

EDMUND¹ OF WOBURN

Seventh Generation

No. 8198

NAME: Jacob Gerrish⁷ Chamberlain

Father: Samuel⁶ Chamberlain (No. 7898)
[Moses⁵ (Samuel⁴, Jacob³, John², Edmund¹)
and Rebecca (Abbott) Chamberlain]

Mother: Martha Gerrish

Born: 11 Sep 1829, Loudon, Merrimack Co., NH

Died: 30 Sep 1897, Los Angeles, Los Angeles Co., CA, "aged 67 years, 8 months, 19 days"

Buried:

Married: 31 Dec 1852, Stockton, Chautauqua Co., NY

Other Marriages:

No. 14401

SPOUSE: Harriet Putnam Bugbee

Father:

Mother:

Born: 8 Mar 1830, probably Stockton, Chautauqua Co., NY

Died: 10 July 1908, Windber, Somerset Co., PA, "aged 78 years, 4 months, 2 days"

Buried: —?— Cemetery, Windber, PA

Other Marriages:

CHILDREN

M 8380 Samuel Gerrish⁸, b. 25 Dec 1855, Unionville, Lake Co., OH. Married Kate Troll Smith. She was born 27 Sep 1858, Columbiana, OH. No children. For many years, he was employed by the Lake Shore Railroad in Cleveland, OH. He also spent time in Los Angeles as well as South Africa in his career. In 1910, he was employed with the American Tin Plate Company, and lived in Pittsburgh, PA. By 1930, he was living at the Troll house in Columbiana, OH, which was apparently owned by his wife's family. The date and place of his death is unknown.

M 8381 Orville Messer⁸, b. 7 Apr 1860, Canfield, Mahoning Co., OH. Married Mary Leavitt, 13 Oct 1886, Leetonia, OH. (The bible record calls her "Matie.") He was involved in some type of business at Leetonia, OH, but just what kind of business it was is not known. No children. Died 27 Oct 1888, Leetonia, OH, "aged 28 years, 6 months, and 20 days."

M 8382 Charles Bugbee⁸, b. 5 July 1862, perhaps Canfield, Mahoning Co., OH. Died 6 Mar 1863, "aged 8 months and 1 day."

- M 8383 William Mather⁸, b. 24 Apr 1868, perhaps Leetonia, Columbiana Co., OH. His middle name has been spelled with and without an “s” on the end. The original bible entry just gives “Willam M. Chamberlain.” Later, someone added to the record which appears to read “William Mather Chamberlain.” He attended Ohio University at Wooster (Athens), OH, and later, he was at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY. From the latter school, he received his A.B. degree in 1890. Next, he took up the study of medicine at the University of Virginia. However, he was unable to complete his training due to a paralyzing illness he developed and which resulted in his death a few years later. Unmarried. It is said that William was deeply mourned by all his family and friends “for his cheerful and sunny disposition which brought pleasure wherever it was met.” Died 1 Nov 1895, Los Angeles, CA, “aged 27 years, 6 months and 7 days.”
- F 8384 Harriet⁸, b. 7 Aug 1869, Leetonia, Columbiana Co., OH. Married George Anthony Smith, 11 Apr 1894, Columbus, OH. Died in 1942, Windber, PA. +

BIOGRAPHICAL

Harriet Bugbee was of Stockton, NY. She apparently had family connections in Pennsylvania as there was a homestead of some kind in Windber, PA, and that is the place she was buried.

Jacob was already the father of three children, when his brother Samuel died. He and his wife Harriet took two of Samuel’s children, Lee and Martha to live with them and they raised them as if they were their own children.

After the death of his own father Samuel at a young age, Jacob lived with his maternal grandfather, Jacob Gerrish, in Boscawen, NH, and became known as a “Gerrish.” At the tender age of 15, he decided to go out on his own and lived in several places while holding many occupations. He moved to Ohio in 1850, where for awhile, he taught school and then began to practice Civil Engineering with the Cleveland and Erie Railroad.

Three years later, he was First Assistant Engineer on the Iron Mountain Railway at Marquette, Michigan. In 1861, after a few intervening and interesting endeavors, he went into the coal business at Washingtonville, Ohio. He later became Superintendent of the Cherry Valley Iron Works. In 1886, he went to Birmingham, Alabama, where he assisted in building one of the south’s pioneer furnaces. Still later, he moved to Los Angeles, California, where he built the first rolling mill on the Pacific coast.

With his mineral academic training, he was broadly educated and a fine engineer. His knowledge of metallurgy—both technical and theoretical, was very extensive as well as practical.

On the founding the town of Leetonia, Ohio, he said “It stands for all that is morality, square dealing and Christian consideration.”

PREPARATION OF THIS RECORD

This record was prepared by the late David C. Chamberlin Sr., using data obtained from various sources as listed. Comments and additional information are welcome and should be sent to the World Chamberlain Genealogical Society. < www.chamberlain-society.org >

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