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WE ARE MOVING!!

As of April 2, 2003 the Maybee Society will have a new address:

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THANK YOU

Many thanks to all of you who have paid your 2003 dues. A special thank you to those who paid up to 2004 or 2005 and those of you who sent in donations. The Maybee Society operates on a very tight budget and all donations are welcome.

Thank you, also, to **Bret Perry**, Member #86. He overhauled our printer and computer and made it possible to avoid purchasing a new printer this year.

60-YEAR WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

(The Brodies (members # 159, sent us information about their wedding anniversary and birth of their fourth great-grandchild. Congratulations to you both. We are happy to hear about your new home also.]

"Elliot and Luella (Mabie) Brodie of South Valley, New York, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their new home on Friday evening, September 6, 2002, with approximately 95 friends and relatives attending.

The party was hosted by the Brodies' seven children, Frank, Elliot Jr. ("Sonny"), Mary Lou Bach, Charley, Carol, Barb Kineke, Donna Lou Hatch and their families.

Dessert, punch and coffee were served along with a special cake from Wal Mart, complete with a scanned wedding photo of the Brodies atop the cake.

Donna Lou Hatch also provided the artistically made money tree which was a six-foot tree branch painted silver with tied green and white ribbons for attaching the bills. The tree sat in a clear glass vase with a photo attached of the couple in younger days. Peacock plumes sprouted out of the top of the vase.

Guests attended from South Valley, Pleasant Brook, Roseboom, Cherry Valley,

Westford, East Springfield, Middlefield, Cooperstown, Fly Creek, Hartwick, Mount Vision, McGraw, Mohawk, Otego, Canajoharie, Fort plain, Fonda, Seward, Schoharie, Richmondville, Delanson and Saratoga, New York; Meadville and Saegertown, Pennsylvania and Summerfield, Florida.

Elliot and Luella were married in the South Valley First Christian Church on September 20, 1942 by the Rev. William Knorr of Perth, former pastor at South Valley, who was assisted by the new pastor, Rev. Myron Tripp."

BIRTH OF FOURTH GREAT GRANDCHILD

Elliot and Luella (Mabie) Brodie of South Valley, New York, announce the birth of their fourth great-grandchild, **Jerred Robert Brodie** was born to Jeremy and Malinda (Fancher) Brodie of Mount Vision, New York, on September 15, 2002.

Jeremy is the son of Charles and Debra (Hoke) Brodie of South Valley, New York. This is the first grandchild for Charles and Debra.

EDEN MABEE OF SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY -

Steve Mabie, Member #257

There are many branches of the Mabie/Mabee/Maybee Family that have never been properly accounted for in published genealogies. One such line includes **Eden Mabee**, whose name first appears in a marriage record of July 22, 1815, when he married **Mary Utter** in Bergen County, New Jersey. According to this record, both Eden and Mary were both "of

Pompton", then an area of Bergen County later included in Passaic County.

New Jersey is a difficult state for research in the early 1800s, in large part because all of the records from the first four US Federal Census enumerations (1790 through 1820 inclusive) were destroyed in a fire in the state capitol of Trenton. This was, of course, prior to the establishment of the National Archives in Washington. Thus, it is not until the 1830 census that we are able to again find Eden and his family, now residing in Vernon Township, Sussex County. In 1830, Eden's age was listed as between 40 and 50, while in 1840 it was between 50 and 60.

The first census that listed all members of each household was 1850. Comparing the enumerations from 1850 and 1860, Eden was born in New York circa 1782 and was married to Mary (1850) or he was born in New Jersey circa 1786 and was married to Lucinda (1860). Note that neither age is consistent with the 1830 and 1840 census. From Eden's will, dated October 27, 1862 and probated August 21, 1863, it was established that he had three sons (John, Collins and Robert M.) and three daughters (Hannah, wife of Jacob G. Gunderman; Sarah, wife of Isaac Paddick; and Rebecca, wife of John S. Strait.) The confusion as to the birthplace of Eden even continued after his death when, in the 1880 census, son John reported that his father was born in New York, while son Collins said New Jersey. Unfortunately, Robert was deceased, so we are lacking a tiebreaker.

For years, this was all that was known about Eden. Then, a little over a year ago, I was contacted by a descendant of Eden who had just found an old letter written in 1913 by one of Eden's granddaughters.

This letter was a tremendous help in unveiling a part of the mystery surrounding Eden: "Grandmother Mabee's maiden name was Mary Oakley. She was married to William Utter for her first husband. She had 4 children Benjamin & James, Nancy & Phebe. He died; she married my grandfather Eden Mabee. She had six children from her second marriage John, Collins, Sarah, Hannah, Rebecca, Robert M., my father. Grandmother Mabee died when I was about one year old, so she has been dead about 58 years. After her death Eden Mabee married Lucinda Woodruff at Vernon, NJ."

This renewed my interest in Eden, so I first attempted to locate land records. This resulted in finding that Eden and Mary sold their property in Pompton on April 5, 1819 and purchased land in Vernon on August 20, 1821. Then, on a recent trip to Salt Lake City, I found the key item I had been searching for: the marriage record of Eden and Lucinda. According to this record, Eden, age 66, the son of John and Abigail Mabee, widower, married a widow Lucinda Woodruff (nee Douglas) on August 16, 1856.

Not only do we now know the names of Eden's parents, but we also have a better idea of his birth year. Note that age 66 in mid-1856 is consistent with the brackets of the 1830 and 1840 census, pointing to a birth year of 1790 or so. The name of Abigail as Eden's mother also potentially links another record to Eden. On June 28, 1815 an Abigail Mabe married Daniel Write in Sussex County, with the notation that both were from Vernon Township. Could this be a second marriage for Eden's mother? Or might this Abigail be Eden's sister?

Now we are left with a new set of mysteries, with the principle question: which John Mabee was Eden's father? Unfortunately, no other evidence of a John Mabee married to an Abigail has surfaced to date, but the search continues."

Jeanine Kowalski, Member #317 sent the following articles about a family heirloom, the obituary of **Theron Mabile** and the charming note below from a Camden Newspaper.

MABIE-FINCH- At the home of the bride October 29th, 1874, by Rev. E. Curtis, **Orlando E. Mabile** and **Emma W., only daughter of James Finch**, all of Camden. The bride will please accept our thanks for a bountiful supply of wedding cake.

TREASURED HOPE CHEST FOUND

"When my parents moved to Florida in 1975, I found an old wooden chest in the garage and asked my dad, if I could take it for my daughter, Jody, who liked antiques. It had several layers of gray paint on it. She stripped it and refinished the wood. Inside, she found the date 1891 carved into the wood. My dad remembered that his grandfather, **Clarence Mabile** had made a wooden hope chest for his daughter, **Kate Jane** when she was 13 years old. My dad thought it had burned when the family lost their house and barn in a fire in Westdale, New York, about 1910. The old chest had been in my father's garage since the death of his father, Gilbert Hague in 1937. My daughter, now treasures the surprise inheritance and uses it for a coffee table."

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Submitted by **Jeanine Hague Kowalski** great grand-daughter of **Clarence Mabile**.

THERON O. MABIE, 86 DIES IN ILLINOIS
(1933)

"Native of Albany and Brother of Late Frank G. and **Orlando E. Mabie** at Camden.

East Moline, Ill. Sept. 27 – **Theron Orville Mabie**, 86 who had resided with a grandson of **Edmond R. Mabie**, East Moline since 1920, died at 6:30 last evening in Moline city hospital, where he recently underwent an operation.

Mr. Mabie was born in Albany, N.Y., August 23, 1847. He was the son of **Stephen George (Mabie)** and **Phoebe Jane Robbins Mabie**. He was married to Cora Kane at Taberg, N.Y., December 1, 1869.

Mr. Mabie moved to Green River, Illinois in 1886 where he was engaged in the cheese manufacturing business until 1902. Since retiring from business, Mr. Mabie resided with relatives, having lived with a daughter, Mrs. Albert Kane, of Muscatine, until 1920.

Preceding Mr. Mabie in death were five brothers, Edmund Robbins Mabie, Franklin George Mabie, Orlando Edward Mabie, Augustus Smith Mabie and Clarence Gilbert Mabie, one sister, Mrs. Mary Theresa Parks and one son, Warren E. Mabie.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Kane of Muscatine and five grandchildren, Thomas O. Mabie and Edmond R. Mabie of East Moline, Mrs. Cora Damlel, Mrs. Jessie Erlich and Carl Albert Kane, all of Muscatine and four great-grandchildren, Amarillia and

Theodore Orville Mabie,
Marjorie Isabelle Bowen and
Helen Jane Daniel of Muscatine.

The funeral was held at the Wendt Brothers Funeral home with the Rev. J. M. Jones of the First Baptist church officiating. Interment in Riverside cemetery, East Moline,"

WILLIAM MABEE OBITUARY

Martinsville Republican
May 22, 1906

William Mabee, the oldest child and son of **John and Ann Mabee**, of Sussex County, New Jersey was born in said county and state on March 8, 1822. He was the only son of a family of five children all of whom are now dead except two sisters, Annie Bowdoin of Rahway, New Jersey and Susan Williams of Chicago, Illinois.

He came from New Jersey to Defiance, Ohio in 1844 and returned to New Jersey in 1846 and in November 1846 returned again to Defiance, Ohio.

He was a Mexican soldier and volunteered under President Polk's administration. He was enlisted in Toledo, Ohio in March 1847, and went to Mexico with the army. He was wounded at battle in Mexico on August 20, 1847 and was in the hospital six weeks. (He) was finally honorably discharged from the service in the city of Mexico on August 20, 1847 when he returned to New Jersey.

He was married in Sussex County, New Jersey, his old home, to **Catherine Peters** on November 2, 1849, where his oldest child **Joseph Mabee** was born.

He moved with his young family, about March 20, 1854 to Defiance, Ohio where he lived till in the fall of that year.

He then started for Indiana and came by canal boat from Defiance, Ohio to Peru, Indiana and finally landed in Martinsville, Indiana, November 17 of that year. He lived in Martinsville till December 1865, when he bought the farm three miles northeast of Martinsville, and lived there until June 19, 1882, when he and his wife moved back to Martinsville and lived in the city until June 28, 1898, at which time he and his wife went to live with their daughter, Mrs. Eli Thomas, near their old country home. They lived with the other daughter, Mrs. Ezra Dyer, where his most estimable wife died October 3, 1901, and where he remained until his death, which occurred at 1:15 a.m., Monday, May 21, 1906.

He was a carpenter by trade and many of the oldest and most substantial and prominent residences and other buildings in the city of Martinsville are the works of his hands.

He was elected assessor of Washington Township in 1882 and served the full term. His official life was one marked with nobility, integrity and honor, both to himself and to the people whom he served.

He and his wife were blessed with 8 children, 4 boys and 4 girls, three dying in infancy and one daughter, Katie, who married George Bergman, died near the old home about 22 years ago. The remaining children, two boys and two girls, namely; Jacob Mabee of Indianapolis, Abraham Mabee of Charleston, Illinois, Mrs. Lizzie Thomas and Mrs. Sarah Dyer resides near the old home place. He left surviving him these

four children, fourteen grandchildren and great grandchildren. Such in brief was the life of William Mabee. He was one of the pioneers of this county. He leaves a legacy of a well-spent, long and honorable life.

The funeral will be held at the Ezra Dyer home Wednesday afternoon at 1:30. Burial at Hilldale cemetery.

OBITUARIES:

There is a wealth of information in old obituaries, names of children, important dates and more. It is also interesting to read the articles in the paper. *The Martinsville Republican* in 1893 has interesting ads. One is for Meredith's Pure Malt, 'for all pulmonary and bronchial complaints'. The editorial denounces President Cleveland's stand on free trade.

The following obituaries all concern **Abraham W. Hunt and Rachel Mabee** family.

Martinsville Republican, March 1888.

Abraham W. Hunt was born in Sussex County, New Jersey, February 7th, 1825 and died March 15, 1888 at his residence in Martinsville, Indiana.

He and Miss **Rachel Mabee** were married August 1, 1846. They were parents of nine children, three of whom survive him. Mrs. Hannah L. Cunning, their only daughter, was the wife of Judge A. M. Cunning. Mrs. C., after a lingering illness, died May 17, 1887. G. W. Hunt, a son, died March 4, 1888.

Mr. Hunt moved from New Jersey to Ohio, where he remained less than one year. He then came to Indiana, where he has resided for more than 33 years.

He was a worthy member of the fraternity of Odd Fellows. He united with the M.E. Church in January 1858.

He was a carpenter by trade. He was an honest man, quiet and unobtrusive, adhering closely to his own obligations he secured many abiding friendships.

Proverbially kind and indulgent, he was a model husband and honored father. He was ready to die. He had made ample preparations long before his disease for this hour.

His widow survives him and for her extraordinary patience and endurance in the long vigils at the bedside of husband and son, has the sympathy of all.

His funeral took place March 18 from the M. E. Church, and was attended by a very large number of sympathizing friends. The sermon from Zach: 1:7, "*At Evening Time It Shall Be Light.*" was preached by the pastor of the church

The Odd Fellows then took charge and conducted their services very impressively and laid the worn out body of our brother beside his children at Hill Dale Cemetery to await the resurrection of the just."

Another notice in the paper:

Abraham W. Hunt, who has been confined to his room the greater part of the time for the past two years with consumption, died last Thursday evening, aged 63 years. Mr. Hunt had a long and painful, though patient, season of waiting for the final summons, and during that time he saw two of his children stricken and die with the same malady. He was born in New Jersey, from whence so many of our best citizens have come, but had been a

citizen of this town the greater portion of his life. He was an honest and industrious man, a kind neighbor and friend, a pleasant associate and good citizen."

OBITUARY, MARCH 30, 1893

Mrs. **Rachel Hunt**, relict of the late **A.W. Hunt** of this city, died at the residence of her son, R. V. Hunt, at 76 Chadwick Street, Indianapolis, on Thursday. The remains were brought here for interment at 9:11 Saturday morning and then taken from the depot to the M. E. Church, where Rev. Hurlstone conducted the funeral services at 9:30 o'clock. The Interment was at Hill Dale cemetery. Mrs. Hunt was 80 years old. She had been visiting in Indianapolis and been ill only about ten days of pneumonia. She leaves three sons, W.M., R.T. and R.V. Hunt, all of Indianapolis.

William Mabee of this city is a brother, and a sister; Mrs. Susan Williams lives in Chicago.

EPITAPHS:

These are from the collection of Georgie Baston, member of SVGS.

From Kilmurry Churchyard, Ireland

"This stone was raised to Sarah Ford,
Not Sarah's virtues to record...

For they're well known to all the town.

No Lord, It was

raised to keep her down."

Atowe, Vermont

"I was Somebody.
Who, is no business
of yours".

Georgia Cemetery

'I TOLD YOU I WAS SICK'

QUERIES:

(When you answer queries directly, could you please let me know. - Barb)

SEARCHING FOR ALF MAYBEE

Bernd Martens writes, "I'm with the Bowness Historical Society in Calgary, Canada. Our Society is researching a history of the former village/town of Bowness (now part of Calgary, Alberta), with the goal of producing a book. The history includes the earliest aviation activity in the Calgary area, including barnstorming and the first commercial airlines in the area. One of the names we're trying to track down is that of **Alf (Alfred?) Maybee**, who was a wing walker. Sadly, on June 12, 1921, his plane crashed and he was killed. Nevertheless, we want to make sure this individual is not forgotten and hope that your society may be able to provide more information about him or his descendants. He appears to be lost in our history.

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Any help you could provide would be greatly appreciated. Bernd Martens

LOOKING FOR SISTER OF ABRAHAM MABIE

Jean C. Glidden writes, "There is a group of us doing Baxter genealogy and **Phebe Mabie** is part of that genealogy. The one we are looking for was a sister of **Abraham Mabie** of Putnam Co., NY, and she went to live with him with her 4 or 5 children after the death of Thomas Baxter in the Revolution. She is mentioned in the "*Keepers of the Poor*" Record Book, Carmel Historical Society dated May 14, 1784. We are anxious to learn who her parents were.

Thanks. Jean Glidden
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Jean also forwarded this message from Gwen King.
e-mail: gpkking@edmc.net

"Again, here I am. I thought a Mabie family traveled with the 103 people who came with **Isaac Ackley** and others (the group that Frederick, Augustus Sr. and Lockwood came to NS with). Not so. However, there are two potential Mabie families that got grants nearby in Cumb. Co. The names are:

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- Maby, John** 1785 Cobequid Road.
500 acres Westchester, NY
- Maby, Peter** 1785 " "
250 acres Westchester, NY
- "

The name is spelled in all sorts of ways in NS and NB grants. Maybee, Mabie, Mabie, etc. Also, 1785 is the year the Baxters received their grants. Cobequid Road is very near Remsheg. Phebe Mabie could have been with her parents.

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Do you happen to know what Phebe Mabie's father's name was? I won't look for others right now. I looked in NB the other night and found various grants under many spellings of Mabie."

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Sylvia Harper Nelson writes, "Hi! I was browsing the Web looking for ways to make some connections to descendants of my ancestors and found your site, mainly because you have my great-great-grandfather, **Glen Putman**, on your list. I have lots of information on him and a bit on his wife, but mainly through her widow's pension papers. It's the women that hang me up! Anyway, Glen's parents

were **Cornelius Henry Putman and Gazena Visscher Mabie.**

I'm out here on Bainbridge Island - I believe one or both of you are in Everett, judging by the address on the Web page. I would like more information on the society and would love to join and exchange information. I am still trying to find where **Letitia Paulison Putman** is buried. She was living in Iowa when she filed the widow's pension papers, and had been there quite some years. Her son, my great grandfather, was a minister, and stayed in Missouri, Iowa and Illinois. I still do not know what Glen did! Letitia Paulison is a descendant of the Zabriskie "clan" so there is quite a bit on her family and a mention that she and her sister and their husbands moved to Iowa. Glen Putman also had a daughter, Carrie Putman, who was living in New York, but I cannot find a thing about her - her married name, her children's names, etc. Maybe through your society I can make contact with someone descended from her.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Sylvia Harper Nelson
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WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

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Jeanine's line: Harlan Robert Hague, Gilbert Charles Hague & Katherine Jane Mabie, Clarence Gilbert Mabie & Cara Palms, Steven G. Mabie & Phebe Jane Robbins, Stephen G. Mabey & Abigail M. Penny, Abraham Mabie & Sylvie Gates, Abraham Maebie & Silvia Coquillet.

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Steve is a descendant of Charles Tallman and Ester Mabie.

JOHN MABEY #319
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John is the cousin of Ken Mabey, who gave him a membership to the Society and is the son of Newman Horace Mabey, who died on January 8, 2002. John and Christine Mabey have a new daughter born in December of 2002.

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