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## ...From Humble Beginnings... One of this Country's greatest Philanthropists

### Memories of England

by Norman E. Dodge

Thatched cottages, quaint villages, lunch at neighborhood pubs, castles and manor houses, sheep grazing in the pastures, canal boats on the inland waterways, Sunday afternoon Tea in a 14<sup>th</sup> century Dodge ancestral home, large cathedrals in cities and small country churches where our Dodge ancestors worshiped are but a few of the images that are brought to mind regarding my various trips to England with the Dodge Family Association (DFA). Each of those images, and more, that dot the English landscape bring ever closer the past to the present and a feeling of connectedness to my roots.

I have participated in five of the six DFA tours to England. Whether the traveling group has been large or small, all who have traveled together have felt a wonderful sense of "family," and many lasting friendships have

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Dodges are few in number who have not heard of the great philanthropist of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, William Earl Dodge of New York. He married Melissa Phelps and became part of the Phelps-Dodge Mining company. His statue resides outside of the New York Public Library. Undoubtedly, many of those same Dodges have no idea from what humble beginnings he came.

"Few lives have more of the element of tragic romance than that of the pioneer woman of South Killingly, Mrs. Hannah (Wilson) Spalding. Her husband, Jacob

Spalding of Plainfield, inherited a right on the Owaneco Purchase, and was the first to take possession of a Killingly section. His adventures and exploits in connection with the Indians are well known. Mrs. Spalding's prowess in routing a noisy band attempting to force their way through the window, by striking the leader on the mouth with an enormous beef-bone, is handed down by admiring descendants. Jacob Spalding was killed instantly, thrown from his cart on Black Hill, leaving his widow and two children in comfortable circumstances. Mrs. Spalding

was an unusually attractive person, of fine presence and character. To the great disgust of friends and relatives she gave her hand in a few years to an adventurer, who had figured among the Scotch settlers of Voluntown, under the name of Girk. To Mrs. Spalding, he confided that his real name was Edward Stuart and that he was a lineal descendant of the royal line, sharing the exile of the banished King. His appearance and manners confirmed this story, which was also vouched for by Rev. Samuel Dorrance and other prominent settlers of  
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## James Dodge born 1771 - Descendant of Tristram

Jim Dodge of Worthington, Massachusetts, sent the following information on one, James Dodge, b. 1771, that we believe to be the same James Dodge who was born to Samuel Dodge, Jr. and his wife, Helen Amerman, descendants of Tristram Dodge of Block Island, Rhode Island.

He was researching his Dodge family history via the LDS web site, and found a James Dodge who died 10 Oct, 1804 in Tunis, son of Samuel and Helen Amerman Dodge.

Tunis? What would he have been doing there?

Jim is a U.S. Navy Veteran and has always had a great interest and pride in the USS Constitution, "Old Ironsides". He recently visited that museum in Boston, and learned about the Barbary War when

Pres. Jefferson ordered the frigate, along with other war ships of the U.S. Navy to protect national shipping interests off the coast of North Africa, including Tunis. TUNIS? BINGO!

He wrote to the museum's director and confirmed that there was a James Dodge who was the Surgeon on the USS Constitution in 1804. He was later appointed Charge' d'Affaires at Tunis, Tunisia, Africa on August 18, 1805. He died in office in Tunis in October 1806.

Jim then corresponded with the Librarian of the USS Constitution Museum who sent him (forwarded on to us) some pages of a book entitled, "A Most Fortunate Ship, A Narrative History of Old Ironsides, by Tyrone G. Martin, Revised Edition, Naval Institute Press, 1997. It mentions Surgeon James Dodge.

From the REGISTER OF OFFICER PERSONNEL from above mentioned book:

"Dodge, James, Surgeon's mate, August 29, 1799. Surgeon, September 11, 1800. Served in U.S.S. Adams during Quasi-War with France. Discharged August 20, 1801, under P. E. A. Surgeon, April 2, 1804. Served in Congress and Constitution in the Mediterranean, 1804-1805. Appointed Charge d'Affaires at Tunis, August 19, 1805. Died in Office, October 1806."

Also, from page 121-122 of this same book, under PEACE WITH TUNIS, the last paragraph on page 122 states: "And finally, Surgeon James Dodge on Constitution was appointed to new consul for Tunis, so that the bey would not be embarrassed by  
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## Sand In My Shoes

by  
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William Earl Dodge  
(Descendant of Richard Dodge)  
New York City, April 27, 1880

A magnificent audience of ladies and gentlemen was assembled last night in Association Hall to hear Mr. William Earl Dodge's lecture on "Old New York," being a series of reminiscences of the Metropolis 50 years ago. The admission was by invitation. At 8 o'clock, every seat and all available standing room in the hall were occupied, and hundreds of persons who had been invited were of necessity turned away. Several members of Mr. Dodge's family who arrived shortly after 8 o'clock were unable to gain entrance and were compelled to take seats in the reading room until the lecture was over. Among the guests present were ex-Gov. E. D. Morgan, Henry Hilton, Peter Cooper, W. H. Vanderbilt, J. J. Astor, & Royal Phelps to name a few. It is probable that Mr. Dodge will be asked to repeat the entertainment.



*(Humble Beginnings—Continued from page 1)*

Voluntown. Mr. Dorrance performed the marriage ceremony, and Edward Stuart reigned in the Spalding mansion. There was much talk among the neighbors of his fine clothes and lordly air. His linen was so fine that it could be drawn through a ring; his gilded rapier was of astonishing beauty and workmanship. He spoke French with great fluency, and had great skill in fencing.

The only child of this marriage was a daughter, named Mary in honor of the ill-fated Queen. Soon after her birth, Stuart went abroad for a year, in which he was supposed to have taken a part in uprisings in England. After his return he persuaded his wife to sell the farm she held in her own right, and with the proceeds prepared for another venture. His proceedings were at this time considered so suspicious that he was forbidden by the town to harbor "one Sherrod," and for several days before his final departure he maintained "a guarded secrecy," and then stole away by night. From Baltimore he wrote to his wife that he was about to make one more effort

to retrieve his fortunes and whatever he might gain "it would not be too good to share with her." This was the last ever heard of Edward Stuart. The date of his disappearance tallies remarkably with that of the first concerted attempt by Charles Edward to regain the throne of Britain. Very extensive preparations had been made for this invasion, but a great storm scattered the fleet and wrought great destruction in life and property. If Edward Stuart was what he claimed to be, he met the fate of many of his associates. Mrs. Stuart survived but a few months. Her health had been greatly affected by the talk and suspicion of her kindred and neighbors, and the estrangement and opposition of her children.

Mary Stuart grew up a beautiful girl, strongly resembling her father in manner and personal appearance, but the Stuart destiny pursued her. The farm that would have come to her having been preempted by her father, she was forced through life to struggle with poverty, marrying when young, William Earl, of Brooklyn. Their home and its contents were destroyed by fire in the middle of a winter night, the family barely escaping with their lives, wading barefoot through deep snow. Hoping to repair this loss, Mr. Earl enlisted in the unfortunate expedition to Havana and died of yellow fever. Mary supported herself and her two sons until her marriage with a young carpenter, David Dodge, and then enjoyed a few years of comparative comfort and happiness. But with the Revolutionary War, new trials came. Her two Earl boys, fine, spirited young men, were early induced to enlist, and both died of exposure and disease. Mr. Dodge sunk all his property in the manufacture of Continental wagons. Mary Stuart's health and nerve were completely shattered by all that she had passed through, and her remaining days were clouded by sickness and poverty. The children of her second marriage were a comfort and support. Her daughter, Mrs. Sprague, of Hampton, was a woman of unusual character and piety, and her son, David L. Dodge, after a manly struggle, succeeded in founding that mercantile house in New York, still represented by his grandson, William Earl Dodge."

This part of the story was provided by Joanna Lewis of New York. She is trying to connect her ancestor James Danforth Dodge to Daniel Danforth

Dodge, a descendant of Richard. She believes that James is a son of Daniel. Can anyone help with this? If so, please contact us. (Note: This took place in Connecticut.)

William Earl Dodge, a descendant of Richard, was always planning to write his memoirs, but never got around to it. After his death, his family "experienced the difficulty of collecting and arranging a somewhat crude mass of material" and finally published in 1887, MEMORIALS OF WILLIAM E. DODGE, compiled and edited by D. Stuart Dodge, one of his sons.

There is much in this book that could be included here but a note about Mary Stuart: Her first husband, William Earl, died in Havana, where he had gone as an officer in the English expedition against the Island of Cuba. She then married David Dodge and they had two children.

Mary was a "rigid Calvinist of the Whitefield school". Her son, David Low Dodge, took part in revival work, found opportunity for religious and theological reading, and wrote some articles for the "Connecticut Evangelical Magazine." He united with others to form The New York Peace Society and was made president of that organization. This group also organ-ized the New York Bible Society to pro-vide free Bibles, and from that group also sprang the New York Tract Society.

David Low Dodge's son, William Earl Dodge helped to start the Young Men's Christian Association and was very involved in doing philanthropic works.. One of HIS grandsons, Anson Phelps Dodge, Jr. was the subject of a book by Eugenia Price, "Beloved Invader" which is how Anson became pastor of a church on St. Simons Island, Georgia. Pictures of Anson, the church, etc. can be found on our web site and as time permits we will add much about William Earl Dodge.

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# The View From My Window



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DFA member, Betty Bennington, sent us photos of her rescued pets. She also likes to write free style poetry and included one that she wrote about her cat. The photo of the dogs, taken in 1991, is not clear but I am including it anyhow so that you can get an idea of what they looked like. Betty writes: "Marlene (the dog on the left) came from the Humane Society. She



looked at us with HOPE in her eyes and tail wagging. She seemed to be saying, 'Take me, take me.' So we did.

Uwe (on the right) had shown up at a neighbors house. He came to our place looking for food.

When Trouble arrived at our front door she did not look old enough to be weaned! She lived with us for 17 years."

As you know, Earl and I foster labs for Safe Harbor Rescue of Colorado. Each lab we have is very special and Earl always makes the comment that he will be sad when it gets adopted. Nevertheless, each one does get adopted and finds a wonderful forever home.

A few weeks ago, we were asked to take a 4 yr. old black lab that was at the Denver Dumb Friends League. I drove down to Denver to get him. When he was brought out to me, he had no name and was trembling all over. I took him home and by the afternoon, the trembling had stopped. He fit in right away with our own 3 dogs. Earl named him Fred.

It also became apparent quite soon, that he had taken Earl as his very own person, laying in Earl's office during the day, and periodically bringing toys to Earl to be played with. If Earl ignored him, he would yip quite loudly until Earl stopped his work to play with Fred.



## Trouble at my door

By Betty Bennington

One fall evening there was squalling,  
Clawing, sliding, and grasping  
at my front door  
TROUBLE in a terrified bundle -  
BLACK AND WHITE FUR,  
trying to survive.

That hungry mite infested kitten  
Endured many bathroom basin baths  
And in return would loudly purr.  
She would always be known as Trouble.  
She would sit on the basin and lap  
At running water or she would slap  
At my face or hair for strokes  
—then knead.

And she would rub noses with our dogs,  
Throw her body and arch her back  
At other cats, pounce a bird or mouse.

She somehow knew the mouse  
she could keep,  
But the bird she would run with,  
even though

She was proud of her prowess,  
but knew I would save it if I could.  
All of this she did for seventeen years  
That she squalled, clung,  
and fought for life.

Again, Earl made comments about how much he would miss Fred when he was gone. Fred did get adopted, but a week later he was back because the other dog at the home did not like him. He was ecstatic to be 'back home'.

Earl had to leave on a 3 day trip and while he was getting ready that morning, Fred was constantly at his heels. When Earl left, Fred refused to play and for 3 days just moped around the house. If I threw a ball he just looked at it.

I realized that I had a problem on my hands. A husband who loved a dog and a dog who loved him back! So, while Earl was gone, I adopted Fred as a Christmas gift. But...when Earl got back, to be greeted exuberantly by Fred,

and told me with tears in his eyes how much he would miss Fred if he got adopted, I ended up telling him early about his gift. Then there were still tears in his eyes, only they were happy tears. So, now we are a 4 dog family, something that daughter Karen prophesied about 3 weeks before and I denied it vehemently. Below is a picture of Earl with his Christmas gift.

Barbara



Below, is pictured Edward S. Dodge (1816-1857) painted by John Wood Dodge (1807-1893) in 1835. On the backing paper is inscribed: "Painted by John Wood Dodge Likeness/brother Edward S. Dodge/Apl. 1835, New York" This is a watercolor on Ivory, 3 3/4 by 3 1/4 inches.

John Wood Dodge and Edward Samuel Dodge were sons of John Dodge (Descendant of Tristram) and Margaret English Wood, and were two in a group of 11 children of John and Margaret. John was famous for his portraits in miniature. In this painting, Edward was about 19 years old.



(James Dodge-Surgeon - Cont'd from page 1)  
the continued presence of Davis, who had represented the uncommonly hard-nosed commodore in recent parleys."

A letter to Jim Dodge from Tyrone G. Martin, CDR, USN (Ret.) sent to Jim December 4, 2006, states:

"Dear Mr. Dodge,

Your ancestor proceeded to the Mediterranean in USS Congress, under command of Captain John Rodgers. Arriving in mid-September 1804, just after Commodore Edward Preble concluded his attacks on Tripoli. In early November, Preble having begun his return to the United States, Captain Rodgers took command of Constitution and brought all his officers with him. That's how Acting Surgeon James Dodge came to be in the ship. Later that same month, he received his commission as Surgeon (which apparently is his only appearance in official records!)

In June 1805, a peace treaty with Tripoli was concluded in Rodgers' cabin aboard the frigate, Rodgers subsequently took the squadron, of which he had become acting commander, to Tunis to ensure that THAT Arab leader would also keep the peace. About the middle of August, Surgeon Dodge was appointed acting Charge d'Affaires at Tunis until Washington could appoint a regular diplomat.

I haven't the correct information, but apparently your information regarding his death in 1804 is in error. Too, Commodore Preble was from Falmouth, Maine, not Albany, New York.

Sincerely,  
Tyrone G. Martin  
CDR, USN (Ret)

Also included from Tyrone Martin, is another page of Statement of Service., Uss Constitution.

**Date/Mode of Entry**= 9 Nov. 1804; trf from USS CONGRESS, then at Syracuse, Sicily I.

**Date/Mode of Departure**= 17 Aug 1805, trf to duty as American Consul, Tunis, Tunisia.

**Battle State**= Cockpit; attend the wounded

**Watch Section** = none



**OLD IRONSIDES**

By Oliver Wendell Holmes  
September 16, 1830

Ay, tear her tattered ensign down!  
Long has it waved on high,  
And many an eye has danced to see  
That banner in the sky;  
Beneath it rung the battle shout,  
And burst the cannon's roar;  
The meteor of the ocean air  
Shall sweep the clouds no more.

Her deck, once red with heroes' blood,  
Where knelt the vanquished foe,  
When winds were hurrying o'er the flood,  
And waves were white below,  
No more shall feel the victor's tread,  
Or know the conquered knee;  
The harpies of the shore shall pluck  
The eagle of the sea!

Oh, better that her shattered bulk  
Should sink beneath the wave;  
Her thunders shook the mighty deep,  
And there should be her grave;  
Nail to the mast her holy flag,  
Set every threadbare sail,  
And give her to the god of storms,  
The lightning and the gale!

**Specific Duties**= Fully qualified doctor responsible for the good health of ship's company.

**Remarks**= During his time on board, the ship was engaged in operations against the Barbary pirates.

**Sources**= Muster Roll(s), USS CONSTITUTION, T829, NA.

Passwords for genealogy on web site are:  
User Name: dodgefamily Password: ispy

Jim contends that the LDS dates are off by 2 years and that James Dodge died in Tunis on the date that is in the record in the USS Constitution Museum, October 1806.

Jim finishes up his letter to us with the following paragraph:

"What impressed me the most was reading about the spectacular display that our warships must have presented. Sailing in formation, including Old Ironsides under the command of Captain John Rodgers, into the harbor of Tunis. It must have been a magnificent sight!"

*Ed Note: an interesting (to us) sidelight, is that the mother of Barbara Dodge who writes 'The View From My Window' column on page 3, and who now is 102 years of age, remembers school children bringing pennies to school to save "Old Ironsides" when it was in threat of being discarded in the early 1900s. From an article about Old Ironsides, we read:*

"Old Ironsides, built in Boston in 1797, was one of the first six warships authorized by Congress. It was about to be condemned in 1830, but was saved when Oliver Wendell Holmes' poem "Old Ironsides" raised public concern. Later, when the Navy wanted to use it for target practice, it was again saved by the public. At that time, school children contributed pennies and raised \$194,000.



We have been giving full state names for the sake of those who live outside this country, but we need to start abbreviating those names because of space constraints. Here are some of the state abbreviations and they will continue in the next Journal. We will also post them on our web site for easy access to those outside of the U.S.  
NEW ENGLAND States:  
Maine-ME  
New Hampshire-NH  
Vermont-VT  
Massachusetts-MA  
Connecticut-CT  
Rhode Island-RI



## An Unfinished Story

In the Nov/Dec Journal we started a story about the SMITH House with Dodge connections...only we neglected to finish what we knew (or didn't know) about that house.

First of all, we meant to ask if any of our members has ever seen that photo. Secondly, we wondered if any of you know the connection of this Smith family to a Dodge family.

Third, we meant to say that we believe the connection is through the family of William Stickney Dodge of Newburyport, BUT, we are unable to find that connection.

Chuck Dodge did find a bit more on this Smith family than we had in our last Journal and he sent us the following:

"Regarding the story on the Smith House in the last Journal: Norman Smith is Norman Page Smith, b. 26 Sep 1904 to Arthur Greenleaf Smith / Grace A. Page. Arthur Greenleaf Smith, b. 5 Jun 1881 to Ebenezer / Ella ---he holds the goat in photo.

Arthur's sister is Ruth Caroline Smith, b. 22 Jun 1883, Newburyport.

Ebenezer Smith, Newburyport, 39, brick mfg. son of Ebenezer Smith / Maria L. George, 1st marriage, by William W. Newell, 1st Presbyterian. married Ella R. Greenleaf of Newburyport, age 28, b. Medford to Edward Henry Greenleaf / Caroline Colby. (1st marriage)

Caroline Colby of Westport, Maine, b. 1824.

Edward H. Greenleaf, age 30 m. 22 Jun 1848 at Chelsea, Massachusetts to Caroline, age 24. Edward was b. 1818 and was a carpenter.

Your hunch about William Stickney Dodge family is probably on target. William Stickney Dodge married Mary Greenleaf 16 Sep 1804 - she was a daughter of Abel Greenleaf / Catherine Peverly of Portsmouth, NH They had a son, Junior, who married Ruth Blumpey who was the probable source for the naming of Ruth in the photo.

Part of this problem is that we do not know who wrote the info on photo, or when. I would guess from the look of Arthur/Ruth that this picture dates about 1887-1888. The grandparents,

DODGE, could be Wm. Dodge / Ruth Blumpey. This is only a wild guess since this Dodge family was "in the neighborhood".

From looking at the Massachusetts censuses - Ebenezer, 70 and Ella, 54 are in the 1910. Ella list her birthplace as Massachusetts; her father's as Massachusetts, and her mother's as Maine. So, she is still a SMITH and has fudged her birthday because the 1900 census shows him as 60 and her as 49.

In the 1920 MA census of Grafton, Grafton State Hospital, there is an Ella G. Dodge, 64, MA MA ME. There is a possibility that Ebenezer died and Ella married Dodge between 1910 and 1920 and loses it! Her marriage to Smith in 1879 said it was her first.

So the notations on the photo would have been made in early 20th century probably by a Smith descendant.

In the 1860 census of Medford, MA, Ella R. Greenleaf, 9, is listed with Hannah Reed, 76 - Henry F. Reed, 42 / Rebecca G., 35.

This is interesting because the mother of Grace A. Page (Arthur's wife) was Lizzie REED (Sarah E. in the 1880 census) Next door to this Reed family is a SMITH family - William, 40, ship-builder. So we do not know what happened to Edward and Caroline (Colby) Greenleaf.

Interesting mystery!!!!

*(Memories of England - Continued from page 1)* been made on those tours. I have been on other guided tours where the touring coach was filled to capacity - 52 seats with 52 passengers forcing the tour guide to "herd" us everywhere we went, rushing from one place to the other every day until we were exhausted. The DFA tours fill each coach only half full, thus allowing everyone to spread out, move around the touring coach to visit with others, or perhaps just sit quietly alone for rest or reflection. Every day there is a schedule of interesting activities, but they are spent at a leisurely, stress-free pace making it a pleasant and relaxing experience for everyone.

I encourage all those who have an interest in his or her English roots to join the DFA in their next tour later this spring. I promise it will be a very memorable experience and will enrich your life in ways you can only begin to imagine.



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## TOUR

Please read the article by President Norman E. Dodge on page one expressing his delight over the five previous Dodge Tours he has enjoyed. We would love to include you and others in your family in our May 22-June 5 trip. You can reserve seats now for a deposit of just \$250 each-refundable up to April 1 if circumstances change.

I am 74 and, thanks to the Lord, in good health for my age. I cannot tell what my situation might be in several more years regarding travel. If you want to go on a Dodge Tour, I urge you to go now. I guarantee you will write it down as a milestone in your life.

## MEMBERSHIP

AS of December 31 our membership reached the 830 level, an all-time record. We can easily reach and surpass the 1,000 mark soon if you and each member will think of at least one family member who is not a Dodge Family member and might enjoy receiving our materials. Some of our most active members are those who were introduced to the DFA by a loved one. Each recipient will receive a letter of welcome announcing your gift, plus a membership certificate, some recent Journal issues and a list of all family related items they can secure. They also gain access to family-only sections of the web site and get invitations to family reunions. What a bargain for still just \$20 to say nothing of the six issues of the Dodge Family Journal each year.

Robert L. Dodge brought a notebook in which he had put all of the Journals received over the years, and the Dodge history, genealogy, and stories contained in those Journals was amazing. No place else, except on our own web site, [dodgefamily.org](http://dodgefamily.org), will you find as much information on Dodges as you will find in our Journals.

Will you join Barbara and I in enlisting at least one family member? Thanks!



**GENEALOGY  
REQUESTS  
COLUMN**  
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December and January weather in Washington has been very cold, wet, windy and rainy. Since the first of November we have experienced 30 plus inches of rain. The freezing temperatures and snow came as it did for much of the country. We were out of power for 8 days, so I am backlogged checking genealogy.

**A Mystery Solved!** The mystery of the lineage of John Dodge Jr. who married Lydia Pettingell/Pettingil has been solved in a joint effort between Martha Altemus in New Hampshire and Chuck Dodge in California, both of whom spent many hours in solving this mystery. It turns out that John was the son of Zachariah. One of the curiosities surrounding John was the fact that Zachariah was a brick mason - so why would he send his son to Massachusetts to learn the mason's trade? Martha Altemus, our newest board member, explained it this way: Although John's father was a brick mason, times were so hard in Maine that Zachariah sent his son to Massachusetts to learn more of the trade from his uncle where much more brick building was happening. While in Massachusetts, John met and married Lydia Pettingell/Pettingil. The Pettingell Family history accepts this John, son of Zachariah, as the Husband of Lydia.

**A Mystery Remains:** The John Dodge in Lincoln Co. Maine remains a mystery. I suspect he was born in Massachusetts, in or around Gloucester, perhaps a male descendant of William rather than the Richard. John first married Sarah Dodge and they had eight children. After Sarah died John married her sister Eunice. Augustus, born 1846, was the only child of John and Eunice. Sarah, born 1784 and Eunice, born 1799 were the daughters of Winthrop Dodge and Mary Perkins.

**Mystery Solved!** Thanks to Linda Scott's sharp eye, another mystery has been solved. The answer was before us the whole time in the Phillip Slinger book on page 198. Rensalaer Dodge born 10 January 1820 in Harmony, Chautaugua County, New York turns out to be the twin to Russell Dodge. They were the sons of Marshal/Martial Dodge and Abigail Amanda Lawton.

**A Maine to California Mystery:**  
Who are the parents of Charles L. Dodge

born about 1830 in Maine? He married Mary Young about 1855 and they had two children. Violetta and Clarence Henry. The family moved to California where five more children were born: Mary, Leander George, Alice, Clara, and Perry Charles.

**A New York to Michigan Mystery:**  
Daniel Dodge was born about 1816 in New York married Susan Harpst about 1855. She was born about 1831 in New York. Their first child, John was born in New York; Alonzo was born in New York or Michigan; Ella, Mary, Vera, Nancy, and Clara were all born in Michigan. We only record descendants from Alonzo down. Who are Daniel's parents?

**A New Hampshire to Wisconsin Mystery:** What is the lineage of Peter Dodge, born in Apr 1782 in Claremont, Sullivan Co., New Hampshire and died 30 Apr 1806 in Sun Prairie, Dane Co., Wisconsin? His wife, Rebecca Pettit, was born 9 Feb 1788 in Claremont, Sullivan Co, New Hampshire. This is a new mystery presented to us by Linda Scott.

**A New York to Ohio to Illinois Mystery:** Debbie Nitsche wrote: I'm searching for the parents of my GGGG Gr. Grandfather, Joel Dodge. He was born about 1795 in New York. He married Sylvina Greene in 1816 in Washington County, Ohio. He is known to have lived in the following places: 1820 Census - Liberty Twp., Delaware County, Ohio. 1830-1850 Census - Warren Twp., Washington County, Ohio. He migrated to Brookfield Twp., La Salle Co., Illinois in 1854 where he died in 1869. If you have any information regarding this Joel Dodge please contact Debbie: diamonddeb@comcast.net

**Three New Kentucky Mysteries:**  
**#1.** Richard Dodge, Sr. born about 1756 married Hannah. They had two children, John of whom we have no information, and Richard, Jr. born in 1795 in Virginia. Richard, Jr. married Sarah 'Sallie' Wallace on 1 November 1814 in Union Co., Kentucky. They had seven children born between 1818-1830 in Morganfield, Union Co., Kentucky: daughters Mary, Elizabeth, Messaniah and sons Joseph Curry, Hezekiah, Elijah Wallace, Samuel. DNA from a descendant has proved this to be a Tristram line, and matches closely DNA from the William b. 1777 in Kentucky mystery.

**#2.** Gamaliel Dodge married Margaret McCoy on 1 October 1809 in Mercer Co., Kentucky. In the 1810 US Census Gamaliel and Margaret are about 20-25 years old and have one male child under the age of 10. Who are Gamaliel's parents?

**#3.** Marriage Vital Records show that John Dodge married Henrietta McQueen on 2 February 1811 in Harrison Co., Kentucky. However, our database shows that Malachi Dodge married Henrietta McQueen on that same date! The information in our database is from page 538 in the JTD Dodge Genealogy Book published in 1898. So, was it John or Malachi that actually married Henrietta McQueen?

**An Ohio Mystery:** Alpheus R. Dodge, born about 1820 in Thompson, Ohio married Eliza J. Phelps. They had three daughters: Miranda O., Laurette Eliza and Margueret Viola. Who are the parents of Alpheus Dodge? Eliza J. Phelps is the daughter of Nathaniel Phelps and Margarete White.

**A Massachusetts Mystery:** Looking for the parents of William E. Dodge, born May 1874 in Roxbury, Massachusetts who married Robina Irwin, born September 1875 in Arlington, Massachusetts. Their children, all born in Arlington were: Helen Gertrude born February 1897, David Irwin born April 1898 and Everett Watson born 12 February 1900.

**A Massachusetts to Maine Mystery:**  
Thomas J. Dodge, born about 1808 in Massachusetts married Sophronia Hamblin, born about 1822 in Massachusetts. They moved to Surry, Hancock Co., Maine where their seven children were born: Jacob M. in 1842, Thomas H. in 1846, William A. in 1848, Edward F. in 1851, George F. in 1853, Ida Ann in 1855, and Sarah in 1859. Who are the parents of Thomas J. Dodge?

**A New York to Ohio Mystery:**  
Warren Dodge was born 1804 in Romulus, New York. He married Permelia A. Church, born 1809. Their first two children were born in New York: Rufus C. in 1829, Martha in 1832. The family then moved to Royalton, Fulton Co., Ohio where the other seven children were born: Sarah in February 1835, Sabre in 1837, Elizabeth in 1841, Davis in 1843, James in 1845, Cordelia in 1851 and Daniel Baker in July 1855. We are looking for the parents of Warren Dodge