



Teator - Teter Tree

Autumn 2005

Newsletter #22

Happy Holidays Season, to all. I trust your list of things to be thankful for was a long one, and that the chances to share with friends and family in the upcoming Christmas season are many.

I probably meant to publish a newsletter (the last one was from the last reunion) over the summer but Deb's broken leg changed my (and hers) expectation about summer. Deb's leg is nearly mended now, we both are busy at school, and Nathan is about a year away from graduating from SUNYIT-Utica.

The next newsletter will be the invitation to the 2006 reunion. I have not finalized anything but if anyone has ideas different from what we have done (Brandow Park, 3rd Sunday afternoon in July, etc.), let me know (don@teator.com).

Before I get into the rest of the newsletter, allow me to remind you of the usual updates or new happenings:

- births, deaths, marriages (newspaper clippings would be helpful)
- changes in mailing labels
- new families to send to
- any copies of articles about family or of family interest
- a family profile

I've made only minor changes to the Teator genealogy on dteator.com. If anyone has ideas or wants to pitch in, I'll be glad to help or listen. So far, I have posted no names of the current generations.

This newsletter was a somber one to put together, at least, for vital records. I received no notice of births or marriages, but do know of three deaths since the last newsletter. I have copied the obituaries for this newsletter.

Although Barbara Teator's death was not a surprise, it does send a shock. I taught with Barbara for several years at Cairo-Durham, and Barbara was both a good teacher and a good person.

Gary Wilgus' death was also shocking, not only for its suddenness but also for his youth, with so much of life to live.

Loretta Baldwin's passing is to be noted also. My memories are from the reunions, and I believe she treated me as well as she treated everyone else, in her pleasant way and open self.

To each of these families, we express our condolences.

On to the topic for this newsletter – maps.

The genealogy hobby starts with a goal or two, sinks a claw when you seek out a couple more answers, and has spun its web when you don't even notice you've spread out in a handful of different directions. In my case, it is probably forty different directions.

One of these directions is to ascertain where our ancestors lived. Most of us know where our grandparents lived, and I hope you have written directions down and have taken pictures. Another source is to see if our ancestors are noted on the very infrequent maps that shows residents of the town. The four I have reproduced here are of particular interest for our family history.

One of them is the mid-late 1860's map (#1 for this newsletter). Circle A shows L. Teter, and I'm reasonably sure that is Luther Teter, an unmarried brother of our John Teter. Luther's life is illuminated when he dies intestate in 1878 (told in Newsletter #9). This site is found by taking Rt. 145 to Preston Hollow, turning up Cheese Hill Rd, left on Scutt Rd, and stop at the four corner intersection. The spot is about 100 yards on the left, other side of road.

Other spots of interest on this map is Circle B (S. Hallenbeck) because that is the general proximity of a site that Uncle Norm told me (if I understood correctly) where Alexander lived before the Teter house burned. (Alexander would move to the site on Allan Teator Road, close to the Kohrs farm.) Also on this map, Circle C, is a P. Teter, which I believe to be Philip Teter, an uncle to our John Teter. Circle D shows E. Tetter (Teter?), and I believe this is Elisha Teter, who remains a puzzle as to where he fits in. I have some theories but I will save that for a future newsletter.

Map #2 is 1854 map. Circle A indicates D. Teter where L. Teter was about 12 years later. David Teter, John's father, dies in 1862, eight years after this map's publication, and is buried at Cheese Hill Cemetery, now greatly overgrown with little sign of remaining stones. Elisha and Philip are this map also (circles B & C).

Of great interest is Circle D, in Williamsburgh, J. Teeter is noted. Could this be our John? A complicating factor is a mention of a John Teeter Carpenter and I cannot tell if this is a name or a name and occupation.

Skipping back to 1867 is the Town of Broome map. Circle A notes J. Teter, probably our John. The site is found by finding the CCC Rd bridge which spans the Catskill Creek just east of Livingstonville. If one were to walk up that very sharp valley (also known as Teter Hollow), one would take a left half-way up it, and come out to a mostly flat area of, I'm guessing, 15-20 acres. I hiked it in 1986, the year before the 1987 snow storm knocked many trees across its path, as I would find out in 1988 when I hiked for the second and last time (I know, I should go

back). The one obstacle is private property and one should get permission before crossing the property. The other way of going is to take the Broome Center Rd out of Potter Hollow, take Teter Rd to the end, get permission, walk halfway down, and bear right. When I went, there were still the ruins of a few structures. When I talked to Burt Teter from Hudson twenty years ago, he remembered visiting relatives up there in the 1930s before the road was abandoned.

Also, note O. S. Mace (Circle B) who is probably the O. S. Mace that marries John Teter's widow, Lydia. All are buried in the Stone Store Rd Cemetery (Circle C, approximately), which can be found by traveling westward from Livingstonville and taking the first left (Stone Store Rd).

Making this genealogy tougher is the proximity of the three different towns, each in a different county, which means going to three different places for County Records (Schoharie, Catskill, Albany).

Of great interest, again, is a 1797 map of part of Columbia County, especially the Copake and West Copake area because this is where John's father David is baptized. (The boxes are labels for Phil Teeter, my contact from California.) David's father (John's grandfather) is Hendrick and there is a H. Teter shown, along with a Z. Teter. Could this H. Tietter be the Henry Teter who came to the Town of Rensselaerville about 1805 along with his wife Ann and children David and others? More research is needed but the clues are tantalizing.

Enough maps for now. I'll be getting out invitations to the reunion mid-spring.

Take care,



PS: If anyone has a mailing address for any of the Hallocks, let me know. Of course, if there are privacy concerns, please respect them too.

PSS: Reproduced is a copy of Alexander and Elsie's marriage certificate. If you have "stuff" like this, I like keeping copies!

Loretta Baldwin

Loretta M. Baldwin, 92, of Coxsackie, died at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Hudson on Sunday, September 4. *L005*

She was born in Madison, ME, on March 5, 1923, the daughter of the late Edmond and Carolyn (Dionne) Jacques.

A lifelong homemaker, Baldwin was a former member of the Helderberg Hilltoppers RV Club.

Surviving are her husband, Kenneth Baldwin; her stepchildren, Kenneth Baldwin Jr. and wife Patricia of Athens, Herman Reinhold and wife Susan of Virginia, Karen Page and husband Steve of Indiana, Vernon Baldwin and wife Kirsten of Coxsackie and Skyben and wife Di-

ane of Coxsackie; her sisters, Lucille of Ridge, NH and Rita of Winchendon, MA; 19 stepgrandchildren; a niece, Patricia McMann of Tupper Lake; a nephew, Michael Lanthier of Tupper Lake; and a sister-in-law, Sr. Mary Clotilde (Mary Barcomb) of Chicago, IL.

Funeral services are today, September 8, at 8 p.m. from Cunningham Funeral Home, 4898 Route 81, Greenville. Calling precedes services from 7 to 8 p.m.

Interment will be in the Holy Name Church Cemetery, Tupper Lake.

Those who wish may contribute in her memory to a rescue squad of their choice.

Barbara Ann Teator

Cairo-Durham school teacher

DURHAM — Barbara Ann Teator, 62, of Durham, died Monday, July 18, 2005 at home after a courageous 10-year fight against cancer.

Born July 25, 1942 in Catskill, she was a graduate of SUNY Potsdam, class of 1964. She was a school teacher for 28 years, the bulk of them in the Cairo-Durham Central School District.

Mrs. Teator was a loving and devoted wife, mother, daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She cherished playing with and teaching her grandchildren. In addition to

focusing on her family and teaching, she led a 4-H group, coached Durham Youth Soccer teams, was an adviser for the Cairo-Durham Cheerleading squads, and tutored numerous children with their math. She also enjoyed decorating her home, reading, movies and especially tending to her beautiful gardens. She will be dearly missed but always a guiding influence in the lives of her loved ones.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond Teator; children, Sharon Hayner and husband Ken of Halfmoon, and William Teator and wife Kim of Falls Church, Va.; four grandchildren, Jessica and Joshua Hayner, and Kendra and Alexander Teator; father, George Kerr of Catskill; siblings, Ron Kerr of Poughquag and Mary Susan Kerr Welter of New Paltz; ten nieces and nephews, and many loving family and friends.

She was predeceased by her mother, Lorraine Kerr in 1976, and brothers, George J. Kerr in 1991, and Robert W. Kerr in 2000.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the A.J. Cunningham Funeral Home, Route 81, Greenville. Further funeral details are to be announced.

Memorial donations may be made to Community Hospice of Columbia-Greene, 47 Liberty St., Catskill, NY 12414, or the Town of Durham Volunteer Ambulance Squad, Box C, Oak Hill, NY 12460.

Gary E. Wilgus Jr.

Enjoyed family and friends

OAK HILL — Gary E. Wilgus Jr., 18, of Oak Hill died unexpectedly Nov. 5, 2004.

He was born June 22, 1986 in Stamford.

He enjoyed life with family and friends.

Survivors include his parents and sister, Jessica, parents Loretta and Robert Kudlack, father, Gary Sr., and Donna Wilgus and grandparents, Nancy and James LaBarbera, Doris Wilgus and Tiffany Finch. He is survived by aunts and uncles Bradley and Marjorie Teator, Lynn Teator, Ernest Wilgus, Marie and Martin Funk, Dorothy Gallo, as well as cousins David and Dillen, Jack and Regina Halcomb, Breana Davis, Beth Shortsleeves, Mary Karg, Bradley Teator III, Jonathon and Josh Wilgus, and Justin Gallo.

He was predeceased by his aunt LoriAnn Forgey last year.

Calling hours will be 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. today and 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Richards Funeral Home, Bross Street, Cairo.

Interment will follow in Winston Cemetery, East Durham.

Memorial donations may be made in Gary's name to PINS for troubled teens in your area.

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE

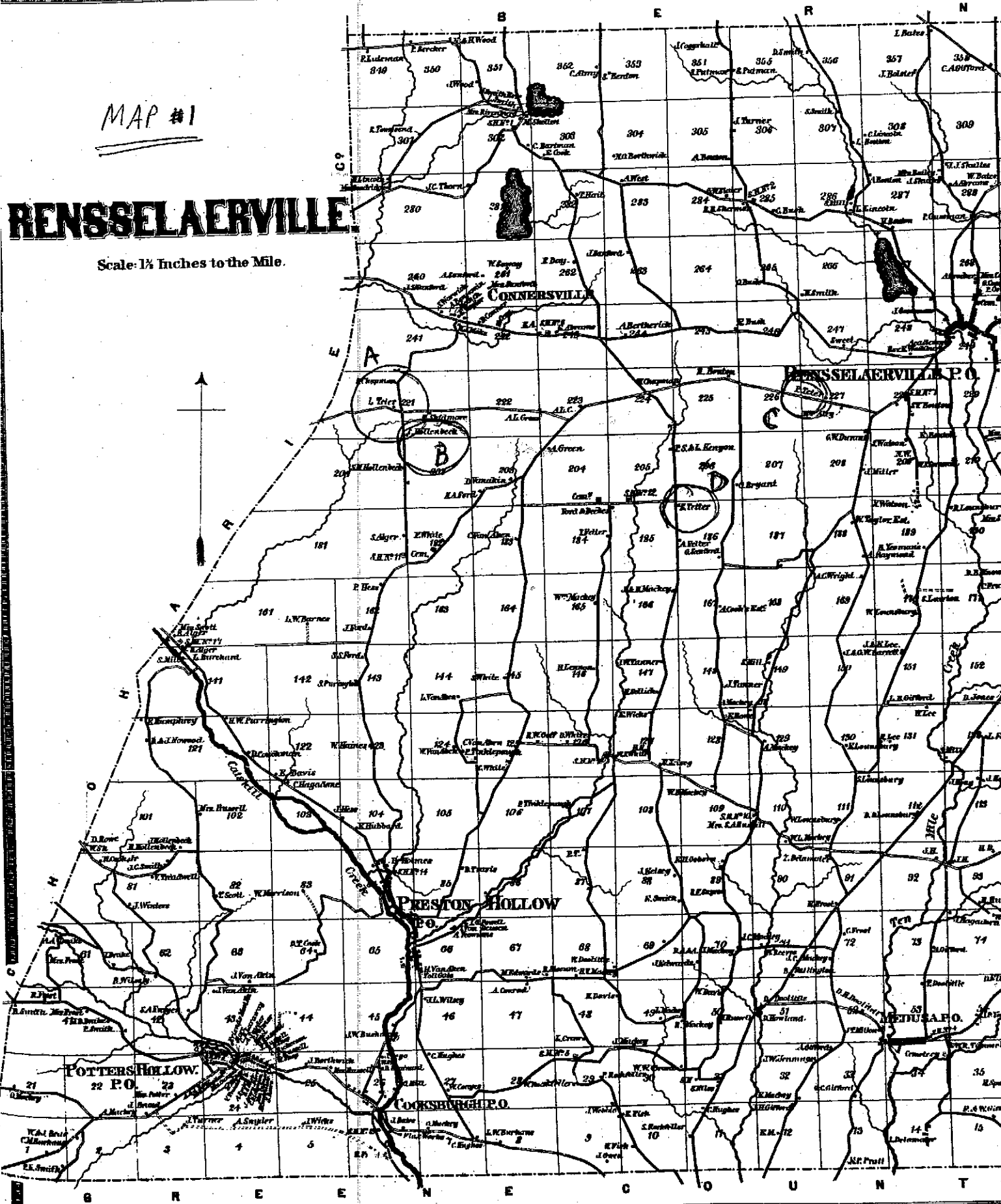
— This Certifies that —

Alexander Teator and Elsie Sweet
of Franklington and Franklington
Were united in **MARRIAGE** according to
the laws of God, and the State, of New York
on this 14th day of July in the year of
our Lord one thousand nine hundred, and one;
at Huntersland, N. Y.
Class Buhmester
Emma Breek
Witnesses
By me, Timothy Breek
Minister of the Gospel

MAP #1

RENSSELAERVILLE

Scale: 1/4 Inches to the Mile.



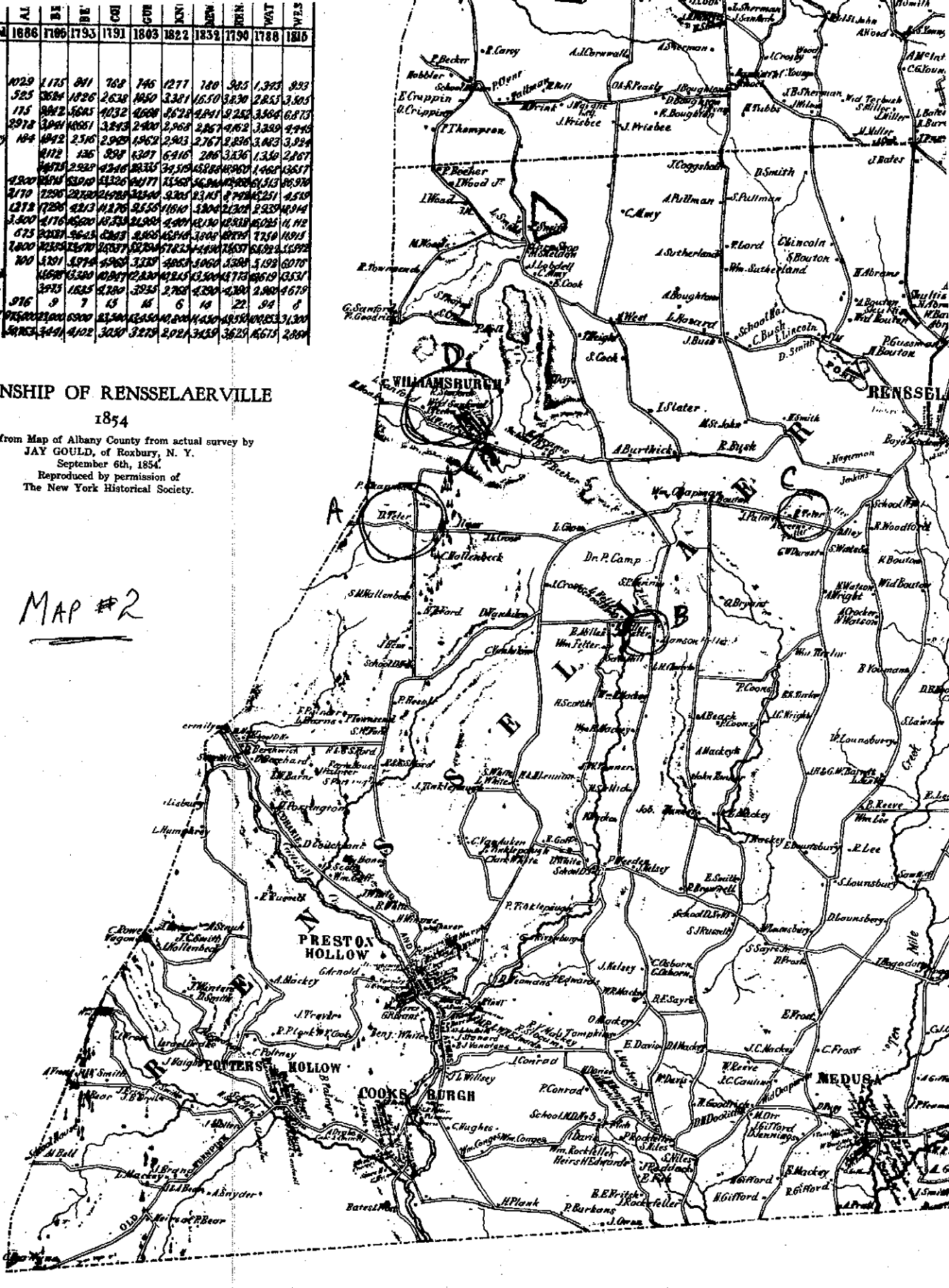
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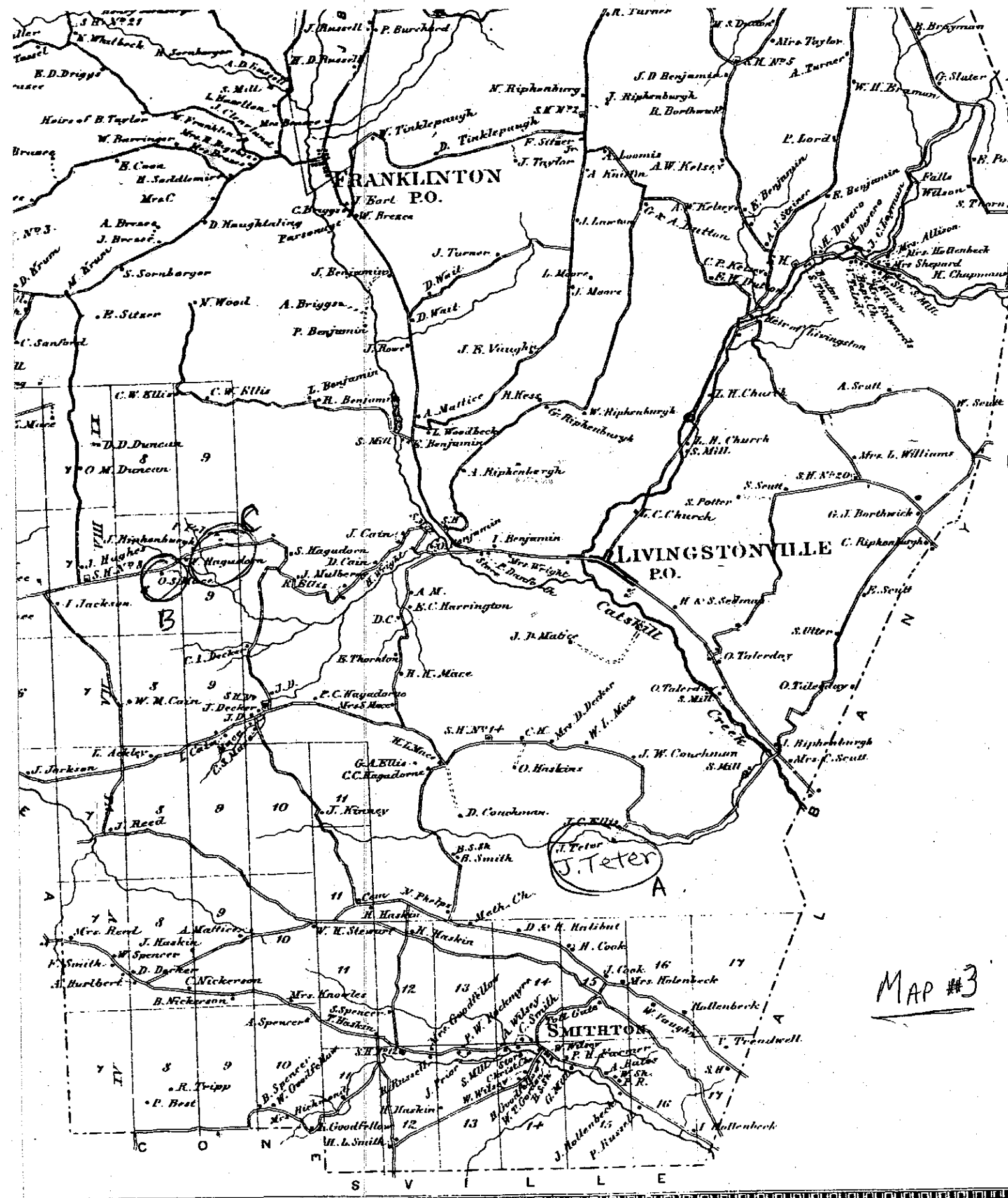
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Improved Acres	1029	1175	841	768	745	1277	780	305	1,323	833				
Unimproved Acres	325	364	1826	2638	1450	3,381	1650	3,830	2,853	3,605				
Horses & Mules	175	304	564	3293	3300	2,969	2,457	3,252	3,364	6,873				
Neat Cattle	2978	3041	4051	3293	2400	2,969	2,457	3,252	3,364	6,873				
Sheep	194	192	2,316	2,929	1,962	2,923	2,767	2,826	3,083	3,924				
Swine	194	192	136	297	1,307	6,416	206	3,836	1,330	2,167				
Barley	1,200	1,414	3,010	3,320	4,177	15,568	16,944	17,513	18,313	18,978				
Oats	2,170	2,596	2,230	2,629	2,340	3,205	2,345	2,994	4,251	4,578				
Rye	1,312	1,286	1,213	1,276	2,158	1,610	3,804	2,320	2,329	4,014				
Buckwheat	3,300	4,176	4,520	4,339	2,924	4,201	4,180	4,238	4,525	4,112				
Indian Corn	673	2,021	2,625	2,625	2,625	2,625	2,625	2,625	2,625	2,625				
Round Wool	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800				
Bush Potatoes	100	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201				
Wool	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201				
Product of Downy	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201				
Orchard	316	9	7	43	45	6	14	22	34	8				
Rebuilt Staves	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201				
Capital invested	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201				
Population	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201				

TOWNSHIP OF RENNELAERVILLE
1854

Taken from Map of Albany County from actual survey by
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September 6th, 1854.
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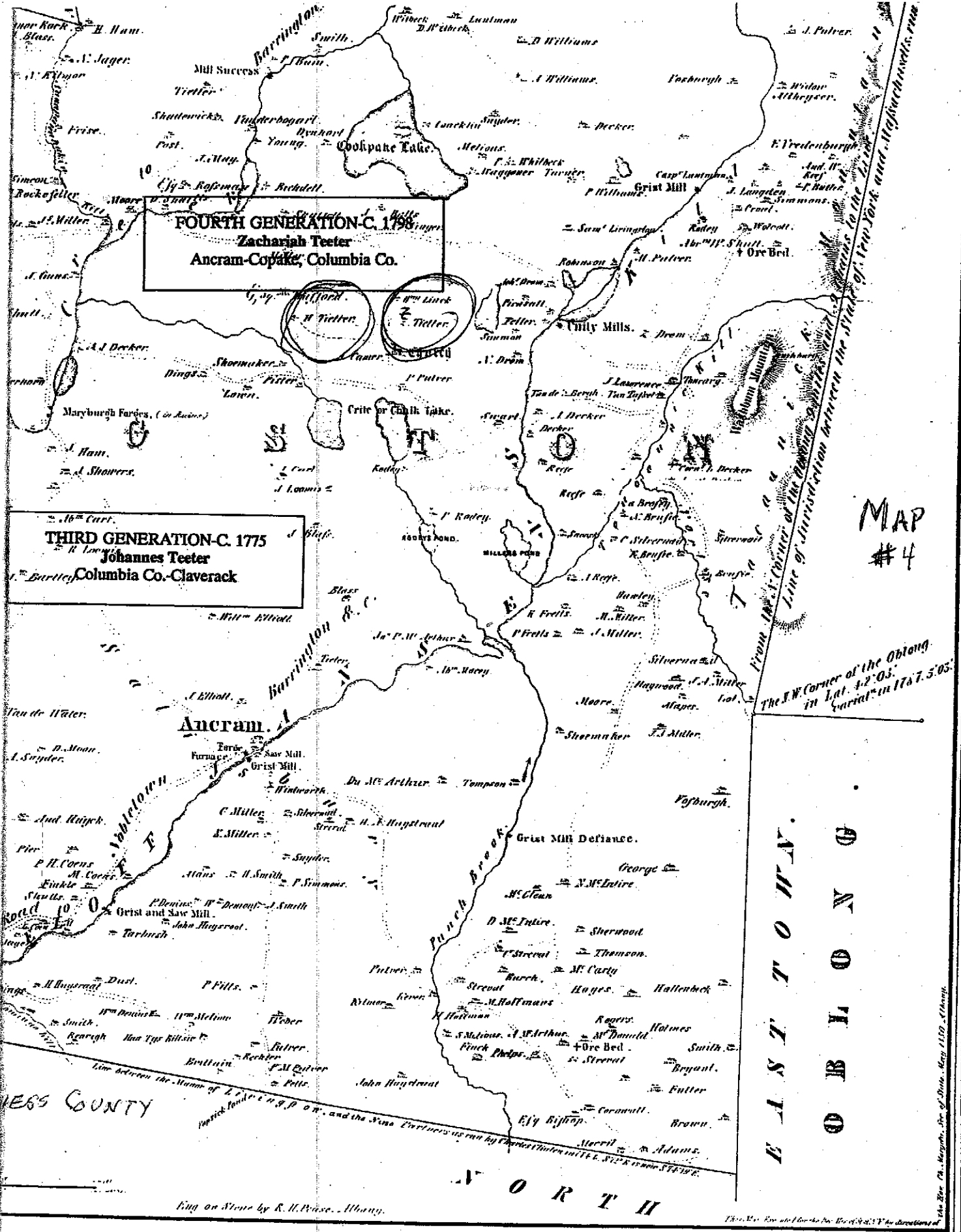
MAP #2





Schoharie Co.

186



FOURTH GENERATION C. 1798
Zachariah Teeter
Ancram-Copake, Columbia Co.

THIRD GENERATION C. 1775
Johannes Teeter
Columbia Co.-Claverack

MAP #4

The N.W. Corner of the Albany and Westchester Counties is in Lat. 42° 05' and in Long. 74° 50'.

EAST TOWN

NORTH

King on Stone by R. H. Pease. Albany.

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