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A True Christmas Story

by Helen Tyler

DNA

This is a reminder that we are still very interested in in our DNA project and to that end would like to have more Dodges participate.

It is a simple, bloodless, painless procedure. The kit is ordered on line and you can either use a credit card or ask to be invoiced at the time that you receive the kit. If you do not have internet accessibility, we would be happy to order a kit for you if you request us to do that. We would have the invoice sent to you at the same time.

What will DNA accomplish for you? If you do not know your Dodge ancestry, it will most likely show you whether you descend from one of the brothers, William or Richard, differentiating between these two brothers, or from Tristram.

If you know your Dodge line, your DNA can help those who do not, by giving them an idea as to what Dodge sub-group upon which to focus.

Please consider taking advantage of this great technology.

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Helen Tyler, was born Helen Alice Dodge on 2 April 1890. She was the daughter of Frank Monroe Dodge and Mary Lodema Strong and the grand-daughter of Baxter Dodge and Welthy Celestia Moore. She descends from Richard.

She has taken "artistic license" (as many authors do) with the words "three little Dodge girls" as she was the only one who was little. Shewould have been only 9 years old, but her sisters, Mildred and Myrtle were 16 and 18.

This story was taken from the book "Treasures of Pioneer History", Vol. 4. Eileen Dodge found this while searching Ancestry.com.

"My father came to Willow Creek, Idaho in the early spring of 1890. He sent for my mother, two sisters and me in August of that same year. Father had worked for neighbors and relatives whose places were near the 160 acres of ground that he had filed on. He had neither time nor money to build a house for us on the homestead so, after a few days of visiting with Mother's sister, Mrs. Louisa Short, we were taken into the house of Amos G. Robinson, a bachelor, who had been here for five or six years. He had a nice two-roomed log house and was very kind to new arrivals in the Valley. We lived there until our own home was ready and the entire family grew very fond of "Uncle Amos," as we called him. Uncle Amos must have been very observing, for if he hadn't he could not possibly have known that there

were three little Dodge girls about to go Christmasless.

We were the only grandchildren of Baxter Dodge who still lived in Buffalo, New York and for nine years these grandparents and two married aunts, who never had any children of their own, had taken care of our Christmas. Always they sent a large barrel filled with bars of maple sugar, hickory nuts, chestnuts and walnuts from trees on their own farms and, of course, clothing; sometimes, a pretty quilt and trinkets for us children. Once they sent a pair of pillows and a feather bed.

The day before Christmas came and still no box, or even a letter, from the East up to the last time anyone had gone

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Tristram Dodge—why did he go to Block Island A followup to an article in the Last journal

An article in our last Journal regarding reasons that might have caused Tristram to be included in the group that settled Block Island caused us to do a little research. Following are some excerpts from "A History of the Baptists" by Thomas Armitage.

"James Sands, one of the first settlers and the first representative from Block Island in the Rhode Island Assembly, was an 'Anabaptist,'* and Niles, his grandson, the historian of the Island, says that 'he did not differ in religious belief from the other settlers.' For about ninety years lay preachers, taken from amongst themselves, continued regular wor-

ship after the Baptist order, and without the formal organization of a Church. Until that time they met in each other's houses, but then they built a meeting-house, and from that period to this they have built seven in succession. In 1759 they engaged Rev. David Sprague to preach for them: 'So long as said Sprague shall serve the inhabitants of the town by preaching to them the Gospel of Christ according to the Scriptures of truth, making them and them only the rule of his faith, doctrine and practice.' A Baptist Church was organized on Block Island October 3, 1772, with Elder Sprague as pastor and

Thomas Dodge as deacon. They adopted the ordinary articles of faith used at that time, that on the ordinances being the ninth and reading thus: 'We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ to be continued in his Church and practiced by believers, after his own example and in obedience to his commandments, until his second coming, and that the former is requisite to the latter.'

"Twelve years after the organization of this Church Thomas Dodge became its pastor, and some of the best families in New England have sprung from this settlement, especially the descendants of Sands, Ray,

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Sand in My

by Stephen Allen Dodge SDodge53@aol.com Samuel Dodge (Samuel, William, Tristram) was my 6th g. grandfather. He married Helena Amerman and they had 12 children. I descend from their son, William who married Elizabeth Forbish.

Samuel was captain in the New York line

during the Revolution, and keeper of the Almshouse, City Hall Park, New York City, 1793-1802. Samuel also was a noted astronomer, a man of literary tastes and author of various poems.

In 1779 he was a member of the legislature from Dutchess Co., New York, and at that time wrote the following poem which was read in the House. This poem should be read twice. Read it across the first time, and the 2nd time, read the 1st half of two lines and then the 2nd half. This was written 'tongue in cheek', and it is obvious by Samuel's service for America in the American Revolution, that he was a patriot and that HIS view is the 2nd one read.

THE POLITICAL SENTIMENTS OF THE AUTHOR, 1779

Hark! Hard! The trumpet sounds. O're seas and solid ground, Who for King George do stand. Their ruin is at hand. The acts of Parliament, I hate their curst intent, Who non-resistance hold, May they for slaves be sold, The Tories of the day, They soon shall sneak away, The Congress of the States, Blessing upon them waits whoe're take Britain's part. May numbers daily run, On Mansfield, North and Bute Confusion and dispute, To North, that British Lord, I wish a block, or cord,

The din of War's alarms Do call us to arms. Their honors soon will shine, Who with the Congress join. In them I much delight. Who for the Congress fight. They have my hand and heart, Who act a Whiggish part. They are my daily toast, Who independence boast. I hate with all my heart, To General Washington Confusion and dishonor, To Britain's royal banner. May daily blessings pour On congress evermore. May honors still be done, To General Washington.

June 16, 1776, Samuel wrote a letter to his cousin, Thomas Dodge Jr., and mentioned "Uncle Jeremiah's family," and the reference in this letter to Jeremiah's grandson, Stephen, as serving in Captain Rosekran's company, established the parentage of Stephen's father, Tristram.

Ed. Note: We, here at the Dodge Association, had thrown this lineage around a lot. There was some thought that this was Stephen Dodge who married Blanche Shadwin. But we have left it as: Tristram, Tristram, Tristram, Stephen.



Ssian E. Dodge was a professional singer. In 1845 he organized a concert troupe and toured the United States. He was the first to take a company overland to San Francisco. He was a strict teetotaler.

This photo is of the cover of a piece of sheet music entitled, *Ossian's Serenade*. The cover photo depicts P. T. Barnum introducing Jenny Lind (often referred to as the Swedish Nightingale) to Ossian E. Dodge. Ossian had purchased a first choice seat for Jenny Lind's first concert in Boston, paying a premium of \$625. In the next few months, Ossian netted \$11,000 in a New England tour.

Ossian was a descendent of Tristram through the David Britain Dodge line.

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Terry, Rathbone, Dodge and Niles. Roger Williams was deeply concerned in the welfare of this little republic, was intimate with its early settlers, and Simon Ray, Jr. married his granddaughter. Thomas Dodge, grandson of Tristram Dodge, one of the original settlers of Block Island, settled at Cow Neck, Long Island, about 1705-10, and was soon followed by Samuel, another grandson. Thomas, it is supposed, built the old homestead still found on Dodge Pond, and from there the family spread to Cow Bay, where we find Dodge Island, near to Sands Point, named after John Sands, who was one of Elder Sands' family from Block Island. Jeremiah Dodge, a great-grandson of the original Tristram, was born at Cow Neck, May, 1716; he was a shipbuilder, having learned his trade from his brother, Wilkie. He removed to New York to follow his business not far from the years 1737-40, and died there in 1800. He brought the old Baptist principles of the family with him, and in 1745 we find the few scattered Baptists of New York meeting in his house and that of Joseph Meeks for prayer-meetings, Dodge and Dr. Robert North, a former member of the disbanded Church, being the leaders of the little congregation."

From Baptist History on the web site for the Empire Baptist Temple in Sioux Fall, South Dakota, we read: "In 1745, Jeremiah Dodge settled in New York City, and began holding prayer meetings in his home. He was a member of the Fishkill Baptist Church. When he learned of Benjamin Miller at nearby Scotch Plains, he asked him to come and hold preaching services at the prayer meetings, which he did. As the Free Will Church had disbanded in

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Piccalilli! Yes, I DID make it. I will not say which recipe I used and all of you very kind people who sent me recipes can think I used yours. It came out great, is truly delicious, and I have enough to last me for a couple of years at least, especially because, alas, Earl prefers store bought relish BUT he DOES like Boston Baked Beans!

Fall has always been my favorite time of year, and in the kitchen I have several winter squash waiting for me to cook and freeze. I like to use squash for pumpkin pie because I think it has more flavor.

This fall, however, will be totally different from other falls. On November 19, one week before Thanksgiving, granddaughter, Hannah Thiessen will be getting married.

Our daughter, Faith Nelson, will be making the wedding cake and she will come from Kansas City a week before the wedding to get the cake made. She will bring her 3 youngest children, Jonathan, Seth, and Andrew, and will also bring one of her two daughters, Linnea, to care for them so that she can actually get a wedding cake made!

I am now attempting to not shop for anything that needs to be frozen, and am also trying to use up some of the items in my two freezers so that I will have room for the cakes.

The rest of Faith's family will be coming out a couple days before the wedding as three of them are either in college or at least taking some college classes. Faith, Joe, and 5 of their 8 children will stay with us and the other 3 children will stay with Karen. Her daughter, Susannah will be Hannah's bride's maid.

This year, Thanksgiving will be a very low key affair here as we all will be tired from our work on the wedding. Faith and family will be going back home as those college kids also have classes for 3 days before Thanksgiving. Karen (Hannah's mother) and her family will be staying home as Karen plans to collapse after the wedding. Instead of a houseful of family for Thanksgiving,

we will have a skeletal crew. One thing, with seven children, there is almost always one or two who can be here for Holidays.

Before Thanksgiving, I will be busy getting out Christmas dishes, putting up the tree, and baking. Impossible as it seems, when you get this Journal, Christmas will be almost upon us. I am sure that the older one becomes, the faster time flies by!

The next thing we have to look forward to is our yearly January visit to Arizona and San Diego where we will attend the Dodge reunion. We encourage any of you who have ever thought you would like to attend one of our reunions, to make plans for the California Reunion. It will be held on the 3rd Saturday in January. If you have an interest, send an e-mail to Col. R. L. Dodge at: rldodge@sbcglobal.net

Barbara

(True Christmas Story - Cont'd from page 1) for the mail. Early in the morning of Christmas Eve, dear Uncle Amos stopped by our house to see if he could do anything for us as he was driving into town. Our parents thought the day was saved as he could pick up the box that was sure to be there. We girls were in bed when Uncle Amos got back. No box or barrel had arrived, but he laid a large parcel in Mother's lap and told her he had picked up a few little things he hoped would please us. Mother said she slowly opened the package, stalling for time, to keep back the tears. Then she unfolded a pair of big, blue denim overalls and another article or two he had bought for himself. Uncle Amos was very shy around the ladies and he blushed and said, "Wrong parcel." He went out and brought in the right one. Next morning, Santa had left me a doll, dressed even to hat and shoes, and a set of little blue dishes. I also remember the yards and yards of brown calico with a design of little half moons in shades of yellow. Some of us had aprons and dresses of that material until I was a good-sized girl. There were bits of it in the last quilt my mother pieced before her death.

Dear Uncle Amos was never rich in dollars and cents, one can easily see why, but, oh, the riches he carried with him into that new Home! — Helen Tyler.

(*Tristram - Continued from page 2*) 1732, some of its former members also attended Dodge's home prayer meetings.

From the "Historical Sketch of the Baptist Denomination in Illinois" by J. M. Peck, 1842: "In the commencement of 1794, Elder Josiah Dodge of Kentucky, made a visit to the Illinois country, and in the month of February, baptized James Lemen, Sen., Catharine Lemen his wife, John Gibons, and Isaac Enochs."

From: General History of the Baptist Denomination In America, and Other Parts of the World, by David Benedict, we find the following: "Organization of the Miami Association: On the 23d of September, 1797, the following named Baptist brethren, principally from the four churches then organized, viz.: Columbia, Miami Island, Carpenter's Run, and Clear Creek, met in conference at Columbia" In the list of names of those who were part of this Organization, we find the name of Josiah Dodge, with the mention that he lived in Kentucky.

Regarding a comment received here at our office a couple of months ago, that 'there were no Baptists in England in the early 1600s', we find the following statement on the web site for The Baptist Observer: "The earliest Baptist church is traced back to 1609 in Amsterdam, with John Smyth as pastor. The group's embracing of "believer's baptism" became the defining moment which led to the establishment of this first Baptist church. Shortly thereafter, Smyth left the group, and Thomas Helwys took over the leadership, leading the church back to England in 1611."

We believe that Tristram, while he may have been asked to teach how to fish most profitably, was asked because he held the same views religiously as those others who accompanied him to Block Island.

* Anabaptists - A very early group of believers who originated in Europe and held to many of the beliefs of today's Baptists.

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No Dodge's Here

By Richard Bartlett Dodge Jr.

I 'm sure that you are aware of Dodge City, Kansas, but have you heard of Dodge, Texas? I live in Texas and was surprised when I saw a sign in a restaurant that said, "Dodge, Texas". Out of curiosity, my wife and I recently set out to visit Dodge, Texas and found it on Farm Road 405 a mile north of U.S. Highway 190 and ten miles east of Huntsville, in eastern Walker County,



Texas. What we discovered in May of

2005 was a place so small that the 65-mile per hour speed limit isn't even reduced during the 15 seconds it takes to drive through it. I found two businesses, a church, a post office, a cemetery, and I would guess a population of no more than 150.

Having visited and photographed many of the Dodge tombstones in the Dodge Row Cemetery in Massachusetts, I eagerly searched the Dodge, Texas Cemetery to find the Dodges who were buried there, but I found no Dodge tombstones! I was sure that I must have overlooked them. However, I later found a cemetery records book at the Dallas Public Library that listed who was buried in the Dodge Ceme-



tery. It verified that there were no Dodges in the Dodge Cemetery. I found this a bit odd that a town named Dodge had no Dodges buried in the cemetery so I decided that further research was required. I found that Dodge had its first settlers around 1825. Martin Palmer, who signed the Texas Declaration of Independence and was the namesake for Palmer County, Texas was an original landowner. In 1853 several additional families moved to the area from Cincinnati to escape a yellow fever epidemic.

After the Civil War the Houston and Great Northern Railroad, constructed

by the Phelps-Dodge Company, arrived in Walker County. In 1872 Martin Palmer's son, William, granted right-of-way to the H&GN Railroad. A depot named Dodge Station was established and a town laid out. The town took its name from the construction company, although local legend has it that the name Dodge was chosen to indicate that the company "dodged" laying its tracks through Huntsville. In the 1870s the community had a Masonic lodge, a hotel, a vacant store, a school, and two general stores. When the post office was established in 1881, Dodge Station became Dodge. By the mid-1890s the population was 150; by 1914 it was 500. The community prospered, adding two churches, a bank, cotton gins, two additional general stores, and two drugstores. The town was seriously damaged by a fire in 1924 and a second one the following year.



From 1901 until 1936 Dodge served as a junction for the Trinity Valley Southern and IGN railroads, which served the lumber industry in the region. Dodge had three businesses, two churches, two schools, and numerous scattered dwellings in 1936. However, the Great Depression years witnessed the phasing out of the lumber industry throughout the area, and the community began to falter. Several fires destroyed buildings over the next few years, and they were not rebuilt. In 1943 the town had a population of 150

and three businesses and doesn't seemed to have grown since.

So if you find yourself in Texas and have an extra 15 seconds, you might enjoy a scenic drive through Dodge, but don't look for any Dodges in the Dodge Cemetery.

Note: I have excerpted some of this history from two sources: 1) Texas Escapes.com and 2) The Handbook of Texas Online.



Eileen's Trivia Corner EDodge1946@aol.

All I Want For Christmas Is A New Surname

Dear Santa: Don't bring me new dishes, I don't need a new kind of game.
Genealogists have peculiar wishes
For Christmas I just want a surname.

A new washing machine would be great, But it's not the desire of my life. I've just found an ancestor's birth date; What I need now is the name of his wife.

My heart doesn't yearn for a ring That would put a real diamond to shame. What I want is a much cheaper thing; Please give me Mary's last name.

To see my heart singing with joy, Don't bring me a red leather suitcase, Bring me a genealogist's toy; a surname with dates and a place.

(author unknown — seen in Illinois State Gen. Soc. newsletter 1984)

This and That:

In the Probate records of Essex County, Massachusetts, we find that a Mr. John Croad, deceased was owed divers monies from many, many people, both in Massachusetts and in Newfoundland, where we find Tristram listed as Trustram and the fact that he owes the court 2 lbs, 15 s (shillings). The year seems to be about 1670. By this time, our Tristram had traveled to Massachusetts and from there gone to Block Island where he and his family settled.. Perhaps this is our Tristram and perhaps not!



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CHRISTMAS

Soon we will celebrate the happiest day of the year, Christmas. The day tells us of God's love and serves to bring families closer as is the case with Thanksgiving Day. On behalf of the Dodge Family officers and board members, Barbara and I express the hope that this year's Christmas Season will be a time of great joy and warmth for you and your family.

CHRISTMAS GIVING

Recently you were supplied a list of books, memberships and other Dodge-related items which you may give as Christmas gifts. When you order in time, we can get the items to you or to those who are to receive them well before Christmas. When you have them sent to others, we include a gift card telling them that the item(s) are a gift from you. A \$20 membership, a \$50 JTD or RLD Genealogy Book or other items can start your loved ones on a lifetime of family discovery.

2006 DODGE FAMILY TOUR

The seventh Dodge Family Tour is now set for September 25 to October 9, 2006. Tour members will arrange for their own least expensive flight to and from Manchester, England. We arrive on the 26th and are met by the friendly Bullock's Coach driver/representative. A short drive takes us to our Hotel where we can rest up and get acquainted.

We have our first dinner together that evening and on the 27th we head for famed seaport Bristol. We take the Steam Train on Severn Valley Railway into Wales and back to Bristol. While in Bristol we will tour the S.S. Great Britain.

We next ride in our comfortable roomy coach to Falmouth with an interesting stop along the way (yet to be determined). We will visit Lands End, St. Ives and St. Michael's Mount. We next go to Plymouth from where the Pilgrims embarked for America. Enroute we will stop at the Eden Project, an environ-

mental project which includes several large greenhouses. There is a great emphasis on plant life and one of the greenhouses is the largest in the world built in a giant crator.

We will have a free day in Plymouth. We have been there before. There is much to see including the point from which the pilgrims left for their new home.

We then head for Shaftsbury where we will enjoy the Royal Chase Hotel again for three nights. Shaftsbury itself is an interesting place with its steep Gold Hill and interesting shopping areas. While there we will visit the Chinnocks in Somerset where William and Richard originated. We will visit Portland Island and the WW II Tank Museum in Dorchester.

Finally we head for Stockport, so prominent in Dodge History. We will stop first in Exeter, a lovely old Roman City with a famed Cathedral. While in Stockport we will see the open- air market, now some 500 years old, the beautiful Town Hall and St. Mary's Parish Church where some of our Dodge Family ancestors worshipped.

On our final full day we will attend services at St. Mary's, have an English Tea and tour at Halliday Hill House, one of our Dodge ancestral homes (begun in the late 1300's) and end the day with our Farewell Dinner at the famed Bells of Peover Inn. The Inn is so named because it is adjacent to the church with the famed bells. Likely we will get to hear the Sunday evening bells rung as we did on a previous tour.

On Monday, October 9 we will be taken back to the airport for our flight home.

Except for your air-fare from your home to Manchester and back we include all expenses in one very reasonable price.

Tour Participants Receive:

• 13 Nights' Lodging in very fine, clean, comfortable hotels.

- Full English Breakfast and Dinner each day.
- All transportation to and from the airport and to all points we see.
- We ride in our private, very comfortable coach with a restroom on board. We have many extra seats so we can change positions and stretch out when we need a rest.
- Admission to all attractions such as the Eden Project, Severn Train Ride, Tank Museum, SS Great Britain, etc. Luggage Handling from time coach meets us at airport until we return there.

We purposely limit the distances we travel each day. It is not a "if this is Tuesday, this must be Belgium" type of tour. Plenty of time to get acquainted and relax.

Those who have gone before have returned for a total of as many as five tours. Universally, all agree it is a wonderful experience.

Cost: Total cost of the 14 day-13 night land tour is \$3,125. The dollar has slipped and costs have gone up since our 2004 Anniversary Tour. By shaving just a bit of time off the schedule and with the kind help of Alan Bullock the 2006 Tour will cost not a penny more than the 2004 tour.

The Tour is operated by Dodge Historic Tours, a non-profit service operated by Earl and Barbara Dodge. The Tour's sole purpose is to help our family see the land of their roots and appreciate our heritage even more than we do now. Barbara and I will help you with airfare reservations at lower rates, trip planning, special needs, etc.

Our 2004 tour included participants both from the United States and from England. ALL DODGE FAMILY MEMBERS FROM ANY NATION ARE MOST WELCOME.

You will find a reservations form on the back of the letter enclosed with this issue of the Dodge Family Journal. If you need more information please contact either of us at (303) 237-4947 or Earl at earldodge@dodgeoffice.net or Barbara at barbdodge@dodgeoffice.net



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REQUESTS
COLUMN
by Norman Dodge
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This October in the Northwest, we have enjoyed one of the most beautiful Fall Color changes we have ever experienced.

Once again I ask from help from our members. Last month's response was terrific as the readers helped solve 4 mysteries. If you have any information on any of the mystery Dodges in this column, please contact me at: nedodge@aol.com. In addition, a particular mystery may also have the name of another person to contact. Following are the new mysteries:

Looking for information on Charles Cromwell Dodge b. 26 Aug 1825, Middleton, Nova Scotia, Canada; married Elizabeth Unknown b. Aug 11 1835; d. Nov 6, 1906, and Margery S. (possibly Hayes), d. 3 July 1870, age 46. The 1860 Census for Bangor, Maine, shows the family with Casatara 12, Augusta 10, Louisa 3, Jesse 5. Casatara married a Redfern. Jessie married D.A. Noye., Louisa married Albert Beals. All are buried in Pine Grove Cemetery, Middleton. Contact Jim: dodgeri@cox.net

William Dodge, b. abt. 1861 Iowa, married Henrietta 'Etta' Trowbridge. He was the son of Perry and Elizabeth Dodge. Who are Perry's parents? Contact Vicki: phoe@xmission.com

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John Wilkes Dodge, b. 23 Dec 1779 in Massachusetts, the son of Jesse Dodge and Joanna Lombard. Who are Jesse's parents?

Looking for the parents of Porter Dodge, b. abt. 1820 in Maine. He married Azubah Ann Hunt, born 1829 in Maine. Children: Josephine, Azubah, Nancy, Victoria, William.

Charles Oliver Dodge, b. July 1863 in Iowa, married Myrtle Richards. He was the son of George O. Dodge and Eunice Davis. Who are the parents of George O. Dodge?

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Oliver Cromwell Dodge was b. 26 Jan 1873 in New York. He married Anna McVine. Their children were Marguerite, Edward F., Thomas O., Ella, Anna. Who are Oliver's parents? Contact Ed: hickey.ed@gmail.com

Andrew Jackson Dodge was b. 1839 in Edgecomb, Maine, son of Cyrus and Mary Dodge. Who are the parents of Cyrus?

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Looking for children of Hull Dodge and Anna Horton. We believe they had at least one son, David Horton Dodge, b. abt. 1806.

Looking for the parents of George Washington Dodge, b. 11 June 1836. He married Martha Soules. Their children were Amasa William, b. 11 June 1859/60 and Mary Alice, b. 28 Feb 1863. This family moved to Minnesota. Contact Loretta Chapman: lorlee@home.net

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Daniel Dodge was b. in New York about 1870. He married Elizabeth Sternberg who was born 16 October 1772 in New York. This family moved to Canada and supposedly were loyalists. There is a possibility that Daniel came back to America before he died. Even though this line is proven by DNA to belong to the John Dodge Family, it still remains a brick wall for Adrienne Sherrin. The only Daniel in our John Branch data base who has ties to Nova Scotia is Rev. Daniel Dodge, a grandson of Josiah Dodge and Susannah Knowlton. Josiah went to Canada in 1761. Could there be a possible connection between Daniel who married Elizabeth Sternberg, and the family of Josiah Dodge?

Another mystery is Nathan J. Dodge who married Dolly Burnham, 13 February 1828. They had 5 children and moved to Wisconsin. Again, a DNA test proves this line is from Richard Dodge. We DO know the parentage of Nathan's wife. **Do not confuse this line with Nathan Cram Dodge** which several people have done, including myself. Both Nathans lived in Johnson Vermont about the same time. Nathan Cram Dodge & his

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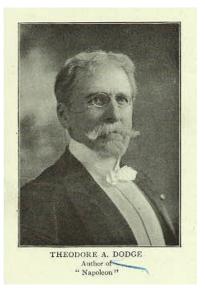
Wife Sarah "Sally" Wait moved to Illinois and then to Iowa, but the parents of Nathan <u>J.</u> Dodge are unknown.

Phineas Dodge b. about 1750 married Betsey Morse, 08 February 1791 in Swansey, New Hampshire. She was b. 13 October 1755, in Attleboro, Massachusetts. They raised their family in Chelsea, Orange County, Vermont. Anyone having the parentage of Phineas Dodge please contact Melissa Dodge at mmdodge2002@yahoo.com

John Dodge, b. 30 Dec. 1808 in Utica, NY, married Sarah Banks Ives about 1831 in Springboro, Pennsylvania. In the 1880 Census John claims his parents are from Maine. John & Sarah were on the Himes wagon train that traveled across the Cascades through Natchez Pass in Washington Territory in late 1853. They first settled in East Tacoma and later in Thurston County near Mud Bay. We are looking for the parents of this John Dodge.

Byron Marshall Dodge b. about 1832 Prescott, Hampshire Co., Massachusetts married Sarah A. Breman on 19 October 1854 in Wilbraham, Hampden County, Massachusetts. She was b. about 1836 in New Braintree, Worcester County, Massachusetts. We are looking for Bryon's father and mother.

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This photo is of Theodore Ayrault Dodge, a descendent of William Dodge. Watch future Journals for an article on Theodore.