive any grammatical or other errors in this newsletter. Our beloved copy-editor, Charles Gorton, (at age 80+) is on his honeymoon!

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