

# EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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### EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Date:** Thursday, 14 September 2000  
**Time:** 7:30 p.m., (7:00 p.m. Supply Table open)  
**Place:** Bellevue Regional Library  
**Topic:** A Three Hundred Year Reunion  
**Speaker:** Ron and Betty Haworth

**ABOUT THE PROGRAM:** Ron and Betty Haworth spent a year and a half planning, forming committees, and arranging a national reunion to celebrate the 1699 arrival in this country of George Haworth, Ron's Quaker ancestor. It boggles the mind to think of the gigantic task of arranging such an event. We will all undoubtedly learn a great deal about organizing our own reunions, whether large or small. The Haworths will take us through the steps they used to plan and carry out this reunion, tell us what they did at the there, and then inform us about the lessons they learned in this process.

**OCTOBER PROGRAM:** The next General Meeting will be held on 12 October 2000. The program will be a panel from the DAR. Many members have been asking when we will have such a presentation. Donna Hart, our DAR representative, is arranging this event. We can look forward to hearing about several aspects and functions of the DAR as a source for research and what is required to qualify as a member of this organization.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

It's hard to believe that it is already September!

Looking back over the summer, I wonder where the time has gone, and if I accomplished all that I had intended to do regarding genealogy research.

I did have a wonderful opportunity to meet cousins I had not seen in over 50 years. On a business trip to Massachusetts, I was able to take a weekend to go to Connecticut to visit these cousins. Even though we had not seen each other, we had been in touch, especially recently, as we share a common interest in family history. It is through one of these cousins that I have found several letters written by our great-grandfather while he was in the Civil War. She had several notebooks which her husband had put together on family history of our shared ancestors. We spent hours browsing through pictures, documents, civil war letters, and other treasures.

Through this contact I have discovered (or confirmed) something – family ties DO mean something. These cousins were virtually strangers, yet with what other strangers would I have been able to be so comfortable spending a weekend? Family brought us together; family stories were part of our mutual heritage. In looking at one cousin, I could see features of my aunt. Family resemblances were strong. Four children of one cousin and eleven grandchildren came to meet me (and share pizza!) and it was fun to meet all of these previously unknown relatives, and to find how much we have in common.

This month I am looking forward to a visit from a cousin from Wisconsin, whom I also have not seen for over 50 years. He is another descendant of this same great-grandfather. This is one of the "benefits" of doing genealogical research – re-

newed family contacts that may have been let slide over the years. Don't pass up the opportunity to renew acquaintance with long lost cousins. You'll never know what wonderful family stories you may find by doing so.

#### **AUGUST GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING PROGRAM SUMMARY:**

EGS would like to once again thank Frankie Larson for sharing with us her suggestions on how we can organize our genealogical collections. My Oxford English Dictionary defines organization as the process by which we "form something into a whole with mutually connected and dependent parts; give a definite and orderly structure to; systemize; frame and put into working order". Whereas each of us may have our own methods of organization Frankie described how her methods have worked for her in hopes that they help you in your process of getting organized. As Frankie reminded us we cannot publicize our records until we have gotten everything organized. She also reminded us of how important it is to have hard copies of our records and to keep copies of our records stored safely somewhere out of our home in case of an accident. What good are our records if they are lost or if they are in a format that cannot be understood by our descendants?

So as we turn to our boxes and piles of genealogical records, Frankie reminds us of some important things to keep in mind. Our first reason for organizing is to refine our work and our thoughts, then we are to develop a plan of action and identify our goals. Our biggest goal in organizing our research is to eliminate as much memory recall as possible. The first step in organizing is to divide our research into two independent working units: maternal and paternal sides. Frankie suggests starting with a three-generation chart. List yourself as the first person, your parents as the second generation and your four grandparents as the third generation. These four people you list as the fourth generation should each have their own workbook. Frankie recommended color-coding the notebooks for each of the four grandparents. These workbooks are meant for the working part of your genealogy. In them you keep your family sheets, pedigree charts listing each of your four grandparents as number one on the chart, biographies, a verification source list and a surname list. Your proof ma-

terial should not be in your workbooks but rather in separate color-coded 3-ring binders or vertical files that are also color-coded. Put proof material into plastic covers. Make photocopies of originals. Frankie also recommended keeping track of letters with a correspondence log. Another good suggestion she gave was to keep responses to letters stapled to the original letter you mailed. Other organization techniques she mentioned were to keep a resource work log to list what records you have on particular individuals, keep an address file of people you contact and keep a general notebook of thoughts as you go about your research.

How many of us have piles and piles of magazines at home that we decided to keep because they had an interesting article in them? Frankie said to cut out those articles we find interesting and keep them in vertical files sorted by topic. She said that by just keeping the magazine we would forget why we kept it and never find what we found interesting again. Frankie gave us so many great suggestions, more than I can list in this brief summary. Thank you Frankie for your great advice. You have given us all the inspiration we need to start organizing our own records. (Kimberley Lackey, EGS Member)

**GET WELL SOON:** During the last two months the husband of Myra McDowell, Will, and the husband of Eunice Jobes, Peter, have been on the ill list. Also, our condolences to Martha Storie on the loss of her husband David.

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:** There were no new members for this month.

#### **NEW GENEALOGY BOOKS AT THE BELLEVUE REGIONAL LIBRARY:**

The following books, purchased by the Eastside Genealogical Society as a result of members' recommendations or donations, were added to the genealogy collection at the Bellevue Regional Library since the last listing in the June Bulletin Board.

*Palatine Families Of New York*, a study of the German immigrants who arrived in New York in 1710. Two volumes. Thousands of names, relationships, and referenced documents. R929.3747 JON  
*Collection Of Upwards Of 30,000 Names Of German, Swiss, Dutch, French, And Other Immigrants In Penn-*

*sylvania From 1727-1776*, by Israel Daniel Rupp 1965. R929.3748 RUP

*Atlantic Bridge To Germany*, by Charles Hall, 10 volumes. Helps "build a bridge" leading to our German ancestors' exact place of origin. Each volume includes many detailed maps (68 for Bavaria alone) with indexes of communities, counties, parishes, types and dates of available records, archive locations, and suggested procedures to find them. Each volume covers a different area, giving a history of each. R929.343 HAL

*Index To Tennessee Wills And Administrations 1779-1895*, by Byron and Barbara Sistler, 1990. A state-wide index with 41,500 entries covering all 62 counties for which antebellum estate records have survived. R929.3768 SIS

If you have a suggestion for a genealogy-related reference book, or would like to donate one for our growing collection at the Bellevue Regional Library, let the Book Acquisition Committee know by calling the Acquisition chair Margery Perdue Thorson at 625-643-3502.

### RESEARCHING THE SEAS!

Are you trying to track an ancestor of note who went to sea? Did an ancestor serve in the USS Constellation during the Quasi War with France? Do you want to flesh out some of your research with maritime background information? Were your people involved in Arctic or Antarctic exploration or scientific research? If so you should take a trip to the Seattle waterfront.

The Coast Guard Museum Northwest, located at Pier 36 (1519 Alaskan Way South), has an excellent library covering all manner of maritime subjects. Although its emphasis is on the United States Coast Guard you will find many books and other documents related to the United States Navy and Merchant Marine. Unless your ancestor was a person of note it is unlikely you will find specific information about him or her in the library's books. What you will find is lots of fascinating history, including information about American fighting ships dating back to the American Revolution, the very kind of information that can lend personality to your family history.

The Museum has no admission fee and is open to the public Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; Saturday and Sunday 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (not open holidays). If you would like

further information the telephone number is 206-217 6993. Captain Gene Davis USCG (retired) is the President of the Museum of Board of Directors. He is well informed on matters maritime and is very helpful. Gene is usually at the Museum Monday, Wednesday and Friday. (Submitted by Dick Malm)

### WHAT WE DID ON OUR SUMMER VACATION;

by Laura H. Wise:

A year ago I made a presentation to the Computer Interest Group on "Digital Cameras for Genealogists: Are We There Yet?" That presentation was based on my experience with a Kodak DC120, which was introduced in the spring of 1997. The answer given then was an equivocal probably not, but keep an eye on the technology.

This spring I got a new digital camera for my birthday, just in time for our expedition to Alabama for genealogy research bracketed by several family events. The new camera is a Nikon Coolpix 990, introduced this spring.

The Kodak uses 822,000 sensors to produce a 1.3 mega-pixel (millions of pixels which stands for picture elements, the equivalent of dots) image. The Nikon has 4 times as many sensors, and produces a 3.3 mega-pixel image. This increase in resolution makes a world of difference in image quality. And it paid off in the first courthouse we visited.

In Alabama, the Courthouse records rooms all have a large sign announcing that state law requires them to charge \$1 per photocopy. Ouch - we had a lot of interesting pages identified. But, since we had the Nikon digital camera along, we decided to give it a try, and if it didn't work, we'd just have to come back and do it with the copy machine. And, it worked! We took over 100 document photographs during the trip.

### TAKING THE PICTURE:

We arranged the page to be photographed on the floor. If it was a bound book, the second person held the book so the page of interest was as flat as possible. (This isn't critical, because the lens has a lot of depth of field.) The photographer had the camera strap around her neck and pulled it tight to brace the camera as she leaned over and framed the page in the LCD panel on back of the camera. The zoom was used to fill the image with just the page, or even just part of the page. The on-camera flash provided the light. One great advantage with this method is that you can copy larger than 8 1/2 by 11

pages in one picture.

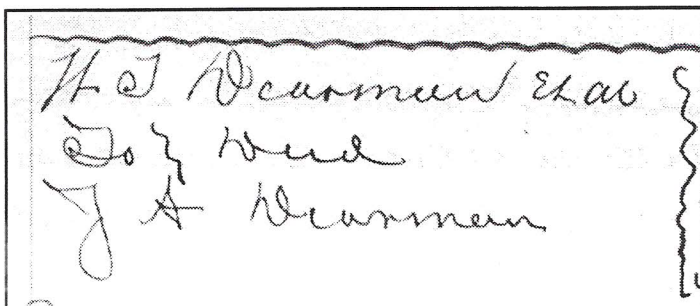
This worked except where the old pages had been laminated to protect them. There the flash causes glare that washes out part of the image.

We also found that it was very important to take notes for **each** picture recording all of the source information, such as book and page identification and location.

#### BACK AT THE COMPUTER:

A digital camera needs a computer near by, so that you can download the pictures. (Digital "film" can be reused many times, but it is too expensive to just run out and buy a few more.) On the computer, we found that you can easily read the page on the computer screen. To print the image, we found it best to use a photo-manipulation program to adjust the contrast and scale it to the page. I am using Adobe Photoshop LE, which is about \$99 or sometimes comes bundled with some scanners.

We also transcribed the picture documentation notes, adding in the picture file name. Here is an example of what we copied with the new camera to illustrate the clarity of the picture. It is just a small section of a document.



#### CONCLUSION:

Digital cameras in the 3.3 mega-pixel class have reached the threshold of good enough to be part of the genealogist's research kit. Yes, they are expensive, but should become more affordable over the next year or two.

#### EGS SURNAME FILE:

Over the last year or so, volunteers have been entering names and information from the Surname File into a database. The EGS Board decided last month to take this information when it is completed, print it all out, place it in notebooks and have the notebooks available at the EGS General Meetings. The notebooks will be updated periodically to reflect new entries or changes in existing entries. If you would like to have your family sur-

name data included, now is the time to submit that information.

You can submit it at the EGS meetings, or send your information to Kim Nichols, 15525 NE 195<sup>th</sup> St., Woodinville, WA 98072 or via email at [nichols@nwlink.com](mailto:nichols@nwlink.com). Please include as much of the following information as you have: ancestor's name, date of birth, place of birth, spouse(s), date of marriage, place of marriage, date of death, place of death, burial location, your name, your phone, and your address. You must have, at the minimum, the ancestor's name, and your name and address. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Kim at the above email address, or by phone at 425-402-9050.

**EGS LUNCH BUNCH:** Everyone is invited to drop in for lunch with this group on the fourth Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m. at Crossroads Mall Food Court. This is a wonderful way for new members to get acquainted with other EGS members, and to share stories and perhaps pick up new ideas for research. Those who attend ask questions, provide answers, swap successes and failures, discuss techniques, establish new friendships and contacts, etc., etc. This is not a "closed" group; everyone is welcome! Just look for some tables that are pushed together near the intersection of the two main aisles, and people who may have books or notebooks with them to share. If you would like more information, call Melissa Clausen at 425-373-1488.

#### SALT LAKE CITY TRIP PLANNED BY THE SHORE TO SHORE INTEREST GROUP:

The Shore to Shore Interest Group would like to invite anyone interested to join us at our September meeting as we plan and discuss our upcoming trip to Salt Lake City. The trip is planned for November 28-December 1 and is open to anyone who would like to go. The number of those going will be limited to 20. We will meet on Thursday, September 21 from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Crossroads Shopping Center's meeting room. Those who would like to can join together after the meeting for lunch in the food court. Please bring any information, hints and suggestions you would like to share. For more information, call Kim Nichols at 425-402-9050 or [nichols@nwlink.com](mailto:nichols@nwlink.com).

**EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:**

**BEGINNING GENEALOGY CLASS:** The Eastside Genealogical Society is giving classes in Beginning Genealogy. Classes will be held at the Lake Heights YWCA, 119<sup>th</sup> Ave SE near 56<sup>th</sup> Street in the Newport Hills area. Sessions will be on October 3, 10, 17 and 24, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$5.00 cash at the first class session plus \$1.00 at each session for supplies. To register, call Betty Bennett at 425-747-6926 or Kim Nichols at 425-402-9050. Registration ends on September 30.

**FALL CLASSES AT LAKE WASHINGTON TECHNICAL INSTITUTE:** It's time to register for any fall classes you plan to take to further your research ability. Lake Washington Technical College will have an Introduction to Genealogy Workshop on two Saturdays, October 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to noon (Class No. COPG 044). See page 37 in the 2000 Fall Class Schedule.

**UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON:** The U of W offers a "Genealogy and Family History" certificate program starting in September. These will be evening classes and registration closes September 6. Call 206-685-6506 or 1-800-543-6122.

**AUDIO TAPES AVAILABLE:**

Did you know that you can borrow an audio tape of each EGS general meeting program? These tapes are available at each general meeting from Bob Sandbo. Bob can be found at the back of the room by the recording equipment. So, if you missed a meeting and are interested in hearing the presenter, you can check out the tape to listen to it in on your own tape player.

Also, there are some tapes available of various conferences that have been donated by people attending those conferences. Ask Bob for more information on these tapes.

**TWO HOURS A MONTH:** EGS is looking for members willing to give two hours per month to be a volunteer in the library. Will you help? If you think you need an orientation session, we'll provide one. If you prefer to be a substitute rather than a regular,

that's fine too. Please call Ann Miller at (425) 454-6121 or Eleanor Dixon at (425) 392-7035.

**MORE KING COUNTY LIBRARIAN NEWS:** Bill Ptacek, Director of the King County Library System, was welcomed to the eastside in the August newsletter, along with 125 employees of the new library headquarters in Issaquah. On 24 July 2000, there

was another article about Mr. Ptacek in the Journal American, which told about his recent serious illness and the subsequent cutting-edge treatment. He is back at work now, and received the Charlie Robinson Award (named for a Maryland librarian known as a risk taker) at the ALA convention in July in Chicago. Congratulations!

**FREE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH HELP:**

Genealogical research help is available at the Bellevue Regional Library at NE 12<sup>th</sup> St. and 110<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE in Bellevue. Eastside Genealogical Society volunteers are waiting to help you with problems and questions. They are available in room 6 on the second floor of the library, to the left of the reference desk. Hours are Tuesdays from 7-9 p.m. and Wednesdays from 1-3 p.m.

**NOTABLE BOOKS IN THE BELLEVUE REGIONAL LIBRARY:**

One of the most happy occasions in research is to find that a published family history or genealogy on your surname exists. There are several books of indexes of surnames in the Bellevue Library. In two volumes, *Genealogies in the library of Congress: A bibliography*, plus a *Supplement* lead off the list. These are catalogued under R929.1 LIB. Marion J Kaminkov, author of those books, also wrote *Complement to Genealogies in the Library of Congress: A Bibliography*, R929.1 KAM. Look for your surnames in these and the following books.

Another similar book is *Index to American Genealogies: And to Genealogical Material Contained In All Works*, published in 1900; the one in the Bellevue Library is the 5<sup>th</sup> Edition, 1966. (R929.1 MUN)

Elizabeth P. Bentley's *Directory of Family Associations* might lead you to a group of others researching the same surname as you. There are two copies in the library, one in the reference section—R929.1025, and one in the circulating section, 929.1025.

Look for *Printed Resources: A guide to published Genealogical Records* by Kory Meyerink (R929.373016 PRI) in the genealogical section. This outstanding book has a 132-page section on family histories, surnames, and county and local histories. It not only

defines family histories and genealogies, but it also tells where to find them and how to use them. Please don't pass up this wonderful resource.

The *Genealogical Helper* publishes a Family Periodicals section yearly; in 2000 it was in the March-April issue. Other years it may be in a different issue. The library has this periodical. The *FGS Forum* (Federation of Genealogical Societies) has a section in each issue about Family Associations. This publication is also at the library. If you find a connection through these surnames lists, please write a brief paragraph on your discovery and give it to the newsletter editor. Also, if you find any of these research suggestions helpful, let the editor know. Similar articles could be printed in future issues if needed.

**DON'T TOSS THAT COMPUTER:** First, find out if it can be reused or recycled through King County's computer recovery project, which aims to put usable computer equipment in the hands of people who need it. Check the project's web site at <<http://dnr.metrokc.gov/swd/crp.htm>> or call 206-296-8800. Also, look for the descriptive folder on the freebie table.

**GIVE ME YOUR WIRED:** The Ellis Island Experience is a new CD-ROM that documents the immigrant experience of that famous portal to America, from the chalk marks put on the coats of those with health problems to the Austrian woman who thought the Statue of Liberty was a statue of Columbus. The reviewer for *TIME* magazine (24 July 2000) issue, Lev Grossman, writes that this story is told well in this medium. See <<http://www.southpeak.com>>.

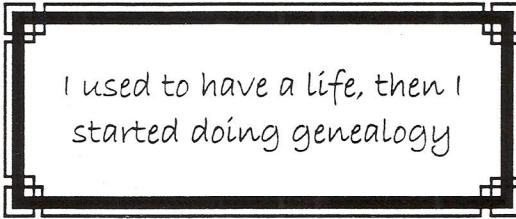
**AMERICA'S GARAGE:** According to authorities at the Library of Congress, the library is starting to look like a cluttered garage. The collection has grown so large that there isn't enough space to store it. More than 50,000 items are stacked on the floors (your reporter can relate to this). The Library is seeking over \$2 million to move items to Fort Meade MD, a site that Congress just made available. (From *TIME*, 17 July 2000)

**NEED A ZIP CODE?** Here is a web site where you

can find a zip code or, conversely, find a city when you know only the zip code. Try <[http://www.usps.gov/ncsc/lookups/lookup\\_ctystzip.html](http://www.usps.gov/ncsc/lookups/lookup_ctystzip.html)>. This is a US Postal Service zip code look-up page.

**THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE ARCHIVES ARE BEING DIGITIZED:** The Chicago Tribune has contracted to have their archives collection digitized. This will be a fully searchable digital library covering 1849 to the present and includes more than fifteen million newspaper clippings from the early 1900s to 1984, and the full text and image of every front page from 1849 to the present. It also includes the full text of all obituaries and death notices from 1849 through 1997. You can read the press release at <<http://www.ptfs.com/>>.

**THE OFFICIAL FEDERAL LAND PATENT RECORDS SITE:** This web site provides access to



I used to have a life, then I  
started doing genealogy

more than two million Federal land title records for Eastern Public Land States, issued between 1820 and 1908. More images of Serial patents are being added to the web site. You can search the land patent data-

bases and order certified copies of land patents. In addition, there is a page that contains links for general research and links to resources for each state, such as the GenWeb project site for each state. Try <<http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/>>.

**VANCOUVER ISLAND FAMILY HISTORY FAIR:**

The Second Annual Family History Fair will be held at the Esquimalt Recreation Center, Jubilee Hall located at 527 Fraser Street in Victoria BC on Saturday, November 4, 2000, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There are door prizes, information seminars and experts available to answer questions. Sam's Deli will be on site offering lunch at a very reasonable cost. Genealogy related exhibitors are invited to participate. You can contact Heather Davies at 250-480-0469 or [mandhdavies@pacificcoast.net](mailto:mandhdavies@pacificcoast.net) for information.

**DO YOU USE INTERNET MAILING LISTS?**

RootsWeb provides a large number of mailing lists for genealogists. Nearly 19,000 genealogy mailing lists (surnames, geographic) are indexed at this site. Find the complete list at <<http://www.rootsweb.com/~maillist/us/index.html>>.

**HOW TIMES CHANGE:** "In the summer of 1900, when my grandmother was a child..."

The average life expectancy in the United States was forty-seven.

Only 14 percent of the homes in the United States had a bathtub.

Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone. A three-minute call from Denver to New York City cost eleven dollars.

There were only 8,000 cars in the US and only 144 miles of paved roads. The maximum speed limit in most cities was ten mph.

Alabama, Mississippi, Iowa, and Tennessee were each more heavily populated than California. With a mere 1.4 million residents, California was only the twenty-first most populous state in the Union. The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.

The average wage in the US was twenty-two cents an hour.

The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.

A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year, a dentist \$2500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1500 and \$4000 per year, and a mechanic

cal engineer about \$5000 per year.

More than 95 percent of all births in the United States took place at home.

Ninety percent of all US physicians had no college education. Instead, they attended medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press and by the government as "substandard."

Sugar cost four cents a pound. Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen. Coffee cost fifteen cents a pound.

Most women only washed their hair once a month and used borax or egg yolks for shampoo.

Canada passed a law prohibiting poor people from entering the country for any reason, either as travelers or immigrants.

The five leading causes of death in the US were: 1. Pneumonia and influenza, 2. Tuberculosis, 3. Diarrhea, 4. Heart disease, 5. Stroke.

The American flag had 45 stars. Arizona, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Hawaii and Alaska hadn't been admitted to the Union yet.

(Submitted by Kim Nichols from a mailing list.)




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**WARTIME LETTERS:** (Submitted by Gordon Young)

One result of the civil war, and in fact all wars, is the large body of correspondence written to family members. We are lucky to have a number of the letters survive. Many of these letters describe events, conditions and emotions of the times. Some contain information about momentous events, and others just discuss small, personal and sometimes mundane events.

In my case, my great grandparents, Thomas Robbins Young and Lucilla Hunting Young, did not reveal very much emotion in their writings. I have around 15 letters, mostly from Lucilla which means that Thomas kept them while he was in the Army and brought them home. Somehow, they, along with several others, survived the war and the generations.

Thomas R. Young, b. 3 Nov 1825, m. 21 Apr 1856 (second marriage), d. 19 Oct 1867. Lucilla Hunting Young, b. 24 Apr 1826, d. 29 Jun 1895. There were three children in his first marriage and none survived past age 17. There were five children in the second marriage, one died in infancy, another at age 27. The first wife died in 1855 at age 26 and Lucilla happened to be her caretaker. Lucilla's pension request filed many years later provided some valuable information.

I tried to faithfully transcribe these letters to preserve them, hopefully for longer than the originals last. The transcriptions follow the letter as close as possible, including misspellings, capitalization and punctuation or the lack of it.

Among the letters, there was one that revealed a little bit more than the others with their rather formal sounding contents. At the end of the letter there is the rather poignant statement "The children send flowers." Inside the letter, I found the remnants of dried flowers and on the paper, there is the imprint of the two flowers as shown in the illustration below the transcription. I have added a few comments for clarity and explanation shown in brackets[] and *italicized*. There is also a bit of a mystery here when Lucilla states that she has been "corresponding with a gentleman of Cleveland". It can't be very bad news since she did tell Thomas. By the way, the Charles that is mentioned in the letter survived to age 69.

Here is my transcription of the letter:

*The envelope containing the letter is 3 by 5 1/4 inches and the stamp is missing. The postal cancellation mark is dated Apr 10 and the location is Madison O. It is addressed to:*

Thomas R. Young  
Company M. 2<sup>nd</sup> Regt. O. H. Art. [2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment of Ohio Heavy Artillery Volunteers]  
Athens  
East Tenn

Madison O. April 8 1865

Dear Thomas

It is nearly three weeks since Last writing you and in that time various are the changes that come in their turn. Brother John [John Hanks Young who married Joanna Hazelton Hunting, Lucilla's sister] has gone to his home above and his family are left "widowed and fatherless". He died two weeks ago today and funeral services were held on Monday following. While families mourn the country is rejoicing Richmond and Petersburg are fallen and the news of last eve. is to good to trust. Lee and his army is captured. But I must haste, Apology for delay in writing. I have been corresponding with a gentleman of Cleveland and of course every letter counts.

I suppose that you would like to [know] who he is but I shan't tell now. Since I last wrote you Charles [one of their children] has been quite poorly and I was afraid that he might not get up very soon he coughed very badly and failed in strength and no appetite but I sent to Cleveland and got the medicine that cured him last spring and as the Dr was not at home it was some time before I received it and then it did not affect him quite as favorable as formerly. But he is now almost well has a good appetite and does not cough hardly any and in pleasant weather is out most of the time. It was by overdoing going to see mother two weeks ago last Tuesday that made him so much worse. We had had hard colds and the children had coughed but were better and as Charles had not been to see (father and mother) them this winter I let go with me and he coughed more that afternoon than in several days before but is better now than before.

But I must close for I have to get dinner for a boy chopping wood. Had three men yesterday chopping and drawing to the door in a one horse wagon.

Yours ever

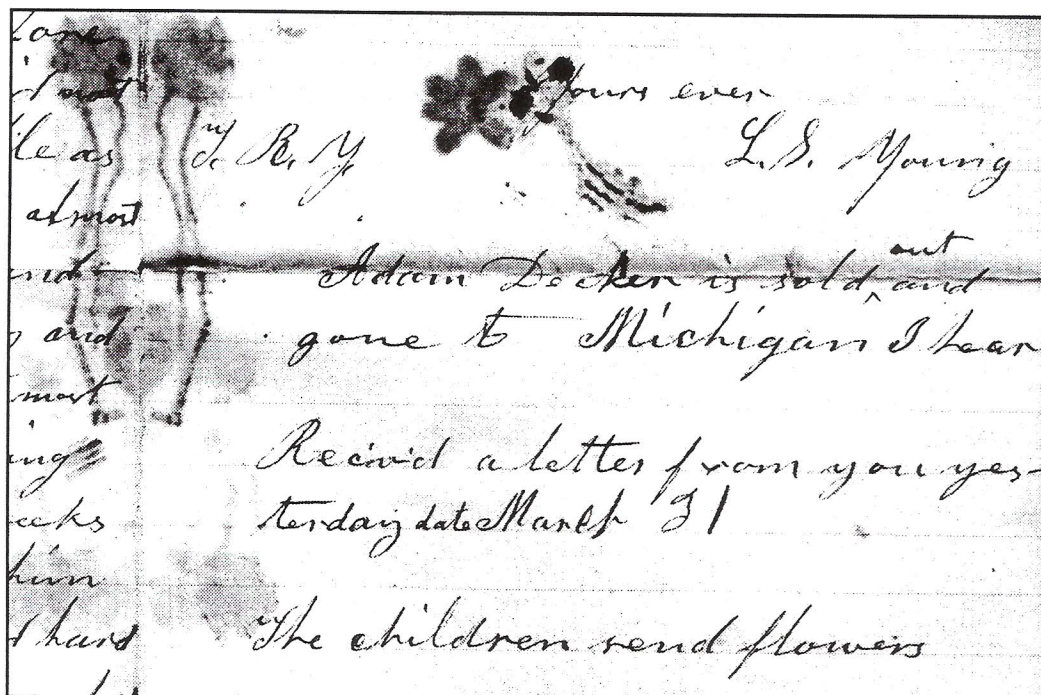
T.R.Y.

L.S. Young

Adam Decker is sold out and gone to Michigan I hear.

Rec'd a letter from you yesterday date March 31.

The children send flowers



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| EGS MEETING CALENDAR                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| EGS Group Name<br>(Regular Schedule)                                                | Meeting Notice<br>(Information Contact)                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| EGS Board Meeting<br>(First Thursday 10:00 a.m.)                                    | The EGS Board will meet on Thursday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m. at Firehouse #9.                                                                                                                                                                            |
| EGS General Meeting<br>(Second Thursday, 7:30 p.m.)                                 | The Eastside Genealogical Society will hold its general meeting on Thursday, September 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Bellevue Regional Library. The Supply Table opens at 7:00 p.m.                                                                               |
| Computer Interest Group<br>(Third Saturday, 9:30 a.m.)                              | Will meet Saturday, September 16 at 9:30 a.m. at the Community Meeting Room at Crossroads Mall Shopping Center. The presentation will be on the Family History Library by Gary Zimmerman.<br>(Ray French, 425-746-7730)                                    |
| Czech/Slovak Interest Group<br>(Third Saturday on odd numbered months at 9:30 a.m.) | The next meeting is September 16 at 9:30 at Fire Station #22.<br>(Rosie Bodien, 425-828-0170, rosebode@jps.net).                                                                                                                                           |
| EGS Lunch Bunch<br>(Fourth Thursday, 11:30 a.m.)                                    | Will meet on Thursday, September 28, 11:30 a.m. at Crossroads Mall Food Court. Meet other EGS members, get help with unsolved mysteries and socialize and swap stories with fellow genealogists.<br>(Melissa Clausen, 425-373-1488)                        |
| German Interest Group<br>(First Friday, 1:00 p.m.)                                  | Will meet on Friday, September 8 from 1-3 p.m. at the Lake Hills Library. Please note that this is a one time change. Come prepared to discuss summer research and program plans.<br>Jan Pankratz, 425-222-7583)                                           |
| Italian Interest Group                                                              | Remember the Festa Italiana Heritage Festival September 30-October 1 from 11 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Seattle Center. The IIG will host a genealogy booth.<br>(Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250, rsangal@bess.net)                                             |
| Original 13 Colonies Interest Group<br>(Fourth Monday, 7:00 p.m.)                   | Will meet Monday, September 25 at 7 p.m. at Firehouse #9.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Scandinavian Interest Group<br>(Second Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.)                         | Will meet Monday, September 18 at 11:00 a.m. for a tour and research opportunity at the Bellevue Family History Center at 10675 NE 20th in Bellevue. NOTE: change of date.<br>(Carol Owings, 425-641-9930 or rocar@ncfweb.net)                             |
| Shore to Shore Interest Group<br>(Third Thursday, 10:00)                            | The September 21st meeting will be held in the Community Meeting Room in the Crossroads Mall at 10:00 a.m. to plan a big field trip to Salt Lake City in December.<br>(Kim Nichols 425-402-9050 or nichols@nwlinc.com).                                    |
| Snoqualmie Valley Interest Group<br>(3rd Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.)                      | Will meet on Wednesday, September 20 at 9:30 a.m. Meeting at the home of Barbara Justice, Call for directions at 425-391-8186 or bjust6t@aol.com. Subject: The Great Eastern Washington Ice Age Flood. Bring your brown bag lunch. (Ann Lamb 425-788-7918) |

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NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE  
Bellevue, WA 425-450-1760

Firehouse #22  
6602 108th Ave NE,  
Kirkland, WA

LDS Family History Center-Bellevue  
10675 NE 20th St  
Bellevue, WA 425-454-2690

LDS Fam. Hist. Center - Redmond  
10115 172nd Ave. NE  
Redmond, WA 425-881-7488

North Bend Library  
115 East Fourth St  
North Bend, WA 425-888-0554

Crossroads Mall Shopping Center,  
Community Meeting Room  
NE 8th and 156th Ave NE  
Bellevue, WA.

Issaquah Public Library  
140 East Sunset Way  
Bellevue, WA 425-392-5430

LDS Fam. History Center-Factoria  
4200 124th Ave. SE  
Bellevue, WA 425-562-0361

National Archives and Records Admin.  
6125 Sand Point Way NE  
Seattle, WA 98115-7999

Seattle Public Library  
1000 Fourth Ave  
Seattle, WA 206-386-4636

Firehouse #9  
12412 SE 69th Way  
Bellevue, WA

Lake Hills Library  
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Bellevue, WA 425-747-3350

LDS Fam. Hist. Center-Kirkland  
7910 NE 132nd St.  
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Newport Way Library  
14520 SE Newport Way  
Bellevue WA 425-747-2390

Snoqualmie Public Library  
38580 SE River Street  
Snoqualmie, WA 425-888-1223

**2000 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS AND CONVENTIONS**

- September 6-9 Federation of Genealogical Society's National Conference in Salt Lake City, UT, "A World Of Records: Rediscovering Old Millennial Sources With New Millennial Techniques". Write to FGS Business Office, Box 200940, Austin TX 78720-0940 or <[www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org)>. Call toll free at 888-347-1500.
- September 9 The Redmond Historical Society will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Redmond Regional Library.
- Sep 29-Oct 1 The Ultimate Search and Adoption Conference will be hosted by Independent Search Consultants at the Hapuna Beach Hotel & Resort on the Kohala Coast, Big Island of Hawaii. For reservations, call 800-882-6060, before August 24. Contact ISC, c/o Gayle Eckstead, 2180 Clover St., Simi Valley CA 93065; [beckars@juno.com](mailto:beckars@juno.com)
- October 6-7 The Genealogical Council of Oregon invites all genealogists to attend the 6th Statewide Genealogical Conference. The meeting will be held in Salem, OR. Alan Mann will be the speaker. For information, contact [jwillhit@orednet.org](mailto:jwillhit@orednet.org).
- October 6-9 POINT (Pursuing Our Italian Names Together) - The American Network of Italian Genealogy will hold its National Conference 2000 at the Austin Doubletree Hotel, North. Contact PNC-2000 Organizing Committee, 10401 Misty Hollow Cove, Austin TX 78758. Contact Pat Oxley at 512-345-3472 or [patoxley@texas.net](mailto:patoxley@texas.net). Headquarters: p.o Box 14966, Las Vegas, NV 89114-4466; <<http://www.members.aol.com/pointhomepage/home.htm>>.
- October 14 National Genealogical Society Regional Conference. To be held at the Spokane Valley Doubletree Inn with speakers Curt Witcher and Christine Rose. Four lectures by each speaker. Sponsored by the Eastern Washington Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 1826, Spokane WA 99210-1826.
- October 21 The British Isles Genealogical Research Association's annual seminar will be held at the Handlery Hotel, Mission Valley in San Diego. Judith Eckles Wright will present "Creative Connections to Your British Ancestry". Contact Carroll Northrup 858-679-6756, Audry Murdock (619) 465-3772 or e-mail Phyllis Miller at [phemiller@juno.com](mailto:phemiller@juno.com).
- November 4 Vancouver Island Family History Fair to be held at the Esquimalt Recreation Center. Jubilee Hall, 527 Fraser St., Victoria BC. Contact Heather Davies at 250-480-0469 or [mandhdavies@pacificcoast.net](mailto:mandhdavies@pacificcoast.net) for information.
- January 8-12, 2001 The sixth annual Salt Lake Institute of Genealogy will be held at the Wyndham Hotel in Salt Lake City. Call 888-INFOUGA or check <<http://www.infouga.org/institut.htm>>. There are 10 courses scheduled plus optional evening classes.
- February 2-3, 2001 GENTECH 2001. The theme is Union and Reunion. See <<http://www.gentech.org>>.
- May 16-19, 2001 National Genealogical Society Conference In The States with the theme "Explore New Frontiers" will be held in Portland, OR. It will be hosted by the Genealogical Forum of Oregon and will be held at the Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. This is a great educational opportunity to attend classes, labs and tours. The Clark County Genealogical Society of Washington and the Genealogical Council of Oregon, Inc. are participating societies.
- Sep 12-15, 2001 The Federation of Genealogical Societies' 25th conference will be held in the Quad Cities. Contact Nancy J. Emmert, CG, FGS/QC 2001 Program Chair, 2820 Marshall Ct., #1, Madison, WI 53705-2270; 608-231-3003; [emmert@execpc.com](mailto:emmert@execpc.com).

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EGS monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month (except December) at 7:30 p.m. at the Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th Street and 110th Ave. NE, Bellevue WA. The Supply/Book Table is open at 7:00 p.m.

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