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GENEALOGICAL INFORMATION FROM THE HINSDALE DOINGS



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Introduction

These abstracts differ from the long running “100 Years Ago in DuPage” column in that only genealogical relevant (in my opinion) articles were selected. Therefore, the abstracts contain not only births, marriages, and deaths, but also information from “gossip” columns that would be helpful in searching for ancestors. This includes “visits” that include a relationship or a different surname that includes the relationship, that is “... Mrs. John Smith of Buffalo, NY, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Brown, in Hinsdale”, “Mr. John Brown has moved to Los Angeles”, etc. Some listings are abstracts, others in which the articles were very short include the full text. The date at the end of the listing is the date of the issue of the newspaper. The volume and number are shown at the first listing for the date. When the same information was reported in several issues, for example “Mrs. John Smith of Buffalo has returned home after visiting ...”, I have only included the information once. The ¶ symbol in an abstract indicates the information following was in a separate article in the same issue. The newspapers are available on microfilm at Hinsdale Public Library but will not be loaned on interlibrary from there.

Abstracts

Volume II:

Miss Beatrice **Kaynor** of Spencer, Iowa, arrived in Hinsdale yesterday ... visit her aunt, Mrs. H. P.

Baldwin. Miss **Kaylor** passed a year in Hinsdale in 1895. Volume II, Number 27, Saturday, April 3, 1897

Miss Laura **Boeteger** spent Sunday in Hinsdale with her brother Mr. William **Boeteger**. April 3, 1897

Miss Clara **Webber** of Oak Park [visited] her uncle, Mr. A. H. **Townsend** [Sunday]. April 3, 1897

Mrs. William **Benton** of Aurora returned home after visiting in Hinsdale with her daughter, Mrs. F. L. **Raymond**. April 3, 1897

Postmaster **Irvine** announced the birth of Mr. **Irvine**, Jr., on Tuesday. April 3, 1897

Mr. Thomas **Murray** entertained ... H. Crowles **Smith** who was visiting his aunt, Mrs. H. W. **Cowles**, in Hinsdale. April 3, 1897

Mr. **Mears**, father in law of Col. D. **Munn** of LaGrange, died suddenly on Tuesday ... Mr. Mears [was] 100 years, 1 week, 1 day. April 3, 1897

Mrs. G. W. **Munson** [returned] to Holyoke, Mass., with infant daughter, Katherine. Mrs. C. L. **Kellog** [sic], Mrs. **Lyman** and little Stuart **Kellog** who have been visiting here returned with Mrs. Munson to their home in the same place. April 3, 1897

Mrs. E. P. **Orr** returned Monday from Waterman [Illinois] where she went last week to attend the funeral of a relative. April 3, 1897

Mr. A. B. **Osgoodby** and his little son of New York City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. **Osgoodby** April 3, 1897

Mrs. William **Fox** is enjoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. **FOX** [sic]. April 3, 1897

Dr. Frank **Jay** visited in Hinsdale Tuesday at the home of his sister, Mrs. George **Lewis** April 3, 1897

The death of Henry **Kremholz** ... occurred Thursday morning at eleven-thirty ... was thirty six years old and had resided here the greater part of his life. ... in failing health for two years ... The funeral occurs from the German Lutheran church today. Volume II, Number 28, Saturday, April 10, 1897 [April 24, 1897, issue: Henry **Kremholz**, beloved husband of Julia **Kremholz**, nee **Murphy**, will be buried from the vault

in Mount Olivet on Thursday, April 29. Trains will leave Polk street Depot at twelve P.M.]

Mr. and Mrs. **Moody** will make their home in Hinsdale on West [sic] Lincoln street May 1st. Mrs. **Moody** resided in Hinsdale several years ago with her sister, Mrs. George **Hall**. April 10, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. **Crocker** entertained a large number of relatives Friday in honor of Mr. Crocker's birthday. April 10, 1897

Mrs. **Colburn** left this week for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. **Baker**, who lives in Sioux City expects to be gone a year. April 10, 1897

Notice: ... I hereby give notice that I will not be responsible for the payment of any debts contracted by my wife, Sophia **Wellman** after this date, April 9, 1897. Henry **Wellman**. April 10, 1897 [April 17, 1897 issue: Attention Public. To whom it may concern: I hereby give notice that I will not be responsible for the payment of any debts contracted by my husband, Henry **Wellman** after this date, April 17, 1897. Sophia **Wellman**.]

Died on Wednesday of last week, Fred **Degener** aged 84 years at his home in Hinsdale. The funeral occurred Saturday and [burial] in Proviso Cemetery. [He was] an old resident of the county having lived here 30 years. Volume II, Number 29, Saturday, April 17, 1897

Mrs. Herman **Fox** returned Thursday from a visit at the home of her mother in Oregon, Ill. April 17, 1897

Born – A son to Mr. and Mrs. Martin **Schuster** on Wednesday, April 7th. April 17, 1897

Roy **Benton** of Aurora, Ill., visited his brother. Volume II, Number 30, Saturday, April 24, 1897

Mrs. Benjamin **Ryder** left Thursday for Danbury, Conn., where she will make her home. Mr. **Ryder** to follow in a month. April 24, 1897

Mrs. Caroline **Ripley** [who spent the] winter at the home of her son, J. A. **Ripley**, returned to Princeton Monday. April 24, 1897

A new physician has located in Hinsdale, Dr. A. S. **Burdick** of Tampa, Florida, where he practiced for four years. April 24, 1897

Mr. Thos. **Shaw** of Grand Island, Neb., is visiting his parents on First street. April 24, 1897

G. W. **Munson** leaves today for Holyoke, Mass., [for] wedding of his sister. Mrs. **Munson** who has been visiting there, will return with him. April 24, 1897

L. **Heim** has disposed of his bakery to E. A. **Langkafel** ... Mr. and Mrs. **Heim** [will leave] for a three month visit to his old home in Germany. April 24, 1897

Mrs. Harriet A. **Perry** passed away shortly after nine o'clock yesterday morning at her home on Maple street. ... in poor health for a year ... sixty-five years old ... resided in Hinsdale for twenty-five years ... leaves husband, two daughters, and three sons. Funeral will be held from the home tomorrow afternoon and the remains ... shipped Monday to her old home in Geneseo, Ill. April 24, 1897

Mr. Z.W. **Davis** and family of Jackson Park Terrace moved this week into the residence of Dr. **Ohls** ... will shortly purchase and build ... April 24, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. **Hintz** christened their baby last Friday. Volume II, Number 31, Saturday, May 1, 1897

Miss June **Bird** and her sisters are visiting relatives in Burlington, Iowa. May 1, 1897

Mrs. Frank [M.] **Needham** is visiting ... her parents in Russell, Iowa. May 1, 1897

Miss Nettie **Shaw** of Chicago spent her vacation from school this week with her cousin, Nina **Wadington**. May 1, 1897

Mrs. E. E. **Carsley** of Chicago visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. I. S. **Bush**. May 1, 1897

Miss Helen **Hornbeck**, a sister of Mrs. N. W. **McLain**, expects to leave Monday for her home in Bloomingburg NY. Mr. F. A. **Hornbeck** of Kansas City returned home after [visiting] home of his sister, Mrs. N. W. **McLain**. Mrs. J. K. **Dorrance** who has been making her home with Mr. and Mrs. N. W. **McLain** started Wednesday for an extended visit to St. Katherine's [sic], Ont. May 1, 1897

Mrs. H. A. **Fulton** is in NYC where she was called by the illness of her mother. May 1, 1897

Mrs. E. H. **Ditzler** and daughter Jesse visited her mother in Naperville. May 1, 1897

Chas. L. **Burdick** of London, England, ... visited his brother, Dr. **Burdick**, Hinsdale's new physician. May 1, 1897

Miss Mattie **Bebb** of Chicago is [visiting] her sister, Mrs. J. B. **Hench**. May 1, 1897

Mr. **Redfern**, Mr. and Mrs. S.W. **Blodgett** and the Misses **Blodgett** attended the wedding of Mr. Charles S. **Jackson** and Miss Pearl **Webster** at St. Luke's church, Evanston, on Wednesday evening. May 1, 1897

Madam **Gordon** left ... for Burlington Iowa where she will visit Mrs. **Perkins**, nee **Convis**. Volume II, Number 32, Saturday, May 8, 1897

Miss Minnie **Titsworth** of Aurora is visiting her mother at the Park Hotel. May 8, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. Garry W. **Munson** [returned from] Holyoke, Mass., where Mrs. **Munson**'s parents reside. May 8, 1897

Miss Daisy **Wentworth** returned from Mississippi Wednesday [where she was visiting] her mother, Mrs. **Hopkins**. May 8, 1897

Miss Nellie **Webster** of Chicago [visited] her aunt, Mrs. G. F. **Lewis**. Volume II, Number 33, Saturday, May 15, 1897

Mrs. **Conkey**, nee May Totman, of Appleton, Wis., was the guest of Miss Helen **Van Liew** Thursday. [She] is a former Hinsdale lady. May 15, 1897

Little Sidney **Sayer**, the young son of R. R. **Sayer** of Park avenue barely escaped injury ... in the city while being driven to the home of his grandfather, Judge J. L. **Lombard**. May 15, 1897

Mr. Wm. **Bebb**, a brother of Mrs. J. B. **Hench**, [has established a dental practice] at 3977 Cottage Grove avenue. May 15, 1897

May **Nicholson** ... celebrated her eighth birthday Wednesday. May 15, 1897

Walter **Bromley** ... is visiting his sister in Birmingham, England. May 15, 1897

Andrew **Anderson** committed suicide Thursday afternoon [about two-thirty p.m. at his home on South Grant street]. Last fall he had dislocated his hip ... tried to cure it by Christian Science ... since then

Anderson's life contained little but misery. He left a wife, son, and daughter. Mr. **Anderson** was fifty-nine years old and came from Sweden six years ago. May 15, 1897

Mrs. J. A. **Ripley** was called to Lincoln, Neb., Tuesday ... by death of her sister. May 15, 1897

Miss June **Bird** entertained last Saturday in honor of her cousin Miss Eugenie **Hayden** ... those present included Mr. Frank **Holmes** of LaGrange, Miss Pearl **Bird**, Messers. Frank and Bert **Holmes**, Ralph **Wamsley**, and W. **Morgan** of LaGrange. May 15, 1897

Miss Mary **Irish** is [visiting] her grandmother and aunt at St. Charles. Miss Mary **Irish** played in a concert given in St. Charles this week ... talented violinist. Volume II, Number 34, Saturday, May 22, 1897

Mrs. A. **Fee** arrived at the home of her aunt, Mrs. **Warner**, from San Francisco last week. May 22, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. **Jackson**, nee **Webster**, of South Evanston were the guests of their cousins, the Misses **Blodgett** during last week. May 22, 1897

Miss Mary **Bellows** enjoyed a visit from her father, Mr. F. **Bellows** of Maryville, Mo., Tuesday. May 22, 1897

Mr. G. S. **Townsend** of Oak Park visited his brother in Hinsdale [and left] taking Perry S. **Townsend** with him. May 22, 1897

The Rev. J. E. **Maxwell** of Chicago Presbytery, and former pastor of the Hinsdale Presbyterian church has received a call ... to the pastorate of the American-British church of Leipsic, Germany. If he accepts the call, he and Mrs. **Maxwell** will sail in August for their new home. May 22, 1897 [June 5, 1897 issue: Rev. **Maxwell** has accepted the call ... The Chicago Evening Post ... published last Saturday an elaborate account ... he was born near Berlin, Ohio, and his grandfather was a clergyman in the Episcopal church. He was prepared for college in one of academies of Philadelphia ... took a two years' course at the Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia, ... post-graduate course in McCormick Seminary ... In Bloomsbury church in the City of London, Oct. 1, 1895, Dr. **Maxwell** was married to Mrs. Sarah **Knisely** formerly of Hinsdale. Photograph of Rev. Maxwell accompanies article.]

Annual spring cleaning bee of Torode Cemetery, three miles north of Hinsdale, ... number of Hinsdale people have relatives buried there ... many of the most prominent persons in this part of the county are buried there including Hinsdale families **Hesses, Townsends, Davis, Plummer**. Volume II, Number 35, Saturday, May 29, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. John **Ritchie** of Austin spent Wednesday with their sister, Mrs. E. J. **Wallace**. May 29, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. **Bird** with their daughter June started on a trip ... May 29, 1897

Madame **Cushing** entertained Mr. and Mrs. George **Berry** of Wilmette ... [they] are the parents of Miss **Berry** who is a teacher [here]. May 29, 1897

Mrs. Sarah E. **Tylor** died Tuesday afternoon at the family residence in Downers Grove ... suffered many years with Bright's Disease and on Monday last underwent an operation that resulted in her death ... former resident of North Lincoln street, Hinsdale. Husband and son survive. May 29, 1897

E. W. **Banker** visited his son, Bert, in Benton Harbor [Michigan] Wednesday. May 29, 1897

Mrs. F. A. **Fournier** leaves today for Valparaiso [Indiana] where she will attend the graduation of her daughter, Agnes. [There is a photo of Mr. F. A. FOURNIER on page 8.] May 29, 1897

Miss Ada **Higgins** left Hinsdale Friday for Newcastle, Penn., [to visit] her aunt Mrs. Tho. **French**. Mr. French, who was the former proprietor of Hinsdale's hotel, is now manager of the great summer hotel, Rock Point. May 29, 1897

Mrs. Thomas **McGee** was the guest of her daughter in the city. May 29, 1897

Born – a son to Mr. and Mrs. **Mitchell** on Saturday last. Mr. Mitchell is operator at the West Hinsdale Cabin. May 29, 1897

Mrs. W. H. **Freeman** and son Courtney [will spend the summer in] Cape Cod. May 29, 1897

H. L. **Edwards** returned from Ithaca, NY, where he has been attending his [ill] father, Prof. H. S. **Edwards**. May 29, 1897

Mr. E. H. **Ditzler** visited his mother ... in Naperville and [saw] his sister Mrs. **Cable** of Calif. whom he had not seen for 18 years. May 29, 1897

Mrs. B. G. **Edgerton** [and son Sam] [went to Wisconsin to] visit her mother. Volume II, Number 36, Saturday, June 5, 1897

Mrs. **Hill** who resided in Pasadena, Calif., during this past winter arrived in Hinsdale last Saturday and is making her home at present with her daughter, Mrs. F. J. **Candee**. June 5, 1897

C. C. **Snow** enjoyed a visit from his cousin, Mr. George **Fisk** of Harvey, Ill. June 5, 1897

Born – on May 29th to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. **Carpenter** of Normal, Ill., a daughter. Mrs. **Carpenter** formerly a resident in Hinsdale. June 5, 1897

Prof. H. S. **Edwards** [died] at the home of his daughter in Ithaca, NY, at two o'clock Monday morning ... the funeral was held [Wednesday afternoon in Hinsdale] at Unity church, where Rev. C. F. **Elliott** conducted the services and spoke of his remarkable musical career ... one of leading organists. [Burial] in Oak Forest cemetery. Prof. **Edwards** was seventy-seven years old, being born in Gorham, Me., in January 17, 1820. [Lived in] Hinsdale ten years. The deceased leaves two sons, Willard H. and Harry Lincoln, and one daughter, Alice. His aged wife also survives him. [lengthy article] June 5, 1897

Commencement exercises of high school will be held at 8:15 Thursday evening ... graduates are Miss Mabel **Robinson**, Miss Nina **Orr**, and Albert **Wolf**. The grammar department holds its exercises Friday morning ... valedictorian is Miss Ruth **Beach**, oration will be given by John **Childs**, and the salutatory by Robin **Thayer**. Volume II, Number 37, Saturday, June 12, 1897

Mrs. J. M. **Frost** entertained her sister, Mrs. F. K. **McDonald** and daughter of the city Wednesday. June 12, 1897

Chas. **Marks** is extremely happy over the arrival of an eight pound baby boy ... on June 1st. June 12, 1897

Mr. Tho. **Dawson** [left] for Scotland where he will visit his old home and ... relatives. June 12, 1897

Born – on June 1st, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph **Schneider**. June 12, 1897

Born – a son to Mr. and Mrs. C. Harold **Vaughan** yesterday morning. June 12, 1897

Born – a baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Sherman **Tate** yesterday morning. June 12, 1897

Mrs. J. G. **Honold** of Maryville, Mo., visited Miss Mary **Bellows**. June 12, 1897

Mr. James **McLain** and wife of Kansas [?? partially illegible] visited their uncle Mr. N. W. **McLain** this week. June 12, 1897

Mr. E. H. **Bailey** and family [left for a] visit to their old home in Kenosha, Wis. June 12, 1897

Mrs. J. E. **Maxwell** is in Indianapolis visiting her sister before sailing for Europe. June 12, 1897

Mrs. S. L. **Kennedy** of Rockford ... visited home of J. A. **Ripley** ... Mrs. **Kennedy** resided in Hinsdale in the 80's. June 12, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. **Webster** enjoyed a visit from Rev. W. **Stover**, temporarily of Oberlin, O., Mr. **Stover** is a missionary to West Central Africa and expects to return [there] August 10th. His wife is a sister of Mrs. **Webster**. June 12, 1897

Mrs. M. L. **Raftree** [and] son will depart for Conway, Mass., where they will be joined by Miss Olive **Raftree** who is attending Hill View school [there]. June 12, 1897

Mrs. C. C. **Woodworth** of Marysville, Ohio, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. MULLER. Volume II, Number 38, Saturday, June 19, 1897

Mr. Peter **Fleming** is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. C. **Ross**. June 19, 1897

The Rev. Richard **Lewis** of Grand Haven, Mich., has been visiting ... his son, George R. **Lewis**. June 19, 1897

Mrs. A. J. **Morgan** of Omaha is visiting her son, **Fred**, of this village. June 19, 1897

Mrs. John C. Y. **Moore** of Minneapolis has been visiting his [sic] mother, Mrs. **Moore**. June 19, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. **Mitchell** left for a visit to his old home in Decatur, Ill. June 19, 1897

Mr. H. D. **Wyllie** and sons Hubert and Graham leave for a trip east today. June 19, 1897

Born – to Mr. and Mrs. **Weisenstein**, on Monday, a son. June 19, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. **Linsley** of Oak Park visited his mother and relatives in this place Sunday. June 19, 1897

Mr. and Mrs. George H. **Williams** went to Michigan ... to attend commencement at the Michigan Military Academy from which their son, Albert, graduated. Albert C. **Williams** graduated June 16th from Michigan Military Academy at Orchard Lake, Michigan. June 19, 1897

Miss Flora **Potter** of Jamestown, Penn., is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Dr. **Burdick**. June 19, 1897

Phillip **Clarke** celebrated his 8th birthday on Thursday of last week. June 19, 1897

Mr. C. L. **Loveland** formerly of this village but now of Chicago ... is the father of a baby boy [born] Monday. June 19, 1897

Wilson **Burt** expects to leave July 3rd for California where he will visit his mother before returning to West Point. Volume II, Number 39, Saturday, June 26, 1897 [July 3, 1897 issue: ... and brothers who live in Pasadena.]

Married at Grace Church at 10 o'clock Thursday morn Mr. Chas. W. **Prior** and Miss Sarah **Ellwood** both of Chicago ... by Rev. Wm. Reid **Cross**. After the wedding the couple were entertained at the home of the groom's brother, Mr. F. J. **Prior** ... until they left for NYC. June 26, 1897

Miss Katherine **Torrence**, principal of the high school, returned to her home in Terre Haute, Ind., Saturday. June 26, 1897

Miss Marion **Granger** returned to her home in Willoughby, Ohio, Saturday after [teaching in] Hinsdale for two years. June 26, 1897

H. A. **Scotford** of Ionia, Mich., is spending the summer with his brother, F. E. **Scotford**. June 26, 1897

Mrs. P. Slater of Hinckley, Ill., visited her daughter Mrs. E. L. **Benton**. June 26, 1897

Miss Grace **Sanders** of Chicago, a daughter of Dr. **Sanders**, visited Sadie **Noble**. June 26, 1897

Mrs. Wm. **Benton** and her daughter, Emeline, of Aurora [visited] Mrs. F. L. **Raymond**. June 26, 1897

Miss Hannah **Morebach** of Chicago [visited] her uncle, J. G. **Lozier**. June 26, 1897

Prof. H. Z. **McLain** of Wabash College at Crawfordsville, Ind., [visited] his brother, N. W. **McLain**. June 26, 1897

Mr. A. R. **Hubbard** and son, James, of Rochester, NY, visited relatives in Hinsdale ... Mr. Hubbard is one of the leading bankers of Rochester. June 26, 1897

