JOSEPH B. WEBER

PERSONAL JOURNAL RECORDS

The enclosed birth, marriage and death records are abstracted from the personal journal of JOSEPH B. WEBER. Although the two journal volumes only run from January 1876 through December 1882, the lists run from December 1858 to August 27, 1900 when his wife Magdalena Weber died.

Care should be exercised in using the list of births. There are two columns on each page. An entry such as:

1858
Dec 2 1 Menno Bowman d.

means, the first child born to Menno Bowman was a daughter. Occasionally a (+) will appear above an entry. This indicates that the child died. The numbers that follow relate to the years, months, and days that the child survived.

Most of the names of locations in Canada will be familiar to residents of Waterloo County. However, the Joseph B. Weber family moved to Leighton Township, Allegan County, Michigan in 1869. Their farm was located in sections 23 and 24, which was about four miles west of Middleville and five miles south of Caledonia. Green Lake was two miles to the northwest. Thornapple is a nearby township.

In order to interpret references to relatives, the following biographical data is provided. The reference numbers next to names, below, are those used in "A BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF WATERLOO TOWNSHIP," Ezra E. Eby, 1895 & 1896; A SUPPLEMENT by Joseph B. Snyder, 1931; Plus An Intensive INDEX of all entries of all persons whose names are used throughout the volumes, An Ordinal INDEX of GEOGRAPHY related to the numbered items, NOTES about some of the families and individuals, MAPS and other DOCUMENTS of interest, by Eldon D. Weber, 1971, 1978, and 1984.

WEBER, JOSEPH B., son of Zimmerman and Leah W. (63 & 427 Baumann/Bowman) Weber. He was born in Waterloo County on 23 June 1836 and died in Leighton Township, Michigan on 22 May 1894. He is buried in the town of Caledonia, Michigan. Little is known about Zimmerman Weber other than he was born in Pennsylvania. It is presumed that he died soon after Joseph was born, because Leah married (1834) Eli Clemens on 30 May 1843. On 12 October 1858, Joseph married (4165) Magdalena Kraft of Bridgeport. She was born 12 October 1838 and died 27 August 1900. She is buried next to Joseph in Caledonia. They had six children, Josephine (b. 13 Jan 1860), John Allen (b. 3 December 1860), George Henry (b. 6 February 1863), Hannah E (b. 6 November 1864), Solomon Joseph (b. 27 August 1866), Mary Jane (b. 28 August 1868). Prior to moving to Michigan in 1869, Joseph was the teacher at the Lexington Public School. See (4165) and the list of officials on the 1861 map of Waterloo Township.

The enclosed list of DEATHS makes personal reference to a number of Joseph B. Weber's relatives. These have been checked against "A BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF WATERLOO TOWNSHIP." The findings are listed below:

DEATHS

1859 July 4 Oliver Bowman, Waterloo, son of Unc. Henry
(437 V BAUMANN, OLIVER son of 64 IV BAUMANN, HENRY W.)

1860 July 19 George Lichy's wife, Woolwich, d. of Unc. Ben
(327 V BAUMANN, SARAH daughter of 50 IV BAUMANN, BENJAMIN W)

1860 Aug 1 Mag. Clemens, N. Berlin, d. of Mother, B. Flux.
(1841 VII CLEMENS, MAGDALENA daughter of
63/427 IV BAUMANN, LEAH)

1861 June 2 Christ Martin's wife, Waterloo, h. sister of my G. Father
(75 III BAUMANN, ANNA half sister of grandfather
49 III BAUMANN, CHRISTIAN)

1862 Oct 23 Unc. Jacob Snyder, Bloomingdale, Dropsy
(6180 III SNYDER, JACOB JR. husband of 51 IV BAUMANN, MARY W.
and then 53 IV BAUMANN, MAGDALENA W. both sisters of
63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1863 Apr 18 Aunt Anna Bowman, At Mother's, She was not sane
(52 IV BAUMANN, ANNA died at 1834 VI CLEMENS, ELI)

1864 Aug 21 Unc. I. Bingeman, Breslau, Consumption
(1084 IV BINGEMAN, ISAAC B. brother of 1047 IV BINGEMAN,
ESTHER who married 4148 II KRAFT, GEORGE)

1864 Oct 16 My Uncle J. W. Bowman, Waterloo, Long illness
(56 IV BAUMANN, JOHN W. brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1865 Aug 19 Joseph Eby's wife, St. Jacobs, Aunt to Mrs.
(1063 IV BINGEMAN, MAGDALENA aunt to 4165 III KRAFT, MAGDALENA)

1866 Apr 6 G. Mother Shoemaker, Waterloo, At Barnabas Devitts
(6536 III SHANTZ, MARY. See 7005 SHOEMAKER, JOHN. She was
the mother of 7019 V SHOEMAKER, JOHN who married Veronica
(Fanny) Sailor. After his death, Veronica came to Canada and
married 56 IV BAUMANN, JOHN W.)

1866 Sept 6 Unc. Sam Bowman, Waterloo Tp., Dyspepsia
(58 IV BAUMANN, SAMUEL W. brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1866 Nov 2 Aunt Judith Bowman, Berlin, wife of Henry B. Apoplexy
(60 IV BAUMANN, JUDITH married 562 IV BAUMANN, HENRY B.)

1866 Nov 17 G. Mother Kraft, Bridgeport, Inflamation of the lungs
(817 V BECHTEL, MAGDALENA mother of 4148 II KRAFT, GEORGE)

1869 Sept 18 Brother George's, Caledonia, Sarah Esther only child
(4170 III KRAFT, GEORGE brother of 4165 III KRAFT, MAGDALENA)

1871 Oct 24 My Mother, Waterloo, Consumption
(63/427 IV BAUMANN, LEAH W. married to 1834 VI CLEMENS, ELI
at the time of her death. Death confirmed by 2 Nov 1871
"Berliner Journal")

1872 Jan 3 Unc. Christ Bowman, Woolwich, Erysipelas
(59 IV BAUMAN, CHRISTIAN W. brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1873 Mar 21 Unc. J. Bingeman's wife, Blenheim, Milk fever
(6003 SNYDER, JUDITH wife of 1065 IV BINGEMAN, JOHN brother
of Esther Bingeman Kraft.)

1873 Oct 8 Bro. Solomon's child, Bridgeport, Dysentery
(4171 III KRAFT, SOLOMON brother of 4165 III KRAFT, MAGDALENA)

1878 Jun 2 Father Elias Eby, Bridgeport, Apoplexy
(2435 V EBY, ELIAS father of 2438 EBY, BENJAMIN W, who was the
husband of 4167 III KRAFT, HANNAH)

1878 Jun 25 My Aunt, Waterloo, Long sickness
(Veronica Sailor, widow of 7019 SHOEMAKER, JOHN and then
56 IV BAUMANN, JOHN W.)

1878 Nov 12 My Aunt Amanda, Waterloo, Consumption of throat
(Amanda Melvina Lewis wife of 64/428 IV BOWMAN, HENRY W.
brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1879 Feb 8 Father Eli Clemens, Near Bloomingdale, Consumption
(Joseph B. Weber's stepfather 1834 VI CLEMENS, ELI second
husband of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1879 Oct 25 Unc. Jonah Bowman, N. Dundas, Old age
(55 IV BAUMANN, JONATHAN W. brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1879 Dec 28 Mrs. John Snyder Aunt, N Bloomingdale, Apoplexy
(1045 BINGEMAN, JUDITH sister of Esther Bingeman Kraft)

1880 Dec 5 Bro. George's Aaron, Caledonia, Croup
(Aaron, son of Magdalena Kraft Weber's brother 4170 III KRAFT,
GEORGE)

1883 Feb 8 Unc. H. W. Bowman, Waterloo V, Eresyplas
(64 IV BAUMANN, HENRY W. brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1883 Oct 6 Mother Kunkel, Union City, Mother to Aunt Jane
(Jane Kunkel was married to 4170 III KRAFT, GEORGE
brother of Magdalena Kraft Weber)

1883 Oct 18 Unc. Gab Bowman, Oakfield, Consumption
(65 IV BAUMANN, GABRIEL W. brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1884 Jul 19 Unc. Joe Bowman, Benton Harbor, Consumption
(61 IV BAUMANN, JOSEPH W. brother of 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH)

1885 Jul 4 Bro. M Clemens, Wilmon, Dropsy
(1836 VII CLEMENS, MENNO B. son of 1834 VI CLEMENS, ELI and 63/427 BAUMANN, LEAH, half brother of Joseph B. Weber)

1886 Oct 3 Broth. George's George, Caledonia, foot in mower.
(George Kraft, son of Magdalena Weber's brother 4170 III KRAFT, GEORGE)

1890 Jan 11 Unc. Rudy Dettwiler, N Bloomingdale
(2252 IV DETWILER, RUDOLPH husband of 1048 IV BINGEMAN, SUSANNAH sister of Esther Bingeman Kraft)

1890 Apr 24 Unc. Elias Snyder, Waterloo
(5819 IV SNYDER, REV. ELIAS husband of 1050 IV BINGEMAN, HANNAH sister of Esther Bingeman Kraft)

1891 Mar 6 Unc. Jacob Bowman, Last one
(62 IV BAUMANN, JACOB W. brother of 63/427 IV BAUMANN, LEAH)

1891 Mar 28 Cousin Isaac Snyder's Wife
(Nancy Sitler wife of 5839 V SNIDER, ISAAC B. son of 5819 REV. SNYDER, ELIAS)

1892 Jan 4 Mother Kraft, bronchitis
Jan 7 The funeral at the U.B. church Caledonia
(1047 IV BINGEMAN, ESTHER mother of Magdalena Kraft Weber)

1892 Apr 5 Aunt R. Dettwiler, near Bloomingdale
(1048 IV BINGEMAN, SUSANNAH sister of Esther Bingeman Kraft)

1894 May 22 J. B. Weber, Leighton, Mich
(Joseph B. Weber)

1897 Jan 24 Father Kraft, Caledonia, Mich.
(4148 II KRAFT, GEORGE father of Magdalena Kraft Weber)

1898 Jan 13 Mrs. J. A. Weber
(Lydia A. Ragatz wife of John Allen Weber, son of Joseph B. Weber)

1900 Jun 25 Mrs. Geo Kraft, Caledonia
(Jane Kunkel wife of 4170 III KRAFT, GEORGE. Magdalena Kraft Weber's sister-in-law.)

1900 Aug 27 Mrs J. B. Weber, Leighton
(4165 III KRAFT, MAGDALENA)