

Miller Sentinel

Document Supplement

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- 1) Census Returns 1842-1910
- 2) Cemetery Records
- 3) Reference Documents

DEAR ABBY

By Abigail Van Buren



DEAR ABBY: I was trying to tell my cousin that the children of one's first cousin are NOT second cousins, they are first cousins ONCE REMOVED, and she said I was crazy. I read this

in your column not long ago, but unfortunately, I didn't clip it.

Will you please explain the cousin relationship again? And this time go into the grandnephew, grandniece, and great-aunt and great-uncle as well as great-grand-aunt and great-grand-uncle relationships. Thank you.

— Needs proof

The child of your parent's brother or sister is your first cousin. However, your first cousin's child is NOT your second cousin, but your first cousin ONCE REMOVED. The child of your first cousin once removed is your first cousin TWICE REMOVED, and HIS child is your first cousin three times removed.

Your second cousin is your grandparent's brother's (or sister's) grandchild. That second cousin's child is your second cousin once removed, his child your second cousin twice removed, and so on.

And your third cousin? It's your great-grandparent's brother's (or sister's) great-grandchild. The third cousin's child is your third cousin once removed, his child is your third cousin twice removed.

The grandchild of your brother or sister is your grandnephew or grandniece.

The sister or brother of your grandparent is your great-aunt or great-uncle.

The sister or brother of your great-grandparent is your great-grand-aunt or great-grand-uncle.

Whew! Isn't this grand? Or is it great?

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CENSUS HISTORY OF JOHANN AND SONS JOSEPH AND FREDERICK MÜLLER, MUELLER, MILLER

CENSUS INFORMATION

Census information was an important part of the history of this family. We spent time recording census data before we even knew which names to record. Gradually, however, I had acquired a miscellaneous assortment of notes from my many trips to the National Archives in Washington, DC. Joan DEVRIES MILLER checked NAC National Archives of Canada. A friend of Joan's reported information from the Library of Michigan. I even purchased four titles "Index to the 1871 Census of Ontario" published by Ontario Genealogical Society. I didn't find any of our MILLER names in these Indexes. From them, however, I learned how to extract the essential items for this genealogical presentation.

All of my census reports are organized by year starting with 1842 Census Return for Haldimand County, Ontario and ending with 1910 Census Return for Mecosta County, MI. I extracted only the parts needed and organized them on a Census History form for US Censuses. The Canadian are superimposed on this form.

John and Janice FENNELL added the 1870 USA Census for Allegan County, Dorr Center, MI which shows the Joseph D. MILLER family after their move from Canada

CENSUS RETURN 1842 CANADA WEST

District of Niagara Haldimand County Rainham C-1344

Recording only the columns that had entries.

Head of Family: John MILLER

Proprietor of Real Property: Unreadable

NonProprietor of Real Property: John MILLER

Trade or Profession: Yeoman

Number of residents native of continent of Europe: 7

Number of years each person has been in Province when not naturalized: 9

Number of males in family 5 or under: 1

Number of males in family above 5 and under 14: 3

Number of males above 14 and under 18: 1

Number of males above 21 and under 30: 1

Number of males above 30 and under 60: 2

Number of females above 14 and under 45: 2

Number of females 45 and up: 2

Number belonging to Church of Rome: 9

CENSUS HISTORY OF: JOHANN AND SONS Joseph and Frederick MULLER, MUELLER, MILLER

Date of birth: _____

Date of death: _____

IN HOUSEHOLD OF:	Males			Males						Females				
	To 16	16 & up	Females	0-10	10-16	16-18	16-28	28-45	45 & up	0-10	10-16	16-28	26-45	45 & up
(Encircle age group in which this person is listed)														
1790-Co. St.														
Name:														
1800-Co. St.														
Name:														
1810-Co. St.														
Name:														
1820-Co. St.														
Name:														

IN HOUSEHOLD OF:	Males											Females											Allens				
	0-6	6-10	10-15	15-20	20-30	30-40	40-50	50-60	60-70	70-80	80-90	90-100	100 & up	0-6	6-10	10-15	15-20	20-30	30-40	40-50	50-60	60-70		70-80	80-90	90-100	100 & up
(Encircle age group in which this person is listed)																											
1830-Co. St.																											
Name:																											
1842 Canada West St. Niagara Haldimand County Rainham C-1344																											
Name: John MILLER																											

Recorded columns that had entries. See attached separate list

Dwelling #	Family #	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1 was in this family	Age	Sex	MARITAL STATUS	Occupation	Value of real estate	Value of personal estate	Place of birth	Married this yr.	School this yr.	Can't read/write	Deaf, blind, insane, etc.
1851		CANADA WEST RAINHAM HALDIMAND			State: ONTARIO	Post office: call #C-959 page 23							
		JOHN MILLER RC religion	62	M	M	BLACKSMITH			GERMANY				
		MARY MILLER "	59	F	M				"				
		JCSEPH	19	M					"				
		ALEX	17	M					US				
		FRED	14	M					UC (Upper Canada)				
1861		CANADA NORTH WATERLOO TWP WATERLOO			State: ONTARIO	Post office: call #C-1078 page 42							
		JOHN MILLER RC religion	71	M	Widower	FARMER			PRUSSIA				
		MARY MILLER "	66	F		Died of old age			PRUSSIA				
		ALEX MILLER "	27	M		Died of smallpox			US				
		FREDERICK MILLER "	23	M		S			UC				
		NICHOLAS MILLER "	34	M		M BLACKSMITH			PRUSSIA				
		CAROLINE MILLER "	20	F		Widow			UC				
not family		CLAUDIA BRICK	20	F		S			UC				
		MARY A. MILLER	1	F		S			UC				

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Dwelling #	Family #	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1870 was in this family	Age	Sex	Color	Occupation	Value of		Place of birth	Father foreign	Mother foreign	Month if born this year	Month if married this yr.	School this yr.	Can't read or write	Deaf, blind, idiotic, etc.	Male citizen	Can't vote	
							Real estate	Personal estate											
1871		CANADA NORTH WATERLOO TWP WATERLOO COUNTY State: ONTARIO Post office: call # C-623 pages 28,29																	
P28		MILLER, FREDRICH RC religion	34	M		M FARMER			ONTARIO					FRENCH					
		MILLER, ELISABETH CATH	31	F	M				GERMANY					GERMAN					
		" CAROLINA "	8	F					ONTARIO					FRENCH					
		" HELENA "	6	F					"					"					
		" ALBERT "	4	M					"					"					
p 29		" ALEXANDER "	3	M					"					"					
		" WILLIAM "	9/12	M		born JUNE			"					"					

Dwelling #	Family #	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1, 1880 was in this family	Color	Sex	Age	Relation to head of family	Born this year	Occupation	Months unemp.	Deaf, blind, idiotic, etc.	Attended school	Can't read or write	Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother
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1880 - County: State: Page #: Super. Dist. #:
 Enum. Dist. #: 176 Wheatland Twp/City/St. addr.: Mecosta County, MI

65	65	p 9 Fred and p 20 Joseph. List is too long. See supplement page															
169	169																

Dwelling #	Family #	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1 was in this family	Relation to head of family	AGE	Sex	Month of birth	Year of birth	Age	Marital status	No. yrs. married	Mother or No. children	No. Living children	Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Immigration yr.	No. of yrs. in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation	Union/Confed. survivor
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1900 - County: Mecosta State: Michigan Sheet #: 8B Super. Dist. #: 11
 Enum. Dist. #: 108 Twp/City/St. addr.: Wheatland Twp

162	163	MILLER FREDERICK D.	head	63	Dec	1836	M	38					Canada	Germ	Germ	1873	26	NO	FARMER	
		ELIZABETH	wife	59	Jul	1840	M	38	10	9			Germ	"	"	1876	26			
		MARY	dau	26	Sep	1873	S		0				CANA	CANA	"	1876	26		Teacher	
		JOSIE	son	20	Jan	1880	S						MICH	"	"				Farm	
		ELIZABETH	dau	17	May	1883	S		0				"	"	"				laborer	
168	169	MILLER, JOSEPH	head	69	Aug	1830	M	44					GERM	GERM	GERM	1865		NO	FARMER	
		GERTIE	wife	61	Oct	1838	M	44	12	8			GERM	GERM	GERM					
		HENRY F.	son	23	Aug	1876	S						MICH	"	"				Farm lab	
		MATZEN, PETER	servant	21	Oct	1878	S						"	"	"				"	"

1910 - County: Mecosta State: Sheet #: Super. Dist. #:
 Enum. Dist. #: MASON, OSCODA MECOSTA MONROE Twp/City/St. addr.: Wheatland Twp MI T624-663 Roll 663

210	221	MILLER, NICHOLAS	head	W	M	50	M	20	4	4	ON, CA	GERM	GERM	1865		NA	FARMER	
		FANNY	wife	W	F	40	M	20	4	4	ON, CA	CA	CA	1877				
		EDWARD	son	W	M	19	S				MI	CA	CA				FARM---	
		MARY	dau	W	F	18	S				MI	CA	CA				laborer	
		ALEX	son	W	M	15	S				MI	CA	CA				none	
		CARRIE	dau	W	F	10	S				MI	CA	CA				none	
		MILLER, JOSEPH	father	W	M	79	W				GERM	GERM	GERM	1860			own income	
266	289	MILLER, FREDERICK D.	head	W	M	73	M	48			CA	GERM	GERM	1872			FARMER	
		ELIZABETH	wife	W	F	69	M	48	10	9	GERM	GERM	GERM	1867			none	

JOSEPH son W M 28 S MI CA GERM Farm laborer

1880 CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES

Date of Search 10-31-1985

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Legibility of Record: Good Poor

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(For those who use the Calendar Method of keeping re-search notes)

Search No. _____

Enclosure No. _____

Call No. _____

Notes: ed #176

Place of Enumeration: Wheatland Twp., Mecosta County, Michigan

Page	Dwelling No.	Family No.	Names	Color	Sex	Age prior to June 1st	Month of birth if born in census yr.	Relationship to head of house	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Married in census year	Occupation	Miscellaneous Information	Cannot read or write	Place of birth	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Enumeration Date	Remark
9	65	65	Miller, Fred			43			/					Farmer			N.Y.	Hessen	Baden	June 7	
			— Elizabeth			39		wife	/					Keeping House		✓	Baden	Baden	"		
			— Caroline			17		daugh	/					At Home			Canada	N.Y.	"		
			— Ella			15		daugh	/					"			"	"	"		
			— Albert			14		son	/					"		can't write	"	"	"		
			— Alexander			11		son	/					"	school	✓	"	"	"		
			— Wm.			9		son	/					"			"	"	"		
			— Mary			7		daugh	/					"			"	"	"		
			— Frederick			5		son	/					"			Mich	"	"		
			— Wendell			3		son	/								"	"	"		
			— Eugene			6 1/2	Jan.	son	/								"	"	"		
20	169	169	Miller Joseph D.			49			/					Farmer			Prussia	Prussia	Prussia	June 12	
			— Jane			42		wife	/					Keeping House			Hessen	Hessen	Hessen		
			— Nicholas			20		son	/					At Home			Canada	Prussia	"		
			— Caroline			16		daugh	/					"			"	"	"		
			— Alexander			15		son	/					"	school		Mich	"	"		
			— Joseph			12		son	/					"			"	"	"		
			— John			11		son	/					"			"	"	"		
			— Helen			9		daugh	/					"			"	"	"		
			— Edward			7		son	/					"			"	"	"		
			— Henry			3		son	/					"			"	"	"		

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							Real estate	Personal estate										
1870 - County: Allegan State: Michigan Post office: Dorr Center page #4																		
34	34	MILLER, Joseph D.	39	M	W	Farmer	4500	1100	France	1	1							
		Gertrude	33	F	W	Housewife			Hessen	1	1							
		Mary	12	F	W				Canada	1	1							
		Nicholas	10	M	W				"	1	1							
		Caroline	6	F	W				"	1	1							
		Alexander	5	M	W				Michigan	1	1							
		Joseph	3	M	W				"	1	1							
		John	1	M	W				"	1	1							
		MARY	67	F	W				Hessen	1	1							

1900 - County: Mecosta State: MI Sheet #: Super. Dist. #:																		
Enum. Dist. #: 108 Twp/City/St. addr.: Wheatland Twp MI T-624/ roll 731																		
BIRTH MO-YR-AGE																		
		Alex MILLER	head	W	M	Mar	1863	32	M	7								
		Millie	wife	W	F	Aug	1867	32	M	7								
		Urban	son	W	M	Mar	1895	5										
		Arnold	son	W	M	Dec	1896	3										
		Margaret	dau	W	F	Dec	1898	1										
		Fred A.	son	W	M	Apr	1900	1/12										
		Catherine PARISH	servant															
		Mary MILLER	sister	W	F	Sept	1872	27										

Dwelling #	Family #	Name of each person whose place of abode on June 1 was in this family	Relation to head of family	Color	Sex	Month of birth	Year of birth	Age	Marital status	No. yrs. married	Mother of No. children	No. Living children	Place of birth of this person	Place of birth of father	Place of birth of mother	Immigration yr.	No. of yrs. in U.S.	Naturalization	Occupation	Union/Controlled survivor
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1910 - County: Mecosta State: MI Sheet #: 18 A Super. Dist. #:																				
Enum. Dist. #: Mason-Oscoda-Mecosta-Monroe Twp/City/St. addr.: Wheatland TWP MI T-624-663 roll 663																				
264	287	MILLER, Alexander S	head	W	M			42	M	7			CA	CA	Germ	1872	NA			Salcon
		Caroline	wife	W	F			44	M	70			CA	Germ	CA	1898				
		Urban	son	W	M			15	S				MI	CA	CA					
		Arnold	son	W	M			13	S											
		Frederick	son	W	M			10	S											
		SCHWOOB, Ida	niece	W	F			8	S				IL	CA	IL					

1910 - County: Mecosta State: MI Sheet #: Roll 663 Super. Dist. #: 11																				
Enum. Dist. #: 131 Twp/City/St. addr.: Wheatland Twp MI																				
48	56	BAILEY, Don D	head	W	M			42	M	21			Mich	MI	MI					Landlord
		Alice	wife	W	F			40	M	21	3	3	Mich	MI	MI					Landlady
		Inez L.	dau	W	F			19	S				Mich	"	"					
		Thelma F.	dau	W	F			13	S				Mich	"	"					
		Don D,	son	W	M			6	S				"	"	"					
		WALCH Jacob	boarder	W	M			73	S				Ger	Ger	Ger					own income
		MILLER Fred	boarder	W	M			35	M	2			Mich	Can	Ger					barber
		Miller Elizabeth	boarder	W	F			25	M	2	0	0	Mich	Wisc	Ireland					
		plus 9 more names																		

St. Michaels Catholic Church Cemetery, Wheatland Township, Mecosta County, MI was recorded by contributors 17 October 1982. It is located in section 19 on 50th Ave.

Contributors: James and Ruth Batenburg of Kentwood, MI.

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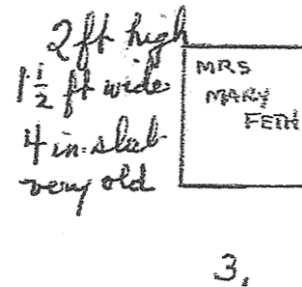
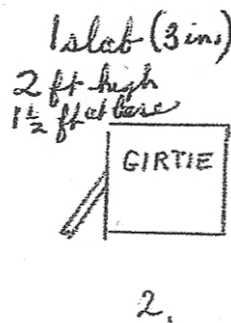
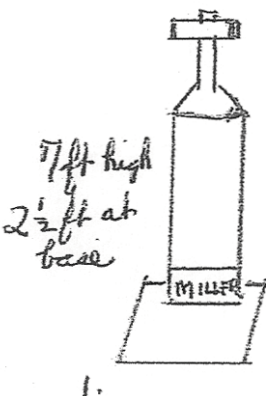
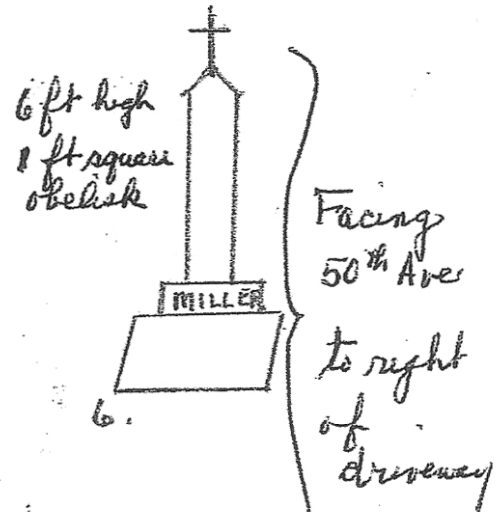
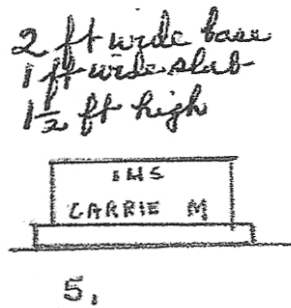
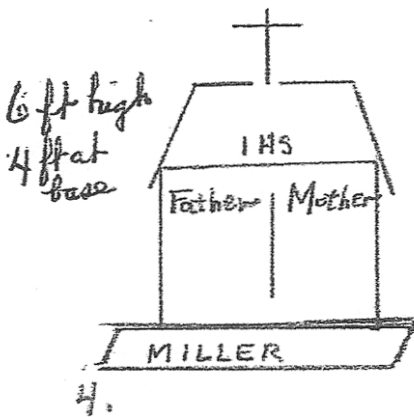
These two magazines have all of the graves recorded for Joseph D. and Fred D. MILLER families mentioned in this newsletter.

The family plot for Joseph D. Miller was recorded as a genealogy assignment by Veronica A. Miller. It is herewith submitted as a special report.

Joseph D. Miller - Family Plot

Assignment No. 2

I visited St. Michael's Cemetery Thursday, June 2, 1983. The Cemetery is near corner of 9-mile road and 50th Avenue (South side of road), Remus, Mich, Mecosta County, Wheatland Township. Church property occupies both sides of 50th Avenue south of corner at 9-mile Road. Church is on the west side, School is on the east side. Cemetery is ~~in~~ⁱⁿ Section 19. It consists of old and new and is quite large. I chose a family plot in the old section located in front of cemetery facing 50th Ave and immediately to the right of road leading into cemetery. There were 6-7 graves. One seemed to be a double grave---which would be 7 burials. Some tombstones had inscriptions front and back. All physical descriptions of height & width etc. are approximate.



Assignment No. 2 continued

Tombstone inscriptions are as follows:

- #1 Inscriptions on front side only (facing 50th Ave.): MICHAEL MILLER, born Dec 8, 1817, died Feb 9, 1896, gone but not forgotten, MILLER inscribed near base.
- #2 Very old and crumbling. Small slab fell off to one side: GIRTIE, dau of M & C Downey, died June 24, 1886 (front only).
- #3 Very old. Good condition. Mrs. MARY FETH, died Feb. 11, 1889, Aged 75 years (front only). *This would be Gertrude Fates mother*
- #4 Apparently a double burial plot. Very large tombstone. Inscriptions on front and back. Front: IHS, Father/Mother, Gone but not forgotten, MILLER. Back: Joseph D. Miller, Aug 30, 1830, July 22, 1913, Gertrude, Wife of Joseph D. Miller, Oct. 26, 1836, Nov. 28, 1906. Joseph and Gertrude names were directly in back of words father/mother on front.
- #5 Small and hard to read: Inscription front only: IHS, Carrie M, Wife of Mike Downey, Died Apr 2, 1906, Aged 42 years ?SULld
- #6 Tombstone covered well with shrubery. Front side had MILLER inscribed. Back side inscription: Alexander son of J. D. & G. F. MILLER, died Aug 3 1888, aged 23Y 3M3D.

The cemetery is currently maintained by St. Michael's Church. Cemetery records are kept at the Rectory facing 9-Mile Road. No records were available for inspection at time of my visit as parish ^{is} currently managed by a substitute priest who can be called from Grandville, Michigan.

This assignment proved quite interesting as this particular Miller family may be related to me. If the County Road Commission hadn't been working so close to cemetery entrance on the day I chose to visit, I might have stayed a bit longer and checked on many other names of which I have been searching.

John D. Miller; an older brother to Joseph D. and Fred D. was a blacksmith of note. His tombstone was found in Mount Hope Cemetery. He made and donated the beautiful iron gates at Maryhill Cemetery - where Johann and Maria are buried. John D. had requested a simple cross for his grave. Apparently his wishes were discounted. The cross was put in place - but rusted or damaged and needed replacement.

MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY

128 Moore Ave.
Kitchener, Ontario, Canada

Main Offices:
1541 Fischer-Hallman Rd.
Kitchener, Ontario, Canada
N2G 3W5



On the upper portion of the stone:

A 28.9 _____ FROMMEN ANDENKEN

An (?)

JOHN D. MILLER

GEB. 17 FEB. 1826 BE ___ TRIER

GEST. 21 AUG 1879

UND _____ SEIN GATTIN

BARBARA

GEB. **KAISER**

GEB. 5 MAI 1825 ___ ELSASE

GEST. 18 MAI 1880

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS for JOSEPH D. and FRED D. MILLER FAMILIES

Marriage Record: M165 11 Nov 1856. Joseph MULLER son of John MULLER and Maria DEWES married Gertrude FETH daughter of Henry FETH and Maria MIETH. Witnesses: Alexander MULLER, Barbara BLUG. No priest mentioned. St. Boniface Church, Maryhill ON. Canada

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATES: Recorder's Court, Mecosta County

#2380 Niclas MULLER and Maria RUTZ 1887; A-2#388 Nicholas MILLER and Fannie BAUMAN 1889; 2-100 #334 N. MILLER and Nellie DORAN (Nellie HASLEM) 1921

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE: Recorder's Court, Isabella County

L1pg129#251 Edward F MILLER and Mary HERZBERG April 22, 1898

DEATH RECORDS: Recorder's Court, Mecosta County

A-117 #82 Mary MILLER November 15, 1887; D-18 #5286 Fannie MILLER July 4, 1913; 5062 Joseph D. MILLER July 22, 1913; #8167 Frank P. DILYARD Mar 7, 1924; #4354 Mary DILYARD Apr 3, 1929; #D-6 5051 Frederick D. MILLER June 29, 1913

State of MI, Department of Health, Death Record #14114533 Nicholas MILLER Sept 23, 1929; #559 Gertrude MILLER Nov 28, 1906; also Mecosta County Recorder's Court Record #1696

Central Michigan Times 4/26/06 Mrs. C.M. DOWNEY death 4/21/06; Tombstone record 4/21/06

Isabella County Recorder's Court L2pg101#542 Caroline DOWNEY April 21, 19

LAND and PROBATE RECORDS: Isabella County

#235 Will of Caroline M. DOWNEY Recorded 21 Feb 1907; #236 Will probated or proved 28 May 1906, Proceeding recorded 21 Feb 1907 Property sale, transfer and disposal deeds #'s 156, 630, 316 and 104. Isabella County transactions involving Caroline DOWNEY, Edward F. MILLER and wife Mary, and father Joseph D. MILLER

Isabella County deeds to property for Joseph D. MILLER in Bingen, MI recorded December 9, 1879. #355, 356 and #488 dated Jan 26 1881; #408 transfer of property from Frederick D. MILLER to Anthony HUBER Apr 20, 1883; #409 transfer of property from Thomas and James ARISS to Frederick D. MILLER April 20, 1883