

I am the great-granddaughter of Rev. Thomas C. Carman.

He was the minister of Farmingdale Methodist Episcopal Church from 1879 - 1880

Enclosed are biographical sketches of Thomas C. Carman and Phebe Pruden Carman from "Thomas C. Carman and Phebe Pruden Carman, a family history, with historical and genealogical notes on branches of the Carman, Machet, Pruden, Kitchel and some related families." Compiled by Albert Pruden Carman, Urbana-Champaign, Illinois, 1935

Also enclosed are pictures of Thomas and Phebe Carman in their earlier years.

My Mother, Frances Carman Agnew, granddaughter of Rev. Carman, was the person who kept much of the Carman letters, bibles, pictures, furniture, quilts, etc. Most of what she had has come to me.

As I do not have any living children and my one brother is not interested in any of what I have, I am trying to give away as much as I can to help museums and churches help tell the story of America.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF THOMAS C.
CARMAN AND PHEBE PRUDEN CARMAN

THOMAS C. CARMAN

Thomas C. Carman was born in Bordentown, N. J., Oct. 31, 1829, and died May 2, 1899, at Bradley Beach, N. J. He was the son of Thomas Carman (1791-1864) and Rebecca Machet Carman (1794-1877). He was educated in the public and excellent private schools of Bordentown, and later attended the Seminary at Pennington, N. J. In 1851 he chose as his life work, that of a preacher and minister of the Gospel in the Methodist Episcopal Church. As was the custom, his first preaching was on a circuit under the Presiding Elder; after a course of study and examinations, he was admitted "on trial" in 1854, and in 1858 was ordained and became a full member of the New Jersey Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His ministry extended continuously for forty-eight years, during which time he served twenty-three churches as pastor. These churches were mostly in pleasant villages of the agricultural sections of New Jersey. This was the period when the strict "itineracy" rule still held in the Methodist Episcopal Church—that is, the minister was appointed to a church each year and, up to about 1872, only one reappointment was allowed. Thus a Methodist minister moved every two or three years during most of the ministry of Thomas C. Carman. In the memorial and tribute of the New Jersey Conference, which was prepared by Rev. E. H. Durell, we read: "Thomas C. Carman was a clear, methodical, earnest preacher. His sermons, his even Christian character and manly life, gave him the greatest influence in every field of work, as shown by the men of substantial worth that were added to the church under his ministry. He was my nearest and dearest ministerial friend. After enjoying

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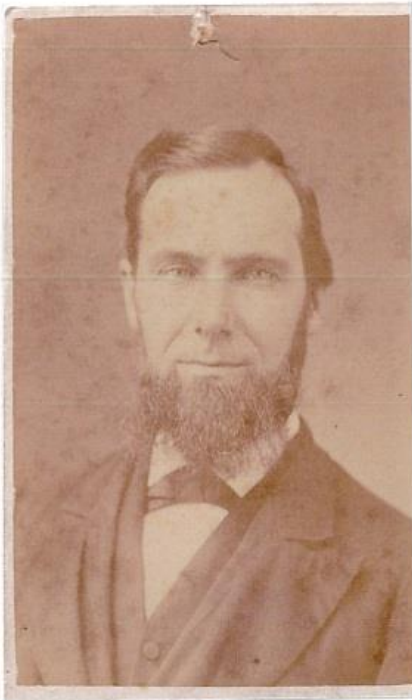
his most intimate friendship for nearly half a century, I am happy to testify that, though modest and unobtrusive, he was a man of great worth, of sterling integrity and veracity, of unspotted character." Thomas C. Carman was a devoted minister of Christ's Gospel, preaching a gospel of hope and love, and serving as a real pastor of his people, faithful at all times but particularly in times of sickness, distress and bereavement. He was esteemed and loved in the communities in which he lived. The influence of such a life is great beyond estimate. His body rests in the family lot in the Bordentown cemetery.

He was married April 12, 1860, to Phebe C. Pruden of Rockaway, N. J. To them five children were born.

Died Feb. 28, 1897 East Orange, N. J.

PHEBE PRUDEN CARMAN

Phebe C. Pruden was born June 1, 1837, at Rockaway, N. J. She was the daughter of Ludlow Pruden (1804-1869) and Euphemia Kitchel Pruden (1809-1874). She died Feb. 28, 1897, in East Orange, N. J., at the home of her brother, Charles B. Pruden, where she had gone to obtain expert medical advice. The home of Thomas C. and Phebe Pruden Carman was at that time in Cedarville, N. J. She attended the schools at Rockaway and later an advanced academy in Newark, N. J. On April 12, 1860, she was married to Rev. Thomas C. Carman of the Methodist Episcopal Church. She made a real "home" for him and their five children in the dozen villages of New Jersey where, as an "itinerant" Methodist minister, her husband was pastor. There was never a more devoted wife and mother. She was a woman of culture, interested in the higher things of life, and inspired her children to the higher educational advantages which all of them enjoyed.



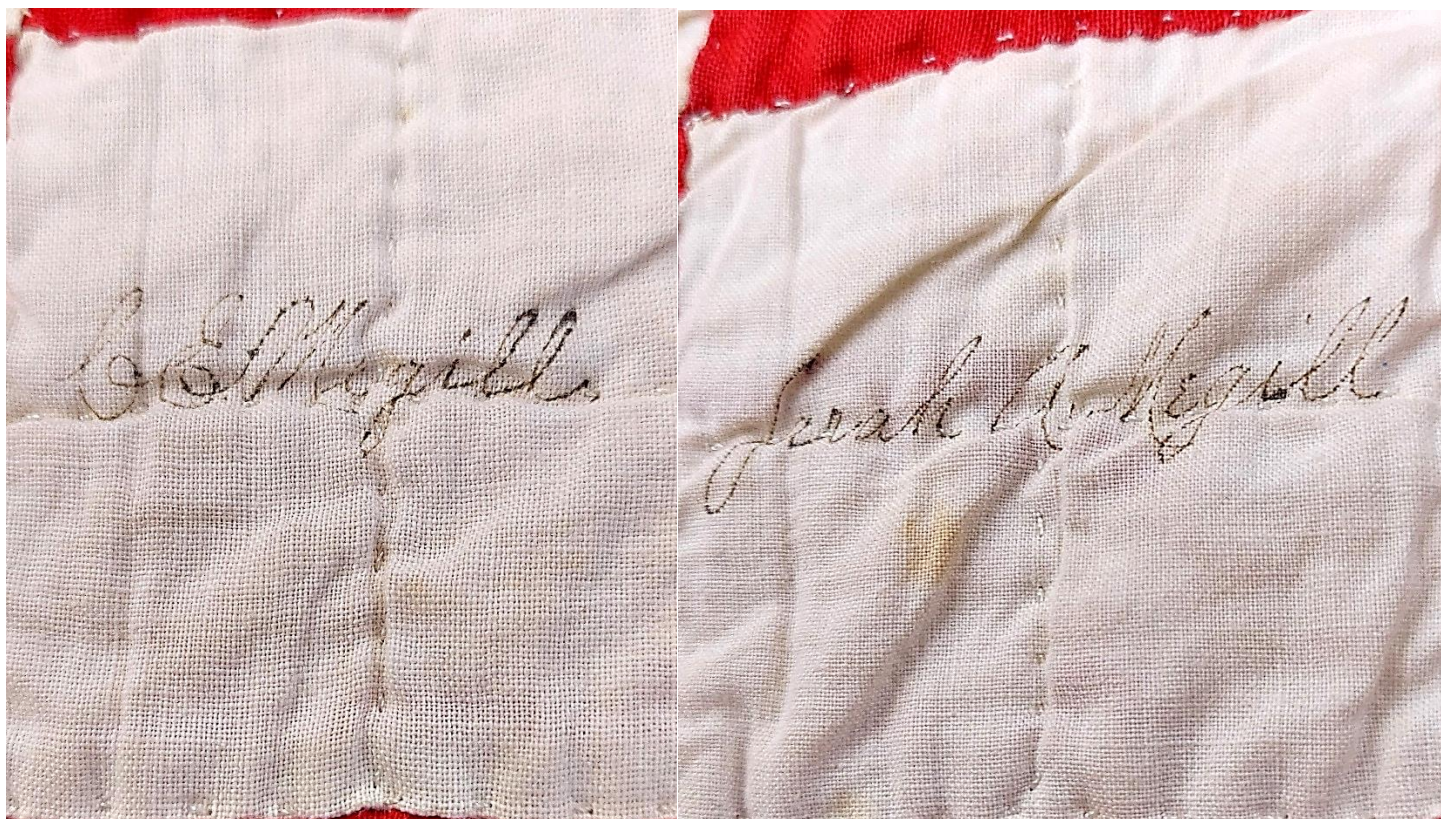
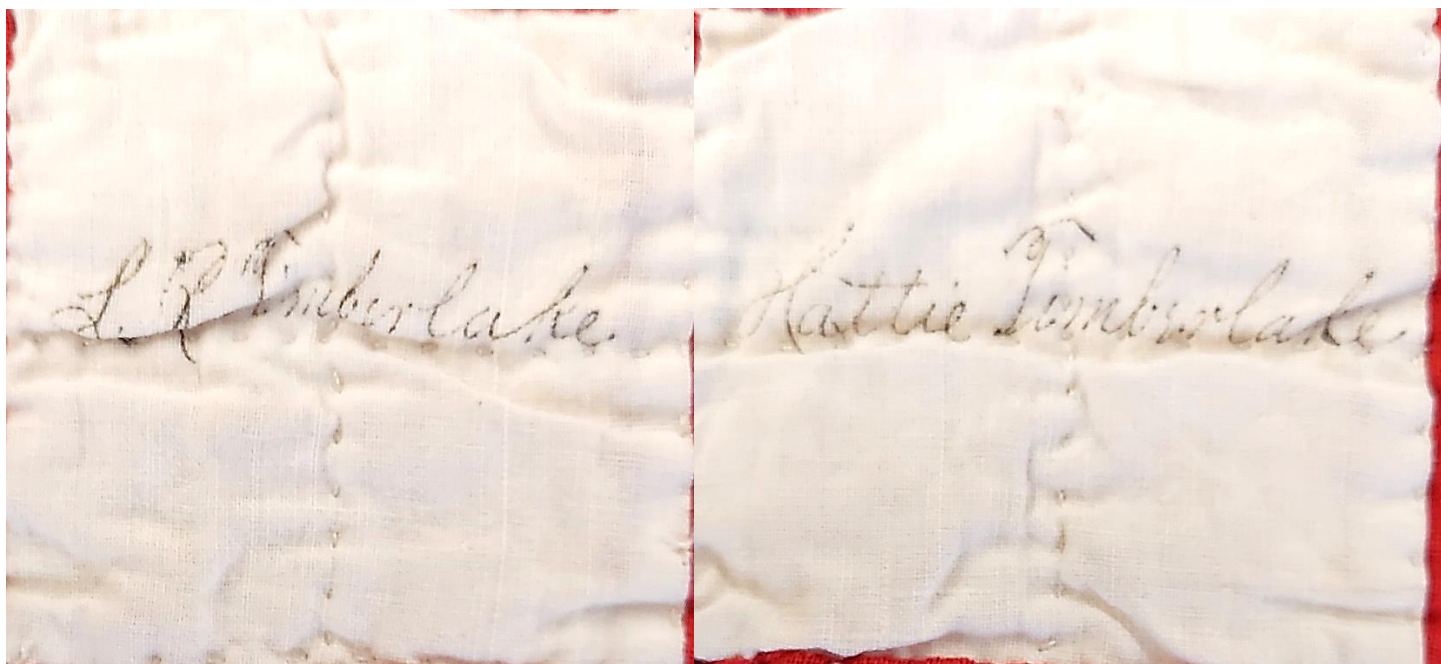


This picture taken early 1880's. — was considered a poor picture then. It seemed better to me as Mother became older — it looked older than she did when it was taken.

The brooch is the old one that we have now. — a gold circlet with a piece of red coral across it.

Note by Emma Carman, March 1942

Pictures of the quilt squares with signatures



Lettie Pittsall

Emie Pittsall

Amie Pittsall

Maria Pittsall

Fallie Samson

Margaret Smith

Mary Brown

Mr & Mrs
Backalou
June 15. 1880.
Farmington
N. E. Church

John J. Brown
Alfred B. Heisly

Frank Hampton
C. D. Warner

Mairilla H. Wiley
Ella Johnson

J. Tilton
Mrs M. A. Tilton

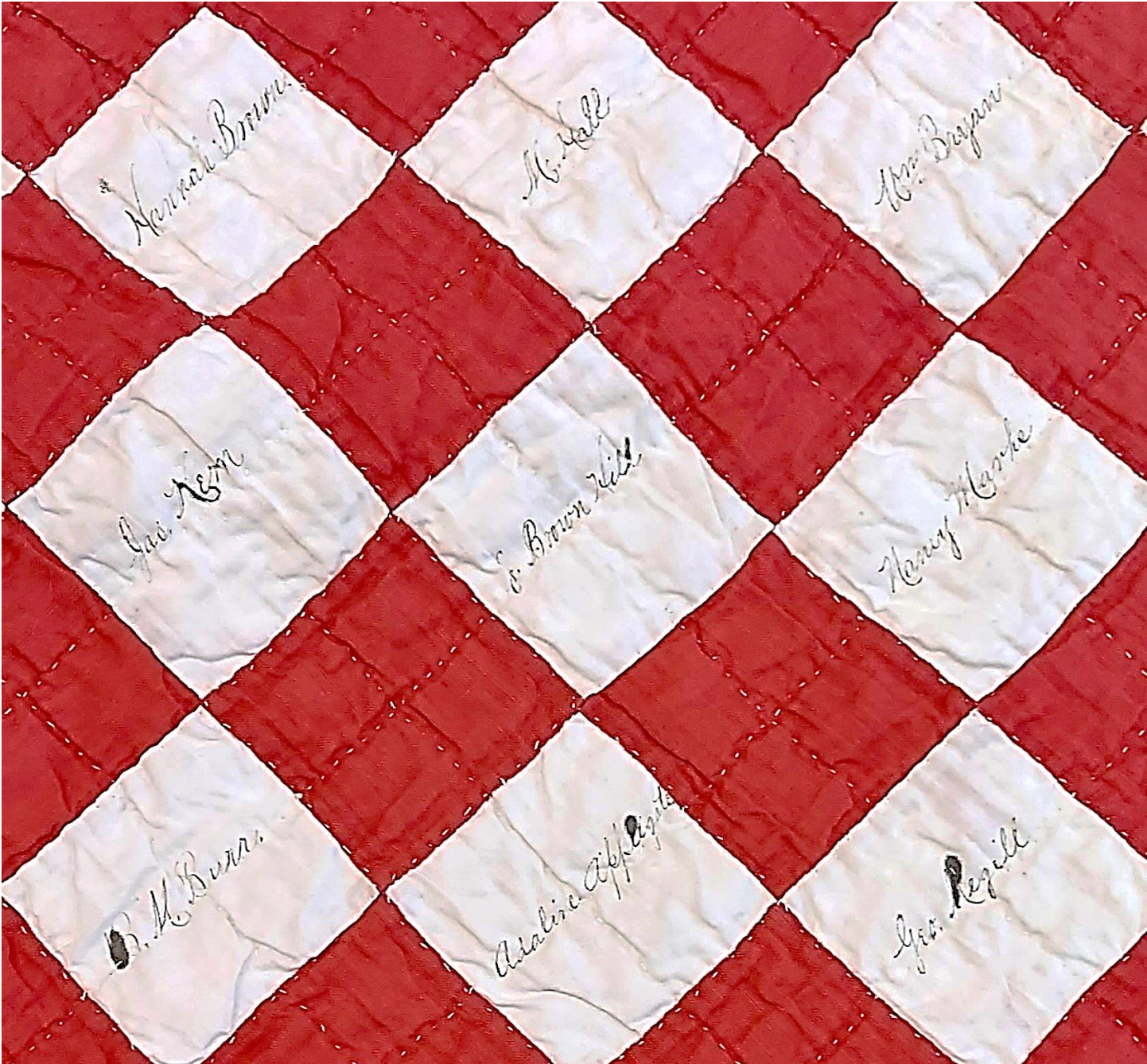
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Mrs Rebecca Carter

J. H. Jackson
Sallie M. Layton

Dorden Woolley
H. H. McQuinn

G. P. Bucklew
S. Applegate

A. Taylor
Mrs Lizzie Taylor



Hannah Brown

M. Hall

Wm. Bryan

Geo. Kern

S. Brown Hill

Nancy Harke

B. M. Burr

Asaline Applegate

Geo. Regill

Miss Louisa Castree,
Mrs. Moe,
E. Williams,

Mrs. E. Vancluse,
Doctor Grafton,
Lucina Wilson
Ella Lanley

Altie Dunston
Fadie Dunston
Hannie Dunston
Willie Dunston

Mrs. Robbins
Mrs. J. Emmerson
Mrs. C. C. Clayton
Mrs. E. C. Adams

Mrs. E. Adams
Mrs. E. Adams
Mrs. J. Adams

W. Tully
George Riggs

Mrs. Pitcock
Mrs. J. Wainor
Mrs. Estle

Mrs. Hughes
Mrs. E. Wainor

Mrs. J. Cruise
Darmingtondale
W. C. Church
June 1850
R. P. C. Wainor



J. R. Reynolds
Elizabeth Reynolds
William Reynolds
William Reynolds
Charles Bond

Mr. M. P. Lane
Mrs. C. P. Hart
Elizabeth Lane

Mrs. Susan P. Hart

John P. Bennett
David Johnson

George Hamilton
Jacob Thomas

Mrs. M. Bennett

George Morris
John Morris

Ben Curley

James P. Morris
John Morris
John Morris

David Megil,

Mr. Wm. Riddle

Mrs. L. Woodley

Philo Megil.

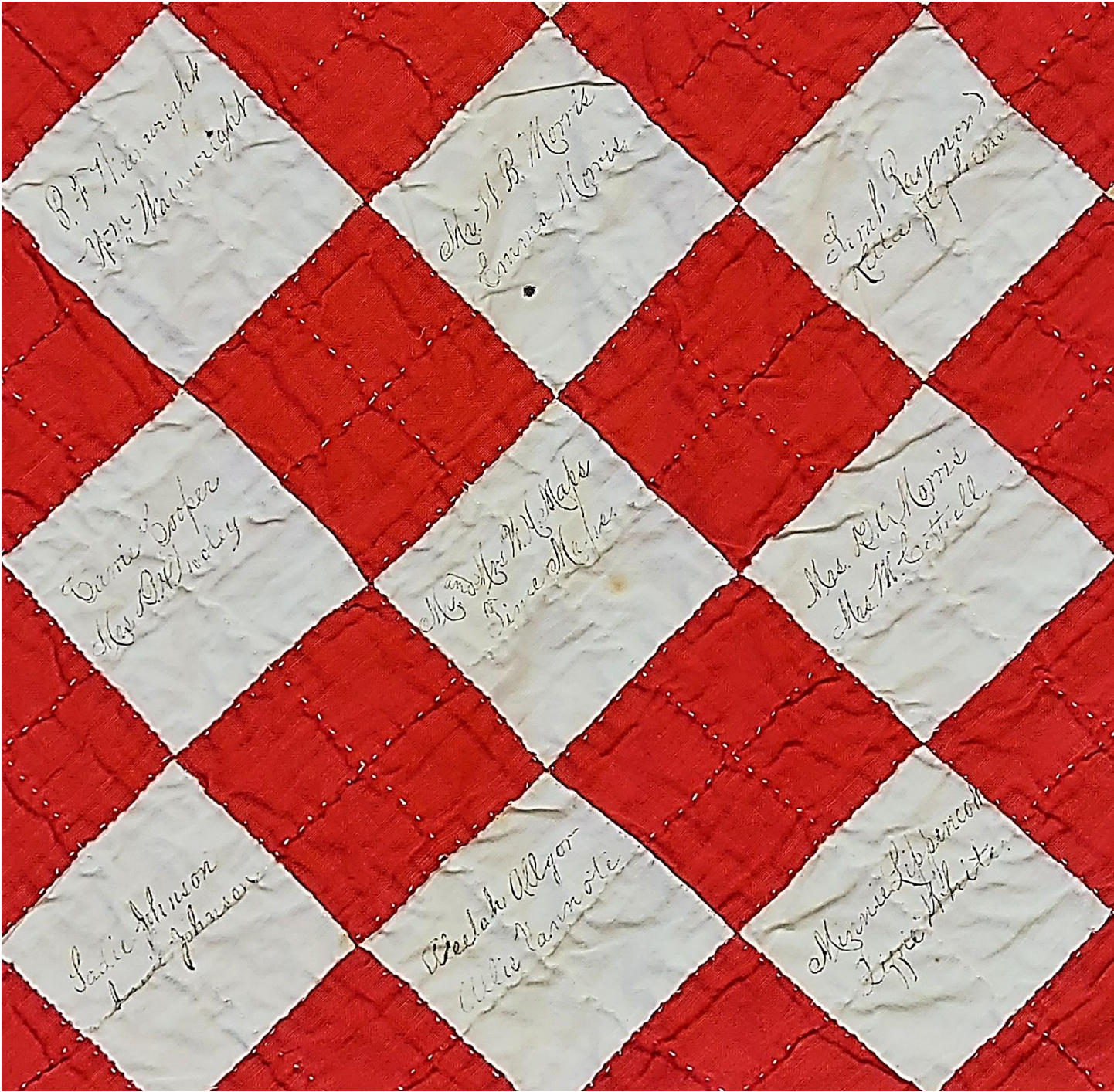
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Mrs Hitcham

Mrs Mary Hobb

Mrs C. Riddle.

Mrs. Burr

Mr and Mrs
B. Chalow.
June 15, 1850.
Farmingdale
N. S. Ch...



B. F. Mainwright
Mrs. Mainwright

Mrs. B. Morris
Emma Morris

John G. Johnson
Leticia Johnson

Bessie Cooper
Mrs. B. Cooper

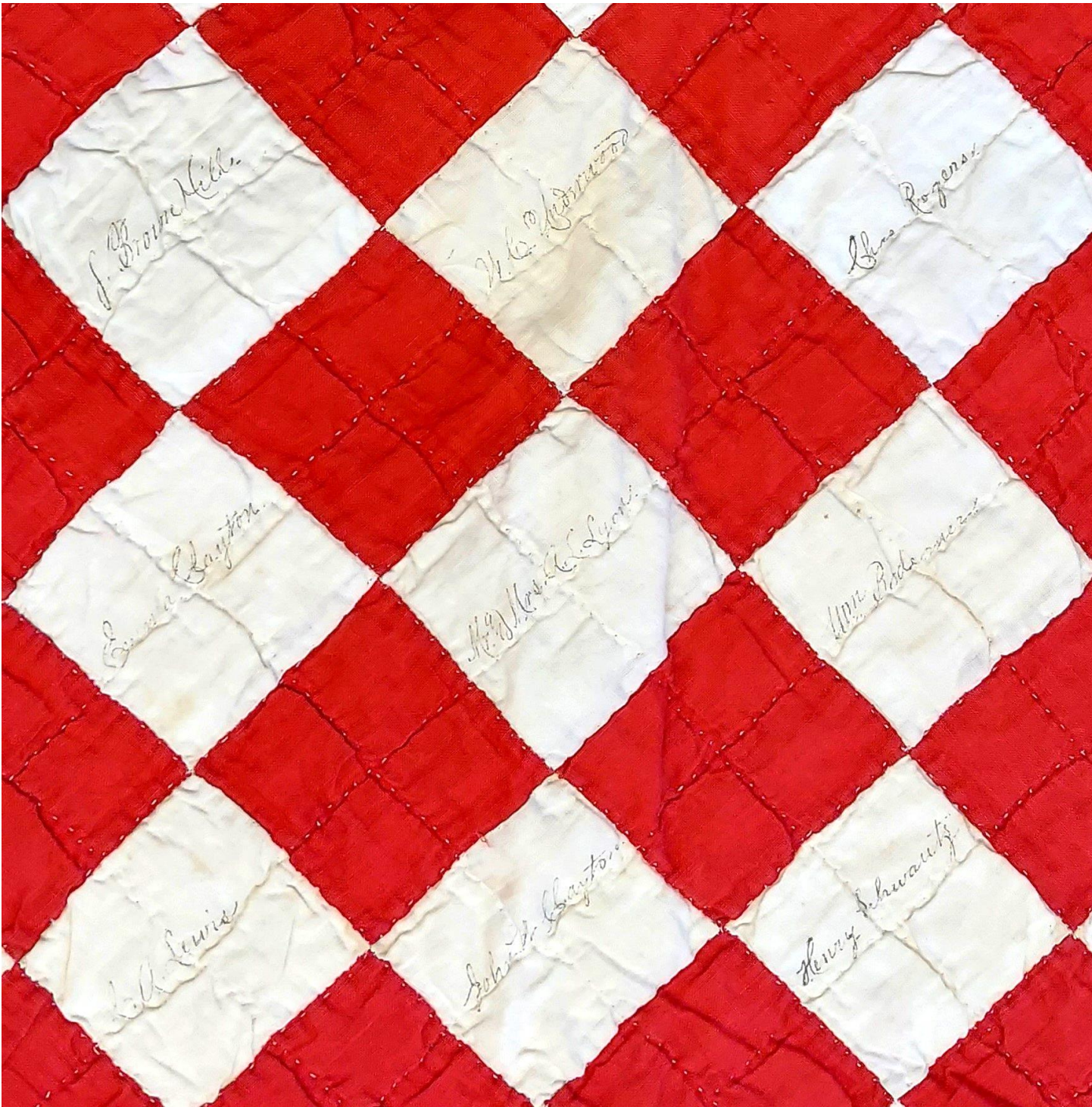
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Simeon Mabe

Mrs. R. G. Morris
Mrs. M. Cottrell

Lottie Johnson
Lottie Johnson

Wesley Allgood
Allie Cannon

Minnie Johnson
Lottie White



J. Brown Hill

W. L. Johnson

Mrs. Rogers

Susan Bayton

Mrs. M. L. Lyons

Mrs. B. B. Lyons

Ed. Lewis

Sch. J. Bayton

Henry Schwartz



Adeline Lane,
& Emma Negill

John Norton
Jesse Norton

Maria Parson

Wm. & Mrs.
J. Hammer

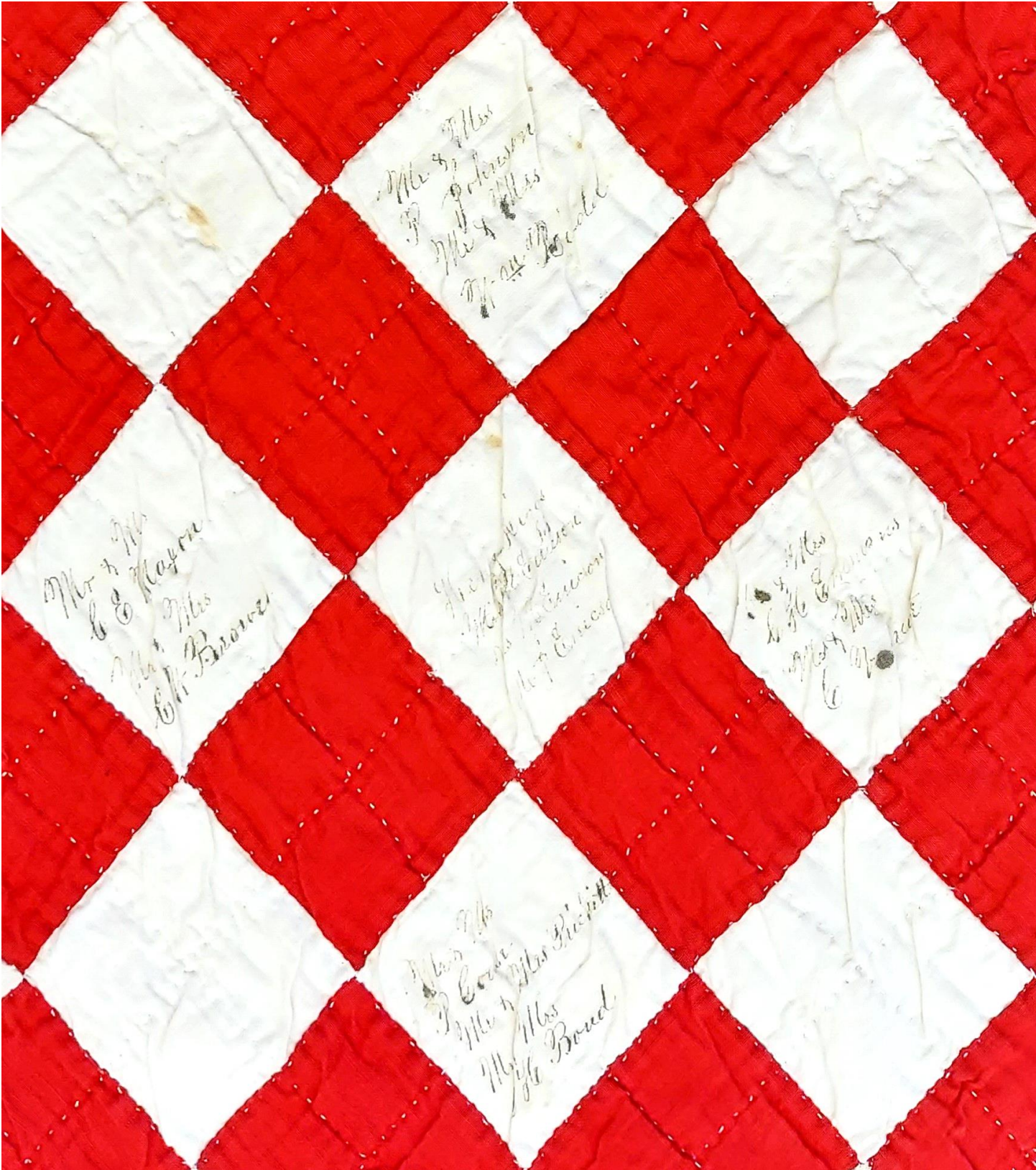
Wm. & Mrs.
Jesse Norton
Emma Norton

S. Negill
& J. Negill

Wm. & Mrs.
C. Norton

John Norton
C. Norton

Mrs. C. Norton



Mr & Mrs
P. Johnson
Mrs & Miss
J. Board

Mr & Mrs
C. & Mary
Mrs & Miss
E. Brown

Mr & Mrs
W. Johnson
Mrs & Miss
J. Board

Mr & Mrs
W. Johnson
Mrs & Miss
J. Board

Mr & Mrs
C. & Mary
Mrs & Miss
E. Brown

Jos. M. Greene
Geo. Conover,

George H. Perkins

Wm. Emmons
Chas. E. Slocum,

Kate Corlies

Mat. Mrs. Gale
Farmington,
N. H. Church
June 9, 1860.

John C. Harland
Franklin

W. G. Vann.
Mary Vann

George H. Pittman
Frank Sarge.

Chas. W. S. Ketchum
Hanson Cove,

BERT DARRMAN



Mrs. J. Williams
John H. Williams
Bessie Williams
Belle Williams

Mrs. E. Williams
Louie Williams

Sarah Williams
Mabel Williams
Emma Williams

Mrs. J. Williams
J. Williams

Joe E. Windsor
Fannie Windsor
Edward Windsor
M. L. Windsor
Jan. 1880

Clara Williams
Bessie Williams

Mrs. Sarah Williams

Mrs. E. Williams

Mrs. J. Williams
J. Williams
Mrs. J. Williams

Maggie Hank

Mrs. Hester
from Remond.

Elizabeth Vaccarella
Free Grace

Mrs. James Barnard
Frank Johnson

Rest of Barnard
Mrs. D. Barnard
Miss D. Barnard
Frank D. Barnard
Emma P. Barnard
L. D. Barnard

Mary Collins
Annie Collins

Mrs. James McCawley
Miss Annie McCawley
Mrs. Jacob Dehart
Mrs. G. Hoffer

Mrs. John Evans
Mrs. L. Robinson
Mr. Frank Tracy

Mrs. and Mrs. Raymond
Alexander Raymond

Mr & Mrs Boyle
Charles Boyle
Marie Boyle
Alice Boyle
Eddie Boyle

Mr & Mrs
James B. Fairwright
B. H. Fairwright

Mr & Mrs
James Johnson

Charles H. Sparks
Frank Woodley
John H. Hampton
Mrs J. H. Williams

Mr & Mrs
John B. Fairwright
Jimmie Foster
Mr & Mrs
A. H. Fairwright
Thomas B. Fairwright

Rev. G. Pierce
Charles G. Foster

Mr & Mrs
William
James Hampton

Mr Charles White
Mr G. H. Johnson

George Hampton
William Johnson
W. P. Farmer

Mrs. C. C. Lawrence

Wm. B. Goodenough
Edd.
Mrs. Annal Goodenough

Lisa Goodenough
Fannie Goodenough

John W. Goodenough
Mrs. John Goodenough
Mary Goodenough

Mrs. M. M.
Wm. Goodenough
Lizzie Goodenough
Springdale

Frank Swain
Maggie Swain

Dr. Goodenough
Mrs. D. Goodenough

Mrs. Goodenough
A. C. Comman

Mrs. C. C. Lawrence
June 15, 1880



Cassie F. Riddell

Andrew M. Shafte
Mrs. Hattie Shafte

Joseph B. Riddell
Mrs. Rachel Riddell

W. P. Kimmonth
Mrs. M. L. Kimmonth

Charles Riddell

Miss Louisa Castree.
Mrs. M.
E. Williams.

Mrs. C. E. Vander.
Dorothy Grafton,
Laura Wilson
Ella Stanley

Allice Sanford
Freddie Sanford.
Hannie Sanford
Willie Sanford.

Mrs. Robbins.
Mrs. J. Emmerson.
Mrs. C. C. Clayton
Mrs. S. C. Jackson.

Mrs. E. M. Sanford.
Mrs. S. A. Lockwood.

W. T. Kelly
Henry Riggs.

Mrs. Peterhoff
Mrs. J. Wainor
Mrs. E. E. E.

Mrs. Hughes
Mrs. E. Waters.

Mrs. J. P. Cruise
Stamington
June 1877
A. B. Church
A. B. Church

Names as best as I can decipher

Algor	Flitcroft	Lynch	Roffines
Allaire	Goodenough	Mahoney	Rogers
Applegate	Hall	Malford	Row
Barkalow	Hampton	Manke	Sanford
Bartora	Harsand	Marke	Schloser
Berenetti	Havens	Marks	Schwartz
Boud	Heale	Matthews	Shafto
Boyle	Heisley	Mayra	Slocum
Bridenez	Hible	McCauley	Taylor
Broper	Hill	McGuire	Tilton
Browe	Hoffer	Megill	Timberlake
Brown	Hughes	Megill	Tracy
Bruge	Hurley	Miller	Underwood
Bryan	Jackson	Miller	Vancleve
Buckelew	Johnson	Morris	Vann
Burr	Kempton	Nesbit	Vannote
Carman	Kern	Onfrmith	Venk
Castree	Ketcham	Ormond	Waiceri
Clayton	Kinmonth	Partora	Wainwright
Conover	Kitcroft	Patterson	Warner
Corlies	Lafetra	Peun	Warner
Cottrell	Lake	Pickett	Waters
Covlive	Lampton	Pierce	White
Cruse	Lane	Pit--k	Willend
Dehart	Lanford	Puerr	Williams
Emmons	Layton	Ray???	Willims
Ermack	Lewis	Raymond	Wilson
Erricson	Libbencoll	Reynolds	Windson
Estle	Lockwoods	Riddel	Wooley
Evans	Lutz	Riggs	