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# BARTONS CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN 1776

Students of American History are very familiar with General George Washington's brilliant victory over the Hessians at Trenton, New Jersey on a wintry Christmas holiday in 1776.

Our Revolutionary Army retreated from southeastern Pennsylvania from near diasastrous defeats suffered in New York and New Jersey. Executing a brilliant counterstroke, Washington ferried his beleagured army across the ice-filled Delaware River.<sup>1</sup> It was in full flood, jammed with great

sheets of ice and seemed to be impassable. On Christmas night from 5 PM to 4 AM the following day, Washington employed 40 foot "Durham Boats" to cross the Delaware at McKonkey's Ferry with 2400 men and 18 Artillary pieces.

Soaked muskets proved useless, but Washington's orders were: "Tell them to use the bayonet. I am determined to take Trenton". It is disputed whether the Hessians were still nursing hangovers from their Yuletide Celebration

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but they were befuddled and caught by surprise. In less than one hour of fighting, 948 of 1300 Hessians were captured, 22 were killed (including their Commander), and a large store of badly needed supplies was seized. American losses were only 4 wounded in battle, and 2 men frozen to death during the march. It was a nascent point in the young rebellion.



Battle in the Streets of Trenton<sup>1</sup>

Did your ancestor fight alongside Pvt. Jonathan S. Barton (1754-1830) and his brother Pvt. Timothy S. Barton (1758-1844) [Barton DNA Lineage III], two of the 2400 brave soldiers of the Continental Line?

# Legends of the Poinsettia by Betty Barton

When my husband, Jody Barton, told me about how the poinsettia plant was a part of the history of the Barton family, I was fascinated and wanted to tell everyone about it.

One day I was looking through a December issue of *Southern Living* and there was an article about poin-settias and the history of its naming by the Bartons of South Carolina. I wanted to know more about the flower and its history and this is what I learned.

The poinsettia is truly the flower of our Christmas celebration. It was cultivated by the Aztecs of Mexico long before the introduction of Christianity to the western hemisphere.

After colonization by the Spanish, the Mexicans adopted the poinsettia as a symbol of Christmas and of Central America's evangelization. Because or its religious significance, the plant spread by trade throughout the Mexican States.

Not only does the time of bloom hold importance, the color does also. Although the Aztecs viewed the red bracts or leaves as a reminder of blood sacrifices, the Christians and Catholics liked to think of it as the blood of Christ.

The first religious significance was in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Since the flowers bloomed during the Christmas holidays, the Franciscan priests near Taxco, Mexico, used them in the Fiesta of Santa Pesebres, a procession of the Nativity.

There were two legends surrounding the flower. One was that a small boy wanted so much to have his very own gift to lay before the Crèche at his church, as was the custom on Christmas Eve. It took prayer and a miracle for him to be able to do this because he was very poor. Legend has it that beautiful plants with scarlet leaves and yellow flowers in the center came up where he knelt to pray outside the church. He picked the flowers for the Christ-child and laid them at the Crèche.

Another legend was that the mother of a young girl named, Pepeta, was asked to weave a blanket to cover the Baby Jesus in the Manger in the Crèche at the church. The mother became very ill and could not finish the blanket and Pepete could not do it alone. The best she could do was to pick an armful of green weeds. As she prayed, the green weeds were transformed into little flaming red stars with green branches. Today, the Mexicans refer to them as "La Flor de Noche Buena", the flowers of the Holy Night.

<sup>1</sup> www.britishbattles.com

Our U. S. Ambassador to Mexico from 1825 to 1830, Dr. Joel Robert Poinsett was captivated by the beauty of "the Flower of the Holy Night" and called it "painted leaves". He sent cuttings to his friend Wilson Barton in South He was my husband's great-Carolina. grandfather and is now buried in a cemetery outside of Burnet, Texas. He named the wild Mexican plants "poinsettias" after Dr. Poinsett. He then named his eldest son, who was my husband's grand-father, Joel Robert Poinsett Barton Thomas Barton b. c1732, md Sarah Wilson - DNA Lineage The Wilson family and Dr. Poinsett's family grew up together. When the Barton's had a child, they added the name of Poinsett to their given name. Likewise, the Poinsett family added the name Joel to their children's names. For example, Joel Robert Poinsett Barton was the name of my husband's grandfather, his father, and his own name (four generations).

The poinsettia plant is always a significant part of Christmas in the Barton families. It is displayed as a symbol of love and family unity in our homes.

Betty Barton is a retired professor and lives with her husband, Joel R. Barton, in Hilltop Lakes, Texas.

[Thanks to Cousin Skip (Mrs. Taylor J.) Barton for this timely submission]

#### **IMPORTANT**

Check your address label! The month & year following your name is your membership expiration date. If you see an "R" on your mailing label, it is time to renew. If you see an "X" on your mailing label, your subscription has expired and you need to send in your dues NOW. Please send your renewal to our treasurer, Mary C. Barton (address on front and back covers), to guarantee continued receipt of the newsletter. No other reminder is sent. Let us know if we have erred.

#### Issac Barton's Unclaimed Civil War Medal

In 1866, the State of West Virginia authorized the minting of over 26,000 medals to honor its Union Civil War soldiers. Today, over 4,000 medals remain unclaimed.<sup>1</sup>



One of them (still stored in a small cardboard box in the state's Department of Culture and History's Archives) belongs to **Pvt. Isaac Barton** who served in Battery H of West Virginia's 1st Light Artillary Volunteers.

Battery H was organized at Maryland Heights, MD, on Jan. 4, 1864 and mustered out on July 11, 1865. It performed garrision and guard duty at Harper's Ferry, New Creek, Cumberland, MD, Moorefield, WV, and at various points on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad west of Sleepy Hollow; action at New Creek on Aug. 4, 1864; affair at Moorefield, Nov. 27-28, 1864.<sup>2</sup>

There were several campaigns to find the veterans after the medals were struck in 1866. Some 19,000 had been presented by 1870. Another 3,000 were presented by 1910.

The West Virginia Division of Culture and History wants to place the remaining medals in the hands of the rightful heirs of these Union veterans. See their website for the process and forms. It may be that after the war Isaac returned to Maryland from which he relocated and despite West Virginia's efforts to locate him they never connected. Perhaps a reader of this newletter is a possible claimant?

<sup>2</sup> http://www.itd.nps.gov/cwss

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> http://www.wvculture.org/history/medals.html

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#### **From The President**

Greetings from Marietta, Georgia! I hope that 2007 has been a very good year for you and your loved ones and that 2008 will be even better! I also hope that this holiday season is a time of love, laughter and friendship, with treasured traditions once again honored — and with a few new traditions being added to your long-time favorites.

As I look back at our most recent 4 issues of the Barton Historical Society Newsletter, it's obvious how we have been blessed. We've had interesting newsletters, predictable in structure, but varied in content - well laid out and a pleasure to read. Thanks Gary! We hope you have a long and pleasant run as our editor!

I am also proud of the Barton Database. Gary Barton created it some years ago, recently resumed management after several years "off" and upgraded it to a much-easier-to-use tool. You'll find it online at <a href="https://www.bartondatabase.info">www.bartondatabase.info</a> If your family isn't fully defined (or is missing), please share your family information with Gary.

Probably my biggest regret for the past year is that we didn't hold a 2007 Barton Historical Society reunion — though a number of the Barton families did hold their traditional family reunions. We'll be trying to make it up to you in 2008 — and trying to equal the wonderful 2006 Tyger Reunion. Mark your calendars now! Join us for the 2008 BHS Reunion on October 11 & 12, 2008 at Red Top Mountain State Park — just off Interstate I-75 between Marietta and Cartersville, Georgia, about an hour north of the Atlanta airport. (More details in later issues) A special thanks

to Mary Barton & Shirley Keith for organizing the 2008 reunion.

Another Barton project that is near and dear to my heart is the Barton Surname DNA At press time, we are at 200 Project. members - still one of the largest Surname DNA Projects in the world. I chuckle when I think back a few years to when we had about 100 members. At that stage, I thought we'd have most of our answers when we had doubled our participation and increased testing to cover 100 markers. We certainly have more answers – but there is still much to learn. And – testing a 10 man sample at 106 markers didn't tell us enough more than we had learned with 76 markers to justify expanding more of our members to 106. In the coming year, we hope to redo our DNA Project site - to make it easier to use and easier to understand. If your family has been tested and you have questions – let me know. And – if your family still isn't represented by DNA testing - let's see if we can move you ahead with that learning. You'll find the DNA Project at www.bartondna.info

On a related DNA note — Family Tree DNA — the testing company we work with — has a holiday special which reduces the cost of a new DNA test. If you want to give someone a DNA test for Christmas, I'll be glad to help you get the best price.

One of the success stories for the Barton Historical Society is our website. Please visit it at <a href="https://www.bartonsite.org">www.bartonsite.org</a>

A successful organization is made of many volunteers, each doing something that they like to do — and that they do well. A special thanks to all who have contributed their time, money and enthusiam to anything Barton! You support for our Barton family doesn't have to be focused on the Barton Historical Society — but we will be even stronger as more folks are actively involved. As an example of the possibilities, I helped start a new organization — the Hodges-Hodge Society in (cont. on pg. 10)



#### **Newest Barton Babies**

10 Oct 2007 Overland Park, Johnson Co., KS **Abram Max Kingsley Barton** 

The parents are Tony "Mitch" Barton & Megan Miller.

Submitted by Wes & Mitzi Barton Hutcherson



#### **Wedding Bells**

The Register-Mail (Galesburg, IL) Kenneth Barton and Martha (Landon) Barton were married on 29 Sept 1942 in Kahoka MO and recently celebrated their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

They are the parents of Kenny (and Mary) Barton, Glendale WS; and Crystal (and Glenn) Moore, Garry (and Tammy) Barton and Russell Barton, all of Galesburg.

# **Historical Obituaries**

#### DIED.

BREWSTER.—On the morning of September 4, at her residence in Germantown, after a short litness, EMMA BARTON, daughter of the late Wm. P. C. Barton, M. D., and wife of F. Carroll Brewster.

BREWSTER.—On the afternoon of September 4, at his father's residence, after a severe and protracted illness, SAMUEL BARTON fourth son of F Carroll Brewster and Emma B. Brewster, in the twenty seventh year of his age

The funeral services will take place at the family

The funeral services will take place at the family residence in Germantown, this morning, September 7, at 11 o'clock

It is kindly requested that no flowers be sent.

The Philadelphia Inquirer Sep. 7, 1882 [ed.: short illness of the mother and protracted illness of the son? Part of our tested but unassigned Rev. Thomas, b 1728, Carrick McRoss, m Esther Rittenhouse clanl

#### OBSEQUIES.

# A Double Funeral and Double Requiem Services.

The double funeral of Mrs Emma Barton Brewster and Samuel Barton Brewster, wife and son of ex Judge F. Carroll Brewster, took place yesterday morning, from their late residence, Germantown, with services at the house. The sadness of the mournful occasion was intensified by the absence of ex-Judge Brewster, who, unconscious of his fearful bereavement, is on an ocean steamer returning from a sojourn abrond.

*The Philadelphia Inquirer* Sep. 8, 1882 [ed.: how very sad!]

#### Dr H Barton Dead.

Lexington, Va., March 23.—Dr. H. T. Barton is dead. When Stonewall Jackson was a professor at the Virginia Military institute, before he won military fame, Dr. Barton was his intimate friend. For some years after the war Dr. Barton was a surgeon to the Virginia Military institute, and will be recalled by hundreds of old cadets all over the country.

*The Knoxville Journal* Mar. 24, 1893 [ed.: poss. our ID #I2700 at the Barton Database.]

#### Judge Edward P. Barton.

FREEFORT, III., Dec. 28.—Special Telegram.—Judge Edward PaBarton, one of the oldest and best-known attorneys of Northern Illinois, died suddenly at his home in this city this afternoon of heart disease. Judge Barton was born in New York State, June 5, 1829. He was graduated from Hamilton College in 1851 He afterward studied law, and first practiced his profession at Brooklyn, N. Y. He came to Freeport in 1854, and formed a partnership with ex-Congressman Burchard. Mr Barton was County Judge of this county for eight years, and held many other offices.

The Daily Inter Ocean Dec. 29, 1893 [ed.: a member of our Samuel Barton b 1664 Salem MA, md (1) Hannah Bridges – Barton DNA Lineage III]

DIED, on the 4th inst. Mrs. Hannah Barton, wife of Mr. Silas Barton, of Montgomery county. In her death, seven children are deprived of a tender parent.

Pennsylvania Correspondent, And Farmers' Advertiser Aug. 12, 1805 [ed.: a member of our Joseph Barton, d c1700, Moreland Twp., Philadelphia PA – Barton DNA Lineage VIII] Winter 2007 Page 6 Barton Historical Society

#### The Next Barton Project?

by Terry Barton, President Barton Historical Society

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Most recently 2006 we contributed \$500 towards of the cost a permanent marker the **Thomas** at Barton Home Site as reported in the BHS Newsletter 2006

Winter Edition. The balance of the cost of this marker was funded by private donations of his descendants. This **Thomas Barton** (1732-1807) is a patriarch in our Barton DNA Lineage I.

We have accumulated a surplus in our treasury sufficient to do something similar <u>or</u> something new and different.

I therefore propose the creation of a threeperson ex-oficio committee to come up with some suggestions for the Executive Board for our next Barton Project. I further propose that all three persons be from differing Barton DNA Lineages or Independents (whether DNA tested or not).

# Do you have some suggestions for the Barton Project Committee? Would you serve on that committee?

I believe that the deliberations can all be done by e-mail or land-mail and that they will be very helpful to our Board! **Won't you**  please volunteer or provide your input? Please call or e-mail me at (770) 424-1548 or e-mail terry@bartonsite.org.



#### **From The Editor**

Ye editor concurs with our President in the need for a small virtual committee to propose several options for the next Barton Historical Society project. While driving through Michigan in October your editor noticed the following article in *The Detroit News*. I have no connection with this particular Barton nor am Ι proposing consideration. But it did strike me that there may be other Barton sites around the country whose presence is unknown except locally or which might benefit from BHS investigation and exposuire to our membership. Sounds like a fun committee of which to be a member! Please volunteer!

4A The Detroit News | Saturday, October 13, 2007

# BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP Saving Barton House topic of Tues. meeting

Opportunities to save the historic Barton House in Bloomfield Hills will be the topic of discussion when trustees for Bloomfield Township and Bloomfield Hills Schools, and commissioners for the city of Bloomfield Hills convene Tuesday. They will meet at 7 p.m. at the Doyle Center in Bloomfield Township, 7275 Wing Lake Road. The farmhouse, on East Long Lake Road in the city of Bloomfield Hills, dates to the 1830s, but is close to demolition.

#### **BARTON Lineages mentioned in this issue:**

III	Samuel Barton b 1664 Salem MA md. (1) Hannah Bridges, Leo Barton, Line Leader	VI	Isaac Barton b c1683, Killaloe md. Sarah Vesey, Bill BBarton, Line Leader
Tested, Unassigned	Rev. Thomas Barton b. 1728 Carrick McRoss md. Esther Rittenhouse Mandy Barton, Line Leader	XIII	Wm. Barton b. 1836 md. Mary Jane Terry, Mary C. Barton, Line Leader
VIII	Joseph Barton d. c1700, Moreland Twp. William T. "Bill" Barton, Line Leader		
I	Thomas Barton b c1732 md. Sarah Wilson Bette Barton Pittman, Line Leader		
VII	Perry Barton Franklin b. 1858 md. Elizabeth Jane Wells - Donna (Barton) Eitel, Line Leader		
I	Willoughby Barton d. 1807, Richmond Co. GA John W. Barton, Line Leader		

Thanks to our Line Leaders for all your contributions!

## **EARLY KANSAS BARTONS – Part 2**

Last year your editor was in Kansas for a month spending much of his time on genealogical research. I became intrigued with its bloody history during the run-up to our American Civil War (known to you died-in-the-wool Southerners as the late War Between the States). I also wondered about our Barton cousins in early Kansas — who were they, when did they arrive, where did they settle?

Part 1 presented a methodology forsearching places, an early Kansas timeline and a listing of 1860 U. S. Census enumerations. Part 2 continues with the remaining 1860 Kansas Bartons:

4	Morris	Grove Twp.	Council Grove	Wm. Barton	M			34	1826	Germ	Mason
5	Atchison	Atchison City 3rd Ward	Atchison City	Mr. Barton	М			40	1820	MA	Merchant
6	Johnson	Olathe Twp.	Olathe K.T.	J. T. Barton	М			28	1832	VA	Physcian
7	Butler	Chelsea Twp.	Chelsea	H. J. Barton	M			29	1831	NY	stone mason
8	Anderson	Monroe Twp.	Gannett	Kessiah Barton	M			69	1791	ОН	
9	Anderson	Monroe Twp.	Gannett	J. R. M. Barton	M			29	1831	ОН	Farmer
	Anderson	Monroe Twp.	Gannett		F	Sarah A. Barton Jesse S.	W	29	1831	ОН	
	Anderson	Monroe Twp.	Gannett		М	Barton L. E.	S	5	1855	ОН	
	Anderson	Monroe Twp.	Gannett		М	Barton	S	3	1857	IL	

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The 1865 Kansas State Census shows six Barton families of which three carry forward<sup>3</sup>:

Date	County	Twp.	Head of Household		Age	Sex	Appx. Birth year	Birth Location	Married or Single	Other Family members
8 xxx 1865	Chase	Falls Twp.	W. Barton		30	M	1835	Bavaria	S	
1 Jul 1865	Leavenworth	Leavenworth Ward 4	Margaret Barton		26	F	1839	AR		
24 May 1865	Bourbon	Freedom	Benj. Short	M. J. Barton	15	F	1850	MO	S	
15 Nov 1865	Bourbon	The Eight Mile Strip	Wm. Barton		24	M	1861	KS		
30 Aug 1865	Anderson	Monroe	W. S. Smith	Kissiah Barton	75	F	1790	VA	M	
5 Jun 1865	Franklin	Ottawa Twp.	J. A. Barton		62	М	1803	NY	M	
					57	F	1808	NY	М	Delinda Barton William
					26	M	1839	IN	S	Barton
					22	F	1843	IN	S	M. A. Barton

And later in July 1870 the U. S. Federal Census reveals 32 different Barton families of which the following five carry forward  $^4$ :

Seq.	County	Twp.	Head of Household	Sex	Other Family members	Age	Appx. Birthyear	State of Birth	Note
8	Chase	Diamond Creek Twp.	William	М		39	1831	Bava	
		'	Barton	F	Ernestine	33	1837	Prus	
				M	William	3/12	1870	KS	b. Mar 1870
16	Franklin	Franklin Twp.	John A.	M		68	1802	NY	enum. 12 Jul
			Barton	F	Delinda	63	1807	NY	
17	Franklin	Franklin Twp.	William	М		32	1838	IN	
			Barton	F	Mary J.	19	1851	MO	
				F	Mimmie	1	1869	KS	
18	Franklin	Peoria	John	M		67	1803	NY	enum. 22 Jun
			Barton	F	Delinda	63	1807	NY	
28	Neosho	Neosho Twp.	Wesley	М		40	1830	ОН	
		-							

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> www.ancestry.com

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> http://persi.heritagequestonline.com

Barton	F	Catherine	38	1832	ОН
		Virginia or			
	F	Margarna	15	1855	IL
	М	Thomas F.	13	1857	IA
	F	Mary D.	7	1863	OH
	F	Cora B.	5	1865	NE

So, it appears that the following Barton families settled in Kansas during the period 1857-1870 during which time they appeared on multiple census enumerations:

Head of Household	County	Locality	Censuses	Birth Year	Birth Place
John T. Barton	Johnson	Olathe	1857,1859, 1860	1832	VA
James B. Barton	Anderson	Monroe	1859, 1860	1831	ОН
John A. Barton	Franklin	Ottowa Twp.	1860, 1865, 1870	1802	NY
Wesley Barton	Franklin	Centropolis	1860, 1870	1830	ОН
William Barton	Morris	Grove Twp.	1860, 1865, 1870	1826- 1831	Ger.
Kessiah Barton	Anderson	Monroe	1860, 1865	1791	ОН

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**From The President** (cont. from pg. 4) 2006 in Houston. We just had our 2007 meeting in Richmond and are working on the 2008 reunion in Massachusetts and the 2009 reunion in Salt Lake City. We have a team working on an on-line documents database and of course — there's a surname DNA project. My role is fairly small — with a dozen or more folks in leadership roles. We'd sure like to see that number active in leading BHS!

May we honor our ancestors with our words and deeds in the coming year. And — as the Irish Blessing on the wall by my desk says— "Until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand"

**Terry** 



### **Clan Updates**

**John W. (Jack) Barton** of our **Willoughby Barton d. 1807 Richmond Co GA – DNA Lineage I clan** visited England in July 2007. His trip report appears elsewhere in this newsletter.

**Bette (Barton) Pitman**, Line leader for our Thomas Barton b. c1732 md. Sarah Wilson clan - Barton DNA Line I reports that they gathered at Tyger **Baptist** Church [SC] on the traditional "first Sunday in August" (Aug 5), and though "we were a smallish Barton reunion of 27 cousins, we enjoyed ourselves much! There quite was good food in the form catered luncheon by Ann Trammell, and special guest was Cousin Amelia Colvin who came at ninety miles an hour from Texas to be with us."

**Donna (Barton) Eitel**, Line leader of our **Perry Franklin Barton b. 1858 md. Elizabeth Jane Wells clan – Barton DNA Line VII** says that a Barton Reunion for the descendants of the patriarch is in the planning stages for the Spring of 2008 in California.



#### **Letters to the Editor**

**Joan(n) Barton:** I have a copy of the latest [Nally] Barton Blue Book but would really like to buy a copy of the earlier [Jason Barton] version if someone has one to sell.

tenchickens@web-ster.com (or contact the Editor)

## **Jack Barton Visits London**

I made the trip to London, Engand, July 6-14 with a group of 5 people led by 2 professional genealogists from Salt Lake City, UT. We stayed at the Bankside House which was not elaborate, but had good food and satisfied my needs. The purpose of my trip was not solely genealogy, but I wanted to also visit my son and his family, who live in London.

My problem with English genealogy research is that I do not have any solid family link with England directly. DNA leads me to believe that my relatives might have come from the Lancashire, England area [Barton DNA Lineage I]. I do know that my relative came to the States from County Cork, Ireland, but I do not know when and where he landed.

The trip answered one question in my mind. That is, with the little information I have at this point, it is difficult to locate English connections. The time period is another problem. I think my relatives operated in

Ireland or England sometime before 1760. My general impression of English research is that if you have some good starting information or if you are researching the mid 1800's or later, your success greatly increases.

The trip I went on was as follows:

- The cost was \$1,795 for 7 nights, not including air fare.
- The group of five was led by Gordon and Carolyn Casper and arranged through the LDS Travel Study.
- The arrival day we also visited the British Museum.
- The 2nd day we did sight seeing at St. Paul's Cathedral & the Museum of London.
- The 3rd day we went to the Family Records Center and on a Thames River cruise.
- The 4th day was spent at the Society of Genealogists, followed by a London Theater show.
- The 5th day was spent at the Kew National Archives. There were a lot of research information possibilities here
- On the 6th day we went back to the Society of Genealogists

There was a lot of research available at the Society of Genealogists, such as: Armed Forces, Bank of England Will Extracts, Chancery, Birth, Death and Marriage records.

The trip allowed me to see how my need for English research fit in with what was available. If I were to go back I would definitely visit and do research in the Lancashire area where a lot of Bartons lived in the past.

John W. (Jack) Barton Jwbfloh@aol.com



Society of Genealogists London, England

# **Back Tracking Your Immigrant Ancestor** (cont. from page 14)

- by ship name
- traveling companion's name
- Payment at <u>www.findmypast.com</u> is easy and secure. Their rates are modest. The record you're looking for is the Passenger Transcript. I recommend that you also view (and save) the Original Passenger List Image.
- A handy feature at <u>www.findmypast.com</u> are the links at the bottom of the results page:

View the <u>original passenger list images</u>
Look for the <u>person's arrival record Ellis Island</u>
Look for this <u>person's birth record</u>
Search in <u>other findmypast records</u>

# TALES OLD NEWSPAPERS TELL

#### **General Barton Acquitted**

GENERAL ROBERT T. BARTON, a lead ing Mormon of Utah, has just been acquitted after a long trial on a charge of murder. Joseph Morris headed a schism in 1862, proclaimed himself a more glorious prophet than Brigham Young, and took five hundred followers to a fort on Weber river. Some of these became dissatisfied and wished to return to Salt Lake, but Morris imprisoned them and confiscated their money. Barton, as a United States Marshill, went to the fort, accompanied by 30 J millitiamen to serve a writ. Morris called on his men to fight, and was shot down by Barton. The acquitting jury was half Mormon and half Gentile.

Easton Gazette (NC) Mar. 15 1879 [ed.: Militia General and United States Marshall! Does anyone recognize him? To whom does he belong?]

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#### **Golden Wedding Anniversary**

THE GOLDEN WEDDING of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. BARTON, of Stockbridge, was celebrated on Wednesday evening of last week, a large number of relatives and friends being present, and the occasion was one of much enjoyment. The happy couple were the recipients of many valuable presents. It was matter of regret that the mother of Mr. Barton, now 94 years of age and residing in Pennsylvania, was unable to be present. Mr. Barton was born January 1st, 1800, and is 70 years old; and his health is somewhat infirm. His wife, aged 68 is in remarkably fine health.

The marriage on the same evening of the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Barton added largely to the interest of the occasion.

*The Pittsfield Sun* (MA) June 16, 1870 [ed.: who claims this happy couple?]

# T. S. BARTON, GROCER,

AND DEALER IN

Fine Wines, Liquors,

OIGARS, &c.,

Wholesale and Retail,

East side of Main Piaza,

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,

**The San Antonio Ledger** [TX] Aug. 17, 1859 [ed.: do any of our Texas cousins claim this enterprising merchant?]

### **Love Laughs at Parents**

**The Daily Inter Ocean** Dec. 10, 1887 [ed.: who claims this young couple?]

#### A DRUMMER'S HAPPY WIFE

Омана, Neb., Dec. 9.—Special Telegram.— Pretty little Miss Lillian Barton is a blonde of the most decided type and has seen eighteen sum-She became enamored of a commercial traveler, and is now identified as Mrs. Geo. McManahan, wife of a Chicago drummer. fore the young lady was married, she lived happily as the only daughter of John Barton, a wealthy stock raiser, who resides near Geneva. this State. Last fall a young lady friend from Chicago, one of Miss Barton's classmates at Vassar, visited her at her country home, and after a few months of the bracing country air, induced the parents of the young lady to permit Miss Barton to return home with her for a visit in the Garden City. At a charity ball given at Evanston Miss Barton became acquainted and fell head over heels in love with the Chicago drummer. The girl returned home, and in a short time she was the recipient of a number of letters from her suitor. The parents objected to any attentions being paid to their daughter by a traveling man. but the would hecd not the parental ad-Vice. and requested that her lover be permitted to call on her when he made his Western frip. This privilege was not granted. but a scheme was effected by the pair to elopo. The runaway took place last Wednesday night. and they were immediately married at Plattemouth. After the wedding they came to Omaha, and stopped with relatives of the groom on North Sixteenth street. The father of Miss Lillian and her brother William, who is a young man of 23 years of age, arrived in Omaha last night with blood in their eyes, and night with blood in their eyes, and with the assistance of a private detective located the runaway The brother, who imagined that his sister had been betrayed, drew a revolver and tried to shoot McManahan, but the detective who accompanied them, wrested the weapon out of his hand. The marriage certificate was produced, and after all parties had satisfactorily told their stories, and the old gentleman learning that the drummer was a pretty nice kind of a fellow, with some wealth, took him to the bosom of the family, and forgave the daugatar. All parties returned this morning to the farmer's home.

# **Old Photographs**



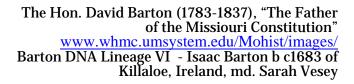
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Rev. F. A. Barton from the Matthew B. Brady Collection of Civil War Photographs. © <a href="https://www.footnote.com">www.footnote.com</a> [ed.: poss. Chaplain Frederick A. Barton of the 10<sup>th</sup> Mass. Infantry]



The Hon. Hiram Barton (1810-1880), Mayor of Buffalo NY 1849-1850 & 1852-1853. www.ci.buffalo.ny.us





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# Back Tracking Your 19th Century Immigrant Ancestor to England

When starting a new research project it's always best to remember the commandment "**Start with what you know!**" If you're a researcher whose ancestor's last known address was in the United States and you believe that he/she immigrated from England (perhaps because of family legend, Aunt Martha's recollection, or a biographical reference) then after you've done your census work and vital records searches you will have collected some info that will help you pin down your ancestor's nativity. The 1900 - 1930 US Federal Censuses' have columns identifying whether or not the enumerated person is Alien or Naturalized as well as the year of immigration. You also will have an approximate birth date (1870 – 1900 Censuses') for the immigrant.

Armed with that information your next step is to find the record of his/her **Arrival** in the USA:

- The largest Port of Entry in America during the 1800's was New York City. If you believe your ancestor arrived after 1891 then you will want to search the Passenger Arrival records of Ellis Island. Two ways to access the Index of Arrivals are (1) at <a href="www.ellisisland.org">www.ellisisland.org</a> and (2) at the 1-Step Web Pages by Stephen Morse <a href="http://stevemorse.org">http://stevemorse.org</a> [I start with the White Form]. The Steve Morse site tells you if the records are at <a href="www.ancestry.com">www.ancestry.com</a> [a \$\$ fee site]. Once you located a listing for your ancestor's name (often there will be many) then you want to narrow-down your search by looking at the <a href="Manifests">Manifests</a> so that you can examine the accompanying family... often with spouses name as well as, sometimes, children's names or at least a count of the traveling children. Many times the Manifest will include names and even destination addresses for the relative whom the ancestor is joining. This may tie back to the preceding or succeeding US Federal Census! Often the manifest will also include birth place information for the immigrants!
- For New York arrivals during the period 1830-1891 (before Ellis Island opened) Castle Garden was the Immigrant Center. Searching the Index of Arrivals at Castle Garden is, again, accomplished at either (1) <a href="http://stevemorse.org">www.castlegarden.org</a> or (2) at the 1-Step Web Pages by Stephen Morse <a href="http://stevemorse.org">http://stevemorse.org</a> [I start with the All US Passengers 1820-1957].
- In addition to the arrival date the manifests also tell you the **name of the ship or sailing vessel.**<u>This info will be used later</u> when you look for the records of departure.
- Obviously, there are records of arrivals in other Ports of Entry (Baltimore, Philadelphia, Boston, New Orleans to name just a few) as well as in New York before 1855. You may need to dig deeply, but your goal is to **find when and where your ancestor arrived during the 1800's** as well as noting the vessel's name and any birth or residency information which will be useful in the next steps.
- A whole other set of records to learn about your ancestor's arrival in the USA is their Naturalization papers if he/she in fact applied for Naturalization. That topic will be the subject of future article.

Now you want to find the record of his/her **Departure from the Port of Embarkation in England:** 

- There has been a significant increase in the number of digitized Departure Records made available in just the past twelve months on the Internet! If you forswore on finding Departure Records just a few years ago, go back and try again. The website <a href="www.findmypast.com">www.findmypast.com</a> now lists departure information from ports in England during the period 1890-1960 and Passport Applications for 1851-1933. It is searchable in a number of ways:
  - by name (first and last)
  - by year of departure
  - by departure port
  - by destination port (cont. on page 11)

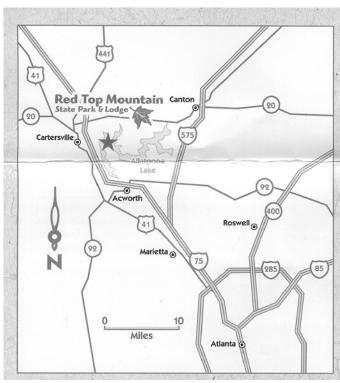
# Annual Meeting of Barton Historical Society in 2008

The next annual meeting is scheduled for October 10-12, 2008, in beautiful Cartersville, Georgia, at Red Top Mountain State Park & Lodge.

Co-Chairpersons Shirley Keith and Mary Barton have found a wonderful and serene place for our meeting With its proximity to Atlanta and gorgeous lake views, Red Top Mountain State Park & Lodge offers something for everyone!

1,950 acres of lush forest, 12 miles of hiking trails, tennis, swimming pool, lake activities and nearby golf courses!





The 33-room non-smoking lodge and 18 private cottages come complete with heat and air conditioning, wireless Internet, satellite TV, and a host of other amenities. The lodge's Mountain Cove Restaurant and banquet room will fill us with that good southern cooking!

We have blocked 20 rooms on a first-come, first-served basis. If Shirley and Mary see that we need more rooms they will have to know quite soon as most State Parks of this quality book eleven months in advance. It's sometimes difficult to get last minute reservations.

The Individual Reservation Form is printed on the reverse of this page. Just photocopy it or clip it, fill it in, and mail it or fax it ASAP!

The meeting agenda will appear in a future issue and will include the mandatory business items as well as some interesting presentations. Look forward to it! But for now, MAKE YOUR

RESERVATION and join your fellow Barton friends and cousins!

# On to Red Top Mountain!

#### GROUP INDIVIDUAL RESERVATION FORM

#### **POLICIES**

I agree to pay for the number of nights I have indicated on this form.

Children under 18 free when sharing room and existing bedding with parents.

Additional discounts are not valid in conjunction with any special promotion, discount rate or group rate.

5% occupancy tax and 7% sales tax added to all rooms/cabins, a total of 12% tax.

A \$3.00 Georgia State Park Pass valid for the duration of your stay will be assessed on all overnight vehicles.

#### Reservations must be made by

## **August 11, 2008**

Reservations received after this date will be subject to prevailing rates and availability.

Please note that your room(s) and rates are reserved within a negotiated block of rooms. Your credit card will be charged at the time the reservation is received for the first night's flat room rate. Any cancellation made 72 hours prior to the arrival date will have a \$10 cancellation fee. Cancellation within 72 hours of arrival will result in a forfeit of the deposit paid.

We love pets, but they are not permitted in any buildings of the park except for Cottages #17 & #18. \$40 surcharge per dog. Two dog limit. Pets are allowed outside provided they are on a sixfoot leash. Other fees may apply.

Reservations accepted the following 3 ways only:

Fax Completed Form to: **770-529-2814** 

Email to: jill williams@dnr.state.ga.us
Mail Checks and Completed Form to:

Red Top Mountain State Park & Lodge

50 Lodge Road

Cartersville, GA 30121

Check-in Time: 4 p.m. Checkout Time: 11 a.m.

Cottages have 2 doubles beds per bedroom, fully equipped kitchen with refrigerator, stove, microwave, cooking & eating utensils but no phone.

While at Red Top Mountain, you may be reached at 770-975-0055

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#### IN MEMORIAM

We Celebrate Their Lives We Mourn Their Passing We Cherish Their Memory

**Ella Barton,** 65, of Concord, NH, died Saturday, August 25, 2007, at home. She was born Feb. 5, 1942, in Hanover, NH, the first child of **Esther (Hastings) and Orren Barton**.

Ellen graduated from Towle High School in 1960 and Pierce College. She lived in Concord since graduation from college. Ellen spent her entire career as a bookkeeper, working for Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge and, then, for more than 30 years for Jay Rosenfield at Concord Cleaners and his other businesses.

Concord Monitor (NH) Aug. 30, 2007

**Lewis Gerald Barton**, age 54, of Lovettsville, VA, beloved husband of 33 years of **Rhonda Dennise (Hickman) Barton**. Born Sept. 3, 1952 in Blakely, GA to Mrs. Kathleen Jeanette (Sims) and the late Lewis Leon **Barton**. He served his country in the U. S. Navy, aboard the USS Lexington ported in Pensacola, FL. Cousin Lewis retired afyer 35 years of government service in February 2007 from the General Service Administration. Besides his wife he is also survived by one daughter} Lisa Michelle Barton of Las Vegas NV; mother, Kathleen Jeanette Sims Barton of Columbus, GA, five sisters: **Jimmie (Roger)** Manning of Mongomery, AL; Jan (Wayne) Lumpkin, Lois (Eddie) Creamer, Mary (Ed) Ray, and Hazel (Robert) Hicks all of Columbus. GA.

Columbus Ledger-Enquirer (GA) Aug. 8, 2007

**George E. Barton**, 86, of Aurora, CO, passed away at home, Aug. 26, 2007. Survived by his beloved wife **Nancy L. Barton**, son G. Scott of L. A., daughter Kimberly of Denver, sister Lois Shobe of Tiffan OH and many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by sisters, Betty and Mildred. He will be deeply missed.

The Denver Post (CO) Aug. 29, 2007

Clara L. Oates Manley, 93, daughter of the late Charles T. and Clara (Diehl) Barton, died Saturday, August 25, 2007, at Mercy Hospital, Pittsburg, PA In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas A. Manley, and her first husband, Francis W. Oates.

Pittsburg Tribune-Review (PA) August 29, 2007

**Charles G. Barton II**, 59, of Cazenovia, NY, died at home on August 18, 2007. He was born July 23, 1948, in Geneva NY, the son of Charles and Catherine Eddy Barton.

"Bart" attended Hobart College and retired as Chief Financial Officer of Myers Community Hospital in Sodus NY in 1988. After his retirement, he did extensive volunteer work for the American Red Cross, the Salvation Army and Williamson Come-Unity Center. He was predeceased by his parents, Charles Barton in 1989, Catherine Barton-Mayer in 2007 and a sister, Barbara G. Barton in 2000. Surviving are his wife of 37 years, Lauren Oremus Barton; a son, Benjamin Barton of Fairbanks, AK; a sister, Susan Barton of Stickney, IL; and a brother, Fletcher Barton of Yonkers.

Rochester Democrat and Chronicle (NY) August 22, 2007

**Robert Emmett Barton**, 57, of Starke, FL, died Sunday, August 19, 2007 at the University of Florida Shands Trauma Center. He was the husband of V. Kyleene Barton and the son of Margaret McGinty of Jacksonville and the late Robert Gene Barton. Cousin Robert graduated from the Florida State School of Nursing in 1972 and the Charleston Area Medical Center School of Nurse Anesthesia in Charleston, WV

in 1979. He was employed at the Laser & Outpatient Surgery Center in Gainesville as a Nurse Anesthesist. He served as an elder in the Starke Congregarton of Jehovah's Witnesses.



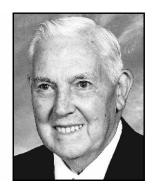
Florida Times-Union (Jacksonville FL) Aug. 23, 2007 Winter 2007 Page 18

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**Martha Lois Barton Blanton**, 71, of Rome, GA, died unexpectedly Friday, Sept. 14, 2007.

A native of Rome and Floyd County, Cousin Martha was born 13 Oct 1935. daughter of the late **Huber Lonzo and Lois/Loyce Lucille Ledford Barton** [Barton DNA Lineage XIII - William Barton, b 1 Sep 1836 Greenville SC, md. Mary Jane Terry]. A resident of Orlando and Tampa FL, she returned to Rome in 1997. She was a member of Fifth Ave. Baptist Church.

Robert William "Bill" Barton [Barton DNA Lineage I Thomas Barton c1732, md Sarah Wilson] of See Off Mountain, died Thursday, Sept. 27, 2007. Mission at Hospital, St. Joseph's Campus, in Asheville,



North Carolina. A Brevard native he was born July 4, 1928, the son of the late **James Millington and Nellie Allison Barton**. He was preceded in death by his wife, **Robbie Gay Barton**; brothers, **Charles, James, David and Frank Barton**; sisters, **Julia King, Exie Houck and Maxine Cunningham**.

A lifelong resident of Brevard, Mr. Barton attended Brevard College and was a career employee of Harold's Supermarket. He was wellknown for his love of sports, nature and fly fishing the beautiful trout streams of Transylvania County. He was a member of First United Methodist Church in Brevard.

Survivors include his nieces, Carrie Barton, Elizabeth Barton, Frances Blackwell, Sarah Thibodeau and Gayle Hoverson, all of Hendersonville, Barbara Harmon, of Fletcher, Ruth Knight, of Mauldin, S.C., Diane Israel, of Asheville, Brenda Orr, of Little River, Judy Hallam, of Sanford, Maine, and Cyndi Schachter, of Hubert; nephews, Don Cunningham, of Asheville, Ronald Houck, of Marion, Fred Houck, of Southport, and Larry Barton, of Mountain Home. His nieces and nephews will share and

remember wonderful memories of **Uncle Bill**, as will his classmates and friends.

Asheville Citizen-Times (NC) Sep. 29, 2007

**Joseph Evan Barton,** 28, [Barton DNA Lineage I – Thomas Barton b. c1732, md Sarah Wilson] passed away Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2007.

Born July 5, 1979, in San Angelo TX, he was an extraordinary person with so much spirit and zest for life. He appreciated and loved his remarkable doctor, Dr. Cunningham, who helped Evan with his cystic fibrosis and autism. The wonderful and caring team at Cook Children's Medical Center helped make his last moments comfortable and peaceful.

Survivors include his mother, **Janis Brown** and husband, Craig; father, **Len Barton** and wife, nanette; sisters, **Sarah Steiner** and husband, Paul, and **Whitney Barton**; brother, **Gary Barton** and wife, Brandie; grandparents, **Ruby Palmer, T. J. and Skip Barton**, **Blanche Brown and Sam Brown**, and aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Star-Telegram (TX) Sep. 2007 [Mrs. Taylor J. "Skip" Barton, an active member of BHS and contributor to this newsletter, wonders if cystic fibrosis runs in the family and if any other Bartons could shed light on the problem. Please contact her directly at P. O. Box 426, Miles TX 76861-0426]

[Editor's Note: I'm certainly no physician but this is what I've learned - Cystic fibrosis is an autosomal recessive genetic disorder. Because the gene is an autosomal gene, the inheritance does not necessarily come through a paternal or maternal line. Half of the autosomal chromosomes are lost each generation. Therefore the transmission of cystic fibrosis is not tied to a paternal or maternal lineage, but is likely to appear and disappear passing a few generations through either the paternal or maternal side. It may appear in a line, disappear for any number of generations and then reappear from a new source. Tracking the genes responsible for Cystic Fibrosis would be a matter of tracking all the ancestral lines of a particular family that had the disease rather than looking at the direct paternal line. In other words we would not expect Barton Lineage I to have Cystic Fibrosis at any higher rate than any other family line.



**The Barton Book** with Nov. 1999 supplement. The family genealogy of the Thomas Barton married Sarah Wilson and David Barton married Ruth Oldham families, compiled by Robert Dacus Nally, is documented in this revised edition of 848 pages. ©1994. Originally published in 1969 by Jason Edward Barton, the 1994 edition of the book was expanded by Nally from around 5,000 names

to over 23,000 names. This is a part of the family of Thomas Barton, who was first found in Stafford County, Virginia, records in 1675. Hardback (includes shipping and handling) - \$50.00

#### The Book Departme

Rev. Thomas Barton (1728-1780) and Some of His Descendants and Some of Their In-Laws\_ Biographical and genealogical material collected and compiled by Stuart E.

Brown, Jr. The family begins with Capt. William Barton of Carrick Mac Ross, County Monaghan, Ireland. The best known early descendant is Rev. Thomas Barton who married Esther Rittenhouse in 1753. 268 pages © 1988. Hardback (includes shipping and handling) - \$40.00. Paper Cover (includes shipping and handling) - \$30.00

**All of the above** may be purchased directly from Barton Historical Society by sending your check or money order to Bette Barton Pitman, 830 Wicklow Road, Campobello SC 29322.

**The Family Of Wilson Barton and Mildah McKinney** by Karla Cox Smith, \* 136 page record of descendants of the Bartons, who, in 1854 traveled by wagon train from Tigerville SC to Williamson and Burnet County, TX. \* 70 Photos \* 51 outline descendant trees, including over 2500 individuals. \* Gloss laminated soft cover, 81/2" x 11", #70 Acid Free Paper. Previously unpublished information about Wilson, their daughters, Mathursa and Mahala, who remained in SC, the seven sons who went to Texas, including David and Wilson Perry, who died during the Civil War. Also included are hundreds of descendants who were born as recently as 2003. Information on birth dates and places, marriages, children, death dates, places of burial, education, military service, and occupations. © 2003, Send \$20 check to Karla Smith, 406 South Ridge Circle, Georgetown TX 78628, (includes shipping and handling).

**Dark Corner Heritage** by James A. Howard, 1980, is available again. You can order this recent reprint by sending a check for \$12 plus \$3 s&h (=\$15) to Dean Campbell, 302 Hwy 11, Landrum SC 29356. Jim Howard's book presents interesting information from residents of old Glassy Mountain Township, located in upper Greenville County, SC.

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