

HURON SHORES GENOGRAM

Oscoda, Michigan

THANK YOU TO ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT From Judy Sheldon

In our December 2017 newsletter I did a recap of our activities for the year. It was a very busy year and could not have been possible without the volunteers in our Society. Many thanks go out to our officers: Lindsey Russell, Dale Harwood, Dan Stock and Al Sherman; member volunteers: Lauri Finerty, Rachel McCready, Mark Miller, Joan Doerr, Liz Johnston, Lawrence Daley for their help on committees, indexing, Kids Camp and all the other stuff we do. I hope I didn't leave anyone out.

Thanks also go out to all who generously donated funds to our Society. We had individual donations from members, Al Sherman's birthday money and in memory of Patricia Viele. All of the donations were kept in a separate line item for special projects like the digitizing of the Tawas Herald (\$4,028.00) and starting the Lugene Daniels Scholarship fund (\$500.00) with the Whittemore-Prescott FFA. Over the past several years with grants and donations we have been able to update equipment, add a projector and screen, display screens and a portable microphone and speaker. We also greatly appreciate the continued support from the losco-Arenac District Library and the Robert Parks Library for grants and allowing us to use part of the Parks Library for our genealogy library.

Announcing the digitization of the Tawas Herald from 1929 to 1952!

This part of the project has been completed from the hard copy papers housed at the losco County Historical Museum in East Tawas, MI.

The digitized form, 1884-1952, is available on all losco-Arenac District Library public computers. It is searchable and articles can be saved, printed or emailed. At the library, simply double-click the

HSGS Genealogical Meetings and Events

March

- 8 MGC Board Meeting, Lansing April
- 12 MGC Board Meeting, Lansing
- 19 HSGS Business Meeting at Grace Lutheran Church, 401 Main St East Tawas

May

 National Genealogical Society Conference, Grand Rapids
 Society Night, May 2nd, 5-8 pm

June

- 14 MGC Board Meeting, Lansing
- 18-21 HSGS Kids Camp

July

- 18 HSGS Business Meeting, Hsing's Garden Restaurant, East Tawas
- 20-21 Abrams Conference, Lansing, MI



Librarian Diane London viewing the Tawas Herald web pages

"Search HSGS Archives" shortcut on the computer's desktop screen. You will find instructions on the desktop. It is also available to "browse only" on the library intranet at

www.ioscoarenaclibrary.org/databases.htm.

Our Society will be working hard to complete the papers, 1953 to 1980, in the near future.

Doctor's of AuSable - 1800s to 1915 By Judy Sheldon

As with many of my articles, a Facebook posting or a question sparks further discussion and research. A photo of a 1940s ambulance in Oscoda, MI was posted to the Oscoda AuSable History group on Facebook. The discussion that followed referred to various doctors that people remembered and one posting mentioned a not so scrupulous doctor and a Physicians Registry I wasn't familiar with. This was the spark for the following article,

who were the doctors in AuSable from the 1800s to about 1915?

Sources for this and future articles on doctors of AuSable and Oscoda are local newspapers, Michigan Gazetteers, Polk's Medical Registry and Directory for North America and Canada, census records, vital records, some family trees, books and histories for the area and others where noted.

John V White - 1880 to 1899

John V White was born in August 1859, near Collingwood, Ontario, Canada to parents from Ireland. He graduated from the Toronto School of Medicine in 1880. He immigrated about 1880 and was naturalized. He appears in the Michigan Gazetteer in Au Sable in 1883, 1887 and 1891. I think he is living on River St, Au Sable in 1880 as a single man. In May 1884 he and Dr. Sutherland attended to Eugene Crosby, a victim of a mill accident (Gratwick, Smith, and Fryer's Mill).

In the fall of 1884 he prepared to leave the area for an extended trip to the Old World. He planned to spend five months at the University of Dublin, Ireland, five months at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, four months in London, England and a trip to the Continent. Dr. McCormick of Black River purchased his practice. By February 1896, he had returned and attended to Ed

Goulait, a victim of a mill accident (Loud's Mill).

John left AuSable in 1899 for Detroit where he joined the staff of Harper Hospital. He appears in the 1900 census in Detroit, MI with wife, Helen H. He and Helen Holmes were married in Chicago, IL on January 10, 1899. They are in the 1910 census Detroit, MI with no children and John is listed as a specialist physician. He began private practice in 1917 with an office in the David Whitney Building, as a nose and throat specialist. In 1920 they are found in Los Angeles, California, but according to his obituary he and Helen were also living in Colorado due to his failing health. He was in an automobile accident in 1925 and friends feel that his internal injuries attributed to his death on March 6, 1930 in Coronado, San Diego, California.

Laurent Denis Grenier - 1886 to 1911

Laurent Denis Grenier was born March 4, 1856 in Riviere duLoup, Canada (this is near Montreal) to Theophil Grenier and Louisa Lessard. He was number 10 in a family of 15 brothers and sisters. After attending parochial school he went to Victoria College when he was 15. His medical degree came from the Medical College of Three Rivers.

He came to the United States about 1882 and appears in AuSable records by 1886 in an ad in the Oscoda Monitor as being a specialist in "private diseases". His office was over the 99 Cent Store. It appears he had a penchant for driving fast/racing on the main street of Oscoda, along with other prominent men

of the town. (see separate article on the arrest.)

He married Lydia Meldrum in November 1890. They had the following children: Marie L in 1892, Laurent C. in 1893, and George L. in 1895. Laurent is naturalized in 1893. Interestingly his family is in Bay County in 1900, but he is in AuSable in 1910 and in Cheboygan in 1920 alone. His obit indicates that after the Oscoda/AuSable fire of 1911 he relocated his family to Alpena and practiced in "Cheboygan where the climate was more favorable for his health." Lydia and the children are in AuSable in 1910, but divorced, having 7 children 3 living and working in a millenary store. By 1920 she and the children are in Alpena and she is

married and in 1930 and 1940 they are all in Detroit and she is a widow. It looks like they probably remained married, but lived separately.

Laurent had asthma and bronchitis health issues for years, but this didn't stop him from actively serving his community and spending time with his family in Alpena.

He died quite suddenly on November 11, 1923, surprising his family and friends as they thought he was feeling well. The body was brought to the family home in Alpena, funeral in St. Anne's Church and burial in Holy Cross Cemetery. A staunch Catholic his friends said he was always open-minded about the religious and political views of others.

Seymour Arzeno Manzer 1886-1889

Seymour Arzeno Manzer was born about 1849 in Michigan. He and his older brothers, Hiram and Alphonzo, joined Berdan's 1st Regiment Sharp Shooters K Company in 1863. He later was transferred to the 5th Infantry F Company in 1864 and discharged in 1865.

Seymour is in Wayne County in 1860 and 1870. His first child, Frank, is born in 1871 in Lapeer County. He has two more children: Arthur in 1872 and Grace in 1876 (Clinton County) to his wife Flora. During this time

he attended the University of Michigan Medical School, graduating in 1874.

1880 finds him in Clinton County. Then for some unknown reason he is in AuSable in 1886, per the Polk's Medical Register and Directory of North America and Canada. In 1888 he filed for his Civil War pension as an invalid. In 1890, he is in Clinton County and in May of 1891 he died. He is buried in Wacousta Cemetery, Wacousta, Clinton County, MI.

Alfred M. Graham - 1890 to 1891

Alfred M. Graham was born about 1849 in Canada to Henry Graham and Sophronia Tisdale. He was living with his parents and siblings in 1860 in Port Huron, St. Clair, Michigan. He attended Hahnemann Medical College (homeopathic) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1885.

He is found in AuSable, losco County in 1890-1891, perhaps a few years before and after these dates. He quickly moved up in status in the homeopathic medical community and soon became a professor

at the Detroit Homeopathic College in the area of mental and nervous diseases.

In 1901, he was visiting Los Angeles, CA and his wife was spending the "season" with relatives there, (1901 Medical Counselor, Vol 20, p. 111.) His photo appears in Men of Michigan 1904 with the caption: President of State Homeopathic Medical Society; Vice Dean and Professor of Mental and Nervous Diseases at the Detroit Homeopathic College.

He married Mabel Corvan in Detroit, Michigan on



24 November 1909. He had been married twice before. Perhaps one of the earlier marriages was to Delight Brazie in Lapeer, MI in 1871. Mabel appears with him in Detroit in the 1910 and 1920 Federal Census.

Wesley M. Featherly, previous editor of the newspaper in Oscoda, reported in 1924 that he saw several former residents of AuSable and Oscoda in California. Dr. Alfred Graham was one of these who left the area before Mr. Featherly and was

practicing in Venice, California. According to the Venice and Ocean Park Business directory, 1907-1936, Dr. Graham was on Market St in 1923-1924. He was arrested July 8, 1929 for violating the California Poison Act. The charge was dismissed December 13, 1929.

In the 1930 census of Los Angeles, California he is divorced and has been naturalized. Alfred died on 18 January 1934 in Los Angeles, California at the Glendale Sanitarium and Hospital of arteriosclerosis and myocarditis.

Watch for more stories about AuSable/Oscoda area doctors in future issues of the Genogram

Michigan State Censuses: 1837, 1845, 1854, 1864, 1874, 1884, 1894, and 1904 By Judy Sheldon

States did their own censuses between the Federal Censuses for various reasons. They are of particular importance to family researchers as they often asked different questions than the Federal Census did and they fill in the time gaps between the Federal ones. In locations where the 1890s state census has survived, it helps replace the missing 1890 Federal census. All states did them but some have not survived.

The following states do not have state census records known to exist: Connecticut, Idaho, Kentucky, Montana, New Hampshire, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Vermont. Most state archives will have copies of surviving censuses as well as many databases. The 1890 Michigan census has been digitized and is available to search and view for free on

Seekingmichigan.org/discover. Scroll down to find

the links to State Censuses for 1827-1874 and 1884-1894.

This collection consists of approximately 1,000 images of Michigan state census population schedules. The information collected varies by year and location, but only male heads of households and males over the age of 21 were listed by name in the earlier years. In later years, 1884-1894, all members of the household were listed.

To learn if a census has survived in your state, this book: "State Census Records" by Ann S. Lainhart published in 1992 is an excellent guide to which records have survived. This guide, an inventory of state census records, is the first comprehensive list of state census records ever published, state by state, year by year, often county by county and district by district. (We have a copy in the HSGS library.)

Arrested for driving too fast in Oscoda in 1889 Oscoda Press, 15 February 1924, p. 1 c. 3 From the Thirty-five Years Ago column of the East Tawas Gazette:

From our youth up we have heard of George Bennett of Oscoda, who was made marshal of the village that he might instill into the minds of the people an understanding and respect for law. Thirty-five years ago the Oscoda Saturday Night (now The Press) related how Mr. Bennett stirred up considerable agitation by arresting several of the most prominent men of the town for violating the ordinance in regard to fast driving by racing on the main street of the village.

In his dragnet Mr. Bennett caught the following: H. M. Elliott, P. E. Shien, Granger Hill, H. N. Loud, Dr. Grenier, J. I. Deadman, Mat Brabant, and J. A. Sayles. The Elliott case was called for trial first, and every attorney in the two towns, excepting C. S. Pierce, the village attorney, appeared for the defendant. The case was thrown out of court on a technicality when it was learned that a mistake had been made in dating the meeting when the ordinance was adopted. This was one time "George Did It."

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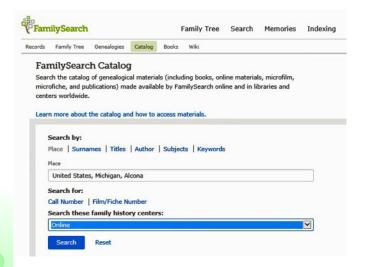
A Way to Find Land Records on FamilySearch.org By Dan Stock

If you do not currently use the FamilySearch web site, it is time you created a free account and explore it. Records can be found via the catalog, where you can search by place, surnames, titles, author, subjects or keywords. However not all of these online records at *FamilySearch.org* can be found using the normal "Search" feature including many that have not been indexed to date.

Why don't these records show up when searching through the online records portal at FamilySearch? FamilySearch connected over a billion digitized records to the FamilySearch catalog last year just to get the records online, but many of these are not "seeable" just yet from the online records section of the website. All records will eventually be visible in both places; but for now, this is how you can find them.

To do this, you need to go into <u>FamilySearch.org</u> using your account login and:

- 1. From the main search menu, choose Catalog
- 2. Search by place with the county name with online selected as the source location.
- 3. Select the category Land and Property
- 4. Select the item of interest



Scroll down under the Search tab to "Find a collection" and then browse all published collections. Look at the detailed list of holdings toward the bottom of the entry. If there is a camera icon on the right, then the records are available online. For Alcona County (shown

here), the indexes and volumes, 1, 9, 10 and 11 to page 507 are available for browsing.



A reel icon to the right indicates that the volumes have been microfilmed and would be available at the Family History Library in Salt Lake as they are no longer being sent to the local Family History Centers. However, the original bound volumes should still be available at the Alcona County Register of Deeds Office for retrieval of the information you are interested in, as found in an index.



You may find the above procedure helpful when looking for many other types of records in other locations nationwide, for example, a copy of a 1930s losco County Plat Book can be viewed and downloaded using the above procedure.



AN EXAMPLE OF SUCCESSFUL WITH DNA TESTING By Myra Herron

I have been searching for my gr-gr-grandfather, Patrick Herron, and his wife, Mary Ann, for a very long time. When I started doing my research, it was still a combination of papers, libraries and the internet. I was a newbie in Ancestry, but finally figured out how to set up a tree. And Ruth Ann Cochrane in Alpena, a cousin, had already set up another extensive tree and had a copy at the Alpena library. With her help, my family and I were all searching everywhere for Patrick. We knew he was from Ireland and lived in Ontario. That, we had learned from my great grandfather, George Colburn Herron, who lived in Herron, Michigan in his middle and later years. George had told his children many stories of his youth, but left out a lot of details, like names, and was misunderstood when he said he'd been born in 'York state". That was, unknown to us, a euphemism meaning the county of York in Ontario, so we assumed for many years that he'd been born in New York.

We spent years trying to locate Patrick, but never did succeed. Even with others on line in Ontario, helping me to search, it just wasn't happening. One of the most promising researchers in Toronto told me in 2014 that he was going to investigate some records about a Patrick Heron he'd remembered living in a little village called Streetsville, in Peel township, in Ontario. I waited for him to get back to me, but he never did. I found out recently that he had died. No one in his on line group knew about it. So, that proved, for a time, to be a dead end. (No pun intended)

I had to write after reading your story about the DNA results. I also decided, when the DNA test was on sale at Ancestry, to finally get one done. I knew next to nothing about the results and how they can be interpreted. Still am a dummy about it all.

BUT, like you, after the test was uploaded, things started coming to me in emails about new cousins, etc.

Most were 3rd or 4th cousins, 99% of them expected. So, I had pretty much stopped looking in depth at all of them. BIG mistake. I ended up getting a contact through Ancestry, from a man whose name was totally not familiar. He said we had a common ancestor, and I almost choked when I read the name. It was my great great grandfather, Patrick Herron, whom I had been searching for for 25+ years! I immediately looked at his information, and tree, and there was NO doubt, my gggfather had been found. AND, even though I live in Utah, this guy and his sister both live in Utah! So we are trying to figure out where and when to meet. But that's NOT the end.

I have updated my tree in Ancestry, and yesterday, I heard from another descendant. She is living, I believe, in Minnesota, and she is a descendant of my great grandfather's sister! And we are both totally excited.

I have never had a better Christmas!! And it's all thanks to the DNA test in Ancestry. My 25 year search for Patrick has ended in total success! I have names of most of Patrick's children, found he had 2 wives (nothing else is known, BUT the search has JUST started, I have photos of the family home in Streetsville, Peel, Ontario, Canada, and now, many contacts with whom I can compare stories. I'm simply grateful that others in the Herron family submitted their DNA tests, enabling all of us to get in touch with each other. Without that, we'd still never know about each other. (And 3 of us all live within about 100 miles of each other here in UTAH!

AND, on of the Herron children kept telling HER children about the stories that my great grandfather told, and the granddaughter wrote them all down, and we have a ton of those now, so that we can all share the stories.

YES, DNA tests are so valuable, I cannot even express how much difference they can make in your research!!!

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Where was Henry P. Miller Born?

By Robert L. Ferrett and Donald A. Ferrett

For beginning genealogists, talking to family members is usually the first step in constructing a family tree. The second step will most likely be researching census records, federal first and then state, where available. From there it's on to vital records (birth, marriage, and death), both civil and church. Unfortunately, errors of various types can be found even in these official sources. This short note and the accompanying table will look at how misleading records can be.

Henry P. Miller was born in about 1805. But where? The table lists his birth location, as entered on census and death records for himself and his ten children who lived to adulthood. All locations and spellings are reproduced as they were listed in the sources. The blocks are greyed-out if the child was not alive at the time or was living with their parents.

Henry died in 1890 in Haynes township, Alcona county, Michigan. There does not appear to be an official death record for him, but there was a short obituary in the Alcona County Review. His son Edward died in 1944 and the available transcription of his death record does

not give the place of birth for his father.

Imagine being descended from one of Henry's children. If your ancestor is his daughter Sarah, as you do your research, you find that her father was born in New York, New Jersey, or Germany. Or perhaps your line goes back to John. From his sources you would probably conclude that Henry was born in Germany, but there is some doubt due to the Denmark entry in the 1910 census. Edward 's 1880 census record shows his father as being born in England, but his mother in Brazil. Maybe Eliza is your gr-gr-grandmother. There is no clear path to her father's origins.

Only by looking at the entire family does a pattern form. Once you've located the correct Henry Miller, it becomes clear that his most likely place of birth is Brazil, probably to German parents. Now for the hard part: locating a birth record in Brazil in 1805!

Note: Images of the census records were viewed on Ancestry.com. Death record images were found at SeekingMichigan.org.

	1861 Ca Census	1870 US Census	1880 US Census	1900 US Census	1910 US Census	1920 US Census	1930 US Census	Death Record
Henry P. Miller	South America	Brazil	Brazil	03 Census	03 Census	03 Census	03 Census	Brazil From Obit
Elizabeth			Germany	Brazill	So. Am Brazil	Brazil	Germany	Canada
Eliza			Canada	Brazill	Ohio	Germany		Germany
Henry D.			Germany	Brazil	Germany			South America
Thomas			Germany	Brezell	Georgetown So America			Germany
Sarah S.			New York	New Jersey				Germany
Edward			F: England M: Brazil	Brazil	Brazil S. A.	Brazil S. America	Brazil	
William			Germany	Brazill	Can. French			Brazill
Joseph				Brezill	English Canada	Brazil	Canada Eng.	Berlin Germany
John F.			Germany	Germany	Danish Denmark	Michigan		Germany
Charles J.				Berzelle				Brazil

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Eating In The Fifties.....

Pasta had not been invented. It was macaroni or spaghetti. Curry was a surname.

Taco? Never saw one till I was 15.

Pizza? Sounds like a leaning tower somewhere.

Bananas and oranges only appeared at Christmas time.

All chips were plain.

Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking.

Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves and never green.

Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.

Chickens didn't have fingers in those days.

None of us had ever heard of yogurt.

Healthy food consisted of anything edible!

Cooking outside was called camping.

Seaweed was not a recognized food.

"Kebab" was not even a word, never mind a food.

Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days, and was regarded as being white gold.

Prunes were medicinal and stewed.

Surprisingly Muesli was readily available. It was called cattle feed.

Pineapples came in chunks or were round with a hole in the middle, in a tin; We had only seen a picture of a real one.

Water came out of the tap. If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than gasoline for it, they would have become a laughing stock.

There were three things that we never ever had on/at our table in the fifties..... ELBOWS, HATS AND CELL PHONES!

......and there was always two choices for each meal....... "Take it!" or "Leave it!"

1/2017	1/2018
1,808	2,272
1,879	1,940
220 est	175 est
3,540,875	4,012,088

Huron Shores Genealogical Society 2017 Annual Financial Report

Balance January 1, 2017 - \$7,260.13

Income	
Research	1,396.50
Book and CD sales	437.57
Membership dues	440.00
Donations - General	1,917.05
Grants	
Dividend interest	6.69
Total income	\$4,197.81
Expenses	

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Collection Management	343.52
Newspaper Scans	4,028.00
Postage, copies, supplies	63.08
Computers	
Hardware and software	78.00
Supplies	184.46
Workshops	410.41
Honorariums	252.00
Administration	
Supplies, postage, printing	227.50
Emery Books	542.76
Fund Raising, Advertising	190.20
Dues and Donations	590.00
Rent and travel	120.00
Total Expenses	\$7,029.93

Balance December 31, 2017 - **\$4,428.01**



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As a society we have set as goals:

To preserve and perpetuate the records of our ancestors.

To encourage the study of family histories and genealogies.

To aid individuals in the compilation of their genealogies.

To cooperate with other societies and share information.

President - Judy Sheldon Vice President - Lindsey Russell Secretary - Dale Harwood Treasurer - Daniel Stock Database Manager - Alonzo Sherman

Our Regular Meetings

Our regular business meetings are held quarterly at 5:30 PM on the third Thursday of the month. Our next meetings are:

April 19, 2018 Grace Lutheran Church, 401 Main St., East Tawas July 19, 2018 Hsing's Garden Restaurant, 600 E. Bay St. (US-23), East Tawas Our office is open when the Library is open:

Monday & Tuesday 9:00 to 5:00 Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 to 7:00 Friday and Saturday 9:00 to 2:00

Please call ahead for an appointment (989.739.9581) if you would like to have the help of an experienced genealogical assistant.

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